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Widening Horizons

Report of the Winter Council of the British Union Committee

If there was one thing more than another which impressed us during the recent Winter Council of the British Union Committee, it was the constant recurrence of the phrase: "For the first time in our history."

Quite unrehearsed, it sprang spontaneously to the lips of one leader after another as he recounted all that God had accomplished through him and his department during the past year.

"For the first time in our history," said Pastor F. W. Goodall, Union Home Missionary Secretary, "we raised over £10,000 in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign."

"For the first time in our history," he added, "our Sabbath-school offerings exceeded £5,000."

"For the first time in our history," said Pastor R. S. Joyce, "the South England Conference saw its tithe income pass £15,000."

"For the first time in our history," he added, "South England reached its huge Ingathering goal of £4,800, and baptized over 300 souls in one year—a forty per cent increase over 1934."

"For the first time in our history," said Pastor J. Harker, "we published a book in the Irish Free State and started a publishing house of our own."

"For the first time in our history," said Pastor G. D. King,

By A. S. Maxwell

"poverty-stricken Wales raised £1,000 in the Harvest Ingathering campaign, and baptized 164 souls in a four-year period."

"For the first time in our his-



The Colporteur's Prayer

(May be sung to No. 90 *Advent Hymnal Revised*.)

*Give me, O Lord, the grace to play
the part,
Which, in Thy wisdom, Thou hast
planned for me,
That I may serve Thee with a faith-
ful heart,
And true simplicity.*

*Give me, O Lord, the yearning love
for souls
Which brought Thee from the
shining realms on high—
That sympathy, which human woe
consoles,
And shows Thee always nigh.*

*Though hidden, humble, and obscure
my sphere,
Though far from honour and the
praise of men,
May Jesus walk, in all His glory,
here,
And some be "born again."*

*So let me run, O Lord, the heavenly
race,
With faith unshaken, battle bravely
on,
Till my reward shall be to see Thy
face,
And hear Thee say, "Well done!"*

ERNEST COX.

tory," said Pastor O. M. Dorland, "we have baptized over forty souls from one short effort in North England."

"For the first time in our history," said Dr. C. E. Nelson, "there have been started on Stanborough Park, in connection with The Stanboroughs Hospital, an Infant Welfare Centre, an Ante-Natal Clinic, and a Maternity Department."

Then the missionaries spoke up.

"For the first time in our history," said Pastor J. Clifford from the Gold Coast, "the ancient 'talking drums' of Africa have been used to send out the invitation, 'Come to the Adventist service.'"

"And in the Ibo country of Nigeria," said Brother W. Hyde, "for the first time in our history, a most extraordinary situation is developing. Whole churches are coming over to us. Over 2,000 new Sabbath-school members were enrolled in 1935. It is a mighty movement almost beyond our capacity to cope with."

As for the College, "for the first time in our history," said Pastor W. G. Murdoch, "the riches of the soil at Newbold have been discovered. Never have there been such crops of hay, wheat, barley, and potatoes. New industries, too, have been established. For the first time in our history, students are now working their way

through school not only by canvassing, farming, gardening, and carpentry, but also by leather-work and sock-making."

A remarkable spiritual stirring had been noticeable among the young people of the Union, said Pastor F. W. Goodall. Over 700 had enrolled in sixty classes for Bible study during 1935. The number receiving certificates was "the largest in our history."

Thus have horizons widened in one short year under the guidance and blessing of God. Things have been seen that were never seen before in this field. Undoubtedly, there is "a sound of a going." Things are moving more rapidly at last. Let us thank God and take courage.

As for the rest of the Council, which was crowded with matters of interest from beginning to end, we can only add that it was a time of great blessing and inspiration.

Among the specially interesting actions was the decision to send a message of sympathy to our workers in Ethiopia, which appears on this page.

Another was the plan to help Ireland by sending in a thousand copies of *Present Truth*, to specially selected addresses, for six issues of 1936—details of which will, of course, be announced later.

Perhaps the most potentially fruitful scheme of all was that of the illustrated "drawing-room" lectures, to assist our laymen and young people in giving Bible studies by means of the projector-scope. We predict a great response to this truly excellent plan.

But transcending all the discussion of "ways and means" was the altogether unusual series of studies given by Pastor L. E. Froom on the vicissitudes of the Advent hope through the centuries from the days of Christ to the present time. For an hour each day the Council was given the benefit of the three years' intensive study which Brother Froom has given to this absorbing theme by request of the General Conference. The material he has gathered from the

ends of the earth is truly invaluable, confirming in every particular the Advent faith of this people and demonstrating that its foundations are as firm as the everlasting hills.

We feel sure that all who were

privileged to attend this Council must have returned to their field of labour with renewed courage in the Lord, fresh confidence in His message for the hour, and a wider horizon for the future.

"It Was Voted . . ."

Actions taken at the recent British Union Committee

THE following are some of the actions which were adopted at the meetings of the British Union Committee, held January 6th to 9th.

In addition to the members of the Union Committee twenty-five others were in attendance and it really took the form more of a council than the regular meeting of the Committee. The resolutions which we give herewith will, we feel sure, be read with interest by all our members:

EVANGELISTIC WORK

WHEREAS The counsel of the Spirit of prophecy reveals very clearly that in the last days there will be a mighty ingathering of souls and large publicity given to the work of God, as foreshadowed in the following testimonies:

"The third angel, flying in the midst of heaven, and heralding the com-

OUR CABLE TO ETHIOPIA

THE following cable was sent to our workers in Ethiopia by the brethren attending the Council at Watford, January 6th to 9th:

"Your fellow-workers in British Union gathered in Winter Council at Watford, England, express deepest sympathy in your present difficulties and pray God to protect and sustain you all."

mandments of God and the testimony of Jesus, represents our work. The message loses none of its force in the angel's onward flight; for John sees it increasing in strength and power until the whole earth is lightened with its glory. The course of God's commandment-keeping people is onward, ever onward. The message of truth that we bear must go to nations, tongues, and peoples. Soon it will go with a loud voice, and the earth will be lightened with its glory. Are we preparing for this great out-

pouring of the Spirit of God?"—*Vol. 5, page 383.*

"The great work of the Gospel is not to close with less manifestation of the power of God than marked its opening. The prophecies which were fulfilled in the outpouring of the former rain at the opening of the Gospel, are again to be fulfilled in the latter rain at its close.

"Servants of God with their faces lighted up and shining with holy consecration, will hasten from place to place to proclaim the message from heaven. By thousands of voices all over the earth, the warning will be given."—*Vol. 9, page 154; and,*

WHEREAS It is the purpose of God that the warning message shall be given with mighty power in the cities of our land, as indicated in such testimonies as these:

"Behold the cities, and their need of the Gospel."—*Id., page 97.*

"Should not the ministers of God go into these crowded centres and there lift up their voices in warning the multitudes?"—*Id., page 99.*

"All throughout the cities God has honest souls who are interested in the truth."—*Id., page 98.*

"O that men might see the needs of these cities as God sees them! At such a time as this, every hand is to be employed. The Lord is coming; the end is near; yea, it hasteth greatly! In a little while we shall be unable to work with the freedom that we now enjoy."—*Id., page 101; and*

WHEREAS We are assured that in the closing scenes of the work of God on earth, the laymen of our churches and, in fact, every believer, will unite with the ministry in giving the message with no uncertain sound; and,

WHEREAS It is our deep conviction that the coming of the Lord draweth nigh, that the time has come when the cry should go forth with mighty power, "Behold, the Bridegroom cometh," the events of our time presenting an unparalleled opportunity for the preaching of the Advent message, it was

Remember the Offering for Ethiopia on Jan. 25th

Voted, 1. That we consecrate ourselves anew to the solemn responsibilities God has laid upon us, namely, the winning of men and women to Christ.

2. That as ministers and workers, we aim to make the year 1936 the banner year in the winning of souls to Jesus in the British Isles.

3. That we counsel our conferences and mission fields, as well as our ministers and Bible-workers, to set definite goals in their work of soul-winning this year.

4. That we call upon our laymen to join with us in this work, not only by ministering to our churches on the Sabbath, but also, wherever possible, in conducting public efforts.

5. That we urgently appeal to our entire membership to make this work of winning men and women to Christ the most important feature of all their missionary activities.

SPIRITUAL CARE OF THE CHURCHES—
STATEMENT

The following statement was adopted:

"After careful and prayerful consideration of our membership losses, we feel we should express our deep regret that precious souls depart from the Lord. We recognize that these losses are due, in part at least, to the difficulties obtaining in these last days, as foretold in the prophetic Word. We believe, however, that many of these sad experiences of apostasy could be avoided.

"We are convinced that lack of careful shepherding, due to a dearth of efficient spiritual church leadership, is a prominent factor in this matter, and we are persuaded that steps should be taken immediately to remedy this situation.

"More encouragement should be given to local men and women of proved integrity, and earnest efforts should be made to give them instruction and practical training in spiritual leadership."

Hence we would suggest the following:

1. That our ministry seek God with the whole heart for an infilling of God's gracious Spirit. Without such spiritual ministry, the church cannot be saved from the inroads of satanic influence. Our members must be warned and guarded against the influence of the cinema, certain radio programmes, subtle and alluring philosophies, the spirit of worldliness, and indifference to eternal things—in order that they may weather the tempest of these last times.

2. That each minister make definite and continuous effort so to budget his working schedule, that time each day may be set apart for communion, meditation, and study for the enrichment of his own soul.

3. That in his ministry he make definite plans to help and encourage

the youth in their many trials and perplexities incident to modern conditions.

4. That he give special attention to conserving the Sabbath hour of worship for the purpose of preaching the Word and imparting spiritual strength to the believers.

5. That the minister make every effort to leave a spiritual impression upon every service and, though it may be necessary to use a part of the regular service for announcements and campaign instructions, this time be reduced to the minimum, and that such matters be not permitted to encroach upon the time which should be given to the preaching of the Word.

6. That we urge all our departments to continue to make their specific campaigns and special days contribute to spiritual life, and that we commend and support the Sabbath-School Department in its efforts to conserve the lesson-teaching time without encroachment or curtailment of any kind.

7. That special efforts be made to train local leadership, and to this end we counsel that plans be arranged for special conventions for our church elders and company leaders.

HARVEST INGATHERING CAMPAIGN—
EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE TO GOD AND
APPRECIATION TO OUR WORKERS AND
MEMBERS

In view of the fact that the Har-

vest Ingathering goal of £10,000 has been exceeded for the first time in the history of the work in the British Isles, being a remarkable instance of God's blessing, and testifying to the loyalty of our believers and the faithfulness and enthusiasm of Union and local conference home missionary secretaries, ministers, and church officers, it was

Voted, That we express to our Union Home Missionary Secretary, F. W. Goodall, our local conference Home Missionary secretaries, J. H. Parkin and H. T. Johnson, together with all ministers, church leaders, secretaries, and our members generally, our hearty appreciation of their self-sacrificing efforts in the 1935 Harvest Ingathering Campaign which together have brought such a splendid victory for the cause of God.

SABBATH-SCHOOL—MISSING MEMBERS

Viewing with grave concern the large number of our churchmembers who do not attend Sabbath-school, it was

Voted, (a) That the Sabbath-school secretaries in each church keep a faithful record of all matters pertaining to this important department.

(b) That we encourage our Sabbath-school officers and teachers, together with the Sabbath-school members, to participate in a vigorous campaign by personal visitation to win the missing members for the Sabbath-school.

(c) That a suitable person be ap-

Ethiopia Needs Help

By L. H. CHRISTIAN

ALL the world to-day is reading and talking about Ethiopia. They think of the people and their laws and customs. They think not only of the political conditions but also of the religious. A new interest has grown up in the old Coptic Church of that unique land. Foreign missions in Ethiopia have come very much to the front, above all the Adventist Mission. We do not suppose that any one event in our history has made so many people think of the Adventist Mission as the bombing of our hospital in Dessie a month ago. We have just received a letter from Dr. Stadin, written after the bombardment. It was a dreadful experience, but he states they are all of good courage and the hospital work is going on again though greatly crippled. He pleads for money and workers in their great need.

At the Winter Council in Stock-

holm in December, 1935, it was voted to ask all our people to remember the work of God in Ethiopia and for a liberal offering on Sabbath, January 25th. The need is very urgent in Ethiopia and we hope our people will give us sufficient help. Our believers there are poverty-stricken and in great want. Many wounded on the battle-field suffer and we would try to help them. The hospital is crippled and should be repaired. Then many other large outlays have necessarily come under such conditions as these. We believe our people everywhere will do their best to help. One good brother has just promised a large sum aside from his regular gifts and offerings. These collections for Ethiopia should be special thank-offerings to God and a token of love to our dear believers in their need. We wish to thank our people everywhere for their willingness to help.

pointed in each church to develop and care for the home division of the Sabbath-school.

EVANGELISM FOR YOUTH

WHEREAS Our census reveals that in our Union we have 600 children between the ages of six and thirteen awaiting direction into a saving knowledge of Jesus, and over 200 senior youth who are not yet baptized,

Voted, 1. That all our young people's meetings be primarily evangelistic, and secondly, social, and that a patient endeavour be made to win the youth of our Adventist homes.

2. That all our senior youth take a practical, sympathetic interest in the juniors of our Seventh-Day Adventist homes.

3. That special efforts be made to organize and train our young people to be soul-winners of other youth, and that programmes be arranged to which non-Adventist youth may be invited.

4. That we aim to reach a total of 2,000 young people and children in our ranks during 1936.

5. That our young people be encouraged to begin by giving illustrated lectures on doctrinal points, using projector and film strips recommended by the General Conference Missionary Volunteer Department.

6. That careful study be given by the Union Committee as to ways and means of providing projectors and films for the use of our young people.

BIBLE STUDY—APPEAL TO MEMBERS

Recognizing that a deeply spiritual membership makes for strength to resist the encroachment of worldly pleasure, harmful literature, false teaching, and the general ungodliness of this age,

We Recommend, 1. That we encourage all our members to spend some time every day in private devotion, urging heads of families to establish and maintain the family altar.

2. That we emphasize the importance of studying the Bible, encouraging all to read it through once a year, studying the Sabbath-school lesson every day, and making use of the *Morning Watch*.

3. That we stress the value of reading *Great Controversy* and *Early Writings* in the light of modern world developments, and encourage all regularly to read the *Testimonies*.

USE OF TEA AND COFFEE

WHEREAS The use of tea and coffee is quite common among our believers and workers; and,

WHEREAS The *Testimonies* and also science point out that tea and coffee are injurious stimulants which, when

used freely, excite and harm the nervous system, it was

Voted, 1. That we request our believers to consider this matter carefully, and follow the light which has been given us.

2. That we request our ministers and Bible-workers to instruct our believers thoroughly in the health principles, especially advising against the use of tea and coffee.

3. That we appeal to our workers to give careful consideration to this matter so that they may not only preserve their own health, but also be an example in healthful living to the people among whom they are working.

DRAWING-ROOM MEETINGS—USE OF PROJECTORS

WHEREAS, The plan of holding cottage meetings and giving Bible readings is one of the most effective methods of soul winning; and,

WHEREAS, There is a serious de-

crease in the number of such meetings held by our members; and,

WHEREAS The use of film slides would open up a new field of service, making a special appeal to our members and young people,

Voted, 1. That we promote this means of missionary endeavour, giving special attention to the idea of holding drawing-room meetings.

2. That we recommend to our churches the use of the projector-scope or film slide lantern in these meetings.

3. That the British Union Committee give consideration to the plan of providing these film slide lanterns to our churches at a special price; and,

4. That a library of film slide Bible lectures be held in each conference.

5. That special gramophone records be prepared and made available for the use of our churches in these special meetings.

6. That all orders for film slide lanterns and film slides be placed through the British Union office.

North England Conference

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Progress in Sheffield

SHEFFIELD, with its teeming population of half a million and more, presented a peculiar evangelistic problem to us. With a limited staff and moderate budget, we realized that the only way to work the city thoroughly was to take it section by section. The districts which we grouped into the first section were far too hilly (or "mountainous" according to our organizing secretary!) to provide a sectional centre accessible to all.

We therefore decided to invite the people from these districts to the city centre, where fortunately we were able to secure the use of the splendidly appointed Memorial Hall of the famous Sheffield City Halls. We did not anticipate large crowds, because only genuinely interested people would take the trouble to travel so far for a meeting.

Our plans have been signally blessed by God. From the opening service the hall, seating over five hundred, was well filled with most interested listeners. The curious and juvenile elements that so often choke visiting lists with useless names were absent. The

ten successive Sunday evening meetings held in this hall at the same time as the general church services were very well attended in spite of the fact that Sheffield seems to have had more than its fair share of the recent dreadful weather. The collections for these ten meetings amounted to £41. 11s.

Now we have transferred to the Y.M.C.A. Sunday evening, Tuesday evening, and Sabbath afternoon. We have ceased advertising almost entirely, yet the attendances at all services are keeping up remarkably well.

Sister Irene Himsworth, and Brother Mervyn G. Hardinge, our associate workers, have both done very good work and are busily making contacts with a goodly number of sincere truth-seekers. Sister Madgwick has also rendered considerable and much valued assistance.

Most encouraging has been the way in which so many have taken hold of the Sabbath truth after only one presentation of it on the seventh Sunday evening. This truth so new to them has become a real inspiration. "Never have I been so happy," said one. "I look

forward to the Sabbath every day." Said another, who for many years has been an ardent worker in the Church of England, "Never in all my life have I been more satisfied. I love this message that has come to me."

We solicit the earnest prayers of all that under the blessing of God a rich harvest of souls ultimately may be reaped.

W. R. A. MADGWICK.

prepared. We have reason to thank God for His leading and for such a band of willing and enthusiastic members.

Visitors to Middlesbrough are assured of a hearty welcome at the Advent Church, Queens Hall, 192 Linthorpe Road. Our times of services are as follows:

Sabbath: 10 a.m., Sabbath-school.

11 a.m., Devotional Hour.

3 p.m., Preaching service.

3 p.m., Junior M.V. Society.

Wednesday: 7.30 p.m., Bible Study and Prayer Meeting, followed by Teachers' Meeting.

Friday: 7.30 p.m., Senior M.V. Society.

Sunday: 7.30 p.m., Preaching service.

A. M. HAMBLIN.

Welsh Mission

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Middlesbrough

THE members of the church at Middlesbrough are rejoicing in the possession of a meeting-place which we are assured came to us as an answer to prayer. For many months we had sought for a suitable building which should do honour to the cause of God, and just a fortnight before Christmas we were successful in obtaining a well-known hall on the main thoroughfare. The hall is capable of seating 250 and in addition there are two smaller rooms and a kitchen.

Having obtained the hall our next problem was to furnish it, and here our members displayed a wonderful enthusiasm and willingness to give of their best to the cause they have learned to love. The hall having been used as a clubroom was in bad condition. The husband of one of our members, a decorator by trade, offered to give his evenings over to the work of distemping and decorating walls and ceiling. With the aid of another brother a wonderful transformation was effected in this direction. Another of our members took charge of all the lighting and heating arrangements.

A willing band of helpers, under the direction of one of our members, by trade a joiner, made comfortable seating for about 120 and fixed up the platform and other details. Our sisters helped in the making of curtains and by scrubbing and cleaning. Those who were unable to give time gave money or some article of furniture; and so with a comparatively small outlay and in the incredibly short space of one week, our meeting place, of which we are justly proud, was

Notes from the Superintendent

As we press on into 1936 we may be permitted a brief glance along the road of 1935. It truly has been a year full of the blessing of the Lord. As the reports are examined at the close of the year one is impressed again with the faithfulness and loyalty of the membership in the Welsh Mission. Because they have gone forward with courage in the midst of adversity the Lord has blessed the Mission with the best year of its history.

BAPTISMS

FIRST we look at the additions to the truth. Our members will rejoice that fifty-three have been added by baptism and vote, thus more than reaching the goal set of twenty-five per cent increase over 1934. The previous largest addition was forty-six, in the year 1933. It is a pleasing feature of the year that is just passed that every conference worker has had some fruit for his labour. A new company has been gathered out at Bridgend as a result of the tent effort conducted by Brother Cannon. It is good that Brother Powell of Swansea is able to foster this work and, along with Miss Seagrave, is hoping to add further by new work in Bridgend. Baptisms have taken place in North Wales, at Shrewsbury, Newport, Cardiff, Barry, and Aberdare, bringing joy to the members in those places.

INGATHERING

THE Ingathering total for 1935 is

beyond all expectations. The official goal of £850 is surpassed and the £1,000 goal set by the members at the Annual Meeting more than reached with the record total of £1,027! Hearty thanks to all who have made this wonderful victory possible. Surely we have reason to "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow."

TITHE INCOME

THE faithfulness of God's people is revealed in the most encouraging tithe report for 1935.

1934 tithe income:	£1,548
1935 tithe income:	£1,823

This gives a £300 gain on estimated income for 1935. Such a figure represents sacrifice of a real kind on the part of many; a sacrifice which the Lord will receive and reward according to His promise.

WE press forward then into 1936 with courage, our confidence in God who giveth us the victory.

THANKS should be passed on for anonymous gifts of clothing, magazines, and £1. 10s. cash, which are much appreciated. G. D. KING.

CLEE-RICHARDSON.—North England campers will be interested to hear of the marriage of Miss Gwendoline Richardson and Mr. Gordon Clee at the Wesleyan Chapel, Beeston Hill, Leeds, kindly lent for the occasion. The ceremony, which took place on December 26, 1935, was witnessed by a large number of relatives and churchmembers. We wish for Brother and Sister Clee God's richest blessing in their united Christian life.

J. E. BELL.

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Notes from the President

BAPTISM

WE have started the year well! Last Sunday evening we were invited by Brother C. R. Anderson to baptize five candidates who had accepted Christ under his ministry. The new Lewisham Church was nicely filled by a very interested congregation which entered wholeheartedly into the evening's programme. The members have almost completed their payments on the building. We hope the complete debt will be removed and the church dedicated to the Lord this year. Brother Anderson and Sister Clarke, with the co-operation of the church officers and members, are courageously presenting the Gospel message in South London.

M.V. GUILD

A LARGE number of Seventh-Day Adventist young people work in our Watford institutions and live around Stanborough Park. For some time it has been felt that they should have some place in which to spend their evenings beneficially. After much hard work and generosity on the part of those who love the young folk a large army hut was prepared for this purpose and last Saturday evening the Guild was opened. We would take this opportunity to encourage all our churches to do all they can to build up our work for the young people and children in our ranks.

TRACT CAMPAIGN

LAST year 11,375 copies of *Present Truth* were sold by our churches in this conference during the special Tract Campaign. This meant that 145,600 tracts were sent to the churches for distribution. We are counting on your whole-hearted support again this year so that a still larger number of tracts, filled with truths for this age, might be circulated throughout the cities and towns in South England. February 1st is the Sabbath set apart for the special programme. We hope all will take

part in the rally commencing Sunday, February 2nd. A number of letters have reached me from members who ask what they can do to spread the third angel's message. This campaign is their opportunity. We are told that "many whom God has qualified to do excellent work accomplish very little, because they attempt little." Let this not be said of us in our church work this year.

COLPORTEURS' INSTITUTE

ON Thursday morning we had the privilege of conducting the first devotional meeting of the Colporteurs' Yearly Institute in the Stanborough Park church. These men have a very definite part in the building of this great movement. We are sure that, after the good counsel they have received at this institute, this will be a banner year in the experience of every consecrated colporteur and that at the year's close they will be able to say with the Korean pastor: "I have been greatly blessed! Not that I have done anything. The Carpenter of Nazareth has stretched forth His hand and taken hold of me as a plane to work on His building. My only honour is that His hand has touched me."

CAMPAIGNS

OUR workers are now settling into the most strenuous work of their evangelistic campaigns. They are presenting the testing truths and labouring day by day in the homes of the interested striving to win them. Now is the time when you should daily offer earnest petitions that God will guide His workers into every path of duty and that they may lead many out of the snares of wickedness and delusion.

R. S. JOYCE.

At Rest

WARBURTON.—It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Brother Warburton on Friday, December 13, 1935, at his home at Hale, nr. Liverpool. He received the message and was baptized at Tauranga, New Zealand, December 12, 1925, by Pastor L. Harvey. He attended Avondale Mis-

sionary College as a student in 1930. He also assisted in caring for the farm at Newbold for six months. Our brother will be greatly missed by many friends by virtue of his kindly and generous disposition. He was ever ready to assist the young people and was a true father in Israel. He was buried by the writer in his family vault in the Farworth Parish Churchyard. Many relatives, neighbours, and friends were present as we paid our last token of respect and a solemn spiritual atmosphere overshadowed us. He leaves a wife to mourn. Yet we sorrow not as others which have no hope.

W. MAUDSLEY.

JOYCE.—We deeply regret to report the death of Sister Mary Joyce, who passed peacefully to rest at The Stanboroughs Hydro on Sunday, December 29, 1935, at the age of seventy-four years. She and her husband, Pastor S. Joyce, accepted the truth in Ireland many years ago under the labours of one of the pioneers of our work in the British Isles. For over forty years she was a faithful witness to the third angel's message, and her life was an example of simple, confiding trust in the Saviour she loved. Her two sons, Pastors S. G. and R. S. Joyce, together with her daughter, Mrs. A. S. Maxwell, and other relatives, mourn their loss. Our sincerest sympathy is extended to the sorrowing husband, the two sons and the daughter and others in their bereavement. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer at the home of the deceased, and the interment at the Garston Cemetery was conducted by Pastor W. H. Meredith and the undersigned.

W. E. READ.

BARRETT.—It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Mrs. R. A. Barrett, who, in her sleep, truly fell asleep in Jesus, December 19, 1935, at the age of seventy-four, at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Pastor and Mrs. Bevan, in Bristol. Sister Barrett accepted the truth of the third angel's message under the labours of Pastor West some fifteen years ago, and remained faithful to the end of her life. She had several severe heart attacks, but we are grateful to God for her peaceful end, and for the smile she wore even in death. She leaves a son, daughter, relatives, and many friends to mourn their loss. After fulfilling her allotted span of life, we prayerfully laid her to rest in the beautiful and peaceful Hawkwell Churchyard, Essex, in the same grave with her husband, to rest together until the resurrection morning. We convey to the sorrowing relatives our deep and sincere sympathy. The funeral service was conducted by the writer.

A. K. ARMSTRONG.

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SUNSET CALENDAR

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Feb. 7th	4.58	4.59	5.11	5.07	5.14

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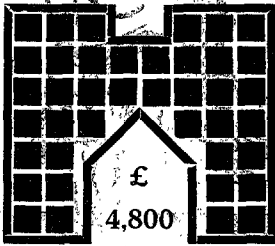
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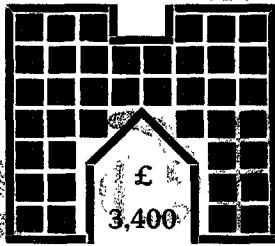
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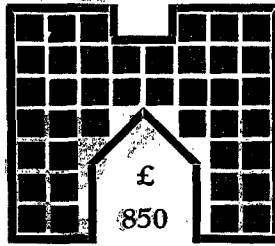
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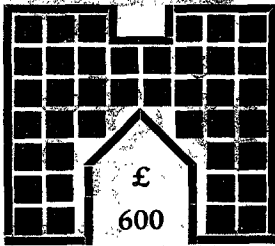
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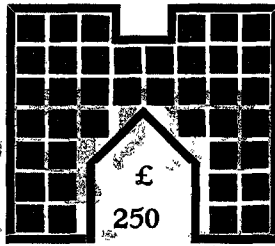
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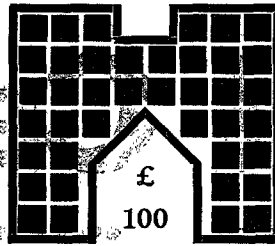
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