



WHAT A RESPONSIBILITY!

By FORDYCE DETAMORE

IF WE really believed Christ were coming tonight, what a stir there would be in the camp of Israel to prepare our neighbours and dear ones. We wouldn't need book-marks and buttons, pins and diplomas, slogans and awards, to prod us on to missionary zeal. Yea, to deliver our own souls we would cry up and down in the land, as Jonah of old, "Prepare to meet thy God!"

We would be less concerned with tact and diplomacy, less worried about making an impression and less concerned about favourable publicity in the world. We would care about one thing only, to hasten the message of impending doom, and if by any means possible to glean the late remnants of the harvest.

Oh, what a responsibility is ours!—a world to warn, and God has no other plan.

One of you shall chase a thousand and two of you put ten thousand to flight. If we number a million, we each have the blood of two thousand resting at our door. With such a responsibility as this, how, oh, how *can* we rest at ease in Zion? How *can* we rest comfortably in our sealed houses, drifting quietly toward sustentation with a world sinking into eternal night? Cannot God stir us? Cannot we be awakened somehow to the challenge of this supreme hour while the Bridegroom lingers?

Should we not cry out to God that we as a people may stand before Him NOW, purified of self and sin as though that day

were at hand? How, oh, how can we hear the cry of the lost ringing in our ears

OUR BIGGEST BUSINESS

By Adlai A. Esteb

"THE real character of the church is measured, not by the high profession she makes, not by the names enrolled upon the church book, but by what she is actually doing for the Master, by the number of her persevering, faithful workers."—*Christian Service*, page 12.

The biggest business of the Church today Is *not* evangelism, as some declare. It is the basic business, we should say, But not the biggest, for we're all aware That it is not enough to "win a soul" And in church books his name enrol.

To just evangelize a soul, then cease, May prove to be a very dangerous thing. If you would have him gain eternal peace, Then send him forth in service for the King.

We must do more than set a sinner free, If we would save him for eternity.

The truest measure of a church is seen Not in its profession, its wealth, or size, But by the faithful workers who convene To share in every holy enterprise.

Not crowds who come to worship, but observe How many GO in faithfulness to SERVE!

and be at ease? "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." Jer. 8:20.

Oh, may not one of us be numbered among that group! And may none be numbered among that group because of our lethargy and neglect. May the Lord of hosts awaken us as a people to rally in this fateful hour.

Remember Matthew 24 (the great signs of the times chapter of the Bible) and Matthew 25 were all one message when Jesus gave it. Let us ever alert ourselves with these pointed appeals from the coming King: "Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour." "Therefore be ye also ready." "While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept." "At midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh." "Our lamps are gone out." "They that were ready went in." "And the door was shut." "He answered and said, . . . I know you not."

May we cry out, "O Lord, cleanse us of every sin, the sins we love, the sins we hate, the sins we no longer even recognize as sin in our lives. O Lord, let Thy light of glory shine into the most secluded corners of our heart to show us ourselves as we shall appear when summoned before Thy throne in judgment. Lord, take out every idol. Remove the trash, the trinkets, the treasures, yes, and even the dust. Then Lord, after cleansing us freely of self, set us on fire to go forth to hasten the harvesting, that not one grain of wheat shall be lost in the garnering.



New members added to the Sheffield church as a result of the City Hall campaign.

Progress Report from Sheffield

By K. A. Elias, *Evangelist*

ALMOST exactly two years ago, R. M. A. Smart and the writer were invited to move into the Sheffield area to make advance preparations for an evangelistic drive in the city, planned for the autumn of 1953. Integral with those preparatory plans was the call of the brethren to join with G. E. Vandeman in his great crusade in the city of London. It was felt that the experience gained in this way would be of infinite value in the attack on Sheffield to follow, and this has proved true time and time again. We have deliberately modelled our approach in this city of steel, on the methods learned during those thrilling months in the Metropolis, and God has truly blessed wonderfully in the results achieved so far.

Back in Sheffield, where, in the meantime, Brother Smart had been holding the fort alone, we were joined by the remaining members of the team—Sisters E. Hanna and M. M. Thomson, and Brother J. Cuthell. They have given excellent service, and have been hard and enthusiastically at work ever since.

Hardly had the new-comers settled in before the inevitable "push" began, and we are happy to report that since then it has never slackened. During those early days, some 40,000 Voice of Prophecy cards were distributed, and 5,000 invitations were addressed by hand. Later, many thousands of handbills were sent from home to home; while over and over again the hoardings

and the newspapers repeated the invitation to attend those opening City Hall meetings.

Obviously our team of five was grossly inadequate to handle the work involved in the type of campaign envisaged. First, we felt it essential to strengthen the musical side of our approach, and to this end, with the willing and enthusiastic approval of our conference president, we invited Pastor B. A. Walten of Liverpool to come to our assistance for the vital first nights of the campaign. We were greatly cheered by his ready response, and we are deeply indebted to him for the wonderful lift he gave us during those early days.

Next we approached the brethren and sisters of the church. Without their help as ushers and usherettes our programme could never have been carried through. To this day, those who were present on those opening nights tell us what a deep impression the neat appearance and the welcoming smiles of these good folk had on them. Truly they have their share in the results achieved.

The first night some 1,250 listened to the message of the God of the starry universe, and warmed to the assurance of His abounding interest in their personal lives. We rejoice to tell you that many have testified that from that very night the Spirit of God commenced work on

their hearts, and that from that meeting their conversion began.

But where the Spirit of God is manifest, the opposition of the evil one is not far away, and so it proved in no uncertain way in this campaign. The first blow fell on the very day before our opening night, when Mrs. Elias was stricken down with rheumatic fever. God in His mercy preserved her from the dreaded complications which all too often are the aftermath of this complaint, and, although weak, she was given strength to carry through her appointed part in the latter part of the campaign.

Hardly had she left her bed, before Brother Smart was involved in a motor cycle accident in which his arm was broken. As a result, his help was severely limited for some months at the very height of the campaign, when his help was so vital. But we took courage during these, and sundry other smaller troubles, in the fact that where Satan actively opposes, much good must be pending; and so it proved.

In November, our mid-week meeting started, to be followed later in December by the Sabbath afternoon meetings. These proved a tremendous success right from the start.

Here again our team was temporarily augmented by the welcome and most valuable addition of Dr. J. Shone of Leeds. His series of health lectures during those early mid-week meetings was greatly appreciated, and they have done much to stabilize these services and to establish those attending in the message of present truth. Demonstrations in home nursing and cookery were given in conjunction with these talks, and aroused great enthusiasm. Sister Fielding of Leeds kindly and effectively demonstrated home nursing; and Sister Elias, following her welcome recovery, took over the cookery demonstrations and carried them through weekly until the end of March.

While all this was going on, the third angel's message was being proclaimed from meeting to meeting, and God's Spirit was blessing in a wonderful way. One dear sister, later received into church membership, told us that for years she had gone from church to church seeking somewhere where Jesus and His message was uplifted, and always she was disappointed until she came along to our services.

Thank God, the assurance of Jesus is still true: "I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto Me." Never have we felt the Spirit of God so near as when we pre-

sented the Sabbath truth for the first time in this series. We had frankly told the audience the previous night what we were going to speak on, and far from spoiling our audience, our attendance that night was larger than before, and those men and women gave us a wonderful hearing. Truly our souls were uplifted as we appealed to all present to follow the Saviour in this vital matter of Sabbath-keeping, and as we saw how willingly so many responded.

One day, perhaps, we will be able to tell you of some of the thrilling victories involved. Of the brother, who, for ten years had been dogged by this precious Sabbath truth, and who found peace and surrender during this series even though it meant losing his job and forfeiting his pension to keep the Sabbath holy. Of the other brother, who, for many weeks, absented himself without specific permission from work on Saturdays, until finally his employers decided that the whole department would pay better on a five-day-week basis, and gave him, and all who worked under him, the sacred hours free! Of the sister who, suffering from heart trouble, was told by her doctor that these meetings had done more for her spiritually and physically in six months than all he had been able to do for her in years. When approached on the question of baptism he warmly advised her to go ahead for, in his opinion, the benefit she would get from following her Lord and Saviour would amply counteract any harmful effects the ceremony might have on her already weak heart. He readily volunteered to take full responsibility for anything that might go amiss, and of course nothing did. When we tell you that this doctor was one of the foremost leaders in the Methodist church you can understand how greatly we appreciate his co-operation.

The climax to our winter's work came on Sabbath, April 10th, when, in the Manor Baptist Church, kindly loaned to us for the occasion, a packed audience rejoiced with us as thirty-eight souls publicly testified to their faith in Jesus, and joined God's remnant people. We were honoured to have with us Pastor J. H. Bayliss, President of the North England Conference, and he most ably and tellingly addressed all present before these dear souls were led through the watery grave to rise to walk in newness of life with Christ Jesus. What an impressive scene it was as several married couples, a father and daughter, a grandmother and granddaughter, two sisters, as well as many

standing alone, were immersed at the foot of the cross which had been our symbol of purpose all through the series of meetings. Another cause of rejoicing was that of the thirty-eight added to the church at this time, eight were young people and twelve were men.

Yes, the Lord has blessed, and is blessing

us wonderfully. We do thank Him most sincerely for all He has done on our behalf. Already He is leading others to prepare for our second baptism planned for later in the year. Will you not pray for us to the end that many now in the valley of decision will step right over on Jesus' side?

Witnessing at Ile-Ife Hospital West Africa

By Sherman A. Nagel, Jun., M.D.

THIS statement is briefly to outline some of the extra-mission activities by the Ile-Ife Hospital staff in connection with its work for the needy people of West Africa. It is briefly to relate experiences incidental to the holding of a series of public meetings.

The meetings started on March 7th. I have conducted the Bible lectures each Sunday and Wednesday night. Unfortunately, the hall, where the services are being held, seats, with crowding, only about 300, but even now, with the rains already on us, the interest has kept up well. Almost every night, if the weather permits, there is a large number outside the hall as well. The meetings will close in about three weeks' time.

Already we have begun to see the power of God working on the souls of men, and nearly a dozen have stepped out to join special Bible classes meeting on Friday night and Sabbath, which we pray will lead them finally to full acceptance of the faith and to baptism.

Among the interested ones are school teachers, managers of some of our local stores, and government workers. One man,

manager of one of the largest stores in Ife, receives a salary of nearly £50 a month. This last Sabbath afternoon I spent nearly three hours with him, sitting in a parked car along one of our jungle lined roads, pleading with him to make solid his decision to keep fully the truth which he has heard and which he believes. As I returned to his house in the town, he asked me if I would not come in and have prayer with him and his wife. The Lord seemed very near as the three of us sought God's power to give victory.

Another very splendid man, a patient that I did surgery on about ten days ago, told me an interesting story as he was being discharged from the hospital. Especially was I interested in his diary which contained much of his story, for there he had made notations day to day of his impressions, from the time he first contacted the hospital back in March, until he was discharged three days ago.

This man is the headmaster of a large United School about thirty miles away from the hospital. In March he came seeking admission to the hospital, but due to the fact there were many who had

Out-patient Department, Ile-Ife Hospital, showing the waiting room with the chaplain holding morning worship with the patients before the Clinic begins. Only a portion of the patients and relatives is here shown. Frequently as many as 300 are in attendance.





1954 Graduation Class of the Ile-Ife Mission Hospital, Nigeria.

paid their fees for surgery in advance, I had to tell him to return in about six weeks' time. Though he tried hard to pressurize me to admit him then to the hospital, I told him I could show no partiality. My not being willing to be pressurized or to show partiality seemed to impress him considerably, and he had noted this also in his diary.

Fortunately, right at the time he was finally admitted to the hospital in May, our subjects on the Sunday and Wednesday night meetings were on the "True Sabbath," and "Who changed the Sabbath?" These two lectures he was able to attend before he underwent his surgery. In his diary he wrote down words something like this: "I have heard for the first time the doctrine of the true Sabbath. I promise God that by His power from this day on I will keep the seventh day of the week holy according to the Bible."

I can assure you as he left us at the hospital it gave me a great deal of joy to be able to give him a number of our truth-filled books to take back to his home, and to enrol him in our "Home Bible Study Course" which our hospital staff has been conducting along with our evangelistic effort. As we parted, he assured me that even though it is a two to three hour ride on the bus or lorry, from his village to our town of Ife, from time to time he was coming down here on Friday afternoons so that he could fellowship with us on the Sabbath.

In his town, and within a radius of probably thirty miles around him, he will be the only Sabbath-keeper. At present I believe he is a member of another religious organization, but his sincere desire is to go back to his community now and bring to them the precious Sabbath truth and the other doctrines of salvation which go along with it.

I know you will join me at this time

in praying especially for these who have made their decisions, and for those who are yet in the "valley of decision."

NOT FAR FROM THE KINGDOM

By Pastor David H. Hughes,
Liberian Mission

ON December 6, 1953, in Monrovia, Liberia, at 7 p.m. the Centennial Memorial Pavilion illuminated the surrounding area as a multitude, numbering well over 1,000, filed into the large doors of the elegant edifice.

Inside, the Pavilion fast filled to its capacity with people from all walks of life. The atmosphere was animated by a musical background of favourite hymns and spirituals. Finally, the crowd settled back with a collective sense of anticipation as three men quietly took their seats facing the large audience. After the opening song, introductory remarks were made by Evangelist D. H. Hughes, introducing Elder A. W. Cormack, Field Secretary of the General Conference. He made timely remarks and offered prayer for the success of the campaign. After the announcements and special music, Evangelist C. D. Henri, who was the speaker for the evening, preached a sermon that gripped the interest of all. This was the beginning of forty nights of sermons, after-meetings, and special prayers to bring to troubled souls peace through Christ.

This evangelistic campaign was not different from any other campaign. The days of preparation called for hours of planning, study, and prayer. The local church was also aroused to lend its

ever-needed influence. A few days before the opening night, Elder Cormack arrived in Liberia on his itinerary of the West African mission field. His presence at such a time was of great importance. He was introduced to President W. V. S. Tubman, and enjoyed a personal interview with him. The future progress of the work of Seventh-day Adventists in Liberia dominated their discussion. The wise and practical advice and suggestions of Elder Cormack were of real value as the meetings progressed. His departure to other parts of the field was keenly felt.

Holding an evangelistic campaign in a large city such as Monrovia, the capital of Liberia, is no small task, but a very serious one. Many handicaps hampered the meetings to the last night of the series. One great handicap was the lack of a Bible teacher. It was necessary to fill the gap by using two elementary school teachers with no previous evangelistic training or experience. The heterogeneous audience was divided into four groups: the upper group and the middle group, the lower group and the native element. The meetings were largely attended by the upper and middle groups. The two inexperienced Bible workers were qualified to reach only the native element and the lower group. This shifted an added burden upon the two evangelists' shoulders.

The greatest handicap of the entire campaign was one that is very rare in evangelism. The Liberian Government graciously permitted the evangelistic company the use of the Pavilion, including the 800 chairs in it. All social and political and religious organizations looked to the government for the use of these chairs on special occasions. It so happened that these occasions were plentiful. Different organizations came at sundry times, and removed half or all of the chairs without notice. Hours were spent in locating the chairs and getting permission to take them back. Practically every week, sometimes two and three times a week, the evangelist who should have been studying or visiting the interested ones, was racing back and forth seeking, finding, and hauling chairs for the meeting. There were times when the chairs could not be located, and the meetings suffered as a result. But despite these handicaps, God blessed the meetings.

The Monrovia Bible Crusade was the name given to this series of meetings, and it was truly a crusade! The impact of the truths presented was felt in every quarter of the capital. High and low, rich and poor were all faced with the age-old

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By E. Bjaanes

problem of what to do with Christ. Many were called, for they came by the hundreds throughout the series of meetings. Many were strongly convicted by the Holy Spirit.

A spiritual warfare raged during those days. For example, one man under strong conviction took his stand on the Sabbath question three times at three different meetings. Yet when visited in his home by the evangelists, and encouraged to get his Sabbaths off, he sought every excuse for not being able to keep it. One high government official came every night without fail, and sat on the second or third row with his wife, imbibing every word. He secured every piece of literature given away, and purchased every book which was sold. He came to the mission home seeking spiritual counsel and a better understanding of the wonderful truths presented. He graciously invited the evangelists and their families into his home. His wife gave gifts to the wives, yet this man who is so close to the Kingdom failed to go all the way and publicly take a real stand for the truths presented. On the other hand, fifty converts came over the line, sixteen of whom are being prepared for baptism. Surely, God's Word will not return unto Him void.

It was discovered during these meetings that hundreds are not far from the Kingdom, but "not far from the Kingdom" will be too far one day. By His grace and for His sake let us therefore rise and finish the work He has given us to do.

The evangelistic company consisted of C. D. Henri and D. H. Hughes who preached alternate weeks; Mrs. Jane Hughes, organist and pianist; Mrs. C. D. Henri, assistant song director; and many Liberian young people who operated the projectors, acted as ushers, distributed announcements, and were helpful in many other ways.

The Real Proof

THERE are many who doubt Christianity, because they question its foundation. The way we can get them to believe is to prove that it is true. Even then men would ask: "How does the thing work?" For every one man who believes in Christianity because it is proven true, there are a thousand who will follow it because they see it working in the lives of others.

—Dr. Harris E. Kirk.

ELDER BROBERG has requested me to give a report about the work in the Begemder Mission. The report will be brief, but there are a few facts I would like to stress. The year 1953 was a most interesting year in regard to mission work. Time will not permit me to go into details, but that for which we have long been praying has now come to pass. Opportunities have been offered us, and requests are coming to us from various peoples and from many places asking us to open the work among them.

There are two tribes in particular about whom I must say a little. They are the Israelites and the Kommant people. Both these tribes keep the seventh day as their Sabbath. The request made by the chief of the Kommants, Dejasmach Tashu, is well known to most of you. For years he has pleaded for us to work among his people. I was speaking with him just a short time back and he made me understand very plainly that he was disappointed with us because we have done nothing for his people. I told him that we have definite plans now to do something for his people, but he said, "I must see it before I can believe." We can understand his attitude when we remember that he has pleaded now for about twenty-five years. He has given advice as to how we should approach his people and how we should establish a strong work there.

Then we have the Falashes, the Ethiopian Jews. They, too, have been pleading with us to work among them. They even went to the authorities in Gondar to ask that permission be given to us for work to be started in their villages. They have sent some of their children to our mission school in Debra Tabor and would have sent many more if only we had had room for them. It is not long since we came into contact with these people, and we have done very little for them, yet even

so they are responding to the message in a wonderful way. I am sure that a great harvest of souls can be gathered from these two peoples, the Kommants and the Falashes.

Unfortunately all these people live north and west of Gondar, about 150 miles away from the station at Debra Tabor. When the rainy season comes along we in Debra Tabor are cut off from the remainder of the world, and during these four months we have no connection whatever with the Falashes and Kommants. I believe that now is the time to give serious study to the situation in the Begemder Mission concerning the evangelistic work. We must do something positive for these people who are begging us to give them the message. We have waited far too long. We need a centre in Gondar. We have not only the Falashes and Kommants but around Lake Tana we have the Weitots too. We have been given the promise that there they would appreciate evangelistic work as well as the medical work. I would like to suggest that a good way of combining this work would be with a mobile clinic. A dresser and an evangelist could work together. There are plenty of roads around Gondar. There is the road to Dabat, Davark, and Debevar. Then there is the road to Gogora with Koladobar and many villages right along the way. Then there is Addis Alem, and Chilga, and Tikkeldingja. This would be one means of coming into close contact with the people. There is a great need of such a clinic.

Fifty-seven new members were baptized during 1953, thus bringing our present membership to 425. This number is comparatively small, but ten others are ready for baptism and still others are interested. Our native evangelists have been working among new tribes in new places, so results from there will be seen later. Until now we have drawn our members from the Sheik Zachariah people, and they will still continue to come, but we felt the need to spread out to new places. Other missions are interested in the very people for whom we have started to work. That is one reason for us pushing on a little, and it

DEBRA TABOR HOSPITAL—STATISTICS 1949-1953

Year	Patients treated Hosp. clinic	Out clinics	Hospital in-patients	Total Income
1949	4,335	?	415	Eth. \$6,649.00
1950	3,719	?	365	Eth. \$6,294.00
1951	4,723	about 500	511	Eth. \$7,784.00
1952	4,553	1,000	1,015	Eth. \$12,107.80
1953	4,198	1,824	1,260	Eth. \$14,186.85

also presents the need for us to do positive work now.

We have opened a clinic in Chilga, where we at present have an evangelist and a dresser working. We hope to open several such centres during this coming year. However, in order to do this we need dressers and I sincerely hope that plans will be made for a dressers' course in Debra Tabor this year. It would be good if our evangelists had some training along these lines.

Attending the school this year we have eighty-nine students. Of these sixty are boarding students, the remainder are day students and some of these are hospital workers. We were very disappointed when we did not get the European teacher we were promised. We have not enough native teachers and now we are in great need of both a European teacher and a native teacher. The school has suffered these past two years for lack of teachers. The students come mostly from Adventist families, and it is from these young people we will have our future workers, not only in Begegender but in the other missions too. A definite action must be taken now as to the providing of teachers. We have four church schools with about 100 children attending, and we plan to develop these to the standard required.

In closing let me bring before you some of the many needs at Debra Tabor:

1. Reparation of the European dwellings. Some work has been done, but there is still room for a big improvement.
2. Opening of new work in new places.
3. Mobile clinic.
4. Church furniture—new pulpit, platform, chairs, etc.
5. A larger and better organ.
6. Furniture for teacher family house.
7. A lorry.

Hospital

1. Repair and repainting.
2. Furniture.
3. Linen and bedding.
4. A wash-house.
5. Repair of national workers' dwelling.
6. Room for the "Ras Kassa Clinic" contract.

School

1. Maps and teaching aids.
2. Reading books in Amharic.
3. Material for dining room tables, benches, and cupboards.

These are only a few of our needs as those of you who have visited Debra Tabor will know.

The future outlook for the Begegender Mission is brighter than ever before. I sincerely believe that with God's help we can double our membership within the next few years. When we first started in 1946 there was a membership of eighty and no native evangelists. Today the membership has increased more than five times and we have fourteen evangelists out in the field. This increase is due to the faithful work of the evangelists. They have been locally trained and we plan to train more. Our need for national workers is great. The task of training them is not easy but it pays with dividends.

From every corner of the field, people are begging us to "come over and help" them. Now is our opportunity to make a move and spread the message. May God help us to do so before it is too late.

We have not succeeded in increasing the number of out-patients from year to year in Debra Tabor Hospital, but the number

of in-patients has increased by three times from 1949 to 1953. The apparent decrease in out-patients from 1952 to 1953 was caused by better registration. In 1952 the work was done mostly by national workers, and many were registered twice when their cards were mislaid, and some even three times. Now this work is cared for by Sister Margit Halvorsen. Before 1952 we recorded the same person again if he came back to the clinic the same year for another disease.

The Chilga clinic treated 763 patients last year, and collected Eth. \$1,000.60.

Wobet Bogale has been working most of the year on out-clinics. He has treated 713 patients and collected about \$1,200.

Four dressers obtained their certificates in Gimbie last year, but as they need further education they will continue to study in our boarding school, therefore they will not be used much in our hospital this year.

Graduation Exercises at Skodsborg Badesanatorium

By Markur Henriksen

ON Wednesday evening, March 31st, the closing exercise of the 1954 Class of Physiotherapy took place. This class is the fifty-fifth in the history of Skodsborg Sanitarium and the third since the institution received State recognition.

This class, which has brought quite a degree of renown to our school, will long be remembered by those who took part in the exercises, and we feel sure it will be very difficult for any following class to attain to the high standard reached by them. Of the seventeen students who graduated, fourteen passed their examination with honours. One of the students, Aila Kuovisto, received eighty points, which is the highest amount obtainable. This was certainly a splendid achievement, especially taking into consideration the fact that Sister Aila comes from Finland, and is therefore not too familiar with the Danish language. Another student, Hanna Aasvik, from Norway, followed very closely, obtaining seventy-nine points.

For the occasion, the platform was decorated with a dark background on which was the class motto, "For Health and Truth," and was draped with the flags of the nations represented, namely, Finland, Norway, and Denmark. After the class was seated, Dr. Eskild Hansen,

the leader of the School of Physiotherapy, bade the congregation and Class of 1954 welcome.

The Sanitarium chaplain, Pastor J. Jensen, then addressed the young physiotherapists quoting Proverbs 21:21: "He that followeth after righteousness and mercy, findeth life, righteousness, and honour." He told the graduates that they had not entered upon their course merely to obtain for themselves a means of livelihood, but because of their Christian convictions and their desire to serve God and humanity. He continued: "Preserve this outlook on life continually, it is what gives life its real purpose and meaning. Unless you do this, you will be poor in spite of material gain. You will also be rich, however little your material gain may be."

Dr. Eskild Hansen, their leader, told the graduates the great need of having a good knowledge of the various sciences concerned, and to keep pace with the times if the graduates would render effective and expert service. He further told them the great need of getting to know their patients, and for showing at all times a spirit of understanding and helpfulness. Only in this way could they become the ideal physiotherapist.

During the closing exercises, Dr. A.

Andersen arrived from London where he had attended the Division Council, and brought greetings from our headquarters in England. The graduation exercises closed with the distribution of diplomas and bouquets of flowers. Afterward a dinner was served in the Sanitarium dining hall in honour of the graduating class and their friends and relatives.

**GOOD NEWS
FROM GREENLAND**

INTERESTING news has just reached us from Andreas Nielsen who, with Ernst Hansen, has begun the summer's work in Greenland. This news is supplied to us through the courtesy of H. Muderspach, president of the East Denmark Conference. We quote from the statement made by Brother Nielsen:

"During the short time in which we have had opportunity to visit the different places we have had many experiences. We were happy to meet Amon Berthelsen in Holsteinsborg again. Together with his son he has remained firm in his belief. It was wonderful also to find that others too, in Holsteinsborg, have become interested in our message. How many they are, and how deep are their convictions, I will inform you later, when I have had opportunity to visit them further. Of course, they need much more teaching, and we need time to give that.

"In Christianshab, where the local steamer *Julius Thomsen* stayed a little over a day, we visited the homes with our tracts. We had a good conversation with the teacher both at the school and in his home. Here we also were invited to celebrate a birthday together with some neighbours. In the evening we conducted a public meeting with stereoscopic slides on the topic 'The Return of Christ'; the teacher acted as translator. There were about 116 persons present, which was very fine, as you know that there are only about fifty houses in this place. Here in Jacobshavn (the place the letter is sent from) the meeting place was filled to overflowing, with about 150 persons present. Peter Rovsing, a retired minister of the State church, translated for me. We stayed in his home.

"The leading priest in the State church at Godthab had sent a long telegram to the Greenlandic priest here. This telegram, which he showed me, stated that he should warn the inhabitants of the town against our work. This warning had been sent out,

but we have the privilege of claiming the promise 'For we can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth,' and this keeps us of good courage.

"Around July 1st we expect to go to Godhavn or Egedesminde. Under all circumstances we must pay a longer visit to Holsteinsborg as well as to Godthab; the short time we have at our disposal does not allow us to visit more places, as we are so seldom able to get boat passages and the distances are so great. There should be at least one worker here all the time in order to get more results. From Julianehab to Godthab there is a boat passage all winter, and some winters they are even able to reach as far north as Holsteinsborg, so there would be something to do in the winter months also."

E. B. RUDGE.

**COLLEGE OF MEDICAL
EVANGELISM**

NIGERIA, British West Africa, is the destination of Miss Esther Mae Rose. Miss Rose recently spent a month at Loma Linda, California, preparing for her assignment as missionary nurse. She has spent four years in Nigeria and plans to leave the States in July to return.

Miss Rose was one of the members of a class of nine taking a course in Tropical Hygiene and Parasitology at the School of Tropical and Preventive Medicine, a school of the College of Medical Evangelists, in Loma Linda, California. This course is given especially for nurses whose interests are in the tropics. It give them an orientation into health hazards prevalent in the world's tropical areas.

Two Northern European Division young people were among 177 graduates at the College of Medical Evangelists' colourful commencement. President W. E. Macpherson presided at the June 5th and 6th ceremonies.

Dr. Frank H. Yost of the Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C., spoke Sabbath afternoon at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium. His topic was "What Are You Doing Here?"

Dr. Harrison S. Evans, professor at Ohio State University and Medical Director of the Harding Sanitarium in Worthington, Ohio, gave the Sunday evening commencement address. He spoke on the subject, "The Medical Career and Its Personal Aspects."

The two physician graduates and their

places of internship are: Dr. Carl Houmann, Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, Washington, D.C.; Dr. Trygve Opsahl, Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, Washington, D.C.

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**BRITISH DOCTORS AID
ANGLICAN STUDY
OF SPIRITUAL HEALING**

PHYSICIANS throughout Great Britain are being asked by the British Medical Association to co-operate with it in preparing evidence of spiritual healing for the Church of England's Commission on Divine Healing. The commission, set up last October by the archbishops of Canterbury and York, is collecting data in an effort to determine whether unexplained recoveries from prolonged illnesses are the result of "suggestion, spontaneous remission, or divine intervention." It also is concerned with the co-operation existing, or that could exist, between doctors and the clergy. Doctors who have had experiences involving unexplained cures are being asked by the medical association to report whether the patient's recovery was attended by spiritual ministrations; if so, whether these ministrations were healing services, and laying on of hands, or unction, and whether such influences as public or private prayer, or "pilgrimages to places such as Lourdes" were involved.—*Review and Herald*.

**FIRST
HEBREW ADVENTIST
CONGREGATION**

E. L. BRANSON, president of the Greater New York Conference, reports that a permanent home for the first Hebrew Adventist congregation in the world was dedicated in the Bronx Community Temple, New York City, on March 6th. There are two and a half million Jews in this great city.

After five years the congregation now numbers fifty. This church has always led the entire conference in per capita giving. Most members pay a second tithe which meets all local church and denominational obligations. Pastor Branson writes: "We know that our believers every-

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NEWS FLASH

A CABLE from Elder R. R. Figuhr, president of the General Conference, tells of the appointment of Dr. W. I. Smith, M.Sc., D.Ed., as principal of Newbold Missionary College for the year 1954/55. Dr. Smith is one of the denomination's foremost educators, having served as president of Pacific Union College, of Walla Walla College, and associate secretary of the General Conference Department of Education. He is at present head of the Department of Education at Walla Walla. We are most happy over Dr. Smith's acceptance of our call and we know that the whole Northern European Division will rejoice at having someone at the head of our senior college whose experience has been so wide in denominational institutions. Dr. and Sister Smith are due to reach England on Tuesday, September 14th, and will therefore be here for the opening of the new school year on September 15th. In the meantime Dr. P. Schuil is serving as Acting Principal.

Pastor and Mrs. Viggo Nørskov Olsen have arrived in England from the Vejle-fjord High School, Denmark. Pastor Olsen, a former evangelist in Denmark who later proceeded to the Seminary for further study and who has since spent nearly two years as Bible teacher at Vejle-fjord, has been appointed to take charge of the Bible Department at Newbold Missionary College. We extend a very hearty welcome to Pastor and Sister Olsen as they join the Newbold staff.

Pastor G. Keough, has accepted an invitation to teach at Newbold College for the coming year. His many years of service in the Middle East and his knowledge of Bible lands will make his contribution to the school of particular value. Pastor Keough will be an associate in the Bible Department.

A most successful summer school is now proceeding at Newbold. Approximately 100 students are in residence from many parts of Europe, and are greatly enjoying the many opportunities that the summer school, with its extension facilities, offers.

Pastor and Sister E. B. Rudge sailed from England on the s.s. *Orontes* on August 11th. *en route* to Australia where after eight years of service in the British

Union and the Northern European Division they will take three months leave of absence. We wish Pastor and Sister Rudge a safe voyage and a very happy visit to their homeland.

Dr. J. W. McFarland and Dr. S. A. Kotz arrived in England on August 17th, and will for the next few weeks be associated with Pastor Vandeman in his New Gallery programme. After about six weeks Dr. Kotz will need to proceed to his mission duties in the Southern African Division.

Pastor C. B. Mensah left for West Africa on August 17th, after having spent several weeks attending meetings in the Northern European Division, on his way home from the General Conference. Pastor Mensah's messages were greatly appreciated at annual meetings in Denmark, Norway, Sweden, and Finland.

Among the visitors attending annual meetings this year were W. R. Beach, W. H. Bergherm, F. L. Peterson, H. O. Olsen and E. E. Roenfelt. The ministry of these representatives of the General Conference was deeply appreciated by the members in Northern Europe and Great Britain. We hope to publish reports of the annual meetings in subsequent issues of the NORTHERN LIGHT.

Mr. and Mrs. Prasada Rao of the Southern Asia Division have visited a number of churches and annual meetings during a brief itinerary of the Northern European countries. Their messages at each place visited brought cheer to the hearts of the membership.

R. A. Vince, who at the recent General Conference was appointed Missionary Volunteer Secretary of the Australasian Division, plans to leave England for his new field of labour during the month of September. Our sincere wishes go with Brother and Sister Vince as they take up their new responsibilities. The new MV and Temperance secretary of the British Union Conference, appointed at the recent union conference session in Watford is C. D. Watson, formerly of the North England Conference.

At the recent annual meetings a number of changes were made in local conference appointments. Among the new presidents elected were the following:

North Swedish Conference—

A. Andersson

South Swedish Conference—

Ragnar Svenson

Finland Swedish Conference—E. Roslin
East Danish Conference—

Thorvald Kristensen

West Danish Conference—H. Muderspach

Word comes from Sweden that A. Blomstedt has been appointed as principal of the Swedish Junior College, Ekebyholm, and R. Blomdahl as academic dean.

We remind all fields in the Northern European Division of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering to be taken on September 25th. This offering is to be devoted to the educational work in West Africa and Ethiopia. We trust that all of our churches and members will give with unusual liberality, that the great needs of an educated ministry in our own mission field territory may be generously met.

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where will rejoice in this auspicious beginning of a larger work among the scattered remnants of the house of Israel. Pray that the blessing of the Lord will attend those who have dedicated their lives to the preaching of the Gospel among the Jews." ED.

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