



The Division Senior College Opens

By W. R. A. Madgwick, *Principal*

NEWBOLD MISSIONARY COLLEGE, after serving the British field successfully and well for fifty years, came under the direct control of the Northern European Division in March, 1953. The College Board, with the Northern European Division president as chairman and the British Union Conference president as vice-chairman, now consists of twenty-four members including the president, secretary, treasurer, educational secretary and all Union presidents of the Division. Working in amicable and whole-hearted co-operation with all sections of the Division field, Newbold and its Board now aim to give our young people and prospective workers an advanced education commensurate with the needs of the Division.

The re-opening of College on September 15th at the commencement of the present academic year was, therefore, of unusual significance. We were about to inaugurate an enlarged study programme with a four-year senior college course. Most unfortunately our Board chairman, Pastor A. F. Tarr, was in America attending important General Conference meetings. Though absent in body he was present with us in spirit as he declared in the

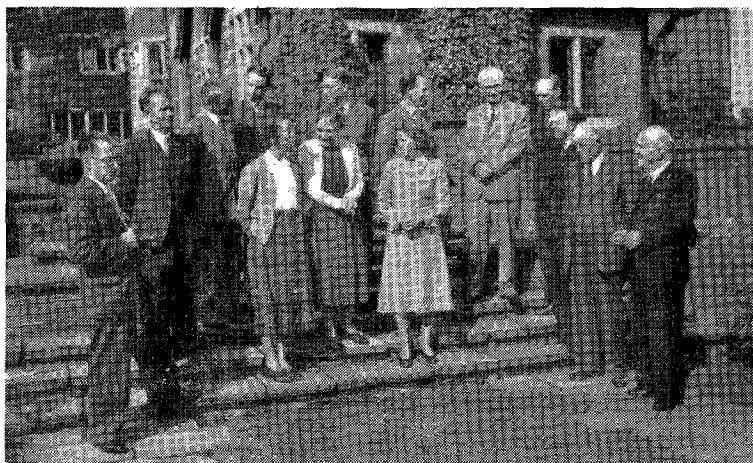
following encouraging cablegram which he sent to us from Los Angeles: "With you in spirit as senior college opens tonight. May students and staff be greatly blessed and entire Division be inspired by your stimulating fellowship and your diligent preparation for future services."

To give us words of council and to demonstrate their interest there came into our midst for this inaugural opening Brethren Rudge, Lindsay, Hamilton, and Minchin from the Division, and Brethren Knight, McMillan, Warland, Emmerson,

and Woodfield from the British Union.

The Principal took pleasure in presenting to the students the Faculty for the year and when doing so took the opportunity of giving publicly a hearty welcome to the new teachers. Pastor W. R. French, a highly esteemed veteran Bible teacher, had come with Sister French from far-away Arizona. Dr. P. T. Gibbs, head of the English Department of Emmanuel Missionary College, had come to us on loan. Dr. P. P. Schuil, who for five years had been principal of "Zandbergen," our Dutch school, had returned to his Alma Mater with wife and children.

And the students—who could desire a better and more enthusiastic group of young people? The young women have taxed the accommodation at Moor Close to its utmost capacity. The young men have filled Binfield Hall and overflowed into Parkham, a fine country mansion opposite the College, which we providentially purchased during the summer. One hundred and seventeen students were present from the following twenty-one countries: Norway, Sweden, Finland, Poland, Germany, Austria, Italy, Jugoslavia, Switzerland, France, Lebanon, Burma,



DIVISION SENIOR COLLEGE FACULTY

Back row, left to right: A. W. Lethbridge, Business Manager; Pastor E. B. Phillips, Biblical Languages; H. A. Crocker, Farm and Gardens; F. Wood, Preceptor; J. D. Brailsford, Mathematics and Science; D. R. Throssell, Maintenance; Dr. P. T. Gibbs, English Language and Literature; Dr. P. P. Schuil, Modern Languages; R. W. Scarr, Music; Pastor W. R. French, Bible; Pastor W. R. A. Madgwick, Principal.

Centre, left to right: Miss E. Morgan, Secretary to the Principal; Mrs. D. E. Watson, Preceptress; Miss A. Blackburn, Accountant.

New Zealand, Gold Coast, Northern Rhodesia, Jamaica, United States, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, England.

What a happy league of nations here at Newbold! How many and unique are the opportunities for spiritual, cultural, and

social enrichment! No stronger link can we have to advance and unify our widespread work than the friendly intermingling when in training of prospective workers. May God continue to bless Newbold and all associated colleges.

SWEDISH WORKERS' MEETING

Held in Vasterang, August 16th to 22nd, 1953

By Gosta Berglund

The Week of Prayer and Sacrifice Offering, November 15-21, 1953

WE ARE all looking forward to the coming Week of Prayer and Sacrifice with expectancy and joy. Of all the fifty-two weeks of the year, surely this one is the most earnest and important. It means so much to us how we enter into this week and how much we give ourselves to the service of prayer and meditation during this time.

The Week of Prayer and Sacrifice is a season of great spiritual feasts. It surely is a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord in the various services. Many victories are there to be won, and souls enter into new covenants with their God.

Prayer and sacrifice—how well these terms go together. Those who pray well, will not only say, "Give me a blessing." They will also say, "I give of my goods." In the kingdom of God there is a constant interchange, taking and giving out, receiving and returning to the Lord His own. Zaccheus learned that well on that great day when he enjoyed a special spiritual feast with the Lord Jesus. He said to Jesus, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor." Luke 19: 8.

As we experience the blessings of God and contemplate His wonderful love and mercy toward us, our souls desire to find ways and means by which we can express our gratitude to God. And how can we do it in a better way than by giving a thank offering to Him at the end of the week of blessings, an offering that will cost something, a real token of sacrifice? We remember how David on one occasion, when God had blessed him and heard his prayer, refused to offer to God an offering that cost him nothing. (2 Sam. 24:22-24.) The amount of the thank offering will naturally be in proportion to the ability of the giver and his appreciation of the blessing. When we receive favours from friends, we should look upon it as discourteous and ungrateful if we did not in some way express our thanks. Could we treat God with any less respect?

In these uncertain times when doors, long open, are slowly closing in many parts of the world, God's people must rally as never before, to fill the many calls for workers and supplies in the far-flung mission fields of earth. Today we are able to work freely in most lands. Tomorrow may be too late. Those with means, who intend some day to bring a good offering to the storehouse of God, would do well to know the signs of the times and understand how and when to make the best investment for time and for eternity.

We greatly appreciate the offering of \$40,448.95 which was given last year during the Week of Prayer and Sacrifice. We regret however that it fell short by \$900 of the amount given in 1951. The main reason for this decrease was obviously that earlier, most unions had two different weeks for this offering, the Week of Sacrifice coming in the spring of the year. These are now combined.

We urge pastors and church elders to give particular emphasis to this special offering in all our churches on the first Sabbath of the feast. Let all endeavour to make it a Week of Prayer and Sacrifice indeed. We shall be none the poorer for that. May we as ministers and workers in the conferences and institutions continue to give a week's salary, less that which belongs to the Lord as tithe and to Caesar as taxes, to this worthy offering, and encourage all our members to give as the Lord has blessed them, be it great or small. But whatever our gift shall be, may it come from the heart of a cheerful giver, touched by the love of God.

G. A. LINDSAY.

THE MOST vital need of a Gospel worker is to be filled with the Holy Spirit. From the very beginning of our Workers' Meeting in Sweden this summer, the truth of this statement was presented to us. In the opening meeting, one of the conference presidents said that we were going to climb the mountain of spiritual blessings, and another read the words of Jesus: "The true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth." John 4:23. He applied these words to our work as ministers and evangelists. He said: "We should not only preach the truth—the 'cold' truth—but preach the truth in a warm spirit, from a warm spiritual life. Such preaching will be impressive; but it comes only from a heart filled with the Spirit of God."

A Bible study entitled: "The Power of the Spirit in our Preaching," by Pastor A. Blomstedt, gave us a clear view of our personal need of the Holy Spirit and what happens to a person when the power of the Holy Spirit comes upon him in its fullness.

Pastor T. J. Bradley further dwelt on this subject in one of his evening studies. He encouraged all to build up a stronger faith, for the promise of the Holy Spirit is being fulfilled right now. Courageously he proclaimed that the Spirit has already been given. It is therefore not for us to pray and cry for the Spirit, as if God were unwilling to give it to us. We should rather thank God for His great gift, and ask Him to prepare our hearts to receive it. This thought stirred us greatly, and we felt that the Spirit of God was already resting upon us. He was waiting for us and not we for Him. Our faith was strengthened and we found ourselves living in an atmosphere of great expectancy. As we approached the end of the week our blessings seemed to grow even greater.

Many interesting doctrinal items were on the agenda such as: Righteousness by Faith; The Doctrine of the Trinity; The Sabbath in Hebrews 4; The Prophetic Year; The Development of Prophetic Interpretation.

In the discussion periods we studied some challenging subjects: The Crisis of Preaching—How to Meet it; How to pre-



The gathering of workers at the Swedish meeting in Vasterang

vent Apostasy; What Have We Done for the Growing Generation? and the Intimate Co-operation between the Minister and the Church—a fundamental requirement for success.

Another subject of great interest was that which Pastor Eric Erenius introduced: Greater Evangelism and Team Work, and the possibilities we have of carrying out the plan. The inspiration we felt when Pastor Erenius presented his subject kindled a fire in the heart of every worker present. Greater evangelism is indeed the loud cry among our workers today. We recognize that we have to do something special. We must give ourselves more fully to the work, to a deeper spiritual experience and consecration.

The workers present came from Sweden and from the Swedish speaking parts of Finland, representing the three Swedish conferences in our union. The union president, Pastor C. Gidlund, carried the responsibilities of the leadership of the meeting, assisted by the three presidents.

Pastor Bradley from the Division spoke every night from Monday to Thursday. He also gave the Sabbath morning sermon. In all his meetings he stressed the personal need of the evangelistic worker in the face of the great commission. Some of his meetings ended with an after-meeting, in which we came closer to God and to one another.

Pastor O. J. Olsen was a welcome visitor from the General Conference. The messages he brought were very much appreci-

ated. We certainly enjoyed sitting at the feet of this good old Gamaliel.

Dr. J. Nussbaum of the Southern European Division happened to be spending a few days in Sweden, visiting Government officials, just at the time of our meeting. He spoke to the gathering several times, giving a new impetus to the Religious Liberty work.

The meetings were held at the Youth's Camp, Västerang, and the workers' families were also invited. This beautiful place proved an ideal spot for such a gathering.

The climax of the week came, as expected, on Friday evening and Sabbath. We, as brethren, will never forget the mighty impression of true Christian fellowship we received on Friday night when we, after the Ordinance of Humility, just before the Lord's Supper, took each other's hands while making a large ring, and sang the beautiful hymn incorporating the words of Psalm 133:1: "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!"

At that moment we reached the top of the Mount of Blessings. We stayed there the whole of the Sabbath day. God came very near to us. And when we said goodbye next morning, to go back down to the valleys, we felt assured that special blessings from above would follow us during another winter's soul-winning endeavour.

"Advent Church Opens an OLD FOLKS' HOME"

By E. R. Warland,

H.M. Secretary, British Union

FOR ADVENTISTS in Britain one of the outstanding events of this Coronation year has been the establishment of a rest home for our aged members at "The Dell," Oulton Broad. That the event was one of no mean interest to the general public is evident by the publicity given in the newspapers which sent reporters. We are most happy to give here an account appearing in the *Lowestoft Journal and Mercury* which was accompanied by two large photographs, one of the present residents seated in the lounge, the other of the opening of the door by Brother Dowell, taken by their own photographer:

"Through the generosity of Mr. D. Dowell, of Oulton Broad, who has given



Visitors attending the dedication of "The Dell," the new home for the aged in the British Union.

them the premises and helped with the furnishing, the British Union Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sunday afternoon (September 6th) opened "The Dell," Cotmer Road, as a rest home for elderly people of the church who, having served it for many years, need a home in which to spend their eventide years. Mr. Dowell himself turned the key in the door and declared the home open.

"Earlier a service of dedication had been conducted on the large lawn at the rear of the house. It was conducted by Pastor W. W. Armstrong, president of the British Union Conference, and was attended by

members of the church from Lowestoft, Yarmouth, Gorleston, Norwich, Watford, Ipswich, and other places. Mr. Nelson H. Knight, secretary and treasurer of the British Union Conference unveiled a notice board at the entrance of the drive to the house, and others taking part were Pastor E. R. Warland, Home Missionary secretary, Pastor J. A. McMillan, president of the South England Conference, Pastor C. R. Bonney, of the Voice of Prophecy Bible School, and Pastor J. G. Frost of the Lowestoft and Yarmouth churches. The newly-appointed matron of the Home, Miss W. O. Bradley, who is a state-

registered nurse, was also present, and Mrs. Bonney sang the solo, "Bless this House."

"The Home is to be supported by members of the Advent church in all parts of the country and £1,000 has so far been contributed toward the redecoration and furnishing. There will be accommodation for sixteen residents, and already six old folk from Sheffield, London, Watford, Kent, and Somerset are living there.

"It is the first such home to be established by the Advent church, but the church authorities hope that in time more rest homes will be opened in other parts of the country."

THE LONDON EVANGELISTIC CENTRE

By W. W. Armstrong, *President, British Union Conference*

IN the early part of this year, Pastors G. E. Vandeman and J. A. McMillan were with me in my office discussing the work in London, and making plans for the future. We had recognized that a great interest had been aroused in London and were feeling somewhat concerned as to how the evangelizing of this Metropolis could be continued, with our slender resources.

At that moment a letter was delivered to me from the General Conference stating that the brethren had taken the burden of London upon their hearts, and were making possible a sum of money which would be sufficient to purchase a permanent evangelistic and church centre in London. Then followed details of the plan,

as decided by the brethren in Washington. The news was so wonderful and so timely that involuntarily we knelt and thanked God for the direction of His Spirit in the solving of a problem which had lain heavily upon our hearts for many months. The great task of evangelizing the nine million people in London is beyond the capacity of this Union with its present membership. London's size and importance make it, to some degree, the responsibility of the whole denomination.

Mrs. White wrote much concerning what should be done for London. Here is one trenchant statement:

"There is a great work to be done in England. The light radiating from London should beam forth in clear, distinct rays to

NEW GALLERY CENTRE OPENS

THE week-end of October 23rd to 25th saw the opening of the New Gallery Cultural and Educational Evangelistic Centre in Regent Street, London, W.1. The auditorium has been completely re-decorated and re-fitted and now presents a beautiful appearance.

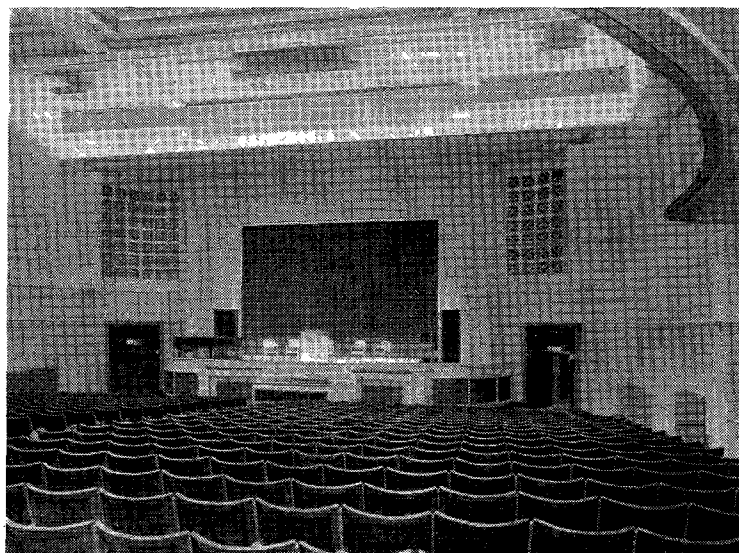
On Friday morning, October 23rd, a Press and Trades reception was held in it and approximately one hundred and fifty business men, newspaper reporters, and friends gathered for this unique occasion. It was a great privilege to have present at that time Col. Frank Norman, chairman of the Westminster Chamber of Commerce and Mr. Haynes, president of the Regent Street Association. These leading business men, representing important business interests in the city, came with their good wishes as the new Centre made its debut in the West End of London. Their speeches were indeed most appropriate to the occasion and expressed a deep appreciation of the spiritual purpose of this venture.

On Sabbath, October 25th, the New Gallery auditorium was crowded with about 1,600 churchmembers from all parts of London and beyond. A deep spiritual feast was enjoyed by all who attended, and a thank offering of £2,540 in cash and pledges was received as the auditorium was dedicated to the service of the Lord.

On Sunday four public services were conducted and about 3,000 in all were present. This was indeed an important occasion in the history of our evangelistic programme in Britain and in our Division.

We seek the earnest prayers of all our workers and members throughout the Division territory as the work proceeds in the great metropolis of London. G. D. KING.

The tastefully designed rostrum in the New Gallery. The pulpit and chairs are white, backed by a blue curtain with gold fringe and rust carpet — restful and pleasing. Benches are for choir.



The splendid auditorium of the New Gallery seating 1,400 people. The blue, rust and gold of the rostrum are picked up in the walls and ceiling, producing a beautiful symphony of colour.



regions beyond, God has wrought in England, but this English-speaking world has been terribly neglected. England has needed many more labourers and much more means. London has been scarcely touched. My heart is deeply moved as the situation in that great city is presented before me. . . . In the city of London alone no fewer than one hundred men should be engaged. The Lord marks the neglect of His work, and there will be a heavy account to settle by and by."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 6, pages 25, 26.

Evidently it was such passages as this quoted that inspired the General Conference brethren to think of this special gift for London. For many years far too little has been done, but now we feel our opportunity has come. We in the British Isles must enlarge our vision and enter into our greater responsibilities with greater faith.

It would be tedious to attempt to tell of the many days spent in scouring the centre of London for a suitable building, but at last we were led to the New Gallery Cinema, in Regent Street, only a few hundred yards from one of the main centres of London, Piccadilly Circus. Those who know Regent Street know it to be a dignified part of London. The New Gallery has been used for the better type of films.

Negotiations for this central building have been very extended, and many hours of careful thought have been given in committees. Let no-one think we have moved into this great venture rashly. The magnitude of the responsibility of taking such a step has been realized by the full committee. The question has been studied

from every angle, to be sure we were doing the right thing. It would be difficult to tell in detail the progress of the negotiations, leading finally to the decision to purchase, but we would like to say that as a question arose in some minds, God sent an evidence to dispel it, and so many were the evidences from God that, when the time came for a vote to be taken, it was unanimous and spontaneous.

The deeds were signed on August 27th, and two weeks from that date we had possession of the building. At the present moment the New Gallery is in the hands of the workmen who are re-moulding and redecorating the building. We have set October 24th as the date for consecrating the building, when all the churches in London will meet together for this special

service. Then the next day, Sunday, October 25th, Pastor G. E. Vandeman will commence his campaign.

Apart from the main auditorium, seating 1,400, there is a large foyer on one side which can be used as a reading room. Also there is a large basement, suitable for young people's gatherings, cooking demonstrations, etc. At the present moment we are negotiating for some further space approximate to the auditorium, which can be used as a meeting place for the Central London church.

Additional to the sum given by the General Conference the local fields will subscribe ten per cent. In making this gift, the General Conference is following Christ's plan in stepping in to help where we cannot succeed by ourselves. London is the heart of a big world, and this action of the General Conference will give out impulses which will reach to the end of our Union, and beyond. Already it is having that effect, for we are being brought prominently before the public, and favourably before the great of this country.

Problems still remain which have to be solved, but the leadings of the past are our confidence for the future, and we are conscious that no progressive action is void of difficulties. The advancing pathway to success will never be seen, much less followed, unless strong faith is exercised.

As you pray for the success of the work in your own country and home town, may we ask that special prayer be offered for Brother Vandeman and his associates, that their united labours, under God's blessing, will continue to bring rich results, and hasten the coming of the kingdom.



Speakers on the platform at the Press and Trades reception. Left to right:

J. A. McMillan, President, South England Conference; E. B. Rudge, Secretary, Northern European Division; G. D. King, Public Relations Secretary; W. W. Armstrong, President, British Union; Col. Frank Norman, Chairman of Westminster Chamber of Commerce; Pastor G. E. Vandeman; W. R. Haynes, retiring President of the Regent Street Association, Ltd.

ENCOURAGING NEWS FROM ETHIOPIA

By A. Karlman

ETHIOPIA shall soon stretch out her hands unto God." It seems that this prophecy is about to be fulfilled before our very eyes today. Ethiopia has been a difficult field for mission work, but it seems that the time has come when its people will turn away from their evil gods and seek the true God. We can see the dawn of a better day for Ethiopia, at least in some places, and we hope it will spread over the whole country.

Flying over Ethiopia, one can see the many small huts in the valleys, and sometimes on the very edge of the high plateaus—thousands and thousands of them—many far from the larger villages, right out in the wilderness. One can't help wondering how they are all to hear the third angel's message. Who is going to bring them the glad message of a Saviour? There are no radios and only a few of them can read.

When visiting our mission station and hospital up at Gimbie early this year, I had the privilege of listening to a number of testimonies from the students. They all had but one desire—to go back to their homes and tell them there about our message which is so dear to them. I then understood that surely this was one of the ways the message would reach this people. Since then, I have received some excellent news from Brother Hugo Palm who is the superintendent of the Wollega Mission. He writes as follows:

"Our work is going forward in the hospital. The evangelistic work has also been rapidly developing during the last months. Our teachers and some of the students have, on their own initiative, begun to work at about ten different places round about here. The people are very interested and impressed with our message. There seems to be a religious awakening among both our own people as well as the

people in the villages. Even the Governor's wife is spreading our message through correspondence with her friends.

"One little boy from our Sabbath school has, with another older boy, begun an effort at a place situated about two hours' journey from here. They gathered about ninety persons and they are building a church there. Another boy who is lame has begun regular Sabbath meetings at two different places. It takes him two hours to walk there from Gimbie. He has about thirty attending at each place.

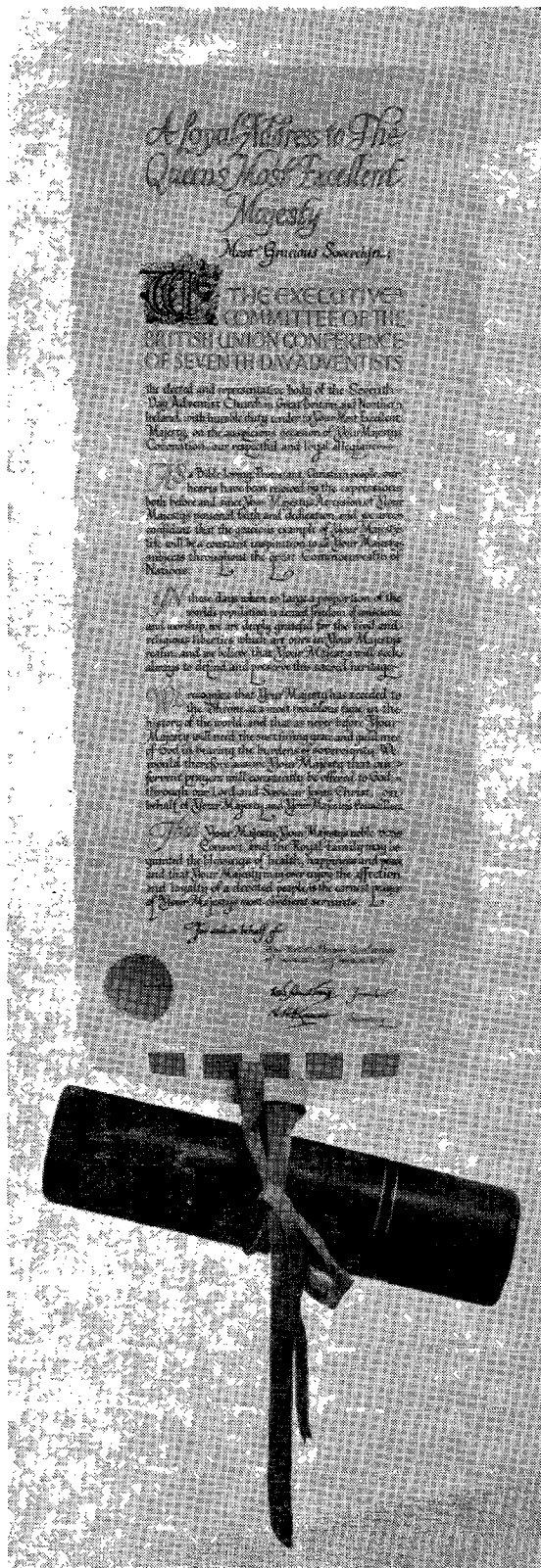
"At some places, our older students have opened schools and they have many pupils. A Coptic priest is, at the present time, studying our message which he seems to understand wonderfully well. His desire is to go back to his people and tell them about it. We have just baptized seven students and one of them came to me later and said, 'My comrades have gone to their relatives and friends to teach them, but what shall I say when I meet my neighbours in heaven for I have not warned them?' He went home to his village and, soon after, I received a letter from him saying that he was visiting and giving Bible readings to about one hundred people every day. On the Sabbath he has about forty attending his Sabbath school."

Brother Palm also says that he is conducting a baptismal class himself with all the workers who are not Adventists and he plans to have a baptism of about ten in a very short time. These workers have been there for several years and have heard the message being preached, but it seems as if they now have come to understand the necessity to take the step and join the church.

It is an advantage when all the workers at the mission compound are Adventists, as the people around always have their eyes upon them.

Sister Maire Höglund gathers about forty children every Sabbath in our church in Lalo, several miles from Gimbie, and the attendance is increasing. When I was there, Brother Palm gave Bible readings to the local Governor every week and Sister Mary Magnusson gave Bible readings to the Governor's wife. I understand that the workers give about 200 Bible readings every week. "So shall My word be that goeth forth out of My mouth: it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please." Isaiah 55: 11.

The Governor was taken ill and brought to the hospital when I was there. For a time we all thought he would die, so the workers gathered together to pray for him.



The address of loyalty presented to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II by the British Union at her coronation.



Ato Retta as he first arrived at the Mission.

One day I went with Dr. Nilsen on his round to see the patients and we also saw the Governor. He was, at that time, still very sick. Dr. Nilsen explained to him that everything possible would be done for him, but he also told him that there was a God in heaven who could help when everything else failed. He told him about our praying for him and that he certainly would receive health and strength again if it was God's will. The Governor seemed to be very thankful for this and we were very glad when he was well enough to leave the hospital. He has great confidence in our people and has helped us a lot. We hope that both he and his wife will take their stand for God and His truth.

A very interesting work has been done among the Shangalla people—a heathen tribe down in the valleys near the Didessa River. Brother Davis has been working among these people for a short time and recently we have had three native evangelists teaching in three different villages. It was my privilege to go down there with Brother Palm, Mary Magnusson and some natives. It takes a full day to get there riding by mule. We set out early in the morning over steep hills and rough mountains, sometimes up to 12,000 feet, and then down again to an altitude of only three to four hundred feet. It is a long, tiresome journey but it is worth while to meet these very interesting people. It was exceedingly hot in the valley which is a real malarial district.

In the first village we have a little church building and there we were to stay overnight. The natives gathered round us. They were very friendly and showed great confidence in our people. We asked them to sing some of their songs for us. An old lady conducted the singing and it was quite astonishing to hear how well they sang. The evangelist translated the words of the song which were about the birds, the flowers, and the beauties of nature. We tried to teach them one of our team songs. These people cannot read and are still idolaters, but some of them seemed to begin to understand about the way of salvation. On the way down to their village we found, on the pathway, many heaps of branches, grass, and sometimes cotton, all offerings to their gods.

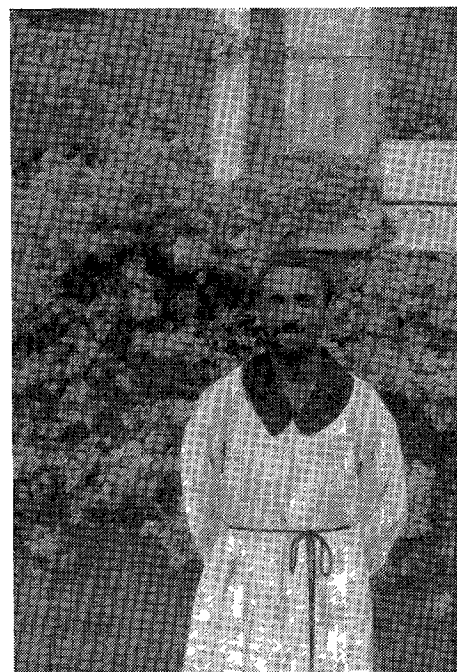
In the morning we visited the next village where we also have a native evangelist. In that village they have a witch-doctor, Ato Bashura, and becoming acquainted with him was certainly an experience. He came to meet us and told us that he had waited for us a long time. How he knew that we would come is still a mystery. He showed us a very nice church of bamboo and told us that he had built it because he loved God and the Adventist people. It was indeed a good building and could not be compared with the other huts in the village, not even with his heathen temple which was on the other side of his own house. We asked permission to enter the temple and after a little hesitancy he took us inside and there showed us several large stones on which he used to offer blood. He told us frankly, "These stones are only stones; they are not gods." He did not believe in them any more. His words were later verified when a sick man came to him. The sick man was sitting outside the temple and Ato Bashura told him that he did not believe in his witch-craft anymore and so could not help him, but he told him about our hospital up at Gimbie and that the Adventists could help him. People used to come to him bringing sheep, cotton, and other gifts. Now he had lost all that income and, I think, was a little concerned about it. We told him to trust in God and everything would go well.

Before we left, we had a meeting with all the people. Brother Palm asked some questions about the living God in heaven; about Jesus Christ; His death and resurrection. The witch-doctor answered the questions very intelligently and we knew that light from heaven had begun to shine into his heart. He was now learning to read and his earnest desire was to be able to read the Bible. During my stay in Addis

Ababa, a deputation of eight Shangallas, from a village where we had no work, came to see the Emperor; they were asking for an Adventist teacher.

We have recently heard that the Government has had trouble with some of the Shangalla people, but we are very glad to learn that in the villages where we have been working, everything has been in good order, and the witch-doctor has been set as a leader over his people in that valley.

In Addis Ababa one of our native evangelists has conducted an effort in the hospital chapel and the people have responded very well. But much more could be accomplished in that city if we could invite people to our own church building for which we have a plot of ground in the city centre. We hope it will not be long



Ato Retta in his baptismal robe. How happy he was that day!

before this can be realized. There are many signs indicating that we will, in the future, have a good harvest among these people who know the good work that has been achieved at our hospital during past years.

While I was in Asmara, their first paper had just come off the press; it is printed in Tigrinia and we hope it will be a real blessing to the field. In a recent letter, Brother Davis writes that they have just had the dedication of the new boarding-school building when representatives from the Government were present. He has now baptized thirteen souls and plans for an-

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NEWS FLASH

DURING the last week in September, we were privileged to receive two General Conference visitors at Division headquarters. The first to come was Elder A. V. Olson, vice-president of the General Conference, returning to America from a protracted visit to India and Africa. The other visitor was Elder L. L. Moffitt, secretary of the Sabbath School Department of the General Conference, who spent several days with us in and around London, *en route* to his home in Washington, D.C.

Pastor A. Varmer, Principal of the Vejlebjerg Mission School, Denmark, reports an enrolment of one hundred and twenty students for the current college year. These students come from our churches in Norway and Denmark. The school has always manifested a live interest in the annual Harvest Ingathering appeal; this year they have achieved an all-time record of Dkr. 15,000 (£750).

In the city of Birmingham on Sunday, September 20th, Pastor T. J. Bradley opened a large evangelistic campaign in the Theatre Royal. One thousand five hundred people attended the opening meeting and almost the same number were gathered together on the occasion of the second Sunday service. This campaign is being conducted under the auspices of the North England Conference, to whom the services of Pastor Bradley have been loaned for this special campaign.

Nurse Anne Hurlle of London, who recently was appointed to serve in the Southern Asia Division, now reports that she is most happily located at the Ranchi Hospital, Bihar, India, and is associated in the work of this medical mission centre with Dr. and Mrs. Nigel Buxton.

Our Division Publishing secretary, G. D. King, and the Division auditor, A. Karlman, have recently returned from an interesting visit to our believers in Iceland. In addition to attending the annual general meeting of the Iceland Mission, they have also devoted some time to the special departmental interests under their care.

Pastor and Mrs. W. J. Newman and family have recently returned to Nigeria after spending a happy period of furlough among relatives and friends in the British Isles. Pastor Newman resumes his work as the president of the East Nigerian

Mission, which has the largest membership of any of the mission sections of the West African Union.

Pastor Robert Link of the Illinois Conference, a widely known song leader among our brethren in the United States, recently arrived in London and is now associated with Pastor Vandeman in the new London campaign as the soloist and song leader.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Ashford Hyde of the Jengre Hospital, North Nigeria, returned to their field of labour on October 6th. During the currency of this recent furlough, Dr. and Mrs. Hyde spent a few weeks in the United States and the remainder of their furlough period in visiting the churches in various parts of the British Union.

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David and Jonathan, two orphans brought up by the nurses at our hospital in Addis Ababa. Their mothers died when they were born. The nurses hope to find a good home for them.

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other baptism before the end of the year. He is also planning to organize a church in Asmara city, and the plans are to erect a nice church building there.

During my stay in Asmara, I was very pleased to meet with our people. Old Brother Ogbaski belongs to that church and is still very active, in spite of his age. He sends his greetings to all who remember him from his visit to Europe. Another outstanding person in that congregation was a poor beggar, Ato Retta, clothed in rags. He was a new man, still very poor, but rich

because he had found the "unsearchable riches of Christ." One of the young teachers had earlier been a Coptic priest; it was very interesting to listen to his testimony of how he had become interested in our truth, and all the opposition he had met with when he broke away from his church. He was then giving Bible readings to another young Coptic priest who also attended the meetings.

Brother Wolland, the superintendent of the Eritrean mission, had an effort in Quandeba—a village outside Asmara. He has had good results and has baptized a number of souls from that place. He writes about the work in this field: "The Lord's Spirit is working upon the hearts of the people. The Lord has many in this country who are to be warned before His coming. Remember us in your prayers as we are meeting difficulties. The priests and also other people are making it very hard for those who are breaking away from their churches."

Let us all remember and unite in prayer for all our faithful missionaries in Ethiopia. Let us also remember our native teachers and evangelists and those young students who have such a burden for their fellow countrymen.

What God is doing in the mission fields through His servants should inspire us in the homelands to push forward the work as never before.

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