

# Quarterly Review

of

The European Division of the General  
Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists

Statistical Report of Conferences and Mission Fields  
for the  
First Quarter 1923

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NAME OF CONFERENCE OR MISSION	No. of Churches	Previous Membership	GAINS				LOSSES				Net gain	Present Membership	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Licensed Missionaries	Other Workers	No. Canvassers	Total Workers
			By baptism	By vote	By letter	Total gains	By apostasy	By death	By letter	Total losses								
			4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<b>European Division.</b>	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	9	...	16
<b>British Union Con.</b>																		
South England Con.....	31	1585	4	5	43	52	6	3	40	49	3	1538	6	4	2	1	13	
North England ".....	28	1866	7	1	5	13	5	4	8	17	-4	1862	7	2	13	4	23	
Welsh ".....	10	381	1	...	1	2	...	...	4	4	-2	379	3	2	3	3	24	
Scottish ".....	6	203	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	2	-2	201	2	2	2	3	15	
Irish Mission.....	4	187	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	187	3	...	3	1	10	
<b>Total</b>	79	2672	12	6	49	67	12	7	53	72	-5	3667	29	12	35	9	85	
<b>Central Eur. Union C.</b>																		
German Swiss Confer.....	28	1008	32	2	27	61	8	2	13	23	38	1046	2	1	4	1	8	
Wurtemberg ".....	39	1274	54	3	41	98	11	6	47	64	34	1308	5	3	4	30	42	
Baden ".....	15	734	35	2	13	50	32	2	20	54	-4	730	4	1	1	9	19	
North Bavarian ".....	17	1028	69	...	25	94	5	2	26	33	61	1089	6	1	8	11	27	
South ".....	25	1274	103	2	20	125	15	4	24	43	89	1356	4	4	6	16	31	
Main-Neckar ".....	22	1176	44	...	16.	60	11	3	17	31	29	1205	6	5	3	1	30	
Austrian ".....	17	668	54	3	3	60	10	3	10	23	37	705	5	4	4	1	41	
Kirchheim School Church.....	1	112	...	...	10	10	1	...	9	10	...	112	1	...	9	...	10	
<b>Total</b>	164	7274	391	12	155	558	98	22	166	281	277	7551	38	23	36	19	123	
<b>Czechoslovakian Union Confer</b>																		
Moravia-Silesian Conference.....	25	730	57	...	20	77	6	2	16	24	53	783	1	1	1	5	8	
North Bohemian ".....	18	446	14	...	31	45	8	...	24	32	13	459	3	3	1	20	27	
Central Bohemian Mission.....	9	163	3	1	6	10	7	...	9	16	-6	157	2	...	2	7	12	
Slovakian Mission.....	12	224	12	...	2	14	...	2	...	2	12	236	1	1	2	1	21	
<b>Total</b>	64	1563	86	1	59	146	21	4	49	74	72	1635	11	5	9	7	62	
<b>E. German Union Con.</b>																		
Berlin Conference.....	27	1748	32	8	27	67	16	6	19	41	26	1774	4	3	4	3	8	
Brandenburg Con.....	45	1629	47	4	32	83	34	6	40	80	3	1632	8	6	3	16	47	
N. East Saxon ".....	41	1693	35	2	13	50	24	10	27	61	-11	1682	7	4	3	23	40	
East Prussian ".....	59	1768	27	4	8	39	14	2	16	32	7	1775	13	1	3	5	48	
Pommeranian ".....	40	1241	51	5	10	66	17	6	25	48	13	1259	8	3	4	24	39	
Silesian ".....	54	1993	94	2	18	114	28	8	116	152	-38	1955	7	6	3	6	56	
West Saxon ".....	46	1760	95	7	5	47	19	4	2	25	22	1782	5	6	3	36	38	
Lithuanian Mission.....	6	80	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	80	2	...	1	2	6	
<b>Total</b>	318	11912	321	32	113	466	152	42	245	439	27	11939	62	29	18	37	318	
<b>Latin Union Con.</b>																		
Léman Conference.....	16	852	...	2	8	10	9	6	8	23	-13	839	6	2	2	2	11	
French ".....	23	599	4	2	23	35	12	3	2	17	18	617	7	3	6	3	42	
Alsace Conference.....	8	289	12	...	7	19	2	...	6	8	11	300	5	...	5	1	27	
Belgian Conference.....	6	325	8	...	...	8	2	...	4	6	2	327	4	...	1	2	21	
Italian Mission.....	10	182	4	1	9	14	...	...	8	8	6	188	1	6	1	1	15	
Spanish ".....	5	168	1	...	2	3	1	...	2	3	...	166	3	3	4	3	19	
Portuguese Mission.....	3	150	...	...	2	2	2	...	2	4	-2	148	2	2	2	2	21	
Algerian ".....	3	68	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	68	1	2	2	...	9	
Mauritius Mission.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	
<b>Total</b>	74	2631	29	11	51	91	28	9	32	69	22	2653	34	21	31	11	153	
<b>Levant Union Mission</b>																		
Turkish-Armenian Mission.....	2	94	...	1	...	1	...	...	5	5	-4	90	1	...	1	2	4	
Greek Mission.....	2	66	...	...	2	2	...	1	...	1	1	67	1	...	1	...	2	
Syrian Mission.....	1	16	...	...	2	2	...	...	1	1	...	17	...	1	...	...	2	
<b>Total</b>	5	176	...	1	4	5	...	1	6	7	-2	174	2	1	3	5	12	
<b>Polish Union Confer</b>																		
Posania Conference.....	15	357	14	1	30	45	3	1	53	57	-12	345	1	1	1	2	3	
Silesian ".....	13	321	11	118	129	22	1	...	35	57	72	393	2	1	3	...	11	
Warsaw Mission.....	19	377	7	...	3	10	...	...	...	2	8	355	3	1	5	...	9	
<b>Total</b>	47	1055	21	12	151	184	26	1	89	116	68	1123	7	3	9	2	35	

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Tithe	Average Tithe per Member	Total Mission Offerings except S.S. Offerings	Tot-1 Sabbath-School Offerings	Average Offerings per Member	Special Offerings	Offerings for Local Church Work	Book Sales	No. of Sabbath-Schools	Membership	Average Attendance
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
	5 0 0				6 0 0		26 6 4			
\$2591 1 1	1 13 8	120 17 7	534 3 2	8 6 3	4 19 10		1544 9 3	45	1503	1112
1842 4 2	1 8 4	45 0 4	360 8 11	6 3 9	18 6		2317 17 5	44	1353	775
503 14 0	1 6 6	17 6 4	119 6 6	7 2			615 14 0	20	443	318
187 1 5	18 3	10 6 4	54 19 5	6 6			528 14 7	8	216	170
172 15 3		9 17 3	38 16 11	5 2			304 0 4	6	153	127
\$5276 15 11	1 8 9	208 7 10	1107 14 11	7 2	11 18 4		5397 1 11	123	3663	2502
\$24657 92	6 72	972 11	5176 91	1 67	55 69		24016 93			
Fr 27277 35	27 06	1960 95	4552 35	6 23	26 35		32517 15	28	774	550
M16177136 00	12639 00	1167309 00	1027109 00	1678 00		441482 00	3400595 00	39	1171	823
9205073 00	12540 00	653812 00	434983 00	1601 00		255855 00	4356914 00	15	649	377
14823007 00	14419 00	559073 00	722479 00	1177 00		700 00	7716170 00	17	1227	900
19155272 00	15035 00	836334 00	1480096 00	1708 00		2300 00	5179074 00	25	1376	1115
18387476 00	13934 00	2852433 00	945703 00	3152 00			7633085 00	22	1205	637
K 80599532 00	1206580 00	6045385 00	7414827 00	19092 00	5000 00	4085321 00	110571250 00	17	575	400
M 763017 00	6312 00	34477 00	77286 00	76 70		11272 00		1	109	73
\$10794 55	1 43	661 73	1101 76	0 23	5 49		35390 03	164	7086	4900
Kc 57902 23	73 95	4760 83	7738 90	15 96	40 40	4596 16	9009 00	27	714	579
44284 71	97 42	3389 12	7109 03	21 87	20 00	6500 00	31829 60	18	434	322
14900 33	94 90	1527 60	1795 04	21 16	134 00	3320 00	38638 24	9	118	80
13263 62	56 20	609 56	2321 70	12 42		2839 00	19455 16	12	222	222
Kc 130390 89	79 72	10287 11	18954 67	17 89	244 40	17255 16	126779 40	66	1488	1203
\$4434 34	2 66	294 06	546 92	0 51	8 15	575 17	1338 99			
M25002719 00	14093 97	1873699 00	757318 00	1483 00		1208512 00	1583185 00	27	1656	1164
18696252 00	11468 00	1085712 00	757612 00	1129 00		239859 00	8574331 00	45	1605	1046
19229494 00	11432 00	2360195 00	970123 00	1980 00		1075919 00	6031434 00	41	1585	1082
15536327 00	8752 00	614749 00	627666 00	706 00		237159 00	7571638 00	59	1633	980
14684916 00	11663 00	694813 00	400284 00	870 00		211365 00	4789180 00	40	1258	919
22006480 00	11036 00	1249711 00	1048063 00	1175 00		466520 00	10246728 00	53	2218	1530
30941546 00	17364 00	1713651 00	1593487 00	1528 00		947218 00	3425504 00	48	1752	1392
516113 00	6451 00	112206 00	30031 00	1777 00			220736 00	4	43	27
146613849 00	12288 00	9704736 00	6184584 00	1330 90		4386552 00	47442736 00	314	11750	8140
\$8145 21	0 68	327 12	183 49	0 04		243 70	20874 18			
SF 450 00										
27483 03	32 75	4496 17	5743 06	12 20	508 00		8964 35	23	786	634
FF 33442 45	54 20	5751 75	5833 60	18 78	80 00		18748 00	25	406	397
20184 95	67 28	1135 05	4687 80	19 41			15556 45	9	285	152
BF 29997 68	91 73	3009 76	2750 78	17 62			16656 50	6	383	279
Lire 10078 15	53 61	1590 85	1444 55	15 66	47 00		11725 70	11	183	145
Ptas 3948 10	23 78	922 70	1003 80	11 60			13947 05	10	178	164
Esc 4641 61	31 36	21 95	1162 07	8 00			880 05	4	151	121
FF 2583 70	38 00		742 20	10 90			2305 55	6	71	62
SF 3181 20		3605 50	424 60		84 95					
\$11820 66	4 16	2373 75	2271 58	1 75	116 72		12333 59	94	2418	1954
P 48188 00	535 42	3779 00	3116 00	76 61				2	110	90
D 3455 80	51 58	84 35	212 95	4 44				3	50	45
FF 320 00	17 77	60 00		3 33				2	17	17
\$	379 16	29 27	22 48	0 30				7	177	162
M11879655 00	34433 00	562281 00	753422 00	3813 00			7301500 00	15	276	202
14342132 00	36494 00	811720 00	1292442 00	5354 00			2900170 00	13	384	307
9365659 00	24326 00	413296 00	1104805 00	3943 00			11226020 00	19	399	310
M35387476 00	31639 00	1787297 00	3106669 00	4397 00			12448290 00	47	1059	819
\$988 54	0 88	49 65	87 52	0 12			6224 15			





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RECAPITULATION.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
European Division.....	179	3672	12	6	49	67	12	7	53	72	5	3667	7	...	...	9	...	16
British Union Conference.....	64	7274	391	12	155	558	98	22	166	281	277	7551	38	23	36	19	123	239
Central European Union Conference.....	64	1563	86	1	59	146	21	4	49	74	72	1635	11	5	9	7	62	94
Czechoslovakian Union Conference.....	318	11912	321	32	118	46	152	42	245	439	27	11989	62	29	18	37	172	318
East German Union Conference.....	71	2631	29	11	51	91	28	9	32	69	22	2653	34	21	31	11	56	158
Laun Union Conference.....	5	176	...	1	4	5	...	1	6	7	2	174	2	1	8	5	1	12
Levant Union Mission.....	47	1055	21	12	151	184	26	1	89	116	68	1123	7	3	9	2	14	35
Polish Union Conference.....	121	3795	58	10	81	149	27	7	74	108	41	3836	7	6	17	20	34	84
Rumanian Union Conference.....	197	9146	65	23	44	132	118	34	60	212	-80	9066	40	24	35	13	154	266
Scandinavian Union Conference.....	237	9909	396	23	92	511	105	26	72	203	308	9617	42	16	14	31	189	242
West German Union Conference.....	7	123	7	...	7	...	...	2	2	5	128	2	1	1	1	1	...	5
Bulgarian Mission.....	37	813	17	1	4	22	11	1	4	16	6	819	4	4	8	3	36	55
Hungarian Conference.....	27	437	4	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	5	442	3	...	1	10	33	47
Jugoslavian Mission.....	50	1744	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1744	21	25	16	46	1	109
Missions.....	379	9069	405	159	...	564	...	...	...	516	48	9117	...	...	...	...	...	107
Russian Unions.....																		
Grand Totals, 1st Quarter 1923	1816	62719	1812	292	803	2907	598	154	852	2115	792	63511	309	170	233	223	910	1952

HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT and MISSIONARY

NAME OF CONFERENCE OR MISSION	Field Membership	Bible Readings		Missionary Visits		Letters written		Letters received		New subscriptions	
		H.M.	M.V.	H.M.	M.V.	H.M.	M.V.	H.M.	M.V.	H.M.	M.V.
		1	2	3	4	5	6				
British Union.....	3667	1450	377	5469	1170	2378	659	1148	368	312	66
Central European Union.....	7551	12166	2508	20986	3283	2334	689	1087	292	297	1986
East German Union.....	11939	15581	...	17697	...	1936	...	845	...	169	...
West German Union.....	9617	11570	2233	18424	5213	1261	243	559	85	476	43
Latin Union.....	2653	3610	...	4596	...	1854	...	680	...	292	...
Rumanian Union.....	3836	7857	596	4268	265	347	104	305	63	250	...
Scandinavian.....	9055	3890	929	6089	1246	1639	525	722	255	1038	143
Czechoslovakian Union.....	1635	6229	1189	6179	1321	299	146	180	71	37	35
Polish Union Mission.....	1123	3629	594	2058	478	135	24	47	18	...	6
Bulgarian Mission.....	128	163	7	135	7	40	6	...	6	342	120
Hungarian Conference.....	819	6390	3951	5688	2534	290	325	182	80	...	...
Jugoslavian Mission.....	442	8519	1470	5996	1912	438	39	233	21	...	...
Totals	80544	13744	97585	17429	12451	2760	5989	1267	3213	2049	

The First Quarter

OUR statistical secretary has given us the following:—

	First Quarter	
	1922	1923
Members added by baptism and vote	1318	2104
Net Increase	582	792
Membership at end of quarter	59217	63511
Tithe	\$87,435.29	125,114.39
Offerings	\$23,840.60	33,367.62
Literature Sales	\$85,342.24	185,592.59

This is an encouraging report. Our membership at the close of the first quarter this year was 4,194 more than at the close of the first quarter of last year. The number of new members for the

quarter is over 2,000. We hope that all conferences will soon have their church membership lists revised so that our losses will not be so large. The value of literature sales is really difficult to determine as the exchange is so unstable. But we wish to call attention to the gratifying increase in tithes and offerings. These figures represent the actual amount of dollars received, no matter whether the German mark stands at 500 to the dollar as it did last year or 150,000 to the dollar as it does now. We are grateful to our brethren in the Central Powers as well as in all lands for their faithfulness in bringing in their tithes and offerings in these uncertain times. No one should be discouraged if the money seems to decrease in value. It can be used with good effect for the up-building of God's cause. Our great concern must ever be to increase our membership and to keep up the spiritual interest of our churches. We are

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RECAPITULATION.

	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
\$	24657 92	6 72	972 11	5176 91	1 67	55 69		24016 98	123	3668	2502
	10794 55	1 43	661 73	1101 76	0 23	5 49		35390 08	164	7086	4900
	4344 36	2 66	294 06	546 92	0 51	8 15		6338 99	66	1488	1203
	8145 21	0 68	327 12	183 49	0 04½		243 70	20874 18	314	11750	8140
	11820 66	4 16	2378 75	2271 58	1 75	116 72		12333 59	94	2448	1954
	379 16	2 16	29 27	22 48	0 30				7	177	152
	988 54	0 88	49 65	87 52	0 12			6224 15	47	1059	819
	2760 33	0 73	349 34	292 23	0 17			2710 68	137	3821	3428
	33329 88	3 68	6261 84	7011 79	1 46	47 09		29505 00	445	7469	5975
	10431 97	1 08	395 42	613 43	0 11		191 29		237	8499	5337
	252 36	1 79	21 04	31 86	0 41				8	156	121
	292 94	0 36	28 58	34 82	0 08		0 26	9215 90	37	754	621
	588 24	1 31	33 14	60 54	0 33			2370 74	33	550	498
	3928 73	2 25	387 78	741 46	0 65				103	4588	3893
	12399 54	1 36	1873 02	1083 93	0 32				316	8000	8000
	125114 39	1 96	14106 85	19260 77	0 53	233 14	1207 51	186592 59	2131	61518	48073

VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT.—Report for First Quarter, 1923.

Papers Distributed		Tracts Distributed		Books Distributed		Treatments given		Visits to the Sick		Souls Won		Off-rings for Home Mission Work	Dollars
H.M.	M.V.	H.M.	M.V.	H.M.	M.V.	H.M.	M.V.	H.M.	M.V.	H.M.	M.V.	Both	
7		8		9		10		11		12		13	14
89479	44890	50501	13705	2989	1164	706	68	...	...	53	...	.....	.....
79656	22951	74359	3587	6038	29	202	46	1184	224	73	28	.....	.....
87557	.....	93210	.....	2345	.....	281	.....	1121	.....	129	.....	.....	.....
140859	24637	115524	10932	4718	791	149	2	1529	153	19	28	M 163745 00	9 10
16832	.....	4130	.....	1519	.....	565	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	Frs 1310 95	242 77
11780	1481	10443	2230	898	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
42171	8274	21998	6671	3443	598	810	233	.....	.....	23	8	.....	.....
4253	953	2326	1034	52	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	Kc 276 70	8 14
8796	1757	908	289	10	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	PM 1940679 00	53 91
1174	303	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....
5277	1066	6205	1020	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	Kr 21053 00	4 21
1760	514	65821	1437	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Din 498 50	3 61
489594	106766	445925	41005	21962	2619	2713	349	3834	377	312	78	.....	321 74

grateful to God and our faithful workers for the good beginning made this year.

L. H. CHRISTIAN.



The Statistical Report

OWING to the fact that some failed to send in their reports promptly, the statistical report is published late this time. On the other hand we are glad that we are able to present a more complete report than ever. Reports have come in from almost every foreign field so that we now are able to specify the membership of the missions. Formerly we had to estimate this membership, and we now find that our estimates were too high, compelling us to reduce the entire membership by 112.

2,104 new members have been added by bap-

tism and by vote during the first quarter of 1923 compared to 1,318 in the same period of time last year. The net increase was 792 compared to 582 the same quarter last year, the entire membership at the close of the first quarter of 1923 being 63,511.

In converting the different amounts of tithe, etc., into dollars, the following principle has been applied. For the tithes and the offerings for local church work the rate of exchange at the end of the quarter has been used. Mission offerings and special offerings have been reported to the treasurer each month, and we therefore felt it more safe to use the rates of exchange applied when the funds were received by the treasurer. The literature sales have been based upon the dollar value of the books and other publications.

Berne, June 20, 1923.

H. L. HENRIKSEN.  
Statistical Secretary.

## RUSSIA

Report for the Fourth Quarter Ending Dec. 31, 1922.

NAME OF CONFERENCE OR MISSION	Workers	Churches	Membership	No. Baptized	Added by Vote	Tithe	Weekly Offerings	Annual Offerings	Sabbath-School Offerings	19th Sabbath Offerings	Young People's Offerings	Harvest, Ingathering Offering
	1	2	3	4	5	6	8	9	10	11	12	13
<b>North Russian Union.</b>	9											
Neva Conference.....	8	13	338	25	2	432893 85	30224 10	171815 00	53839 06		101 60	
Middle Russian Conference ..	5	6	174	4	4	603250 00	16595 00	166870 00	57377 00			
North West Conference.....	3	15	219	5	5	145065 00	3450 00	10485 00	11328 00			
White Sea Mission .....	2	8	103	...	...	107450 00	5508 00	13200 00	8066 80			
<b>Total for 4th Quarter</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1238658 85</b>	<b>55777 10</b>	<b>352370 00</b>	<b>130610 86</b>		<b>101 60</b>	
<b>East Russian Union.</b>	2											
Saratov Conference .....	3	19	460	14	1	585762 00	6773 00	47661 00	17078 00	2085 00		18557 00
Samara Conference.....	2	18	311	43	...	183207 00	5778 00	28676 00	14785 00	1620 00		1237 00
<b>Total for 4th Quarter</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>771</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>718969 00</b>	<b>12551 00</b>	<b>71337 00</b>	<b>31863 00</b>	<b>3705 00</b>		<b>19794 00</b>
<b>West Russian Union.</b>												
Dnjepr Conference .....	7	48	1305	85	24	1342618 00	56767 00	119287 00	139318 00	9705 00	749 00	
Podol " .....	5	28	763	25	8	556514 00	23292 00	100875 00	61536 00	1430 00	1708 00	
Black Sea " .....	3	19	352	15	...	274504 00	5277 00	30527 00	18503 00	1855 00		
Kiew Union District .....	7	9	113	7	3	183487 00	2501 00	61076 00	21151 00	1547 00	200 00	
<b>Total for 4th Quarter</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>2533</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>2357123 00</b>	<b>87837 00</b>	<b>311764 00</b>	<b>230508 00</b>	<b>14537 00</b>	<b>2657 00</b>	
<b>South Russian Union.</b>	2											
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East Ukrainian Conference.....	3	13	345	9	1	136522 00	5721 00	2408 00	16501 00		112 00	
Crimean Mission .....	1	6	161	...	2	14961 00	200 00		3525 00			
Woronesh Mission.....	1	3	135	22	10							
Don Mission .....	2	6	189	4	1	462013 00	7170 00	64970 00	18394 00	8360 00	2037 00	
<b>Total for 4th Quarter</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>1434</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>876197 00</b>	<b>18502 00</b>	<b>98718 00</b>	<b>59863 00</b>	<b>15095 00</b>	<b>4572 00</b>	
<b>Caspian Union.</b>												
North Caucasian Conference...	10	35	998	14	6	1101933 00	6211 00	41604 00	57163 00	3584 00		
Middle Caucasian Conference ..	2	8	186	...	2	115247 00	3940 00	7312 00	10933 00			
South Caucasian Mission.....	2	12	236	18	47	124756 00		11600 00	30431 00			
Turkestan Mission .....	2	7	231	1	8				18000 00			
<b>Total for 4th Quarter</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>1651</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>1341936 00</b>	<b>10151 00</b>	<b>60516 00</b>	<b>116527 00</b>	<b>3584 00</b>		
<b>Siberian Union.</b>												
West Siberian Conference .....	10	22	535	100	22	601362 00	1888 00	12534 00	36939 00			
South Siberian " .....	4	18	405	5	7	254978 00	1210 00	2701 00	7075 00		835 00	
East Siberian " .....	2	4	135	...	...							
Central Siberian " .....	5	20	500	...	...							
Amur Mission .....	5	14	329	...	...							
<b>Total for 4th Quarter</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>1894</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>856340 00</b>	<b>3098 00</b>	<b>15235 00</b>	<b>44064 00</b>		<b>835 00</b>	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>9117</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>7439723 85</b>	<b>187916 10</b>	<b>907940 00</b>	<b>613435 86</b>	<b>36921 00</b>	<b>3165 60</b>	<b>19794 00</b>

## In Arabic Fields

HAVING formerly been connected in active missionary work in the Arabic fields, it has been my privilege, after an absence of nine years, to make an extended tour in these eastern countries, visiting Egypt, Palestine, Transjordan, Syria and Mesopotamia with a view to looking after the scattered flock that, in some parts, had not enjoyed

the visit of a foreign missionary for seven and ten years respectively.

Spending ten days with the brethren in Upper Egypt and the Delta, Elder George Keough, the director of that field, accompanied me into Palestine and later into Syria. At Jerusalem we met Sister Marie Meyer, who had remained loyal to the truth during all this time of solitude. She



gave us over £12 in tithe and offerings which she had faithfully laid aside in the hope that some day a worker would finally come. During the war she had been interned in Egypt.

From Jerusalem we made several side trips into Ramallah, north of the city, also to Taybeh, which is ancient Ophra, and later into Salt, in Transjordan, at which points work had been carried on before the war but had to be abandoned on this account. At Ophra, the people had drawn up a petition to our Mission Board twelve years ago requesting that we come and open up work among them. They were willing to provide a lot for the erection of a school. We still found some of these friends who were greatly delighted when we produced a facsimile of their original request which they again reiterated in all form hoping that soon their heart's desire would be fulfilled.

At Salt a man called Michael Hallal el Haddad had begun to keep the Sabbath after our workers had been removed and, having heard at the time that we paid tithe, did the next best thing and handed over considerable sums to the local Protestant church. With all the other Christians he had a hard time during the war. When flying he hid £220 in the ground, taking only £100 with him and he was very fortunate indeed to find them on his return, which proved a great help to him in getting his business, which had been entirely looted during his absence, started again. He sells linen and clothes stuff, closing his tidy-looking shop every Friday evening, so that he was generally known as Michael es sabti, that is, Michael the Sabbath-keeper, under which name we immediately found him.

At Damascus we found several of our Armenian members formerly of Asia Minor and, not knowing the address of our Syrian brother, the Lord led him to us in the open street of this large city with 500,000 inhabitants, when we had lost hope of tracing him, as he just tapped me on the shoulder when we were about to return to our hotel. We had not met for the last ten years.

Proceeding to Beirut, I remained here and in the vicinity for about three weeks, making visits to the various points where we used to labour. Also here a number of Armenians of our churches in Anatolia had found refuge in the camp, some 30,000 having flocked into this city alone. We also visited Sidon, where other members were found.

Reaching Aleppo in northern Syria it was very providential to find a German Swiss gentleman in the office of a business man to whom I had an introduction from friends in Beirut, who was having a rather hard time finding a companion for his long journey across the plains of Syria into Baghdad—the very place I was planning to go to.

A few days following a very heavy rainfall we set out on the toilsome journey on which we often had to get out of our Ford car and give it a lift through the mud and then come back to fetch the luggage. The roads were mostly obliterated by

the heavy rains and, where possible, we drove alongside the slopes of mountain ridges to avoid the swampy plains. My main objective had been Mosul, but everybody dissuaded me from choosing that direct route, the longer one to Baghdad, I understood, being comparatively less dangerous. The Lord had His angels protect us all the way so that, in spite of most wild rumours and actual dangers, we safely reached Baghdad, the city of the Kaliphs, after completing the sixth day of hard travel pretty well shaken up and wearied after such a long and arduous run.

Here I was met by some of the family of Brother Bashir Abo Hasso, the pharmacist, who had connected with us at Beirut in 1910 and had since been out here acting as a dispenser in the large hospital of the Church Missionary Society. During the war he was a medical officer with the Turks, taken prisoner by the British, interned for some time in India and then released to Basra where he opened up a chemist's shop. Later, as the country was occupied, he followed the troops and finally opened up general stores at Mosul and Baghdad, the main business being at this latter city, where they pay a rent of £870 annually for the shop and their dwelling. Prices are high here. I was greatly pleased to find that the premises were closed on the Sabbath.

Taking the train I enjoyed the company of his mother and brother as I travelled northward. At Shergat, the terminus of the railway, a motor-car awaited us, and within five more hours we reached Mosul, a journey of twenty-two hours now while, ten years ago, it took me over ten days in a wagon. Brother Bashir was delighted and greatly touched that I had come after all amid these unsettled times and, with his relatives, gave me a warm welcome.

Immediately arrangements were made for meetings every night. The Lord greatly blessed our efforts and prepared the harvest after the faithful seed-sowing of this brother, while all alone without the blessings of association with others of like faith. March 17th our first church was organized in Mesopotamia with eight members, Brother Bashir being ordained as its first elder. His mother, his wife, two of his married sisters, his brother and a cousin with her son making the covenant. Brother Bashir's grandfather, Michael Saaty, was the first to accept Protestantism about 1851, when American Congregationalists opened up the work in Mesopotamia, later ordaining him elder of the church. His son-in-law, Bashir's father, was the last elder during a period of fifteen years until his death in 1915. Presbyterians have taken over the work in later years conducted by the Church Missionary Society.

The Lord has prospered Brother Bashir in his work and all are agreed that this is due to his faithfulness as a real Christian. I found that he built a fine house costing over £3,000, and learned also that during the last four years or so he had passed on about £2,000 as tithe and offerings to

the church at Bombay. When leaving these dear brethren after spending six weeks with them, he gave me a cheque for £400 in addition to 250 rupees requesting that the Mission Board endeavour to put forth every effort to develop the work in Mesopotamia.

Returning by the same route I reached Aleppo after four days this time, as the roads were better. At Beirut I was very fortunate in meeting Elder Erzberger who, as I learn from a recent letter, had had the privilege of baptizing thirteen souls at various points in Syria, all Armenians. There are now forty-six members in Syria and, as in the days of the apostles, the Lord is using the hardships of His people, who had to leave their homesteads on account of persecution, for the advancement of His cause, as our brethren are faithful in speaking the message to all with whom they come in contact. Never before have I realized the greatness of the work to be done in these lands and also the most providential openings for a rich harvest.

W. K. ISING.



### A Child Acting Upon Principle

SOME weeks ago a letter was received at the Division office written by one of our workers in Germany in behalf of a little girl of seven years called Hertha, the daughter of faithful members of a certain church.

With a group of others she had been sent by the Red Cross to Switzerland for recreation and had the good fortune of being received into the home of a family in beautiful Emmental, known for its rich milk and cream cheese.

Soon difficulties arose on the question of food as these people had pigs and little Hertha suspected that the cake, pastry and all the other good things her kind hosts lavished on their young guest were prepared with pork-fat. All persuasion availed nothing and she would often run away from the table rather than partake of the food pressed upon her. She even stoutly refused to eat butter which she protested was lard until one day she observed them produce it from the milk of their own cows.

Being unable to offer a sufficiently clear reason for her conduct, which was interpreted as stubbornness by these friends, they took up correspondence with her family and were glad to learn now from the lady worker who visited them that the child had conscientious objections based on the principles learned in the home of her step-parents. This certainly speaks well for their faithfulness in these days of want when it is hard to make ends meet with the high cost of living.

One day, our sister was told by the lady, little Hertha noticed a Bible in the chest of drawers she was just opening and, taking it out, suggested that they read in it as she was wont to do with her mother, so that they have now begun studying portions together every evening as they retire to bed.

W. K. ISING.

### The Efficacy of Prayer

AN afflicted sister asks our interest in the case of her husband who bitterly opposed the truth she embraced two years ago, finally leaving her after serious matrimonial disputes. It was found that he had joined the French Foreign Legion acting now, it appears, as a musician.

From the day of their separation this sister prayed with her relatives for his salvation, asking the Lord to turn his heart and incline him to reconciliation.

In the solitude of the fastnesses of Morocco he found ample time to commune with himself and, to the great joy of those praying for him in the homeland, wrote a letter to his wife pleading her forgiveness of his evil conduct as this, he believed, was one of the main inherent qualities of faith. He then went on to suggest that her God could be no other than the one he was longing for himself, and solicits her prayers to find Him whose power was certainly able to change his vile character.

Our sister gives the address of her husband hoping that we might be in a position to have some worker visit and assist him to attain the desired end as there was little hope of his returning home for some years at least. Let us remember this case at the throne of grace that Psalm 126 may some day be the experience of these dear souls when both may again enjoy the blessings of family life in the unity of faith won in the fiery furnace of affliction.



### Living Up to Our Profession

SPEAKING recently at the church in Berne, Elder E. Gugel, president of the German Swiss Conference preached an instructive sermon on the text in Rev. 14:1-4, emphasizing especially the necessity of our personal effort in spiritual growth and the great blessing coming to the individual and the church as a whole by faithfully labouring for the salvation of others. The wording of the text was so familiar to us that we were in danger of losing sight of the fact that, while the first part would most surely come to pass as the fulfilment of God's plan, yet it depended on our personal attitude and co-operation as to whether we ourselves would be included in the company that will gain the victory and stand before the throne on mount Zion with the name of the Father written on our foreheads and singing the praise of the redeemed to His glory.

A few illustrations served to exemplify this thought. A pastor well-known among evangelical circles in Germany had received a letter of eight pages from a man who had attended a series of his lectures in a certain city, to which he made this interesting reply: "I am pleased, indeed, to learn that my labours in your city have been the cause of inspiring you with such great plans of work for the good cause of God. However, I should have been more delighted had other people

written me concerning the great things you had already accomplished instead of receiving a letter of eight pages from you informing me of what you were all planning to do. The impulse for a good action soon vanishes as a snow-ball melts away if it is held too long in one's hand. Take care lest by so doing you will freeze your hands."

Some years ago, Brother Gugel related, he had spoken with a young man on some points of truth kneeling with him in prayer as they had finished. It was only recently that he had learned again of this man from a letter written at our school in Collonges, where he had spent a year in study and now requested that he be given an opportunity to engage in spreading the message himself as a canvasser somewhere in the Italian canton of Tessin in Switzerland for which he is well qualified in that he speaks the Italian, German and French languages.

A Swedish lady coming from Stockholm inquired of the Conference Office at Zurich on her arrival in that city where she could find the church address stating further in her letter that after associating with our brethren up in Sweden, she felt herself so attracted to us, believing to have found in us a people who really lived out the truth they preached. This was certainly a good testimony and we should make every effort to be true to our profession.

### Southern Bavaria

THE cause is onward here in this southern part of Bavaria and our efforts during the last quarter have enjoyed the signal blessings of the Lord, so that 105 souls could be received into church fellowship during this period. We have many evidences that the power of the message is asserting itself in this purely Catholic country. Forty-seven of these persons came along from Munich, the stronghold of Catholicism where, not so long ago, the Jesuit padre Aman held a series of lectures in all the churches against us; but, as is seen also in this case, nothing can be done against the truth. The meetings of our workers are well attended throughout the field and the people are very eager to learn the truth.

April 27-29 we had very encouraging and blessed district meetings at Kempten in Allgäu where, after the testimony meeting on the Sabbath, sixteen persons stepped forward to join the church. At this place also a Jewish physician has made the covenant with God, who, after a long time of diligent study has finally come to know the Messiah in the Word of God. Among the number baptized was another doctor, a dentist who is having considerable difficulty with his relatives on this account.

June 1-3 we had a similar gathering at Passau where our meetings were also well attended although the police had removed our public notices. There are bright prospects for a good harvest also for the next quarter and for the future in general but we may truly say that the labourers are

few. There is no telling how long we may enjoy this liberty for an aggressive work in a country flooded with churches, priests and convents, and now is our time of opportunity that must be improved to its full extent.

C. A. MOTZER.  
*Pres. South Bavarian Conference.*

### In the Canvassing Work

THE help promised in Psa. 121:1 is a daily experience in our work during these difficult times when, in spite of the continually increasing cost of living in the countries of our Union, people are really buying our books as never before. Considering, for instance, a man's wages to be M. 12,000 a day, it means a great outlay to him to pay M. 25,000 for one of our larger books. In Austria, the same book costs Kr. 50,000, and yet the fact is that we are having good sales, some twenty-five canvassers circulating books there to the value of forty to fifty million kroner a month.

It is evident that many are led to take a more earnest interest in the study of the Word of God as they are pressed with afflictions. One of our colporteurs wrote me the other day that, when he sold a book to a lady, she said to him that she had not expected to find such good books in times like these. A war-invalid, a teacher in Bavaria who had bought Revelation wrote to the brother telling him that the most precious hours of his life now were, when he would sit around the table with his family engaged in the study of this book and he prayed God to bless our good work.

Last week when I presented the book of Daniel to a family, the lady exclaimed in great joy that I had come to them as Philip to the eunuch as they had just recently prayed that the Lord might send them someone who would explain all these wonderful things they had read in the prophecies of Daniel. What an encouragement it is to a colporteur to meet such dear people. Never, in fact, have we had to meet such severe opposition, yet the work is onward and the Lord helps us to overcome these difficulties.

L. LUTZ.  
*Field Miss. Sec.*

*Central European Union.*

### A Spirit of Sacrifice

A DEAR sister who has been sending us money for various objects at different times has again enclosed a cheque to the equivalent of 500 Swiss francs. Following the injunction of the Master, "Let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth," she requests us not to divulge her name. Expressing her sorrow at the pitiable conditions obtaining in many countries of the Division, she is convinced that these are all forebodings of the rapidly approaching consummation, though it is evident that a large work in the fields beyond still remains to be done to enable all the nations to hear the good tidings of our coming Saviour.

In designating the purpose of the contribution

sent, she goes on to say: "Several times I have been warned not to be too liberal with my money as we were undoubtedly facing hard times, but I am inclined to think it is just because many reason after this fashion that there are not sufficient funds in the storehouse of God to accomplish the work He has entrusted to His children."

Also a brother sends us some cheering words to accompany a gift after disposing of a small property with "the real estate broker taking off the cream and leaving me only a trifling profit," as he says, evidently as an excuse for not sending a larger amount. However, it is not the sum of money actually given that counts, but the genuine spirit of sacrifice in which the contribution is made and our brother may rest assured that it will be used accordingly. Incidentally this appears in a paragraph of his letter reading as follows: "As for us, the Lord has been very precious to our hearts all these years since we have set out to serve and to love and obey Him. Thanks be to God that we have never faltered or doubted in anything the truthfulness of the message which we all love so well and to which we are intending to stick whether in life or in death, as it involves so much, yea our very soul's salvation."

### A Word from Hungary

WRITING from Nagykanizsa in south-western Hungary, Elder Max Voigt adds this encouraging note. "We are now located in this city from where I look after the work in this part of our country. We have here a little church of thirteen members. This section being chiefly Catholic, we have to contend with no little opposition and prejudice in getting a foothold. However, we trust in the Lord and are of good cheer. We are also well healthwise."

### Neandertal Seminary

WE have every reason to thank God for the rich blessings we enjoyed at the Seminary during the school year just closing, though we had to contend with a number of difficulties. We had an enrolment of 110 students taxing our capacity to the utmost limit and we might have received fifteen more had we been able to supply further room.

Notwithstanding the perplexities occasioned in this section of the country by political conditions, our students have proceeded in their efforts at canvassing, and, during the month of April alone, circulated literature to the value of Mks. 5,804,751 which is certainly very encouraging.

E. C. WITZKE.

### Persia

FROM several letters written in April and May by Elder F. F. Oster of Tabriz, Persia, we cull

the following encouraging information as touching their present work and the prospects for the future.

"The work is onward here. I have been kept busy with this and that. Our services are regularly well attended and the people are getting rooted and grounded in the message. Our school work in Tabriz is really a blessing. The children are such a help to us in the way of singing. The parents also come to the meetings and are interested in the truth. We have about forty students. The school at Urumia is not getting on so well and we have closed the Moslem department, because the governor ordered that it should be free of charge. Everything in that section of the country is still so unsettled, but we hope that things will soon be better.

There are a few young men I should like to train for the work, but that would mean a larger expenditure in the near future while for the present our appropriation provides only for one native worker.

We consider it a very opportune time now to buy a lot suitable to erect a meeting hall. Everybody strongly advises us to do so. It is so difficult to find rooms large enough for such purposes. The place we have now rented is expensive and inadequate. Last evening, for instance, our meeting was so crowded that there was no more standing room left. A better class of people is coming in now than was the case last fall and we now have a splendid opportunity of bringing the truth before the masses. It would certainly be advisable to put up a little building of our own so that we may have permanent mission quarters.

Our request for three thousand krans for the publishing work is very urgent. At the present time we have no tracts at all in the Persian language, though we have seven manuscripts ready for the press. We also need some publications in the Syriac and Armenian in the Azerbaijan dialect. Dr. Daniel, the leader of the Assyrians has just recently written me from Urumia requesting that he be granted the privilege of translating the book of Daniel and Revelation, into the Syriac, as his contribution to the good work. But I had to write him that for the present we would have to confine our work to some smaller publications and could not afford such a heavy expense. A small hymn book would also be among the needs of the field that would greatly contribute to giving more strength to our work by supplying the music in which these people delight. I have translated quite a number of songs into the Turkish and have already duplicated a few dozen on my mimeograph for present use but they are all worn out and we need new ones."

This good news from Persia is certainly most cheering and we are happy indeed that things are taking such a favourable turn in Persia. There are a number of perplexities facing the work but the outlook for the future is certainly most encouraging.