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A Day at The World Congress

I WANT you to come with me today and visit everything that is going on at this great World Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists.

Here we are! It's just 7.45 on Thursday morning, May 28th. Early though the hour is, hundreds of folks just like ourselves (you know the type, don't you?) are hurrying toward the Auditorium; but they are not too hurried to give us a smile or a handshake. No need to feel shy here. This is surely the friendliest crowd that ever gathered under one roof. And certainly the most cosmopolitan. Talk about the League of Nations! There never was a league like this. There are just as many countries represented here as ever met at Geneva—and no "sanctions" needed, either.

But stop a minute. We must get a copy of this newspaper. "Adventists Name New Leader," says a bold headline of the San Francisco *Examiner*. That's worth twopence anyway. But no worldly newspaper could ever hope to reproduce the beautiful and unforgettable scene when our beloved Brother C. H. Watson passed over his presidential responsibilities to his successor, Brother J. L. McElhany. Only those who heard the quiet, sincere words of affection, and saw the genuine handshake, the brotherly kiss, could ever imagine that.

A CALL TO REPENTANCE

And how favoured we are this

A Vivid Impression of the Multitudinous Activities at the General Conference in San Francisco

By Arthur S. Maxwell

morning! Who should be the speaker at the devotional hour but Brother McElhany himself. Let us take our seats at once. This will be his first public address as president of the General Conference.

"Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain," is his text. (Zech. 10:1.) We need the power of the Holy Spirit, he says, but God wants us to *ask* for it. God is waiting to fill our lives with His power, but we must ask sincerely, and with genuine repentance for sin. (Acts 2:19.) This was the secret of the amazing progress of the apostolic church and "the wonders . . . wrought among the Gentiles by them." Acts 15:12. It is the secret of all true success to-day. Already the latter rain is falling and it is destined to fall in far greater abundance before the end. It will fall upon us as soon as we are ready.

It is a solemn message that Elder McElhany brings to us, and we cannot refrain from saying, Thank God for calling men of this spiritual calibre to head this spiritual movement.

GLIMPSES OF MEN IN PRAYER

And now the assembly is dissolving, to gather in groups for prayer and testimony. Come, and let me lead you to some of them.

Here is one large hall with over five hundred men and women on their knees in prayer before God. These are the delegates from most of the North American Unions and the Northern European Division.

In an adjoining room one hundred and twenty more are bowed in prayer, mostly from the South American Division and the Central California Conference.

"Dear Lord," our brother is praying, "we have been looking to organization, we have been looking to men, but now, O Lord, we look to Thee. Grant us a fresh infilling of Thy Spirit for the finishing of the work."

Without a moment's delay the prayers proceed.

Let's go upstairs. Here is another room with two hundred or more delegates, all at prayer.

Upstairs again. Here are five more large halls, all filled with praying men and women.

It is an amazing sight. Imagine it! In the midst of this worldly city, while all its busy, noisy life surges around the great Auditorium, thousands of people are gathered in prayer before the Lord. It must surely thrill the angels in heaven and bring new joy to the heart of Christ. Certainly it should bring new confidence to the hearts of God's people to know that so large an emphasis is being laid upon the things of the Spirit at this General Conference.

BUSINESS BEGINS

Now we are back in the Auditorium for the first business session of the day. The chairman of the meeting is our old friend, L. H. Christian.

Brother Watson reads an inspiring message from the *Testimonies*, and then with a graciousness which touches all hearts, Brother McElhany publicly requests Brother Watson to continue to act as president of the General Conference throughout the session. It is one of those friendly gestures only possible in a brotherly community of this sort.

A telegram from the president of the Bank of America, expressing a warm welcome from his great organization to this assembly of Seventh-Day Adventists, provides an unexpected thrill.

Now M. E. Kern, secretary of the General Conference, is speaking. Certainly he has a remarkable report to give. "There are 150,000 souls rejoicing in the hope of the coming of Jesus to-day," he says, "who six years ago were without hope in the world and with no knowledge of this truth."

This is surely a tremendous and challenging fact.

During the period under review no less than 628 missionaries have been appointed, an average of 104 a year. "We can rejoice in God," says Brother Kern, "that neither the Great War, which engulfed the whole world twenty years ago, nor the great depression, which followed after, has stopped the onward march of the Advent message in its saving mission for a lost world."

Emphasizing the amazing progress of the work, he says: "Today there are nineteen times as

many believers in Europe as our total membership when J. N. Andrews landed in Europe in 1874: and each of our eleven divisions (save one) has two, three, or four times as many members as the denomination had in 1874."

"Things are moving on and will not stop any more."

Now turn and look at this amazing, illuminated map of the world, twenty feet long by eight feet deep. It shows the growth of the Seventh-Day Adventist movement by decades from 1840 to the present time. Then there was but one lone light, but as the years elapse others begin to shine, multiplying with amazing rapidity, until the whole earth at last is dotted with blazing lamps.

This is surely the most amazing, heart-stirring map I have ever seen. If this map could be shown to our people in all the world it would do more, I believe, than any one thing to bring new confidence in the speedy and certain triumph of the message, and fire all hearts with new zeal to "finish the work."

Following this moving report of missionary advance, the meeting turns, appropriately enough, to the consideration of our educational work. W. E. Nelson, General Conference educational secretary, leads out, followed by educational leaders in various parts of the world. W. P. Bradley reports from the Far Eastern Division. Milton Robison reports for Africa, E. D. Dick for Europe, and D. E. Rebok for China. The latter asserts that the one school that really meets the needs of young China is the Adventist training school, a fact recognized by worldly educators and reported in the well-known book, *Re-thinking Missions*.

AN EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION

Everybody is delighted as I. H. Evans comes forward to read a resolution of appreciation of Brother Watson's faithful service during the strenuous years of his presidency, and it is with genuine respect and sympathy that all rise to their feet in support of the motion.

AFTER LUNCH

Presuming that we have all enjoyed a brief repast at one of the

cafeterias in the neighbourhood, we return, hurriedly, to the next round of meetings.

At 1.30, according to the programme, there are four different meetings in session, and it is surely difficult to decide where to direct one's attention. I see that in Room 405 there is a session of the North American Negro Department. How about spending half an hour there? Let's.

It is really a remarkable assembly of our coloured Seventh-Day Adventists, representing a membership in North America of over 12,000. Thinking back a little way in history we can feel only a deep sense of gratitude to God for such a large and beautiful work among these dear people.

Three o'clock finds us back in the Auditorium. Half an hour is spent in making minor changes in the constitution. Then A. W. Peterson rises to report the activities of the Missionary Volunteer Department.

"The most fruitful field for evangelism is among our own young people," he declares, reminding us that during the past six years 53,000 have been baptized and added to the church.

This department is certainly doing a wonderful work on behalf of our youth.

C. V. Anderson gives a four-minute report for the youth of the Northern European Division. He tells one delightful story of a young man who was warned not to go to a certain farm because he would be "loved into the Advent church." He went, and was "loved in."

Sister Andross, in a brief, crisp, inspiring report, brings greetings from 11,000 young people in Inter-America, and is followed by Brother Busch, interpreted by Brother Vollmer, of the Central European Division, who tells of the enthusiastic support by the young people there in all the activities of the church.

Brother Rebok speaks for China, and Brother Bradley gives a brief report for the young people of the Far Eastern Division.

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

What a kaleidoscope this General Conference is.

Now our minds are called to swing over to a consideration of the Ministerial Association as L. E. Froom reports its work over the past six years. Perhaps the most interesting feature of this report is the story of the research work pursued during recent months into the rise of the great second advent movement and the discovery of the historical facts which demonstrate that this movement, far from being limited to any one country, was indeed the result of a spontaneous, independent awakening in all parts of the earth when God's judgment hour arrived.

The business session adjourns at 5 p.m., but we are still only about two-thirds through the day's programme.

Wearry? Oh, we mustn't get tired yet. In a few minutes more meetings will begin simultaneously in various parts of the building. Only so can all the multitudinous interests of this world movement be properly cared for.

We find four hundred have gone into the Mission Round Table to consider overseas mission problems and nearly three hundred into the Sabbath-School Department meeting, to listen to a stirring appeal for more intensive soul-winning from S. A. Wellman. Hundreds

of children and friends pack the Junior Missionary Volunteer meeting to revel in stories from the Solomon Islands by J. D. Anderson, while one hundred and fifty or more parents remain in the Auditorium to show their interest in the work of the Home Commission under the leadership of A. W. Spalding.

Half an hour for supper and then the evening meeting, devoted this time to the North American Division.

Brother Branson leads, stirring all hearts with the story of the devotion of our people in the United States and Canada to the world-wide programme of this movement; and without doubt all the three hundred and more delegates from lands beyond the seas cannot but receive a new sympathy with the brethren in North America in their problems, and a more sincere appreciation of their achievements.

And now the last hymn has been sung and the last prayer offered, and in a moment the great congregation will be dissolving away to find their various places of abode in the city.

It has surely been a long day, but I trust a happy one for all of you.

For this hour and this crisis the Christian church has made all too little preparation. It has, to an alarming degree, put human things in the place of God's Holy Spirit, and in consequence of this, faith in vital Gospel truth is rapidly passing out of men's lives, and governance of human affairs in harmony with Gospel principles is speedily passing from the earth. The result is that spiritual darkness covers the earth and gross darkness the people.

But at just this time, when the world is in spiritual darkness, the Lord plans to do a great work through His people. In view of this He has issued a special call to them for this time. That call is found in Isaiah 60:1-3. Observe that startling call, "Arise, shine." Notice that glorious promise, "The Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee." Observe, too, that triumphant prediction, "The Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising." That startling call to service, that wonderful promise of divine power in our service, and that clear, thrilling prophecy of unusual fruitage are given in close relationship to the statement of our text. They are all resultant to and dependent on the turning of God's people from transgression and the coming of the Redeemer to Zion.

THE SPECIAL WORK NOW DUE

There is no doubt about present conditions. There is just as little doubt that this is the hour of our great opportunity to do such a work as God has planned for us.

In this audience there are scores of men and women who have come from all parts of the earth to tell us about our present opportunity. The vastness and the urgency of our opportunity, as they see it, are stirring their hearts to their depths, and our hearts will be deeply stirred as we shall hear them. But much more than the stirring of our hearts' emotions must take place if we are more fully to seize our opportunity and to measure at all with God's expectation of us in such a situation as we face, and at such a time as this.

We well know that no voice of

Our Greatest Need

Excerpts from a Sermon Preached at the
General Conference by

C. H. Watson

TEXT: "The Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from the transgression in Jacob, saith the Lord." Isa. 59:20.

WE are living at a time that may well cause us grave concern. But what a wonderful time it is for those who are really looking for their Saviour's return. If what we now see on this earth, and what the world is now experiencing, are not signs that tell us that Jesus is soon to come, when will those signs ever be seen by men? If these things are not those foretold signs, then what will ever take place that can more exactly constitute those signs? Are not all

these events the very things of which the prophets of God have spoken? Are they not the exact things that Jesus Himself bade us mark as the signs of His coming?

THE GREATEST CRISIS

The work of God has met many crises. Its story in the Bible takes us from one crisis to another. Church history is simply the story of the crises of the church. Many of these were very grave, and all were important. But none has been so important as the one in which God's work now finds itself, and none has been so completely all-embracing.

leadership will be heard here, suggesting that we are fully and satisfactorily meeting our situation in the world-wide field. All voices will be raised in praise to God for the mighty things that have been done. But this hour calls us to new strength, to deeper consecration of heart and all to the task, to a more vivid understanding of our responsibility, and to a mighty advance along all fronts of our movement.

In a new way our situation presents itself for consideration, and we must not be indifferent to its demands. In some of the old strongholds of the Christian faith our opportunities to advance are fast receding from us. Indeed, it would appear that in some important countries our way will soon be closed. Great perplexities and insuperable difficulties are developing, and already we exist there on sufferance. Advancement there is no longer merely difficult, but well-nigh impossible.

On the other hand, to the ends of the earth the heathen are coming to us. They are coming by the scores of thousands. Earnestly, trustfully, and appealingly they are coming—so many of them that we are not able to take care of them as rapidly and as fully as they need.

Yet even there, evidence is clearly seen that this wonderful opportunity to win the heathen to Christ is not to be with us very long. Great changes are taking place. Great changes are immediately pending in the whole world, and without any doubt whatsoever the movements which are urging the world toward these changes are taking on tremendous rapidity.

OUR ATTITUDE IMPORTANT

We cannot be indifferent to these facts, for they are important factors in our own situation. We cannot possibly take a matter-of-fact attitude toward them, and believe that by doing so we are meeting the will of God for us in this intense hour.

In such a time as this, the leaders, the ministers, the workers in every line of endeavour, should be absolutely sincere. We should awake to a new appreciation of the value and importance of the work

that we are all doing. We must somehow be brought to sense keenly the tremendous importance of this hour.

Great things already have been accomplished, and for that we sincerely praise God. Great things are still being accomplished in all places throughout our world-wide field. But the greatest things of this work are yet to be accomplished. For these this whole people greatly need an endowment of power from on high. Both the condition of our hearts and the great work yet to be done require that the Redeemer come to Zion, and that we turn decidedly from our transgressions.

OUR GREAT LACK

What is it that we really lack for this task? Is it money? No, I do not believe that our great lack is money. Is our great lack that of workers? No, it is not that. Is our lack an effective organization? No, it is not that either. Is it a lack of zeal for the missionary cause? I do not believe it is.

What, then, is it? Frankly, I believe that our great lack is an experience of the soul that would allow the mighty power of God to work unhindered through us.

A TURNING FROM TRANSGRESSION NECESSARY

It is for just that experience that our text calls, and its call is plain in view of the great work we are yet to do. The experience of turning from our transgression and of being empowered by the coming of the Redeemer to us, is precedent to a more fruitful and more satisfactory performance of the work committed to us.

It is a fearful delusion to believe that we can go with God and the world at the same time—that we are children of the light while we consciously do the works of darkness.

In 1 John 1:5-7 we read: "This . . . is the message which we . . . declare unto you, that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth; but if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of

Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin."

What the Bible calls for in our experience is not an impossible mixture of light and darkness, of God and the world, but a complete separation from the world, an entire coming out of the darkness, and an unreserved acceptance of the light. "Come out, . . . and be ye separate," is its call to every child of God at this time, and we refuse to heed that call only at our eternal peril.

This will not be easily done by any one of us, but if earnestly attempted, it will bring the Redeemer to Zion, His power to our service, and His glory to our own lives.

We hear a great deal to-day about the changed conditions of life. We are constantly being told that standards have changed in recent years, and therefore the old strictness about sin has gone—that there is more give and take nowadays in such matters as sin and righteousness.

Of course conditions of life have changed and are changing, and never more rapidly than in the past few years. Of course there has been a change of standards for life, a tragic change, and because of that change the world has become an unsafe place in which to live. But what has all that to do with our relation to sin and righteousness? Has the idea of lowered standards changed the unchangeable God?

It is not lowered standards, not give and take regarding sin, not worldliness dressed up to appear pious, not make believe in our religion, not excuse for our own wrongdoing, but a whole-souled turning away from sin, and a whole-souled living unto God, that the Lord requires of us and has purposed for us in the everlasting Gospel. Let us not then deceive ourselves by reasoning contrary to the Gospel of Christ, and let us not do any longer those things that displease our heavenly Father.

A REVIVAL NEEDED

It is time for us to arise and go to our Father, and have our situation changed. We cannot meet our present situation satisfactorily on

the basis of weak living and uncertain relationship to God's righteousness. We deceive ourselves in supposing that we can serve God acceptably while living in careless relationship to His holy will. The truth that we are proclaiming to the millions in darkness is to be our own light just as fully as it is to be theirs. But the difference between our profession of the truth and our experience of its power urgently needs our attention. The door must be unlatched, and the Redeemer must come to Zion, and we must be turned from our transgression. Otherwise we may go on talking endlessly about the coming of the Holy Ghost and the outpouring of the latter rain. We might wear ourselves out with our expectancy of a great deluge of power, and never receive it.

My brethren, the Holy Ghost HAS COME. He is here. THE TIME OF THE LATTER RAIN IS NOW. We are living in it. The power of the Holy Spirit awaits our demand and reception. It is time for us to arise and go to God, and to know His power IN us, and have our lives brought into harmony with the profession we make.

I call on you men and women who are leaders in Israel to be done with the motions of a merely mechanical work. I call on you to arise and go to God for the spiritual renovation which you need. Our whole people stand greatly in need of a Heaven-sent revival. We are not bringing it to them as we should be doing. We cannot do it by committees and plans, by conferences and conventions and drives. These things are all right in their own proper places, but they are not substitutes for the reviving power of God in our hearts and in the hearts of our people.

It is right that we should take counsel of one another as ministers and workers and leaders. But this morning, dear brethren and sisters, shall we not remember that we are first of all, not ministers, not workers, not leaders, but just men and women greatly in need of the grace of God for ourselves? And remembering, shall we not break through all reserve and be done with self-righteousness, and

come to God and lay our sins at His feet, and turn from our transgression? If we will do this, and let Him really make our lives what we profess them to be, if we will throw off all pride of position, all pride of experience, all pride of superior religion, and come to God for forgiveness, truly repentant and earnestly seeking grace to live wholly for Him, we shall go from this conference with a new experience and a new power in our lives and in our service, and a revival that will embrace our whole world work will begin.

Something tells me, brethren, that we never can be truly the heralds of His peace until we experience the power and admit the rulership of His peace in our own lives. The one way to possess His peace is to turn from transgression and receive His pardon. Shall we not do this now? Our need is great. Our attitude toward that need is important, and the decision you make here now will be the most important and far-reaching you have ever made or perhaps ever will make as long as you live.

It certainly will be the most important decision you will make at this conference.

Our time, our need, our situation, the sacredness of our work, and the very trustfulness of our people, all demand leaders who have turned from transgression with their whole heart, and in whose lives the power of the Holy Ghost is evidenced, men who themselves know experimentally that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is the power of God unto salvation, and that the power of that Gospel is with them mightily in their leadership and their labours.

Oh, may God help us and revive us, and make us strong, true, but humblehearted men and women, and get us ready for the finishing of His work! May our reconsecration to Him in this meeting bring to us the fullness of His Holy Spirit, and may our attitude toward the Spirit's appeal to our hearts this morning be an inspiration and an immeasurable blessing to our dear people in every place to the uttermost part of the earth.

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Two Baptisms

It was a joy to us all as we gathered in the Holloway Advent Church on Sabbath afternoon, June 13th, to witness eleven precious souls make public confession of their faith and confidence in Jesus as their personal Saviour and of their belief in this message through the sacred ordinance of baptism. Pastor H. W. Armstrong gave the baptismal address and Pastor W. H. Meredith performed the ceremony.

It was a happy occasion for Pastor A. K. Armstrong and those who had laboured with him to see the fruit of their labours. The choir, under the leadership of Brother Magnin, rendered special music for the occasion. This was much appreciated.

ON Sunday evening, June 14th, the Stanley Hall, Wimbledon (the home of our believers in that district), was packed to its full seating capacity and the platform behind the baptistery tastefully decorated with flowers as we gathered to witness another baptism. Pastor C. A. Reeves presented twenty-six new candidates for church fellowship, twenty-two being baptized and four received in by vote upon previous baptism. The choir, under the able leadership of Brother L. G. White, rendered some beautiful and appropriate music supporting the theme of the evening, which was "Courage and confidence in the promises of God."

The workers who had toiled with Pastor Reeves in the sowing of the Gospel seed joined with the

angels above in praise to God who had thus set His seal upon their labours in Clapham and district.

H. T. JOHNSON.

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Please Note!

WE trust that the deacons and deaconesses have been able to visit all the members under their care and check up their little brown boxes which mean so much to the cause of evangelism in the homeland. Be sure to hand in all monies to your treasurer by Sabbath, June 27th, so that a complete report may be sent to the conference.

HARVEST INGATHERING

ALL the supplies for this campaign are now in the hands of the churches and by what we hear a splendid start has been made. Which church will be first to reach the goal? That depends upon you.

OUR isolated members are also enthusiastic and have caught the spirit of a sharp, successful campaign. If any have not received their supplies, please send to us at once.

THE brethren will soon be home again from the General Conference full of enthusiasm gained from the store of good things they have received from the four corners of the earth. We look forward to hearing from them.

QUADRENNIAL SESSION

ALL plans are now ready for our own quadrennial session, and if you have not already done so

you should send in your form for apartments to the B.U.C. office without delay.

WHEN God called ancient Israel together for their solemn assembly He included all, from the aged leaders down to the babies. Let this be a family gathering in the truest sense. All should plan to be present, and the young people

should make a special effort to come under canvas in the M.V. Camp section.

LET us continue to pray that our heavenly Father will grace these meetings with His good Spirit and pour upon His waiting people the power to finish the task that He has allotted to us.

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Notes from the Secretary

By the time these notes appear in print Brother Dorland will doubtless be crossing the ocean on his way back to this field. His plans were to sail from New York on June 24th, and we are expecting him to reach Southampton on the 29th. We have written assuring him that those of us here in the office will be pleased to see him again, and I believe this expresses the sentiments of our members throughout the conference. On his return Brother Dorland will have many problems to meet; let us pray therefore that the Lord will abundantly bless him as he continues to lead the work in this part of the Lord's vineyard.

In letters received from the president, he writes very enth-

siastically of the wonderful meetings he has been attending in San Francisco. Reading between the lines, however, we gather that he is looking forward to getting into his usual stride back here in this country.

WE are pleased to report that the Big Week figures for this year exceed those for 1935, and there are still some churches and companies from which we have so far received no returns for this special missions fund. A number of interesting experiences have been related as a result of the homes visited during the campaign, and we have confidence to believe that in cases where copies of *The Bible Speaks* have been left in atheistic homes, the Holy Spirit will do a good work.

NOTTINGHAM at the present time is the centre of great activity in the distribution of the message by means of the printed page. In addition to a regular colporteur and three student colporteurs, each Sunday a number of young men and women are busily engaged with *Good Health* and *Present Truth*.

THOSE of the MESSENGER family who are acquainted with our veteran minister, Brother W. A. Hall, and we feel sure he is well known by the majority at least in North England, will be glad to know that he is so much recovered in health that the doctor has granted him permission to take

Bargain Offers of Cereals

We have further supplies of cases of Biscuit Seconds at 5/- per case, carriage paid. These cases of Biscuit Seconds hold twenty large packets each containing approximately thirty thin or fifteen thick biscuits.

We also offer cases of 12 lb. of "Granose" Broken Flakes and Biscuits at 3/6 postage paid.

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some services again. Those receiving the ministry of Brother Hall will welcome his return.

THE response to our appeal on behalf of the Evangelistic Fund raised by means of the small brown boxes was somewhat disappointing, and the amount we have received in the office to date is far below the amount budgeted for at the beginning of the year.

THE evangelists throughout the

conference continue to report encouragingly of their work. Brother Lennox is at present conducting two efforts in Hull, having commenced a tent campaign in that city to be conducted concurrently with the effort started there earlier in the year. News of continued interest reaches us from Doncaster, Liverpool, Manchester, Middlesbrough, Newcastle, Sheffield, and Stoke-on-Trent. Let us ever bear in mind all our ministers and their associates. N. H. KNIGHT.

Indeed, no. Whatever the amount of sales you effect the regular profits are yours. Many are in this way getting together not only their fares, but other expenses involved as well.

On arrival at the conference, present a note from your church home missionary secretary certifying that up to July 26th you sold the required quantity of literature. Food tickets will then be supplied to you as follows:

- For 500 copies of *Present Truth*, tickets value 4/-.
- For 500 copies of *Good Health*, tickets value 6/-.
- For 1,000 copies of *Present Truth*, tickets value 8/-.
- For 1,000 copies of *Good Health*, tickets value 12/-.

If you haven't yet made a start, why not do so at once? There's a whole month left—five Sundays, long evenings, and probably lots of fine weather! B. BELTON.

Quadrennial Session News

Hallo—Young People!

STANBOROUGH PARK M.V. Camp calling. Are you there, Ireland? We hope you will have a pleasant voyage and come in good numbers. Please bring some shamrock with you. Now Scotland, are you listening? It's a long trail but the roads are good, and if you cannot bike it or hike it, well, come by steamer or train or even air. We are looking for a good sprinkling of Scots from beyond the border. Don't forget the heather!

Hallo, Wales—Gallant little Wales—are you there? We are expecting crowds from the Principality. You must not miss this great event. Cycling or walking, it doesn't matter which, but come and please remember to bring some leeks with you.

Now North England, of course you are listening in. Have you caught the inspiration yet? You like good things, and you know a good thing when you see it. Well, we have it. But please let us know in good time, and don't forget to bring your enthusiasm with you.

Last and not least, are you there, South? From Cornwall to Kent, from Norfolk to Sussex, and London, too! We are looking for your happy faces. And now everyone, hurry up and sign that registration form, and let us know you're coming. Here's to the best camp of 1936. May all who come receive an abundant blessing, both physically and spiritually.

Good-bye all, till Thursday, July 30th. F. W. GOODALL.

Those Food Tickets Again

AS we draw near to the time of the Quadrennial Session we are glad to learn of the interest being shown in the special offer of the Press to provide books of tickets to those who sell certain quantities of our magazines.

Some are wondering if these grants are in addition to the usual fifty per cent discount, and, doubtless having in mind the plan followed in the Tract Campaign, are asking, "Are we to pay in the full retail value of magazine sales in order to secure conference meal tickets?"

SUNSET CALENDAR

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July 10th	9.15	9.28	9.28	9.54	9.56
July 17th	9.09	9.21	9.22	9.45	9.48

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Missionary Volunteer Camp—Quadrennial Session, 1936

I AM planning to attend the Young People's Camp at Stanborough Park (D.V.) July 30th to August 9th.

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British Union Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists 1936 Quadrennial Session, July 30th to August 9th

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MINISTRY OF THE LITERATURE

The "Queen Mary" and the Colporteur

THE photograph below shows Brother W. Rowland, one of our older colporteurs, viewing the "Queen Mary" from the deck of the giant "Berengaria." He has been selling *Our Wonderful Bible* in the Southampton district and has taken orders from both the tailor and the linotype operator of the "Queen Mary."

A. WARREN.

In the Trail of the Colporteur

WE read in *Colporteur Evangelist*, page 6: "It is true that some who buy books will lay them on the shelf and place them on the parlour table, and seldom look at them. Still God has a care for His truth and the time will come when these books will be sought for and read. . . . His love is revealed to them and they understand the preciousness of the forgiveness of their sins. Thus the Lord co-operates with His self-denying workers."

The truthfulness of the above statement from the servant of the Lord has been very clearly proved in a recent experience which came to me during my labours for the Master in Wallasey. In the early part of the year 1933, during my visits there while canvassing *Bible Readings*, I visited a certain lady whose name I do not feel free at the moment to make known. She was very much impressed with the book, but like many more, on hearing the price, felt she could not afford it. However, suggesting that she could place a little by

each week and have the book later, she decided to place her order. The time of delivery came, April 18, 1933. The book was accepted and paid for and the lady was well satisfied with her purchase.

Some three years have passed since then, and 1936 finds Pastor W. Maudsley holding an effort in the Capitol Cinema, Wallasey. This same lady, having picked up one of the evangelist's handbills announcing his meetings, decided to go. She continued to attend the subsequent meetings until the time came for the visit of the Bible-worker, Sister M. Hamblin, to her home a few weeks ago.

Sister Hamblin, on hearing from the lady that the preacher's message was the same as the message in a book she had purchased from a man who called upon her three years ago, inquired as to whom it was and what was the book. *Bible Readings* was produced and the guarantee slip bearing my signature. This lady purchased the book as a gift for her son, a Sunday-school teacher, but soon after the purchase, he gave up teaching and so *Bible Readings* found itself placed in a bookcase and was not sought for until interest was aroused by Pastor Maudsley's effort. Now she is rejoicing in the truth

and a Sabbath-keeper. Her son is also asking for the Sabbath off, and everything indicates that both mother and son will join God's remnant people. This family is now drinking in the truth from *Bible Readings*, and Sister Hamblin holds cottage meetings at the home each week.

What a blessed ministry the colporteur is engaged in, saving souls for Christ's kingdom. Are there not more who could join us in this great work for the Master? If as you read this experience you feel a personal call from God to take up this work, do not refuse, for surely the harvest is plenteous, but the labourers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest to send forth more labourers into His harvest. W. H. WOODFIELD.

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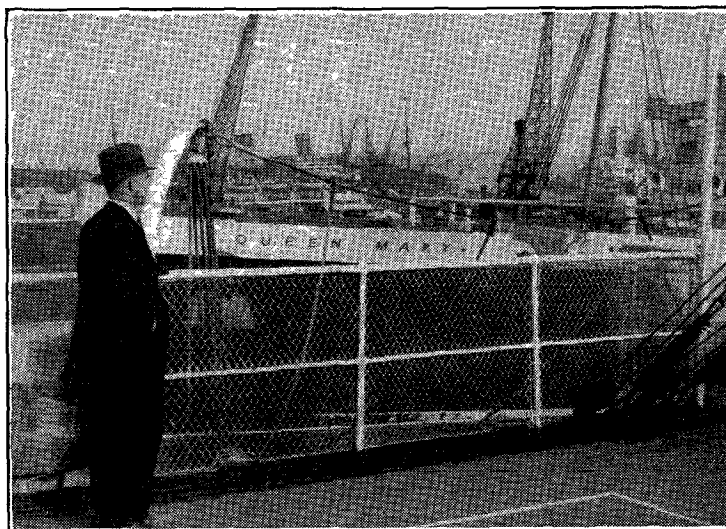
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