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## THE SPIRIT OF INDEPENDENCE.

... Some have advanced the thought that as we near the close of time, every child of God will act independently of any religious organization. But I have been instructed by the Lord that in this work there is no such thing as every man's being independent. The stars of heaven are all under law, each influencing the other to do the will of God, yielding their common obedience to the law that controls their action. And, in order that the Lord's work may advance healthfully and solidly, His people must draw together.

The spasmodic, fitful movements of some who claim to be Christians are well represented by the work of strong but untrained horses. When one pulls forward, another pulls back, and at the voice of their master, one plunges ahead, an the other stands immovable. If men will not move in concert in the great and grand work for this time, there will be confusion. It is not a good sign when men refuse to unite with their brethren, and prefer to act alone. Let labourers take into their confidence the brethren who are free to point out every departure from right principles. If men wear the yoke of Christ, they cannot pull apart; they will draw with Christ.

Some workers pull with all the power that God has given them, but they have not yet learned that they should not pull alone. Instead of isolating themselves, let them draw in harmony with their fellow-labourers. Unless they do this, their activity will work at the wrong time and in the wrong way. They will often work counter to that which God would have done, and thus their work is worse than wasted.

#### Unity in Diversity.

On the other hand, the leaders among God's people are to guard against the danger of condemning the methods of individual workers who are led by the Lord to do a special work that but few are fitted to do. Let brethren in responsibility be slow to criticize movements that are not in perfect harmony with their methods of labour. Let them never suppose that every plan should reflect their own personality. Let them not fear to trust another's methods; for by withholding their confidence from a brother labourer who, with humility and consecrated zeal, is doing a special work in God's appointed way, they are retarding the advancement of the Lord's cause.

God can and will use those who have not had a thorough education in the schools of men. A doubt of His power to do this, is manifest unbelief; it is limiting the omnipotent power of the One with whom nothing is impossible. O, for less of this uncalled-for, distrustful caution! It leaves so many forces of the church unused; it closes up the way, so that the Holy Spirit can not use men; it keeps in idleness those who are willing and anxious to labour in Christ's lines; it discourages from entering the work many who would become efficient labourers together with God, if they were given a fair chance.

To the prophet, the wheel within a wheel, the appearance of living creatures connected with them, all seemed intricate and unexplainable. But the hand of Infinite Wisdom is seen among the wheels, and perfect order is the result of its work. Every wheel, directed by the hand of God, works in perfect harmony with every other wheel. I have been shown that human instrumentalities are liable to seek after too much power, and try to control the work themselves. They leave the Lord God, the mighty Worker, too much out of their methods and plans, and do not trust to Him everything in regard to the advancement of the work. No one should for a moment fancy that he is able to manage those things that belong to the great I AM. God in His providence is preparing a way so that the work may be done by human agents. Then let every man stand at his post of duty, to act his part for this time, and know that God is his instructor. — Mrs. E. G. White, "Testimonies", Vol. IX, pp. 257—260.

When a worker is selected for an office, that office of itself does not bring to him power of capability that he did not have before. A high position does not give to the character Christian virtues. The man who supposes that his individual mind is capable of planning and devising for all branches of the work, reveals a great lack of wisdom. No one human mind is capable of carrying the many and varied responsibilities of a conference embracing thousands of people and many branches of work.

But a greater danger than this has been revealed to me in the feeling that has been growing among our workers that ministers and other labourers in the cause should depend upon the mind of certain leading workers to define their duties. One man's mind and judgment are not to be considered capable of controlling and molding a conference. The individual and the church have responsibilities of their own. God has given to every man some talent or talents to use and improve. In using these talents he increases his capability to serve. God has given to each individual judgment, and this gift He wants His workers to use and improve. The president of a conference

must not consider that his individual judgment is to control the judgment of all.

In no conference should propositions be rushed through without time being taken by the brethren to weigh carefully all sides of the question. Because the president of a conference suggested certain plans, it has sometimes been considered unnecessary to consult the Lord about them. Thus propositions have been accepted that were not

## OFF TO THE FIELDS IN THE EARLY PART OF 1927.

Although it is early in the present year, new recruits are still being sent out to our far-flung fields. Before we are half way through 1927 some more of our young people will be on the high seas, destined for Africa or the Near East. The growing needs of our work in so many of these heathen



Missionaries destined for Africa. Above: Miss W. Clifford, left and right: brother and Sister Bureaud, below: Brother and Sister H. Gronert.

for the spiritual benefit of the believers, and that involved far more than was apparent at the first casual consideration. Such movements are not in the order of God. Many, very many matters have been taken up and carried by vote, that have involved far more than was anticipated and far more than those who voted would have been willing to assent to, had they taken time to consider the question from all sides. — "Testimonies", Vol. IX, pp. 277—278.

fields are making an increasing demand upon the homelands for more workers and for increased support.

Our missionaries, native teachers and believers in these lands are nobly shouldering the burdens we are laying upon them. They are increasing their tithes and increasing their offerings and cooperating with us in the Ingathering and Big Week campaigns and are growing into increased activity in Home Missionary Work. Really the future is bright before us.

Miss Winnic Clifford goes to take charge of the girls' school and women's work in the Pare Mission. Brother and Sister Bureaud who have had several years' experience in Algiers go down to Madagascar and thus bring relief to Brother and Sister Raspal who have borne heavy burdens there for many months. Brother and Sister Bureaud will bring considerable relief to our very slender force in that large island field. Brother and Sister Gronert from Sweden will be going down to the West Coast of Africa. Brother Gronert is to take charge of the Sierra Leone Mission field and we bespeak for him a real royal welcome as he arrives in that West Coast Colony. From all the fields there comes to us good word of progress. Goals are being set in soulwinning and it is remarkable how the Lord is honouring the aims our missionaries and native believers set before them. We believe that the year 1927 in our mission fields will bring a larger number of new believers than in any previous year. We should certainly pray and work to this end.

W. E. Read, Sec. For. Miss.

# ENCOURAGING NEWS FROM BROTHER LÖBSACK.

Here are a few quotations from one of the spirited letters Brother H. J. Löbsack usually writes, which always breathe courage and inspiration. Writing on the train from Kiew to Moscow, he speaks of their conferences in these terms: -"I trust you have received my note from our Union Conference Session at Rostow. In the meantime, we have had a meeting for the All-Ukrainian Union at Kiew, which was attended also by Brethren Zirat and Wilson, and of course Elder Ljwoff, the president. There were 71 delegates present, with a good representation of our own people. The attendance of the evening meetings averaged from 600 to over 1500 people. They were held in the Theatre "Helios", and were the largest evening meetings I ever attended in any of our Conferences in Russia. Lectures and studies were given in the Russian, Ukrainian, German, Polish, and Moldovanian languages. The Sabbath School was divided into 39 groups, with over 400 in attendance. Following this, I preached the sermon, lasting over two hours, on the subject, "Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high," emphasizing the thought that the blessing of Abraham is made available to the heathen through Christ and that we must receive the Holy Ghost, that is the latter rain. I felt strong, and in spite of the fact that I had to raise my voice to the utmost pitch, yet my "Amen" was as strong as my opening remarks. The Lord has graciously blessed me on behalf of His work, and my eyes, my ears, and my heart praise Him for such wonderful meetings in our country, and for allowing me to see this before I am laid to rest. The Lord has worked marvellously for us.

The beautiful music we listened to rendered by choirs and 23 string instruments transported us, as it were, to Mount Zion, which we even now may see by the eye of faith. I wish the world and our own people scattered abroad might have had the privilege of attending these conferences and listening to the studies and to the singing and the instrumental music. This was the third conference held since the end of April, which I have attended, and the fifth during this year in our All-Russian Union, and they may be compared with a spiritual ladder which, as we travelled from one conference to another, we ascended — always reaching a higher level — "Nearer Thee and ever nearer, O Thou constant, mighty Friend!".

I am now en route via Moscow to Samara, where the meeting of the East Russian Union Conference will be held, to be attended also by Brethren Wilson and Swiridow. Delegates will be coming from Central Asia and the border of China, just as in Rostov where we had representatives from Mount Arrarat and the border of Persia, and in Kiev from the Rumanian, Polish, and Lithuanian frontiers. Following the Conference here at Samara, we still have those for the North Russian Union, All-Siberian Union, and the Far East Union Mission.

All our resolutions were adopted unanimously, and with the firm conviction that the welfare and the unhindered progress of the Cause in our country are the paramount object we must have in view. During these days we shall be mailing the Russian Bibles printed at Kiev, which are the first published by Adventists in the world. The Authorities have repeatedly promised that, after the completion of the round of our Union Conferences, finishing up with the General Meeting of our All-Russian Union in 1928, permission will be granted to open up our Training School. Our enemies, such as the "Reformers" are raging, but we do not fear evil spirits as we are in league with the Lord, to whom be all praise and glory.

#### FURTHER WORD FROM RUSSIA.

In writing from Simpheropol in the Crimea, under date of May 1, where Brother Löbsack is attending a general meeting, we learn that the manuscript for the Russian hymn books has been released by the censors; work has already been begun on it at the Government Publishing House and is to be completed within two months. There are 525 hymns with the music taken mainly from Russian sources. The edition of 5000 will cost

some 15,000 Rubles or about \$ 7,500. Our brethren in Russia greatly rejoice at this new success. The surplus for the 13th. Sabbath offering for the first quarter will also be a very timely contribution to meet this expense, and we are happy that the Lord has opened up the way for making this publication possible. Brother Löbsack says that 1927 is having a good start — the two Bible editions that have been completed at Leningrad and Kiev, a larger shipment of German, Esthonian and Lettonian Bibles and hymn books that have been sent from abroad, now the printing of the edition stated above. Then they have also been given permission to hold their six union conferences this year which means quite a heavy travelling program for Brother Löbsack. That will take him into the wastes of Siberia, clear to the utmost eastern border of their great territory.

Elder Benjamin Schmidt, president of the Siberian Union, which has some 2400 members scattered over their vast stretch of country, speaks in a letter received of the progress in his field. During the few months past he has travelled over 10,000 kilometres by various modes of transport. Some of the workers had to travel over a thousand kilometres by sleigh when visiting the churches. The summer months being so short, when the farmers are busy attending to their crops, the winter must be used chiefly for their evangelistic work. After such long journeys, he says, they would often arrive late in the village so exhausted that they felt unfit for any further service. But the news of their arrival is carried swiftly through the village and the people flock in to hear the visitor, giving you just sufficient time to send up a silent prayer to the Lord for help and strength. It has often been his experience, Brother Schmidt says, that all feeling of fatigue had suddenly vanished, his head being clear so he could preach to the people for several hours that very night of his arrival. The last winter has been severely cold, the temperature falling to 56 centigrade below freezing point. The intense cold would pierce through their double suits and heavy felt boots weighing about 8 pounds. As the first feeling of such severe cold is similar to that of heat, it often happens that people in the open air will call one another's attention to the fact that their nose or ears are frozen white, when they will quickly rub them with snow until the blood again circulates through the tissues. On such journeys it was not uncommon to be exposed to the attack of hungry wolves.

Brother Schmidt had just received word that the shipment of Bibles and hymn books from abroad had arrived at Moscow, and he believed that the greater portion of those in the Esthonian language would be sent on to Siberia where they had quite a few brethren of this nationality. They could hardly await the day when they would have them in their own hands, and this gives us an idea of the great blessing they mean to our brethren. On behalf of all the members he expresses their gratitude to all who have shared in making this shipment possible. The workers in Siberia are now located chiefly in the cities rather than in the villages as formerly, where they are endeavouring to develop new bases for the work. Their tithe and offerings have also increased encouragingly during the past year.

There is also a good word from Elder Raus, superintendent of the union mission in the Far Eastern territory of the Soviet Republic. In his letter, written April 20, he enclosed a photo showing the communications for their mail service, namely a sleigh drawn by eight dogs to which he remarks: "From this photo you will see how our missionary letters and literature are being forwarded by means of dogs. Even these modest creatures take part in the spread of the third angel's message." He then goes on to say: "Recently we received a telegram from Kamtschatka, the southern peninsula in our territory, with a request for literature. It is difficult to meet such requests because of the meagre means of communication, as only during the summer months a steamer calls there a few times. What a good thing it would be if we could have a resident worker in that section." This union mission stretches across a territory of 4000 kilometres with only 8 Gospel workers. At many points interested souls are waiting for someone to teach them the truth. There is also a representative of the message on the island of Sachalin, who is faithfully circulating what little literature he has at his disposal.

Brother Raus greatly rejoiced when he received the leaflet on Missionary Readings and the printed report on the German Mission Society as well as the Week of Prayer Readings which we sent him. July 13—17 they plan to hold their union meeting at Kabarowsk in the coastal province, for which they also expect the visit of H. J. Löbsack. Brother Raus also says that they must do their principal gospel work during the winter months which affords "greater comfort and convenience", because then all the rivers and swamps are frozen.

We pass on this good word to our readers knowing that they take such a great interest in the welfare of our brethren in Russia, and have also on many occasions contributed so liberally to the advancement of the cause in that field.

W. K. I.

#### THE IBERIAN UNION.

During the month of April the writer with Elder J. C. Raft attended general meetings held in the Iberian Union. Spain and Portugal having thus far formed part of the Latin Union, have

### Statistical Report of the European Division of the General

Name of Conference or Mission	No. of Churches	Previous Membership	By baptism	By vote	By letter	Total gains	By apostasy	By death	By letter	Total losses	Net gain	Present Membership	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Lic. Missionaries	Other Workers	Colporteurs	Total Workers
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### Conference of S. D. A. for the Quarter Ending March 31, 1927.

Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Offerings to Mission (except Sabbath Sch. Off.)	Sabbath School Offerings (12 Sabbaths)	13th Sabbath School Offerings	Mission Offerings per Capita and per Week	Special Offerings (Big Week)	Contributions for Local Church Work	Books and Periodical Sales	No. of Sabbath- Schools	Membership	Average Attendance
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Statistical Report of the European Division Unions and Missions of the

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Name of Conference for Mission	No. of Churches	Previous Membership	By baptism	By vote	By letter	Total gain	By apostasy	By death	By letter	Total losses	Net gain	Present Membership	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Lic. Missionaries	Other Workers	Colporteurs	Total Workers
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Total	242	7178	54	30	198	282	98	25	194	317	-35	7143	24	11	44	13	67	159
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Total	162	7927	-28	16	14	58	94	27	14	135	-77	7850	29	9	31	8	89	166
West German Union  Hanover Conference Hansa Hess. Westphal. Rhenish Thuringian Holland "	56 52 54 56 60 26	2133 2194 1822 2820 2210 790	55 86 44 72 44 11	5 10 8 8 5 3	18 14 3 16 19 3	78 110 55 96 68 17	43 21 52 45 46 12	8 10 3 8 6 —	18 10 10 17 9 4	69 41 65 70 61 16	9 69 10 26 7 1	2142 2263 1812 2846 2217 791	2 9 6 5 7 8 3	5 1 2 1 3	5 17 9 12 9 6	26 1 1 1 1 1 -	39 31 37 47 41 21	28 59 55 53 69 60 33
Total	304	11969	312	39	73	424	219	35	68	322	102	12071	40	12	58	31	216	357
Iberian Union Mission	3 4 4.	78 192 173	2 - 10	- - 1	1 - -	3  11		i 2 -	-7 -	1 9 -	2 -9 11	80 183 184	2 3 2	1 1 1 4	2 3 -	··   2   -   -	-: 2 5 9	9 12 15
Total	11	448	12	1	1	14	_	3	7	10	4	447	7	6	5	2	16	36
Jugoslavian Union Mission Adriatic Mission Voivodina " Sava "	20 28 8	364 426 169	1 18 —	- 6	12 4 —	13 28 —	13 	1 5 —	.: 5 9		3 1 —	367 427 169	1 1 2	1	1.	3 1 1	15 27 10	20 30 13
Total	56	959	19	6	16	41	17	6	14	87	4	963	4	1	-	-	52	63
Bulgarian Mission	14	242	_ 3		3	6	2	1	3	6	_	· 242	$\begin{vmatrix} 2 \\ - \end{vmatrix}$	5	3	1	_ 13	_ 24
East African Union Mission Kenya Mission Mwanza " Pare " Ruanda-Urundi Ethiopian Union Mission + Central Abyssinia + Eastern Abyssinia + Western Abyssinia West African Missions + Sierra Leone Gold Coast Nigeria Liberia	6 5 4 4 2 1 1	631 282 261 57  25 3 3  150 338 409	11.8 10 31 	1		121 10 31 	2 8 - - - -		_	2 8 	-1 2 31    	751 281 263 88  25 3  150 338 469	2 1 1 1 1 1 1		1		:1   :     :	13 6 2 3  4 1 1  4 3 4
Egypto-Syrian Mission Egyptian Mission Syrian Mission	$\frac{3}{2}$	87 84	i -		$\begin{vmatrix} \cdot \cdot \\ - \end{vmatrix}$	3		1	\ <u>-</u>	i	2 -1	89 83	1 1	1				
Miscellaneous Missions Eritrean Mission Faroe Islands Mission Greece " Iceland Madagascar " Mauritius " Mesopotamia " Persian " Turkish " Total	1 1 2 4 1 6 1 5 1	21 24 69 252 3 180 19 151 63 3062	 		1	1	111	1		11 11 1 30	4	21 28 69 252 3 180 19 140 63	2 1 1 1 1 2 1 2 1 2 2 1				1 - 1	7 1 2 3 3 2

<sup>+</sup> No report received.

### General Conference of S. D. A. for the Quarter Ending March 31, 1927.

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Z1.		Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Offerings to Mission (except Sabbath Sch. Off.)	Sabbath School Offerings (12 Sabbaths)	13th Sabbath School Offerings	Mission Offerings per Capita and per Week	Special Offerings	Contributions for Local Church Work	Books and Periodical Sales	No. of Sabbath Schools	Membership	Average Attendance
21. 8514.56		20	21	1	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	. 31
\$\begin{array}{c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c	"	10232.97 8087.00	25.64 15.— 10.73	707.51	1839.68	320.11	0.32		1601.17	3854.25 3527.40 8902.77	39	803	627 633
**************************************	Zi. \$	26934.83 3046.60	15.20 1.72	2052.69 232.90	5889.20 605.00		0.37 0.04		3678.63 411.80	16284.42 1893.58	113	2005	1566
D. Kr. 44833.35	" "	448167.65 158831.80	178.11 234.15 180.99	12974.75 26227.75 18927.25	48565.25 42390.20 24824.50	14963.00 12670.00 9929.50	3.30 3.27 4.72	200.00 122.00	75163,25 — — — —	280817.00 241642.00	783 78 34	1840 2069 950	1500 1870 673
S. W. F. 1148, 107807, 20 S. W. F. 1148, 107807, 20 S. W. F. 1149, 127	Lei 1	1880662.63 11436.10		168175.75 1013.53	263215.20 1608.80	82511.25 522.61	5.60 0.03	9411.25 55.38	75163.25 459.78		372	8395	6678
Rmk, 85085.64 19.73 244.01 5222.88 754.54 0.30 112.75 5072.49 22148.00 56 2633 1884 45460.12 19.35 2476.66 4944.06 1023.49 0.30 29.92 0948.88 18821.00 52 2240 1679 279.00 279 0948.88 18821.00 52 2240 1679 279.00 279 0948.88 18821.00 52 2240 1679 279.00 279 0948.88 18821.00 52 2240 1679 279.00 279 0948.89 1882 1483 18821.00 52 2240 1679 279.00 279 0948.80 1882 1483 1882 1476 279.00 279 0948.80 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493 1882 1483 1882 1493	N. Kr. Sw. Kr. F. Mk.	34898.01 27056.78 107867.20	15.23	966.83 605.05	15803.81	1714.95	0.09 0.07	30.50 25.17 — —	4798.75 3452.63 12746.66	57048.12 15945.60 271510.00	55 58 45	2108 1539 1100	1600 1306 960
\$85833.10	Sw.Kr.	114391.27 30675.00	14.43 3.87	4201.46 1120.39	18357.19 4895.25					102570.77 38830.12	224	7160	5705
Pes. 2425.55   2.90   1050.15   854.84   157.60   1.50	y y fi	42460.12 25707.74 44541.53 35833.10	19.35 14.10 15.79 16.21	2476.66 1769.78 3538.81 2896.71	3798.42 5065.84 4614.35	1025.49 727.99 764.77 903.12	0.30 0.27 0.26 0.29	29.92 90.55 157.40 33.88	6948.88 5158.06 9883.03	23728.00	52 53 55 60	2540 1982 3173 2887	1679 1435 2176 1975
Esc.         7570.86         1.40         158.54         95.8.45         374.50        57         50.00         6170.95         9         150         165           Pes.         \$175.06         1.40         1208.69         1778.68         684.89         0.63	Rmk. \$	198098.73 47111.80	16.55 3.94		25018.31 5949.90	4852.89 1035.42		424.50 101.00		131388.00 31252.97	302	14166	9854
Dinar   24786.50   68.09   2582.85   3026.75   849.00   1.86     48806.50   30   428   349	Esc.	3570.84 7028.62	1.40 8.13	158.54	953.45 1610.93	374.50 367.07	0.88	- = =	50.00	6170.55 13192.00	9 5	150 160	165 136
Dinar         24786, 50         68,09         2582,85         8026,75         849,00         1.87         —         —         48806,50         80         428         349           "         13488,70         109,40         2546,50         2204,50         1031,25         2.68         —         —         —         6378,38         41         597         461           S         1201,01         1.25         226,80         1097,255         3412,25         2.06         —         —         210897,80         87         1220         990           Leva         61395,45         258,70         1927,50         9897,50         5298,10         5.25         —         7607,55         72007,00         20         280         229           \$	Pes.	8175.06 1422.40	1.40 0.25	1208.69 212.88	1778.68 314.88	684.89 115.19			276.25 51.16		20	369	361
$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	"	24341.70 18488.70	57.14 109.40	2546.50	4841.30 2204.50	1532.00 1031.25	1.37 2.63	===		63784.30 97807.00	41 16	597 195	461 180
\$ 488.40   1.81   18.76   67.49   37.62   0.04     55.06   518.04	\$_	1201.01	1.25	216.80	178.91	60.61	0.04			8757.10	-	<u> </u>	
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$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	99	$\frac{482.33}{497.96}$	3.21 1.47		136.00 181.83	==	0.04	==	==	==	16 19	414 896	311 - 738
$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		239.24	3.67	846.67 196.27	60.26	==	0.80		==	97.85 — —	4	86	
\$ 6215.89   2.03   5701.15   1288.12   203.10   0.11       2141.78   270   10170   12258	ນ ນ ນ ນ ນ	74.80 349.42 462.65 70.00 668.41 885.12 241.88	2.04 3.11 5.06 1.84 23.30 3.71 46.58 1.60	20.75 83.23 128.06 729.31 27.01 649.23 396.40 62.10	22.61 19.15 118.70 19.40 66.08 81.09 26.14	0.97 5.75 19.43 24.35 3.83 25.08 9.74 5.19	0.36 0.19 0.27 1.29 0.32 1.97 0.05			82.37 1861.45 ————————————————————————————————————	4 2 3 5 53 1 6	40 86 210 378 699 30 243	40 74 190 1791 349 28 229
	. \$	6215.89	2.03	5701.15	1283.12	203.10	0.11			2141.73	270	10170	12258

### Statistical Report of the European Division of the General

Name of Conference or Mission	No. of Churches	Previous Membership	By baptism	By vote	By letter	Total gains	By apostasy	By death	By letter	Total losses	Net gain	Present Membership	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Lic. Missionaries	Other Workers	Colporteurs	Total Workers
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
*ALLRUSSIAN UNION													2			12	_	14
Allrussian Union District	5	304	_		44	44	1		39	40	4	308	2	_	ð	_	_	7
North Russian Union  Neva Conference  North West Russ. Conf  Upper Volga Conference  White Sea Mission	21 16 13 3	428 283 273 19	·· - 2	·· 3 2 -	13 - 3	16 2 5	··· 7 2 6 —	·· 2 - -	14 2 4	23 4 10	-7 -2 -5 -	416 281 268 19	1 2 2 -	 4 1 —	 3 - 2 -	1 - - -	::  -  -  -	2 8 3 4
Total	53	998	2	5	16	23	15	2	20	37	-14	984	6	5	5	1		17
All Ukrainian Union Black Sea Conference Central Dniepr Conference Podol Conference Volhynian Conference Asow Conference Lower Dniepr Mission Upper Dniepr Mission Kiev District Miss.	29 51 52 33 34 13 13 6	554 1318 1279 511 566 362 170 194	12 3 - 10 3 - -		4 43 10 4 16 12 5 4	18 48 10 16 20 12 5 6	7 27 26 6 19 6 4 5	 6 2 1 1	17 33 12 15 11 4 8	26 66 40 22 30 11 12 6	- 8 -18 -30 - 6 -10 1 - 7	546 1300 1249 505 556 863 163 194	1 2 3 1 3 1 1	 2 1 2 1 2 1 2	2 2 2 1 2 2 2 2	4	:-	5 6 7 6 8 6 4 5 4
Total	231	4954	28	9	98	135	100	12	101	213	-78	4876	16	11	15	4	_	46
South East Russian Union Cuban Black Sea Conference Central Caucasian Confer . Transcaucasian Mission Don Mission Crimean Mission	28 32 13 25 8	509 746 310 586 203	8  14 4 	18 13 3 9 6	14 18 3 4 22	31 20 17 28	7 42 6 8 3	 3 1 1	17 20 17 7 21	25 65 24 16 24	15 -34 - 4 1 4	524 712 306 587 207	1 2 1 1 4 2	1 2 1 1	:     න න න	3		4 3 3 5 10 4
Total	106	2354	26	49	61	136	66	6	82	154	-18	2336	11	5	10	3		29
East Russian Union	28 13 5 10	659 297 104 260	1 20 7	1 11 2 6	18 4 18 4 13	6 49 13 19	3 5 1 18	1 2 -	1 21 3 3	 5 28 4 21	1 21 9 - 2	660 318 113 258	1 2 2 -	1 1 1 1	1 1 2 1	2 - - -		3 4 4 3 3
Total	56	1320	28	20	39	87	27	3	28	58	29	1349	6	4	5	2	_	17
Siberian Union Omsk District Central Siberian Conference Irtysh Conference West Siberian Conference North Siberian East ""	7 37 29 20 8 6	200 681 552 516 228 144	15 10 11 3 5	1 1 2 2 1 4	7 14 16 2 -	1 23 26 29 6 9	9 6 7 1	- 2 2 - 1	8 10 9 16 - 1	8 21 17 23 1 3	-7 2 9 6 5 6	198 688 561 522 283 150	1 - 3 2 2 1 1	1	1 1 2 3 2 1	2		3 1 5 4 5 3 2
Total	107	2321	44	11	39	94	24	5	44	73	21	2342	10	1	10	2		23
Daine Wostotschn. Un. Miss. Coastal Region Amur Mission Transbaikalian Mission	23 2 3	452 21 20	11 2 -	5 3 —	16 - -	32 5 —	5 - -	 4 - -	19	28 - -	 -	456 26 20	1 1 - 1	i - -	3 1 —	1 - -	=	2 5 1 1
Total	28	493	13	8	16	37	5	4	19	28	9	502	3	1	4	1	_	9
Grand Totals for Russia	586	12744	141	102	313	556	238	32	333	603	-47	12697	56	27	54	25	<u>  -</u>	162

<sup>\*</sup> Report for fourth quarter 1926.

### Conference of S. D. A. for the First Quarter 1927.

	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Offerings to Mission (except Sabbath-Sch. Off.)	Sabbath School Offerings (12 Sabbaths)	13th Sabbath School Offerings	Mission Offerings per Capita and per Week	Special Offering	Local Church Work	Book Sales	<b>છ</b>	Membership	Average Attendance
	20	21	22	28	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	81
Rbl. \$	3559.19 1884.59	11.71 6.03	946.74 488.01	377.16 194.41	30.24 15.59	0.34 0.18		306.50 157.50		5	329	322
Rbl.	2209.84 882.48 1463.03 31.—	5.22 8.12 5.36 1.63	476.95 139.47 322.99 4.—	213.33 101.39 114.02 1.—	15 39 8.97 12.40 1.—	0.13 0.07 0.13 0.02	:::	84.70 66.20 78.—		21 16 13 3	416 281 276 19	485 349 315 20
Rbl. \$	4586.35 2364.10	$\frac{4.60}{2.36}$	943.41 486.29	429.74 221.52	$37.76 \\ 19.42$	0.11 0.06		228.90 118.—		53	992	1169
Rbl.	1910.44 2619.30 2122.58 999.78 1845.19 927.20 655.65 1087.66	8.44 1.98 1.66 1.96 3.26 2.56 3.86 5.61	432.81 504.51 364.18 149.18 278.09 246.46 177.05 875.48	212.38 300.25 315.72 123.89 231.26 119.56 112.94 187.38	18.96 23.57 38.41 13.85 23.31 9.21 14.56 11.44	0.09 0.05 0.04 0.04 0.07 0.08 0.14 0.21		77. 20 95. 70 214. — 77. 80 303. — 63. 80 53. 40 188. 90		29 51 52 33 34 13 13 6	643 1466 1825 547 612 397 182 221	625 1545 1358 586 666 391 205 228
Rbl.	12167.75 6272.04	2.46 1.26	2522.21 1300.10	- 1558.38 800.71	158.81 79.03	0.07 0.03		1078.80 553.50		231	5398	5604
Rbi.	989.36 1611.55 1585.35 2751.48 1131.50	1.85 2.16 5.18 4.69 5.57	180.10 867.20 295.07 430.65 151.86	141.52 154.28 223.29 263.37 120.33	9.45 16.04 10.60 23.68 4.71	0.05 0.06 0.13 0.09 0.11		55.20 73.80 68.40 93.50 38.90		28 32 13 25 8	559 772 385 656 280	596 790 358 682 234
Rbi.	8019.19 4133.61	3.41 1.75	1424.88 734.47	902.79 465.34	64.48 33.24	0.08 0.04		329.93 169.70		106	2552	2660
Rbl.	1448.51 1175.40 462.08 1014.75	2.19 3.96 4.44 3.90	231.55 190.68 162.82 208.13	156.97 92.94 49.19 112.49	9.49 6.99 2.29 8.69	0.05 0.08 0.16 0.10	===	78.50 25.40 43.10 35.50		28 13 5 10	758 383 130 314	657 283 103 245
Rbi.	4100.74 2113.79	3.11 1.60	793.18 408.85	411.59 212.15	27.46 14.16	0.07 0.04	===	182.50 94.10	==	56	1585	1288
Rbi.	682.84 1431.21 1065.81 1890.13 690.60 425.04	3.41 2.10 1.93 2.69 3.03 2.95	164.82 220.70 168.87 108.83 67.59 100.19	99.31 148.97 125.13 115.79 89.32 65.80	6.86 14.24 9.67 14.56 9.60 4.58	0.10 0.04 0.04 0.03 0.06 0.09		41.30 122.80 36.10 72.20 40.70 52.10		7 37 29 20 8 6	219 724 640 545 256 181	182 173 99 77 62 37
Rbi.	5685.63 2930.74	2.45 1.26	825.— 425.25	643.82 331.85	59.46 30.66	0.05 0.03	==	365.20 188.20		107	2565	580
Rbl.	1622.26 118.73 108.49	8.59 5.65 5.42	205.66 18.42 20.11	252.64 16.16 20.34	30.97 1.85 5.19	0.08 0.13 0.18		383,20 2,30 3,10		23 2 3	493 50 24	51 7 5
Rbi. \$	1849.48 953.36	8.75 1.93	244.19 125.87	289.14 149.03	37.51 19.35	0.09 0.05		388.60 200.30		28	567	63
Rb1. \$	39968.33 20602.23	3.14 1.62	7699.61 3968.84	4607.62 2375.01	410.22 211.45	0.08 0.04	]==	2874.80 1481.30		586	13983	11686

#### Recapitulation for Quarter

Name of Conference or Mission	No. of Churches	Previous Membership	By baptism	By vote	By letter	Total gains	By apostasy	By death	By letter	Total losses	Net gain	Present Membership	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Lic. Missionaries	Other Workers	Colporteurs	Total Workers
1.	2	3	4	ŏ	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
1. European Division 2. Baltic Union 3. British Union 4. Central European Union 5. Czechoslovakian Union 6. East German Union 7. Hungarian Union 8. Latin Union 9. Polish Union 10. Rumanian Union 11. Scandinavian Union 12. West German Union 13. Iberian Union Mission 14. Jugoslavian Union Miss 15. Bulgarian Mission 16. Missions* 17. Russian Unions*	64 64 199 80 872 59 72 242 162 804 11 564 65 586	3586 4450 8994 2116 14669 1882 2900 1772 7178 7927 11969 443 959 242 8062 12744	26 34 272 54 267 75 30 14 54 28 812 12 19 3 224 141	1 6	28 36 198 14 73	74 842 73 822 90 60 52 282 58 424 41 6 236	27 48 86 87 187 18 15 9 98 219 17 2 25 238	25 27 35 3 6	15 37 43 194 14 68 7 14 3	37 60 57 317 135 322 10 37 6	-12 -14 121 16 88 53 -5 -35 -77 102 4 4 206	3524 4486 9115 2132 14757 1485 2900 1767 7148 - 7850 12071 447 968 242 3268 12697	12 17 29 43 12 70 8 40 11 24 29 40 7 4 2 28 56	1 14 9 11 9 12 6 1	41 40 5 33 17 46 13 44 31 58 5 1 3	9 33 7 14 4 9 6 13 8 31 2 5	27 107 144 58 229 80 50 58 67 89 216 16 52 13	159 166 357 36 68 24
Totals 1st Quarter 1927:	2435	84848	1565	!	1	1	1070	!	1452	1	404	84747	432	ì	1		1	2447
,, 1st ,, 1926: ,, 1st ,, 1925:	2312 2152	80469 75421	1837 1881	293 240	l	338 <b>1</b> 2859		258 214	1349 773	2799 1960	1	81051 7 <b>632</b> 0	421 394	i				2544 2604
,, 1st ,, 1924:	1975	69305	2545	348	571	3464	630	179	698	1939	1525	70830	320	150	280	221	945	2031

<sup>\*</sup> Report for the fourth quarter 1926.

### Financial Report of the European Division

,	Tith	<b>e</b> ,	Sabbath Offerin		13th. Sal Offerin		Weekly O	fferings	Harvest Ing	athering
	Loc. Curr'y	Dollars	Loc. Curr'y	Dollars	Loc. Curr'y	Dollars	Loc. Curr'y	Dollars	Loc. Curr'y	Dollars
-	1		2		3		4		5	
East African Union Mission Kenya Mission Mwanza Mission Pare Mission Ruanda-Urundi Miss. Ethiopian Union Mission * Central Abyssinia * Eastern Abyssinia * Western Abyssinia West African Missions ** Sierra Leone Gold Coast Nigeria Liberia Egypto Syrian Mission Egypt	" 85.17. 1 " 80. 1. 8 " 80. 1. 8 "	" 174.61 " 146.51 " " 482.33 " 497.96 " 876.41 	" 27.18 11 " 37. 7. 5 " 24. 9. 0 " — "	" 110.86 " 10.00 " 136.00 " 181.83 " 119.00 " 60.26	" 2. 6. 1 " 5.10. 9 	\$ 11.82 " 28.09 " 11.22 " 26.87 — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —			£ 31.15. 6  " 3. 2. 0  " 0. 8. 0  " 11. 9. 0  " 114.17.10	" 15.10 " 1.85 " 55 66 "559.11
Syria Miscellaneous Missions Eritrea Faroe Islands Greece Iceland Madagascar Mauritius Mesopotamia Persia Turkey	10. 25. 00 10. 0	308.48 42.86 74.80 349.42 462.65 70.00 668.41 885.12 241.88	" 5. 9.11 Lira 195. 85 DKr. 85.51 Dr.1417.10 IKr. 534.15 FFr.502.46 Rs. 190.97 £ 16.18. 5	" 26.66 " 8.66 " 22.61 " 19.15 " 118.70 " 19.40 " 66.08 " 81.09 " 26.14		" 5.75	Lira 42.00 DKr. 84.00 Dr. 319.68	" 1.85 " 8.98 " 4.32	" 26.17.11 — — Dr. 2824.58 IKr. 1999.31 Rs. 1523.43 £ 6. 0. 2	"130.48"
		6215.89	\$	1283.12		\$ 203.10		\$ 61.03		\$ 1964.15

<sup>\*</sup> No report received. \*\* Report includes third and fourth quarters.

### Ending March 31, 1927.

	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Offerings to Mission (except Sabbath Sch. Off.)	Sabbath School Offerings (12 Sabbaths)	18th Sabbath School Offerings	Mission Offerings per Capita and per Week	Special Offerings	Contributions for Local Church Work	Book and Periodical Sales	No. of Sabbath Schools	Membership	Average Attendance
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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\$	267802.73	3.18	26087.94	36161.15	9612.09	0.07	2391.28	37979.71	180375.20	3058	97949	79173
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### Report of the Home Missionary

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### Specification of Mission Offerings for the First Quarter 1927.

	Sabb. Sch. Off. (12 Sabbaths)	13th Sabbath Off.	Weekly Off.	Harvest Ing. Offerings	Annual Off.	Miscell. Off.	Week of Sacrif. Offerings	Y. P.'s Coll. for West Africa	Total Off. for Foreign Missions	Percentage of Off. of Tithe	"Big Week" Fund	Europ. Relief Fund
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1. Baltic Union 2. British " 3. Central Eur. Un. 4. Czechoslov. " 5. East German " 6. Hungarian " 7. Latin " 9. Polish " 9. Rumanian " 10. Scandinavian " 11. West German " 12. Iberian UM 13. Jugoslav. UM 14. Bulgarian Miss. 15. Missions * 16. Russ. Unions *	" 67.49 " 1283.12	190 .13 1856.62 1014.66 176.17 1381.09 174.74 696.99 124.43 522.61 2311.26 1035.42 115.19 60.61 37.62 203.10 211.45	317.31 1601.68 168.83 2810.77 83.58 136.29 139.78 366.73 188.21 1859.99 67.57 9.75 61.03 	26. 39 279. 04 74. 20 125. 11 343. 29 227. 56 46. 27 400. 20 587. 98 156. 88 188. 60 96. 60 0. 71 1964. 15	44.93 99.17 397.75 48.41 517.80 21.83 24.68 220.26 211.34 250.81 250.81 250.81 2.91 2834.11	1039.95 115.12 44.86 22.22  32.86	15.71 	22.24 	1307.25 8153.18 8556.89 1162.88 12788.23 1131.41 8114.93 962.83 8139.94 8326.90 10855.52 642.90 456.32 118.87 7158.27 6555.30	22.90/0 30.2 " 24.9 " 22.7 " 28.0 " 21.3 " 21.3 " 27.4 " 27.1 " 27.1 " 115.0 " 31.8 " 27.60/0		46·14 9·78

<sup>\*</sup> Report for the fourth quarter of 1926.

#### Department for the First Quarter 1927.

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<sup>\*</sup> Report for the fourth Quarter 1926.

# Report of the Missionary Volunteer Department of the European Division for the First Quarter 1927.

и	Baltic Union	British Union	Bulgar. Mission	Central Europ . Union	Czecho- slov.Un.	East German Union	Hungar. Union	Iberian Union	lceland Mission	Jugost. Mission	Latin Union	Mission Mission	Polish Union	Persian Mission	Ruman. Union	Russian Unions	Scand. Union	Turkish Mission	West German Union	Tot. for the First Qfr.1927	Tot. for the First Qtr.19
No. of Societies Tot. M'bership of Soc. Members Reporting.	33 736 467	63 1293 390	2 27 8	119 2346 1089	26 349 155	190 5293 2021	27 448 217	5 58 38	123 —	4 70 —	49 755 171	$12 \\ 164 \\ 65$	30 326 —		80 1328 652	75 205	57 1642 359	- ! -	276 4695 1601	1053 20903 7242	1206 20043 8131
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2. Bible Readings	. 4.		ı	2199	1224	5765	3523	48	48		451	401	-		5872		1025	l —	2742	24938	26898
3. Hours of Chr. H. W'k	1247	10152	1	849	186	_	726	41	_	_	184	234			4195	_	796	—	273	18884	12400
4. Treatments Given	525	243		931	238	1049	574	21			40	27	-	-	833		254	—	_	4735	2588
5. Subscr. to Period.	110	5		54	12	92	16	_		-	66	1	-	-	91	-	98	—	57	602	1050
6. Pap. & Mag. Distr.	3137	34590	46	25505	923	39699	529	125	19	-	3240	305	-	-	1550	-	4130	-	43017	156815	173421
7. Books Distributed	363	2009	1	104	101	114	45	14	96		194	30	-	-	446	-	588	_	155	4260	3870
8. Tracts Distributed	517	9061	-	211	157	267	284	1156	130	-	300	25	-	-	951	- (	4523	-	164	17746	15488
9. Letters Written	966	979	6	944	264	878	412	20	2	-	181	31	-	-	364		659	—	596	6302	5509
10. Letters Received	529	542	4	472	137	432	226	3	2		85	16	-		221	-	297	-	322	3288	2952
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# European Division of the General Conference of S. D. A. Report of the Publishing Houses for the Year 1926.

Nar	n e	Address	Во	ook Sales	Periodical Sales	Total Value Literature Sold	Buil- dings	Emplo-	Perio- dic's	Lan- guages
		II. alaum Cain delborg IE e Commons	_	482712.98	227733.96	710446.94	9	139	13	3
i. Hamburg Pub	-	Hamburg, Grindelberg 15 a, Germany	\$ S	88865.86	45977.60	134843.46	1	32	15	3
2. Stanborough		Watford, Herts, England		43818.—	34955	78773.—	1	17	4	3
3. Norway	Publ. House	74, Akersgaten, Oslo, Norway	\$		12763.52	41925.68		6	2	1
4. Sweden	Publ. House	25, Tunnelgatan, Stockholm, Sweden	S	29162.16			<del>-,</del> .	4	$\frac{z}{2}$	
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6. France	Publ. House	Dammarie-les-Lys, (S. & M.) France	\$	21163.05	14319.65	35482 70	1	14		-
7. Finland	Publ. House	7, Annegatan, Helsingfors, Finland	\$	29832. —	3568.—	33400.—		5	3	2
8. Latvian	Publ. House	11, Brivibas eela, Riga, Latvia	\$	18281.16	4633.56	22914.72			2	2
9. Lithuanian	Depository	Kaunas, Maironia g-ve 22, Lithuania	\$	945	151.85	1096.35	_	. 1	1 .	7
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1. Jugoslavia	Publ. House		\$	18048.36		18048.36	1	. 4	3	3
<ol><li>Spain</li></ol>	Publ. House	Apartado 492, Barcelona, Spain	\$	7411.61	448.81	7860.42		2	2	1
3. Poland		108, Nakielska, Bydgoszcz, Poland	\$	7304.26	2310.15	9614.41	1	2	3	3
4. Rumania	Publ. House	Strada Labirint 1:6, Bukarest, Rum.	\$	10216. —	3164.—	13380	1	3	2	11
5. Italy	Publ. House	Casella Postale 408, Florence	\$	7783.02	420.—	8203.02	1	2	1	1
6. Esthonia	Publ. House	Merepuiestee 14a, Reval, Esthonia	\$	6578.50	847.18	7425.68	1	3	1	1
7. Portugal	Publ. House	Rua Joaquim Bonifacio, M. A. Lisbon	\$	2269.—		2269.—	_``	~	~ `	1
8. Bulgaria	Publ. House	Ul. Solunska 47, Sofia, Bulgaria	\$	819 32	991.23	1810.55	1	1	1	1
9. Turkey	Depository	Galata, P. B, 109, Constantinople	\$	494.76		494.76	1		-	2
0. South Kaviro	ndo Press	Gendia, P. O. Kisumu, Kenya, E. A.	\$	339.80		339.80	. 2	3	_	5
1. Egypt	Depository	2 Sharia Ayad Bey, Shubra, Cairo	\$	909.46		909.46	l —			I
2. Iceland	Depository	Reykjavik, P. B. 262, Iceland	\$	875.57	1653.46	2529 03	_		1	1
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		Grand Totals for the Year 1926	\$	834359.75	377564.09	1211928.84	22	247	48	55
		Grand Totals for the Year 1925	\$	866892.18	330262.68	1197154.86	21	260	45	_
		Grand Totals for the Year 1924	\$	776823 35	271975.65	1048299.—	17	245	44	_
		Grand Totals for the Year 1923	\$	476947.04	178247.11	655194.15	21	281	42	
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		Grand Totals for the Year 1922	\$	487078.33	93457.95	580586.28	20	250	39	-

<sup>\*</sup> Includes Holland, Austrian, Hungarian and Swiss Branches.

been organized into a union mission, taking effect January 1927. The conference for the East Spanish Mission was held at Barcelona. Elder V. Dietel is superintendent of this field, and is evidently taking hold of the work with good success, having a very active companion in his wife. Following this meeting the conference for Portugal was held at Lisbon, closing with the meeting of the West Spanish Mission at Madrid. The days were well occupied with meetings for the workers and colporteurs and such brethren as could be present during the day. Evening meetings were well attended also by outside visitors. Especially was this the case at Lisbon where we have a spacious mission building where some 500 visitors were in attendance. Even for the meeting Sabbath evening we had a good audience in spite of the rumours that were abroad of another revolution, which is not uncommon in Portugal. A peculiarity of the people was noticeable. They are accustomed to be up late at night. Usually the meetings began at 9:30 and continued until after 11 p. m. Visitors would be coming all the while up to the front seats until the very end of the lecture just in time for the closing hymn and prayer.

A few weeks before our meeting a revolution was on at Lisbon which, to judge from the riddled houses, must have been of a more serious nature, and has cost the lives of quite a few people. Brother Lowe, superintendent of this mission, formerly missionary in West Africa, was closed in with his family and other workers at their mission compound for some days. When their provisions ran out and bread had to be secured from the nearest baker, Brother Lowe was obliged to drop flat on the sidewalk at a critical moment to save himself from being hit by bullets whizzing through the air when they were shooting in the neighbourhood. He fortunately succeeded on his errand without being hurt.

At Lisbon we have a church of some hundred members, and about an equal number at Barcelona, with fifty at Madrid. These three cities are the main basis of the work in these countries. This

was the first general meeting ever held at Madrid. headquarters of the union and of the West Spanish Mission, Elder Stene being in charge of both. Brother Struve from Germany has been doing pioneer work in this city and the Lord has blessed his labours. Brother Kleinknecht, a young German, who was one of his converts a few years ago, then gave up his good position and started canvassing to pay his way through our schools in France and England. He has now returned to take up the secretary-treasurership of the union and the mission, while at the same time heading up their departmental work. His linguistic abilities peculiarly fit him for this work, and he rendered us good service as interpreter into the Spanish language. Elder Andersen, formerly of Norway, who came to this field some two years ago, is sufficiently advanced in his language study so that he can carry on his public work in Spanish, which certainly is an indispensable requisite for a successful work. Brother Aldrich, who has had years of experience on the Canary Islands, heads up the colporteur work in this union mission, which has a promising beginning but needs to be strengthened. It is planned that Elder H. Böx, associate secretary of our Publishing Department, gives them a good lift in institutes to be held for the colporteurs this fall.

They have 12 students from Spain and Portugal preparing at the school in France, some of whom will engage in the work to strengthen their meagre forces and to start the work at new points, which is essential for the development of the field. At the end of 1926 there were some 450 members in the union mission and the prospects for the future are encouraging. A great work in this union with its 28 millions still remains to be done, and all our energies must be made available to carry the message to new regions, where interest is springing up. We believe that the union organization now effected will contribute to a more rapid development of this Latin field.

W. K. I.

#### IN THE CZECHOSLOVAKIAN UNION.

As far as territory and inhabitants are concerned, the Czechoslovakian Union is one of the smallest. The population which is made up of Czechs, Slovakians, Germans, Hungarians, Poles and Russians numbers something over thirteen millions, the majority of whom are Roman Catholics.

Our Union was organized after the war in 1919. It is divided into four sections, namely the Moravia-Silesian and North Bohemian conferences and the Central Bohemian and Slovakian missions.

While at the close of 1921 our membership was 1494, it had increased to 2001 by the end of October 1925. That shows a net increase of 507

souls during  $3^3/4$  years which is certainly very encouraging when we consider the comparatively small staff of workers, consisting of 13 ministers, 6 licenced ministers, 5 Bible workers and 63 colporteurs. From 1922 to October 31, 1925 our income in tithe amounted to Kč. 2,232,169.63.—(\$ 67,741.50); in donations we received Kč. 882,855.47 (\$ 26,753.20).

The Publishing work is making marked progress in our union. We are happy to have our own publishing house and owing to the good organization of the different fields, the canvassing work is steadily advancing. Sales have increased from Kč. 512,000 (\$ 15,515.16) in 1923 to Kč. 683,000 (\$ 20.696.96) in 1924 and has reached Kč. 886,914.— (\$ 26,634.18) in 1925, although the sale of literature is difficult in this country with the different nationalities being so scattered. We are circulating literature in six different languages. The publishing house is doing good work with quite a small staff of workers. We receive the German literature from Hamburg, the Hungarian from Budapest, the Polish from Poland, the Czechian and Slovakian we produce ourselves, though not on our own printing press. The publishing house has been founded on a sound basis and since its organization shows signs of steady progress.

The different missionary activities bespeak a good spirit in our churches. All rejoiced to take part in the Big Week, Self Denial Week etc. The Harvest Ingathering Campaign was also far more successful this year than the last.

In order that assistance may be rendered to our workers, we have, with the help of the Division, bought a villa near Prague which, according to the judgment of all, is very suitable for a school. All the rooms are not yet available, but will be in the course of next year. The first school year opened last fall with a group of fine and very promising young men and women making our hopes rise for the future of the work here.

Although this is the land of Hus and Hieronymus, and the activities of the Moravian Brethren are widely known who now also enjoy perfect religious liberty, yet the interest of the population for the truth has not been what might be expected. The people contend with the Church of Rome, as the occurrences of last summer indicate, but many a time it is rather against all religion as such.

Everywhere we lack meeting halls. Most halls we rent at the present moment are not suitable for church services, and usually are dismal and isolated, as we cannot cope with the demands. We hope, however, that it may be possible to procure one or two halls of our own every year. These conditions are causing great difficulties and we must seek to provide the means for the purchase of meeting halls at least in the larger

towns, if our work is to prosper in this country. And just now is the suitable moment, this time of struggle against the supremacy of Rome which is occupying the minds of the people.

The future of our work in this union is very promising, and we believe that every effort will bring rich returns. In these Catholic countries, where in the past millions have died for their faith, many honest souls will accept the message when it is presented to them. All our people are full of courage. With all their hearts they believe in the triumph of the gospel and the speedy finishing of the work.

R. Rühling.

#### THE WORK IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

It was very interesting to me to spend four weeks in Czechoslovakia, attending Sabbath school conventions. This new country, which dates from the close of the World War, has a very old history under the names of Bohemia and Moravia. When one mentions Bohemia, he immediately thinks of that great man and martyr of pre-Reformation times, John Huss. The word Moravia brings to the mind the work of the Moravian Brethren, and what they have done for the cause of modern missions.

For the third angel's message Czechoslovakia is also a new country. The message had been proclaimed in some places, while this country was still a part of the old Austro-Hungarian Empire, but it was not until 1919 that the Czechoslovakian Union was organized. Since that time the work has advanced very rapidly, and now for the first time the church membership has passed the twenty one hundred mark.

The union consists of two conferences and two missions: the Moravia-Silesian Conference with 861 members, the North Bohemian Conference with 568 members, the Central Bohemian Mission with 273 members, and the Slovakian Mission with 403 members.

The first Sabbath school convention was held November 5—7, 1926, at Aussig, in the North Bohemian Conference. Elder Rühling, the union president, was not able to be present because of sickness. Brother Lešovsky, the newly elected union Sabbath school secretary, was present at this as well as at each of the following conference Sabbath school conventions, and contributed largely to the success of the meetings. Elder Wentland, the conference president took an active part in the discussions and presented three topics. On Sabbath the small hall at Aussig was crowded with 140 brethren and sisters. Almost as many were present at the meetings Sunday.

Our next visit was to the Czechoslovakian Union Training School at Lodenice. Here an excellent property has been obtained at a very reasonable price, and the beginning of a strong

school has been made. At present the total enrollment is 23 and the faculty consists of two full-time teachers, and a student assistant. Here three evenings and two lengthened chapel periods were given to the consideration of the Sabbath school work and to the presentation of papers that had been prepared by students and teachers.

The convention at Prague, in the Central Bohemian Mission, was held November 12—14, 1926. We very much appreciated the fact that Prof. Simon, the principal of the Czechoslovakian Union Training School, with one of the advanced students, came down to Prague to help in the convention. Here also the hall was crowded, about 125 being present. We were impressed with the fact that Prague is a world city, and as our work grows we must here soon have a chapel of our own.

Before the next convention, I visited Brünn, where our publishing house is located, and Troppau, the headquarters of the union, and spoke to our brethren in both places. The fourth convention was held at Ostrau, November 19—21, 1926, in the Moravia-Silesian Conference. We were very glad to have Brother Rühling with us at this meeting. Again the hall was crowded with over 150 present. Here, too, the brethren and sisters took an active part in the discussions and showed by their interest their great love and appreciation of the Sabbath school work.

Following the fourth convention, I visited Elder Theiss, the superintendent of the Slovakian Mission, a Hungarian speaking church at Beregsas, and a Russian speaking church at Ilinice. This latter church has the largest membership of any church in all Czechoslovakia, viz. 131. We spoke twice at each of these churches. The fifth and last convention was held at Kaschau (Slovakian - Košice) where the attendance was the smallest, being only about 80, but it was very representative, practically all the churches of the mission being represented. Here everything had to be done in three languages: Slovakian, Hungarian and German. There were no Russian-speaking delegates from the church at Ilinice because of the great distance, 12 to 14 hours by train, and the poverty of these brethren. Two further visits, one to the Slovakian-speaking church at Ilija, and the largely German-speaking church at Bratislava, brought my stay in Czechoslovakia to a close. Ilija is a country church and it took us all day to reach it. The cordial reception made up for all the difficulty in reaching the brethren. Bratislava is a city on the Austrian frontier with a mainly German-speaking population. Being the largest city in Slovakia, it has been chosen headquarters of the mission and it is here that Elder Theiss lives. Elder Theiss has many and difficult problems in his interesting mission field, and we should remember him and all our workers in Czechoslovakia in our prayers.

L. L. Caviness.

#### THE POLISH UNION.

Since its organization in October 1921, the Polish Union Conference has experienced slow but steady growth. This period has been a time of trials and perplexities from various causes. Many obstacles have hindered the progress of the message in this field; but the Lord has been leading the way, and under His protecting care the work has made advances in every line. In spite of the many difficulties which account to a great extent for the slow increase of our membership, the Lord has enabled us to baptize a considerable number of souls, so that our membership has increased from 1065 to 1539. The reports show that during the last four years - 1922 to 1925 - we gained 1616 members while 1157 were lost, mostly through removal to some other country. With hard times and religious oppression on the increase, it is only through God's grace and His special favour that this could be accomplished.

So far our greatest need has been workers who can use the Polish language. We now have a number of promising young people in the colporteur work from whom we are already beginning to draw for the ministry. Special short courses of study are conducted from time to time until a regular training school can be established.

The beginning in our educational work was made in September 1924 when Elder H. F. Schuberth and Prof. L. L. Caviness held an Institute attended by all the workers in Poland. In November and December of 1925 another longer institute was conducted by Prof. W. M. Landeen, educational secretary of the European Division, for the new workers. Fifteen attended, some of whom returned to the colporteur work and others have entered evangelistic work. Beginning with next year it is planned to have a regular training school six months in the year; during the other six months the students will do practical work in the field under the direction of our experienced leaders.

Another great need is meeting-halls for our own people and for public efforts. Conditions are such that we cannot get halls or places for worship. No one will rent to us, and the law prohibits all religious meetings in private homes. Our people meet, therefore, under very unfavourable conditions for their Sabbath services. We must have our own chapels. In the country, where we have a number of churches and companies, and in the towns, chapels can be put up for \$300.—to \$500.— while in the larger cities it would cost about \$5000.—.

At present the Polish Union owns three chapels and one good hall. The chapels are in the country and the hall is in the Bielitz building, the headquarters of the Silesian-Galician Conference. Besides these

we have the use of five small rented halls. Some of them are too small for public efforts, but they serve very well as places of worship for our own people.

We are glad to be able to give the following report of the Sabbath school work. The membership-goal — which is the church membership plus the children — was more than reached last year. The same is true also for the offerings. This goal is one fourth of the tithe of the whole field. When we consider the conditions that have existed for a number of years in this country and see how the people are struggling for a livelihood, we can truthfully say that our people here are as true to the message as in other countries. Like the churches of Macedonia our people, in their poverty and beyond their power, have given liberally to the cause.

The colporteur and home missionary work meet especially with great difficulties in the sale of our literature. In some places the government grants permission to sell our literature but the ecclesiastic authorities utterly disregard such action and carry out their commands through the local officials. Practically all our sales must be done at the risk of arrests and fines, and our colporteurs especially have had many practical experiences in this line. But in spite of all the hardship and oppression a large amount of our literature finds its way into the homes and hearts of the people.

J. Isaac.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

The Division family and the church at Berne are grieved to report the death of Sister Dagmar Pedersen, wife of our Division Treasurer, April 19, as a result of complications after giving birth to a little boy. This is the first case of death in our Division family here at Berne and with Brother Pedersen we greatly mourn the loss of this dear sister.

We were pleased to meet at Berne, May 12—15, Brother Nasif Hasso from Bagdad, the brother of Bashir Abo Hasso, elder of the church at Mosul, Mesopotamia. Brother Hasso was on another business trip through Europe. At the church service on Sabbath he told us something of their country and expressed his joy that the third angel's message had now been planted there. Brother Barr, resident missionary at Mosul recently sent in a cheque for £ 750.— as a special offering of that little church. May the Lord continue to bless and prosper our brethren in that country.

Elders L. H. Christian and W. E. Read arrived at Berne middle of June from their missionary tour to the Arabic field and Abyssinia. The work is onward in these fields of which we shall hear details in a later issue.

Writing from England just before his return to America, Elder F. A. Stahl passes on to us, among other things, this word of appreciation: "I shall always remember the kind courtesy of the European brethren, and take back with me many happy recollections. I shall endeavour to keep in close touch with Europe. I have been quite impressed with the fact that there are many fine young people here in Europe that would make good missionaries, and I hope that we may have some of them for South America in the near future." All reports that come to us from the fields visited by Brother Stahl are unanimous in their acknowledgment of the blessing he has brought to them. In fact, quite a few of the young people referred to by Brother Stahl have been inspired and are turning their eyes towards the missions, and to South America in particular. If, in course of time, calls come to us from that field, it would probably not appear difficult to fill them, in harmony with the hope expressed in Brother Stahl's letter.

It gave us great pleasure to receive a letter from Brother H. Zimmermann, dated Soerabaja, April 4, informing us that he and Elder Peter Drinhaus, with their families, have been granted furlough to the homeland. These brethren, together with Brother Dittmar, had been sent out by the German Mission Society to Java, the Dutch East Indies, during 1921, and were afterwards taken over by the Far Eastern Division. They are due in Holland some time in June, and will then proceed to Germany. We are sure that they will be given a hearty welcome. Elder Zimmermann incidentally mentions that they have had very blessed experiences during their work in the Dutch East Indies, and that he will be happy to return again. During the five and a half years of his labours, he has had the privilege of receiving more than 500 souls into church fellowship by baptism, at the same time learning two new languages.

It will be recalled that at Soerabaja a church has been organized of some hundred brethren coming directly from Mohammedanism. Brother Zimmermann will be able to give us some profitable suggestions on the work among these people.

On June 1, Brother Adolph Fanselau will be sailing on the s/s "Teutonia" to proceed to

the Inter-American Division, where he is to connect with the Honduras Mission. We understand he is to take charge of the colporteur work there. This is the third colporteur supplied by our brethren in Germany to take up work in Latin America. They will form a connecting link between that field and Europe. There are prospects, it seems, of further calls coming to us.

Word has been received announcing the safe arrival of Brother and Sister Wagner, who left Europe in January to connect with the work in the Inca Union, Brother F. L. Perry, the superintendent of the union, sends us the following cheering message: "It has given us much pleasure to greet Brother J. Wagner, who arrived in Lima day before yesterday on his way to connect with Lake Titicaca Mission. He reports a pleasant trip although they have been seven weeks on the road. At the Sunday evening service Brother Wagner gave us a talk concerning the work in the field that he has left and his impressions of the trip. The entire congregation, by a rising vote, asked that I send on to you their great appreciation of your interest and liberality concerning the Peruvian field, manifested in sending such a noble couple to help us. And on behalf of the Inca Union, I also wish to thank you and through you the dear believing people of the European Division, for this splendid gift. I believe that this is the first time that a worker has come to the Inca Union from Europe. We hope that these young people may gain such a rich experience in their labours, that not only will the work here be greatly benefited, but through the influence reflected back from them to their home land, your people there may feel repaid for the sacrifice made and may be inspired to still further endeavours in behalf of the cause of God. Brother and Sister Wagner will remain three months in Arequipa and devote the time to language study, before taking up work in the field to which they will be assigned."

It is of interest to note that, according to the latest estimates for the number of Harvest Ingathering papers to be published in the various fields of the European Division, the aggregate is over 800,000 copies, to be printed in 27 different languages. This certainly is a wonderful record when we remember that Europe was somewhat late in entering into this missionary endeavour. Our brethren in the different countries have certainly responded most encouragingly, when we consider the number of languages in which these papers are now being published.