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Partial view of our mission station in Liberia. To the right the bell donated by the M. V. societies and churches in Saxony.

#### VISITING WEST AFRICA.

Early in January of this year the writer together with Brother W. E. Read took boat at Southampton to visit our missions in West Africa. Brother and Sister Tranborg from Denmark, both trained nurses from the Skodsborg sanitarium, were with us to connect with the work in Sierra Leone, also Sister Sara Henricksen, who was returning from her furlough to take up her school work again; further there was Brother K. Noltze from southern Germany, who went out as a new recruit to Liberia. Thus we were quite a little company bound for the regions beyond. A similar number of missionaries of the Basel mission were travelling on the same boat to the Gold Coast and the Cameroons.

After two weeks we reached Freetown, the capital of Sierra Leone, where we were glad to meet Brethren Gronert and Berglund. The latter was awaiting our arrival to return home with his family on their first furlough. Brother Gronert had been in the field only some seven months and, as the new superintendent, had taken hold of things in a good way bearing in mind the shortness of time and the multitude of questions confronting a new-comer in entirely new surroundings. During the days of our stay at Waterloo, the main station, which is about 22 miles distant from Freetown, we had meetings both for the European and African workers and special committee councils to plan for the work in this field. We have a growing interest up-country among the Temne and Mende tribes where our native evangelists are located in a number of out-stations conducting also schoolwork.

One of the most inspiring experiences I have ever had was the farewell meeting we had with the brethren when we celebrated the ordinances followed by a social meeting. It did our hearts good to listen to the simple, earnest testimonies given by them. We could enter most sympathet-

ically into the feelings of our dear missionary brethren as the parting words had to be spoken here as well as at the other fields visited.

From Freetown we then proceeded on a Dutch cargo boat, as the only passengers, which took six days to Monrovia, the capital of Liberia, the Negro Republic founded in 1847 by the liberated slaves from America. Here we met Brethren Helbig and Noltze. The latter had been delayed by custom formalities, while Brother Helbig had made a very arduous and dangerous journey of several days from the mission station across country to meet us at Monrovia travelling one whole night and sitting almost motionless with nine natives in a canoe through the bush where the river was infested with crocodiles and hippopotami. After visits to the Secretary of State Dr. Barclay, and the Director of Education Dr. Payne, where we heard good reports of our work, we made preparations for our voyage to Grand Bassa. As steamer communication is not regular we decided rather reluctantly, in order to lose no time, to make the trip by surfboat. With the native crew and several other African passengers we were some twenty persons in all — quite a company for such a small craft which was partly driven by a sort of patched-up "sail" when there was wind, and by oars during the calm. It was a bit adventurous but could not well be avoided. Happily we had not yet entered upon the rainy season with its terrific storms when such a trip would be considered hazardous amid the rocks all along the coast and the shallow bar. In twenty-six hours we reached Grand Bassa and were glad when the sturdy krumen carried us and our goods on their shoulders safely to the shore. Here we were welcomed by the agents of the Woerman Line, who with the Dutch agent and manager of the branch of the Bank of British West Africa had been very obliging to Brother Helbig during his financial crisis at the beginning

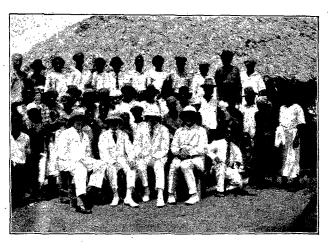
of his work early in 1927 when our remittances miscarried by advancing to him, though a stranger, a sum of up to \$ 1750 without which the work would have been crippled in this initial stage of building up the station before the rainy season. We certainly appreciate this noble help rendered.

Also at this place we visited officials such as the acting county superintendent and the mayor of the city both of which had words of praise for our mission, especially the latter who lay sick in his home, and had been successfully treated also previously by Brother Helbig, the "doctor", as he is generally known. He had recently visited his Excellency President King at Monrovia and done by our brethren there.

After a march of eight hours, a number of porters carrying our loads, we reached the mission station, which is about 40 kilometres

northeast of the coast cut right out of the "bush" and located on a little plateau of a plot of ten acres granted us by friends. An hour's distance they hold one hundred acres as a mission farm given us by the government. Our brethren reached this place and began cutting the bush beginning of April and it is really astonishing what they have accomplished in such a short time. They have built eight little houses, the larger one of which with three rooms serving as their dwelling until the bungalow is finished for which the foundation was just being laid. Five of the houses, with two rooms each, serve as dormitories for twenty boys with whom school was to be started in April of this year. Another is used as dispensary and the adjoining one as store-room. Between these two rows of houses there is a large open "palaver house", a roof on poles, which is to be used also for class-rooms, further a carpenter shop, boys' kitchen etc. Brethren Helbig and Flammer, the only workers, have, in addition to their other work, treated 800 patients since August to the end of the year. This medical help has been the entering wedge and it was touching to see the love manifested by these raw heathen towards Brother Helbig who has given relief to so many, while himself suffering the heaviest loss in his companion, who never saw the station and died shortly after returning home in July last year. Brother Flammer was advised to return on his furlough a few months earlier to get some special medical treatment. His place will be filled meanwhile by Brother Noltze who came with us.

Much as we desired to remain longer we had to take our departure, again on a cargo steamer to Sekondee, on the Gold Coast. From here we went by rail and auto up to Agona, 200 miles inland, our main station. Brother Hyde, formerly



Group of European workers with native helpers and visitors at the mission station Liberia. Front row from left to right:
E. Flammer, R. Helbig, K. Noltze, W. E. Read.

of Sierra Leone, is now the superintendent of this mission where work was first started on the West Coast as early as 1894. In fact, it appears that Brethren R. G. Rudolph and E. L. Sanford arrived at Appam February 22 of that year while the missionary party sent from South Africa to Bulawayo, Matabeleland, reached that place only in July. Brother Stokes had just come out to this field from England a few weeks ago to relieve Brother Munson who was preparing to return on furlough. In our meetings and councils we followed the same plan here as in Sierra Leone. We could also visit a number of out-stations where we had the opportunity of speaking to the people, mostly heathen. One greatly encouraging factor in this field is the ingenious plan introduced for the Harvest Ingathering in which they were collecting during 1927 some £ 300. This is remarkable and an evidence of what can be done in the mission fields by systematic effort. Our brethren look for even greater results in the future. The school work needs to be strengthened, and a church building should be erected in the nearby village of Agona where we have a hundred loyal brethren.

From Kumasi, which is about 25 miles from Agona, we took the train down to Accra on the coast whence we proceeded by steamer to Lagos in Nigeria, and from here by another cargo boat to Port Harcourt, the eastern coastal terminus of the railroad. Several hours' ride north brought us to Aba, the main station for the south-eastern section of our work, where Brethren Clifford and Edmunds with their wives are located, with the former in charge. Another station is soon to be erected for Brother Edmunds. Here we had a short institute, visiting also a few stations up country. We then, with the European workers, set out in a motor truck across country from Aba to Ibadan,

the headquarters of our work in Nigeria, which we reached in three days. This place has been chosen but recently as the center of our work. The bungalow which happily is a more substantial structure as it is well to have in countries with such trying climate, was just completed while the school-building was under roof. Ibadan with, it is said, almost 500,000 inhabitants is the second largest city in Africa, Cairo ranking first, while the former is probably the largest so far as the native population is concerned. We have as yet no church at this metropolis but work is begun by a promising young evangelist. Brother and Sister Till are located also at this place with Brother McClements who is in charge of our mission in Nigeria. Brother and Sister McClements have had their share of hard experience during their eight years of service in this field, the longest of any white workers on the West Coast. Next to them are Brother and Sister Clifford. They need a better bungalow to live in. This is only economy in fields where our workers are exposed to such severe strain, in order to preserve their health and insure a continuity of service that is the paramount prerequisite for building up a strong work. After studying the problems here in committee and laying plans for the future, several of us proceeded on a day's journey by train and auto to Awtun further north, the third European station, where Brother W. Hyde is located. Here we held an institute with the African workers. On Sabbath I had the privilege of speaking twice in our nearby church to our brethren and a large number of visitors. We then returned to Ibadan and from there passed on by train to Lagos. The following day we had a meeting with our brethren in the rather out-of-the-way home of Brother Hamilton, one of our early native workers on the West Coast. He had recently been given a furlough to his homefield Sierra Leone where he unfortunately lost his wife shortly before returning to Lagos. This is a large and important city where a strong work should be established. The brethren in Nigeria voted to invite well educated and experienced coloured evangelists from America to take up work in this city. After visiting a number of government officials we boarded a British steamer homeward bound. Plymouth April 7.

In looking up old records of the visit of Elder Conradi, who was really the first member of the General Conference Committee to visit the West Coast in the fall of 1913 it is interesting to note the fruitage that has grown out of the plans laid there. It was then decided to take up work in the hinterland of Sierra Leone among the Tenne and Mende tribes where two white workers were to be located with native evangelists. But only the latter could be sent. A white worker was to go to the Gold Coast in an effort to hold what was still left. Another great step of faith was taken in

sending Elder Babcock to Nigeria to start new work. To-day our work is numerically strongest in Nigeria, where we have over a thousand Sabbath keepers with a growing interest though it was begun latest. Some Baptist brethren in Liberia requested that we send a worker to them with a view to entering new territory. It has taken fourteen years for this plan to mature in the sending of our first brethren to Liberia early in 1927. The result obtained in Nigeria is an illustration of what might have been accomplished had we been able to comply with this request from Liberia at that time. There are many unentered regions in West Africa waiting for the Advent Message where as yet there is not a single representative. Our work at present touches but a fringe along the coast of a few colonies. What about the other vast stretches of country on the West Coast? What we now have needs strengthening and consolidating to serve in time as a "home base" for the work to be done in the hinterland and in new territory.

Two resolutions passed at the time of Elder Conradi's visit in 1913 are still the clarion call in our days when fifteen long years have elapsed: "To give our chief attention to the preaching of the everlasting Gospel"; and, "to extend our work as fast as possible into the unoccupied hinterland", for, as the record reads: "Everywhere we behold souls bound down in heathen darkness and unoccupied territory is inviting us to enter."

W. K. Ising.

# THE HUNGARIAN UNION CONFERENCE.

The first quadrennial session of the Hungarian Union convened at Budapest March 14-18. In connection with this meeting the Central Hungarian local conference had its annual meeting, and right before came the conference in East Hungary, and right after the one in West Hungary. All the workers of the Hungarian field were in attendance at the Union workers' meeting. From outside the Union Bro. Jos. Braun of Vienna and the writer were present. The Lord greatly blessed in these gatherings. Bro. A. Minck, who has served this field faithfully in the hard and difficult war times and after, was unanimously re-elected president of the Union. God has greatly blessed him in his labours and he has the fullest confidence of his fellow-workers.

The cause of God is onward in Hungary. In 1919 we had 482 members. Today the membership of the Union is 1556 with 62 churches and companies. During the last three years, since the Union was organised, there has been a net increase in membership of 493. In finances, too, there is real growth. The tithe in 1925 was 62,008.— Pengö.

In 1927 it was 84,245 Pengö. The mission offerings for 1925 were 38,362 Pengö, and in 1927 49,802 Pengö. (5.76 Pengö make one dollar). In the colporteur work also there is a good increase. Bro. Wicklein, the colporteur leader, has gathered a strong force of over sixty workers and the sales show a steady increase. Brother Sohlmann heads up the other departmental work and has had excellent success. The reports show growth in practically every line. We attended a Young People's program in Budapest evening after the Sabbath on foreign missions. It was one of the best we ever heard. Bro, Stein, the manager of the Hungarian Branch of the Hamburg House, gave a very instructive report of what that good institution is doing. One thing that helps us much in Hungary is the health paper and other temperance literature.

One of the many encouraging signs in Hungary is the group of substantial young ministers, leaders and other workers who have been brought into the truth and work. Both ministers and members enter upon this new quadrennial session with the highest courage. The meetings were deeply spiritual and very helpful in every way.

L. H. Christian.

#### THE MISSIONARY'S OPPORT-UNITIES AND QUALITIES.

In his voluminous book "The Republic of Liberia", Sir R. C. F. Maugham, for many years British Consul General at Monrovia, Liberia, now serving in the same capacity at Dakar, French Senegal, makes an interesting statement in the chapter entitled "Missions and Religious Institutions" on the opportunities afforded missionaries entering Liberia. Only a comparatively narrow strip of the coastline has thus far been explored and brought under the influence of orderly government, while the major part of the hinterland is still practically unexplored terra incognita.

It is well to note also what a high government official with long experience abroad in mission lands has to say on the type and quality of the missionaries sent out to such countries as Liberia, upon whom they look as a pioneering factor of the first order. Here is the statement:

"All these missions have made sufficient progress to enable one to say with confidence that they are necessary, that they are doing good, and that they are deserving of every encouragement. But, if I might be allowed to speak with great irankness, I would observe that, in my opinion, it would be productive of still greater and more far-reaching good if these admirable institutions were to devote a little less attention to the coast lands, where every native, in greater or lesser degree, is already acquainted with religious doctrine, and can now

receive all necessary instruction, and enlarge their borders towards the hitherto unvisited up-country regions. To minister to the moral and intellectual needs of those savage tribes who are still plunged deep in the darkness of the most abandoned superstition, and for whom the teachings of missionaries, and what they stand for, are unheard-of mysteries towards which their minds, such as they are, have never for one moment strayed, seems to me to be the object to which missionary effort should without delay direct itself. On the whole, I consider that the coast has had already its full share of attention for the present. Between it and the country of the really wild tribes there is quite a sharp dividing line. You might take a map and paint one black, and the other - well, almost grey, this serving to indicate that in the forest country the light of instruction had never penetrated, and that its illuminating force had been stayed in the past by - shall we say, the density of the interwoven jungle? But it is quite time that the other side of the dividing line was approached, when, properly undertaken, I shall look for great and important results. From such a campaign as this, every sort of advantage may be expected... The presence of missions in the country would, after a while, lead to the opening and extension of inland roads, and, more important still, an increased measure of safety for the foot-passengers travelling over them. Little by little administrative officials would find means safely to establish themselves, and, by tactful handling, bring the up-country tribes to understand the important share which they should bear in the opening up and good government of the country..."

Referring to the great work done by David Livingstone and Ludwig Krapf for the African continent, he says further:

"They belonged to a restricted class of men from which, in the past, other great missionaries have been drawn. All have not had the same great opportunities, of course, but what I feel is that, here in Liberia, which would seem in so far as its unknown resources are concerned to realize our conception of darkest Africa, is afforded, on a somewhat reduced scale perhaps, such an opening as Livingstone (speaking of him and Krapf before as missionaries and explorers. Ed.) saw when he devoted to research work the remainder of his career after his first memorable journey across Africa. It is, indeed, a great opportunity, and one for which missionaries in other lands have sighed in vain, for this is no ordinary missioning. The men who are sent over the border-line to hold the gate in a land which has too long known but darkness, must be of the best that can be found, or they would be worse than useless. For the great role which they will have to play only men of the (Continued on page 8.)

# 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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Kč.         69726.60         79.23         4313.35         9521.70         3454.30         1.51         —         3236.00         45716.10         30         1012         756           Kč.         85515.62         139.28         3354.41         8392.27         3022.65         1.89         350.00         9958.37         46686.00         29         656         512           Kč.         24182.35         80.07         1694.85         3840.70         708.70         1.59         —         1481.84         46917.00         13         302         245           Kč.         19237.10         50.49         869.45         2591.06         618.35         0.84         76.70         1975.00         41826.70         15         342         332           Kč.         198661.67         91.25         10232.06         24345.73         7804.00         1.51         426.70         16651.21         181145.80         87         2312         1846           **         5895.90         2.71         303.68         722.24         231.25         0.04         10.39         497.05         5407.36         —         —           Pengö         6536.14         9.10         668.20         1135.02         279.	£	3580. 9. 1 2139.14. 1	1. 6. 2 1. 3. 7	119.15.10 71. 5. 4	534.14. 6 326.16. 2	206.10.0 106.16.7	0. 0. 6 0. 0. 5	3. 8.10 0. 2. 6	226. 0. 4 217. 1. 7	2307. 9. 3 2199. 7.11	61 58	2863 1841	2130 1374
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### Statistical Report of the European Division Unions and Missions of the

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	Name of Conference or Mission	se	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	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	_ <sub>14</sub> _	_ <u></u> _	16	17	18	19
L S B E N	tin Union	ce e	21 19 10 11 8 12 5	939 470 405 326 332 388 123	- 1 11 11 11 13	4 1 3 — 4	23 6 - 3 2 2	27 8 14 14 3 19	5 -2 5 8 12	9 - - 1 1	7 — — — — 19 3	21 	6 8 12 9 25 3	945 478 417 335 307 391 123	10 2 6 5 3 4 5	1 4 1 4 2 3 2	2 13 6 3 5 7 12 5	i — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	14 6 6 8 4 8 2	13 34 19 18 18 18 28
	-	Total	86	2983	37	12	36	85	32	11	29	72	13	2996	37	17	53	2	48	157
S	lish Union	ence	15 18 17 36	341 692 305 695	6 2	··· 7 1 1	6 6 3 5	8 19 6 6	2 6 2 2		i2 7 4 10	13 7	-ii 6 -1 -8	330 698 304 687	1 3 1 2 5	··· 2 - 2 .	1 5 8 6 4	$\frac{1}{3}$	8 14 18 13	2 17 28 26 25
		Total	86	2033	10	9	20	39	12	8	. 33	53 -	-14	2019	12	4	24	5	53	98
. N	manian Union	nce	81 53 88 36	2996 1867 2110 971	11 - 5 13	15 18 6 10	103 100 34 24	129 118 45 47	20 19 19 13	9 5 6 5	101 101 31 25	125	-i -7 -11 4	2995 1860 2099 975	3 9 4 5/ 4	2 4 3 2 1	3 18 11 9 7	4 2 2 2 1	21 11 10 11	12 54 31 28 24
	1.	Total	258	7944	29	49	261	339	71	25	258	354	15	7929	25	12	48	11	53	149
1 N S	andinavian Union  Danish Conference  Norwegian Conference  Swedish Conference  Finnish Conference		44 50 45 25	2622 2295 1835 1431	20 4 1 2	2 2 2 2 6	1 5 1	23 11 4 9	12 15 21 36	9 10 6 4	24 11 10 1	36 37	22 25 33 32	2600 2270 1802 1399	4 9 10 6 4	4 2 2 2	8 8 7 6	2 2 1 1 2	18 22 17 43	6 41 43 33 57
		Total	164	8183	27	12	8	47	84	29	46	159	112	8071	33	10	29	8	100	180
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		Total	13	456	_	_	3	3	-	_	. 2	2	1	457	7	7	8	_	14	36
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Gı	reecian Mission *		2.	80	5	,1	_	6		_	3	3	3	83	2	_	2	<u>.</u>	1	5

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lottiest aims, the most uncompromising principles,
and the highest possible conception of conduct and
morality should be chosen. It is not so much what

morality should be chosen. It is not so much what at first they will actually teach which will constitute the thin end of the wedge of mutual confidence; it is rather the immense and increasing

value of the example set by their upright and blameless lives to a wondering barbaric world which will not, I venture to say, be so very slow, according to its ligths, in making some attempt, however uncouth, to go and do likewise. Such men are to be found. They are, of course, the born missionaries — something of a priest, something

General Conference of S. D. A. for the Quarter Ending March 31, 1928.

		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 Sabbaths Schools	Membership	Avcrage Attendance	
		20.	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
	SFr. FFr. BFr. FFr. FFr. Lire FFr.	39007.08 40854.30 73519.20 37819.15 48462.35 18004.50 10153.85	41.54 86.92 181.53 116.01 145.97 46.40 82.55	1473.05 1620.60 1954.73 780.81 709.10 899.70	4109.62 7294.65 6126.42 4042.75 4100.80 2939.95 1225.70	1478.79 2722.45 2036.35 2969.15 1816.75 895.05 669.50	0.58 1.92 1.73 2.08 1.56 0.94 1.48	12.70 78.50 1010.55 117.50 467.80	1644.10 — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	20446.18 26105.50 26100.90 28006.10 24611.00 21363.50 18489.00	25 27 12 12 12 8 25 10	695 429 409 305 280 376 133	554 393 373 250 216 358 115	ノンヨケなるから
	SFr.	82511.60 15924.70	27.66 5.34	2408.82 464.85	9218. <b>0</b> 9 1779.10	3778.88 729.32	0.41 0.08	353.24 68.17	2238.83 432.20	50033.30 9676.21	119	2627	2259	
	Zi. Zi. Zi. Zi. Zi.	8149.02 11538.32 6412.59 5538.86	23.86 - 16.67 - 21.02 - 7.92	338.51 370.24 251.39 203.83	1382.30 2155.34 1258.84 1037.19	279.65 427.88 309.38 210.51	0.47 0.33 0.54 0.16	80.53 342.00		3916.18 5847.05 4547.25 4561.75	25 46 25 46	351 826 349 808	315 654 254 563	90113
	Z1.	31638.79 3541.70	15.56 1.74	1163.97 130.30	5833.67 653.02	1227.42 137.40	0.33 0.04	422.53 47.30		18872.23 2113.35	142	2334	1786	
	Lei Lei Lei Lei	782211.00 336129,95 438368.00 176786.50	261.01 180.03 207.75 182.06	74848.75 16200.60 25705.50 12419.25	160327.75 56713.75 42609.75 24644.50	44022.75 18572.50 12227.75 9738.00	7.22 3.90 2.95 3.71	2130.00 3126.00 508.00 100.00	6754.00 3574.25	447363.00 181730.00 137848.00 116086.00	81 49 135 33	4340 2310 2312 1040	3060 1901 1983 850	
	Lei \$	1733495.45 10706.10	318.21 1.35	129174.10 797.76	284295.75 1755.81	84561.00 522.25	4.88 0.03	5864.00 36.22	10328.25 63.75	883027.00 5454.84	298	10002	7794	
	D. Kr N. Kr S. Kr FMk.	44553.82 33038.80 27096.14 135565.75	16.99 14.40 14.77 94.74	1340.86 552.68 402.46 1124.00	6213.08 5774.34 4004.24 19438.00	3150.17 1641.25 1674.63 8951.50	0.40 0.34 0.36 2.71	3096.93 2170.76 2401.03 20851.50	1359 73 4870.51 3797.51 14598.50	30703.00 43348.55 25599.21 319089.00	70 50 52 51	2448 2058 1596 1206	1788 1400 1324 1062	
	S. Kr \$ .	. 116738,50 31317.40	14.26 3.83	2387.75 640.60	17708.75 4750.74	7267.58 1949.67	0.35 0.09	9576.81 2569.18	11393.70 3071.08	130176.96 35088.13	223 —	7308	5574	
	Pes. Pes. Esc.	2533.40 4465.90 12663.00	31.67 24.01 66.65	881.75 107.20 —	453.60 998.50 2098.92	184.85 444.85 442.90	1.46 0.64 1.03	===	44.10 223.30	4037,25 3790,60 Pes. 6644.82	5 9 4	57 185 176	58 178 156	
,	Pes.	10617.20 1791.60	23.28 3.93	988.95 167.48	2051.79 346.16	755.92 126.93	0.64 0.11		267.40 45.70	14472.67 2404.10	18	418	392	
,	Din. Din. Din.	44398.45 45885.70 30479.65	108.81 86.57 167.47	5428.25 5821.25 3583.86	3965.00 5645.85 3019.05	913.70 1507.00 594.95	1.98 2.10 3.04	184.00 1534.50	4392.45	100513.00 87516.00 67161.00	46	553 784 271	475 591 226	
	Din. \$	120763.80 2121.00	107.82 1.89	14833.36 260.53	12629.90 221.82	3015.65 52.96	2,21 0.04	1718.50 30.18	4392.45 78.43	255190.00 4556.95		1608	1292	
	Leva \$	480.40	241.81 1.86	2650.00 51.14	13133.00 95.05	5599.00 40.52	7.69 0.05		35175.71 253.00	64245.00 462.19		283	250	
	Dr. \$	18102.20 295.10	226.28 3.69	14806.75 241.17	1683.15 27.41	916.05 14.91	16.74 0.27	., = =	==	6733.70 91.00	2	98	76	
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of a diplomat, something of a soldier, and all three great qualities cemented, welded, riveted together by an ever present sense of the boundless importance of the great work which they have set their devoted hands to do." pp. 258—261.

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devoted hands to do." pp. 258—261.

We are fortunate indeed in being the first mission to enter Liberia at a point some 40 kilo-

metres inland from the coast in the very "bush", surrounded by peoples hitherto untouched by the influence of the Gospel; and the beginning made promises encouraging results for the future.

W. K. I.

# Statistical Report of the European Division of the General

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Name of Conference or Mission	No. of Churches	Previous Memebership	By baptism	By vote	By letter	Totel gains	By apostasy	By death	By letter	Total losses	Net gain	Present Membership	Ordained Minist.	Licensed Minist.	Lic. Missionaries	Other Workers	Colporteurs	Total Workers
1	2	3	4	5	6 -	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
ALLRUSSIAN UNION •		•••	••			••	• .		•••		-		2		•	14	• •	16
Allrussian Union District	6	355	. —	1	66	67	9	1	65	75 -	-8	347	2	2	5	1	_	10
North Russian Union  Neva Conference  North West Russian Conf. Upper Volga Conference  White Sea Mission	22 15 14 5	438 263 284 22	1 6 5	4 5 6	5 5 3	10 16 14 1	i 2 8	i = =	2 1 .5	3 13	6. 13 1	276 285 23	1 3 2 2 1	$\frac{1}{\frac{2}{1}}$	$\frac{\dot{2}}{3}$	1 	= -	3 5 4 5 2
Total	56	1007	12	15	14	41	11	1	8	20	21	1023	9	4	5	1	_	19
All Ukrainian Union.  Black Sea Conference. Central Dniepr Conference. Podol Conference. Volhynian Conference. Asow Conference. Lower Dniepr Mission. Upper Dniepr Mission. Kiev District.	32 59 57 30 28 12 10	624 1325 1358 499 535 313 141 401	13 35 1 1 6 14 1 6	1 1 7 6 8 28	12 19 14 19 15 14 2	26 55 22 26 29 56 3 12	5 8 8 6 4 15 1	1 2 6 — 1 —	13 16 23 20 15 9 3	_	7 29 -15 -10 31 -1 -44	631 1354 1343 499 545 344 140 357	1 3 3 3 2 1 1 1	2 3 1 4 1 2 3	2 3 4 2 1 2 1 2	3	: = = = = = =	4 7 9 8 4 6 4 6
Total	- 243	5196	77	51	101	229	66	10	136	212	17	5213	16	16	17	. 3	_	52
South East Russian Union Cuban Black Sea Conference Central Caucasian Confer Transcaucasian Mission Don Mission Crimean Mission	27 29 14 25 8	554 685 374 665 216	3 5 12 1 4		8 3 2 4 1	11 10 14 9 6	22 11 6 3		2 1 10 4	24 - 13 16 9	-13 -3 -2 -6	541 682 372 665 222	1 1 3 2 2 2 3	i 1 - 1	2 1 4 3 1	3 	· ::	4 4 5 6 6 4
Total	103	2494	25	7	18	50	42	3	17	62 -	-12	2482	12	3	11	3		29
East Russian Union German Volga Conference Lower Volga Conference Central Volga Mission Central Asiatic Mission	29 13 5 11	692 332 118 292	1 7	6 1 2	9 - 1	19 3 9	5 4 1 14	i	4 4 6 14	10 8 7 28	9 8 4 19	701 324 114 273	$\frac{1}{2}$	<u>i</u>	3 1 1	<u>-</u>	::	3 6 3 2 3
Total	58	1434	12	9	10	31	24	1	28	53 -	-22	1412	7	2	6	· 2	-	17
Omsk District	7 37 31 19 9 6	203 684 586 497 261 159	1 15 4 — 5	8 - 7 	3 3 40 2 —	4 26 44 9 -5	1 16 6 17 -1 1		6 14 34 11 3	7 37- 41 31- 4 3	3 11 3 22 4 2	200 673 589 475 257 161	3 3 2 1 1	i 1 1 1 -	 1 2 2	2 ··	- :: - :: - :: - ::	3 1, 4 5 4 3 2
Total	109	2390	25	15	48	88	42	12	69	123	-35	2355	11	4	5	2	_	22
Daine Wostotschn. Un. Miss. Coastal Region Amur Mission Transbaicalian Mission	23 4 3	495 46 16	$\frac{\dot{8}}{1}$	<u>i</u>	13 4 6	22 4 7	<u>;</u>	4 1 —	i3 2 —	20 3	2 1 7	497 47 23	1 1 1	2 1 —	i 1	1 = =	: = =	2 4 2 1
Total	30	557	9	1	23	33	3	. 5	15	23	10	567	3	3	2	1		9
Grand Totals for Russia	605	13433	160	99	280	539	197	33	338	568 -	_29	13404°	62	34	51	27	_	174

<sup>\*</sup>Report for the fourth quarter 1927.

# Conference of S. D. A. for the Quarter Ending March 31, 1928.

	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Offerings to Mission (except Sabbath Sch. Off.)	Sabbat School Offerings (12 Sabbaths)	13th Sabb. School Offerings	Mission Offerings per Capita and per Week	Special Offerings	Local Church Work	Books Sales	s. s.	Membership	Average Attendance
	20	21	22	23	. 24	25	26 .	27	28	29	30	31
			·					······	••••	•		• • •
Rы. \$	3965.71 2044.19	11.17 5.76	1552.78 800.40	438.98 226.28	39.00 20.10	0.44 0.22		748.90 386.00	==	<u>-</u>	389	375
Rbl. Rbl. Rbl. Rbl.	1985.31 1258.79 1619.32 170.27	4.53 4.80 5.70 7.73	879.66 377.80 685.65 57.00	230.89 118.73 122.57 9.00	30.30 9.16 12.45 4.00	0.20 0.14 0.22 0.24		94.00 31.40 81.60 5.00		22 15 14 5	449 276 273 23	503 325 309 27
Rы. \$	5033.69 2594.68	5.00 2.58	2000.11 1030.98	481.19 248.03	55.91 28.82	0.19 0.10		212.00 109.30		56 —	1021	1164
Rbl. Rbl. Rbl. Rbl. Rbl. Rbl. Rbl.	2106.34 3152.33 3045.96 1268.48 2202.27 961.53 635.44 1170.65	3.37 2.37 2.24 2.54 4.12 3.07 4.50 2.91	743.40 810.94 799.12 314.42 638.95 342.36 215.93 497.21	263.97 358.44 456.10 172.85 283.76 127.44 117.55 166.82	24.02 37.57 51.93 19.32 27.43 13.23 12.78 10.51	0.13 0.07 0.07 0.08 0.14 0.12 0.19 0.13		301.70 210.70 329.20 120.50 239.60 234.60 23.50 115.40		32 59 57 30 28 12 10	689 1503 1434 526 599 378 162 401	609 1592 1311 508 518 354 151 328
- Rbl. \$	14543.00 7496.40	2.80 1.44	4362.33 2248.62	1946.93 1003.57	196.79 101.44	0.10 0.05		1585.20 817,20		243	5692	5371
Rbl. Rbl. Rbl. Rbl. Rbl.	520.64 820.50 1442.57 2387.09 371.99	0.93 1.20 3.88 3.59 1.72	140.67 164.27 412.18 1037.09 169.75	66.47 92.26 151.90 282.11 60.64	6.98 6.34 14.64 30.93 5.16	0.03 0.03 0.12 0.16 0.08		17.40 37.80 53.70 101.80 9.20	. ==	27 29 14 25 8	602 777 403 757 236	624 809 450 677 247
Rы. \$	5542.79 2857.10	2.22 1.14	1923.96 991.74	653.38 336.79	64.05 33.03	0.08 0.04		219.90 113.40		103 —	2775	2807
Rbl. Rbl. Rbl. Rbl.	2047.32 1130.60 645.67 1651.88	2.96 3.40 5.47 5.66	417.13 187.44 206.01 399.83	213.36 74.03 60.03 127.62	21.35 7.24 1.80 11.87	0.07 0.06 0.17 0.14	- = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = =	119.60 64.10 43.90 26.40	=======================================	29 13 5 11	703 330 115 273	499 230 83 192
Rы. \$	5475.47 2822.40	3.81 1.96	1210.41 623.92	475.04 244.87	42.26 21.78	0.09 0.05		254.00 130.90		58 —	1421	1904
Rbl. Rbl. Rbl. Rbl. Rbl. Rbl.	819.08 1282.57 1156.09 1634.25 679.47 586.23	4.03 1.87 1.97 3.29 2.60 3.68	333.89 247.06 322.97 311.87 152.51 163.47	115.84 183.77 161.32 148.30 100.00 57.47	18.01 18.34 11.84 16.24 8.73 6.77	0.18 0.05 0.06 0.07 0.08 0.11		57.80 59.70 36.50 212.20 40.70 13.40	=======================================	7 37 31 19 9 6	206 704 636 513 286 180	197 279 235 266 87 138
Rы. \$	6157.69 3174.06	2.57 1.32	1531.77 789.58	766.70 395.21	78.93 40.68	0.08 0.04		420.30 216.60		109	2525 —	1202
Rbl. Rbl. Rbl.	1885.16 259.90 165.10	3.80 5.65 10.31	607.82 60.28 44.20	324.46 33.81 21.88	35.68 3.20 3.85	0.15 0.16 0.33		45.20 3.50 1.80		23 4 3	525 55 23	418 24 14
Rы. \$	2310.16 1190.81	4.15 2.14	712.30 367.16	380.15 195.95	42.73 22.02	0.15 0.08		50.50 26.00	=	30	603	456
<del>Rы</del> .	43028.51 22179.64	3.20 1.65	13293.66 6852.40	5142.37 2650.70	519.67 267.87	0.11 0.06		3490.80 1799.40		605	14426	12379

### Statistical Report of the European Division

Name of Conference or Mission	No. of Churches	Previous Memebership	By baptism	By vote	By letter	Totel gains	By apostasy	By death	By letter	Total losses	Net gain	Present' Membership	Ordained Minist.	Licensed Minist.	Lic. Missionaries	Other Workers	Colporteurs	Total Workers
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Arabic Union Mission Egypt Syria Mesopotamia	3 2 1	90 93 21	14 6 —	i	- <u>-</u>	i5 7	i 1	1		i 2	14 5	104 98 21	1	i	6 4 1	<u>-</u>	; ;	14 5 1
	6	204	20	1	1	22	2	1	-	3	19	223	3	1	11	2	3	20
East African Union Mission Kenya Mwanza Pare Ruanda:Urundi Uganda	. 6 5 6 4 1	923 268 252 122 6	256 40 29	:	7 11 —	256 47 40 —	4 4 10 5		7 11 —	13 4 21 6	243 43 19 -6 1	1166 311 271 116 7	2 3 - 2 1	2 2 1 1	4 2 2 1	<u>2</u> 	. =	10 7 3 4 1
	22	1571	325		19	344	23	3	18	44	300	1871	8	6	9	2		25
Ethiopian Union Mission Central Abyssinia Eastern Abyssinia Western Abyssinia * Eritrea	2 1 1 1	46 2 9 21	1 1 24	- - 1	· - - - -	1 1 25	- - 1	- - - 2	  5	·    8	i -1 17	47 2 10 38	1 1 1 1	2 - 1	i 	<u>:</u>	-: 	1 2 1
	5	78	26	1		27	. 1	2	5	8	19	97	4	3	1	_		8
West African Missions. Sierra Leone ** Liberia Gold Coast. Nigeria	4 1 4 4	150 2 397 514		·· - -	:- - -	=		-		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		150 2 395 514	1 - 1 1		3 1 -2	- - -	<u>:</u>	4 2 2 5
	13	1063		_		_			2	2	-2	1061	3	4	6			13
Miscellaneous Missions. Faroe Islands. Iceland **e* Madagascar. Mauritius. Persia. Turkey.	i 4 1 6 7 1	29 278 9 179 148 65	2 — — — — — —		 -3 -3 -2	$\frac{\frac{2}{3}}{\frac{18}{2}}$			 -2 -6  -8	·· -2 -7 - -	$\frac{2}{1}$ $\frac{1}{11}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	31 278 10 190 148 67	1 2 1 3 1	i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	 1 1 3 8 1	1 2 4 2 1	i 3 -3 -1 8	2 7 5 11 13 4 42
Totals for Missions	66	3624		2		418	26	7	. 33	66	352	3976	26	16	41	14	11	.108

<sup>\*</sup>Report for 3rd and 4th quarters. \*\*Report for 2nd, 3rd and 4th quarters. \*\*\*Financial Report only received. †Greece not now being included here.

# MISSIONS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMERCE.

In an article written by Thomas Welsh appearing under the above title in the 1926 Christmas number of the Elder Dempster Magazine, indicating the "trinity which has been most concerned with Africa during the last half century" the following interesting tribute is paid to the aggressive work of missions and the unselfish service of the missionary:

"So far as length of service goes", the writer says, "the Missionary leads; from Cape to Cairo, from Morocco to Natal, he has led always and everywhere. Kipling in the "Lost Legion" speaks of its members as those who "Skirmish ahead of the church"; well, no "Lost Legion", and no

administration ever skirmished ahead of Christian missions.

"The work of the Missionary is unselfish; he does longer tours of service, he receives a bare living wage, he dwells amongst the people he is serving, sharing their joys and sorrows; helping the helpless and relieving the distressed. Those he serves are often unresponsive, and may even resent his presence because his life is to them a perpetual reproach. No segregation for him!

"Mary Slessor of Calabar started her life work on a pay of £ 60.— a year and quarters which, for most of her life, was a poor native house. For thirty-eight years she laboured, and I do not suppose she ever saved a penny; yet she saved and enriched many lives."

#### Missions for the fourth Quarter 1927.

	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Offerings to Mission (except Sabb. Scb. Off.)	Sabbat School Offerings (12 Sabbaths)	13th Sabb. School Offerings	Mission Offerings per Capita and per Week	Special Offerings	Local Church Work	Books Sales	ý. ý	Membership	Average Attendance
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
\$\$\$	394.00 307.10 154.10	4.38 3.30 7.34	866.53 110.54 174.90	90.36 31.52 73.45	8.40 5.70 5.86	0.82 0.12 0.93			232.70 = = =	6 4 1	117 93 32	114 85 28
\$	855.20	4.19	1151.97	195.33	19.96	0.51	~ -		232.70	11	242	227
****	852.10 396.60 179.80 164.40 45.50	0.92 1.48 0.71 1.34 7.58	1272.48 549.07 571.00 119.15 74.52	283.30 125.28 86.60 44.06 16.84	62.85 29.10 33.88 18.27 3.89	0.14 0.20 0.21 0.11 1.22	25.76 — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —			iii 35 12 15	5530 1608 800 1481 17	5498 1701 810 1251 40
\$	1638.40	1.04	2586.22	556.08	147.99	0.16	25.76			174	9436	9300
99999	186.00 35.60 85.80 61.60	4.04 17.80 4.77 2.93	94.63 18.45 49.98 25.00	51.00 9.78 16.12 11.15	5.10 1.46 9.78 1.28	0.25 1.14 0.32 0.14			. = =	2 1 2 4	47 18 • 44 38	38 15 44 40
\$	369.00	4.73	188.06	88.05	17.62	0.28				. 9	. 147	137
www.	673.40 46.40 647.40 407.80	4.49 23.20 1.63 0.79	101.08 34.19 1294.46 250.51	215.15 7.32 143.31 127.27	1.46 39.85 30.26	0.05 1.65 0.28 0.06				17 1 18 25	469 2 641 1121	520 13 351 799
\$	1775.00	1.67	1680.24	493.05	71.57	0.16				61	2233	1683
**********	40.52 654.50 148.40 1151.80 197.00 266.40	1.40 2.35 16.49 6.43 1.33 4.10	219.96 890.05 59.38 762.91 75.66 93.84	34.70 163.62 18.41 69.94 20.35 40.84	11.06 41.02 5.39 39.93 3.87 13.61	0.70 0.30 0.71 0.37 0.05 0.17			821.08 104.41 86.73	4 3 5 44 7 3	41 261 266 714 74 75	41 258 159 302 81 62•
\$	2458.62	3.47	2101.80	347.86	114.88	0.28			1012.22	66	1431	903
\$	7096.22	1.96	7708.29	1680.37	372.02	0.21	25.76		1244.92	321	13489	12250

Speaking at some length of the numerous difficulties, the heavy mortality accompanying the early days of the work at Calabar from which "concrete example we may envisage the experience of all missions", the writer closes the first section of his article with these words: "Perhaps we would appreciate Missionaries better if they acquiesced in a lower standard of life; it is unpleasant to most of us to live alongside a man or woman whose ideals and conduct are beyond our imaginings."

W. K. I.

#### JU-JU CUSTOMS.

It is wonderful what the grace of God has done through the preaching of His word by the falthful missionary for the heathen peoples steeped in grossest superstition and the most vile and

barbarous practices. Here are a few illustrations gleaned from reading matter on Nigeria taken from the diary of H. Cotterell, a dealer who came to the West Coast in 1863 and took notes on some of the customs then in vogue. At Bonny, a huge lizard was held sacred. If it was injured or molested by a native, he was killed; if by a European, he was fined £ 500 and no further trading was done with him. At Brass a boa constrictor was held sacred and no one was allowed to touch or harm it even for self-protection, on penalty of death. If the serpent happened to be in a house, which was not uncommon, the fetishman had to be brought in order to remove it by some enchantment. The native chiefs had power of life and death, as the people belonging to their houses were slaves brought from the interior.

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## 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 Minist.	Licensed Minist.	Lic. Missionareis	Other Workers	Colporteurs	Total Workers
1	2	3	4	5.	6 -	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
European Division German Inter-Union Associ 1. East German Union 2. West German Union 3. Central European Union	376 310 193	(3) 14860 12006 9290	223 249 177	43 30 37	483 91 75	749 370 289	158 181 110	 49 29 37	464 121 78	671 331 225	78 39 64	14938 12045 9354	12 71 46 43	22 13 21	43 55 40	17 19 11 32	181 168 150	29 336 293 286
Baltic Union British Union Czechoslovakian Union Hungarian Union Latin Union Polish Union Rumanian Union Scandinavian Union Iberian Union Mission Jugoslavian Union Mission Bulgarian Mission Greccian Mission Russions Russi	67 65 88 61 86 86 258 164 13 71 15 2 66 605	3640 4546 2177 1556 2983 2033 7944 8183 456 1120 258 80 3624 13433	2 33 64 57 37 10 29 27 45 5 388 160	14 17 9 10 12 9 49 12 — 3 1 2 99	3 21 12 17 36 20 261 8 3 1 6 28 280	19 71 85 84 85 39 339 47 3 46 14 6 418 539	26 28 17 27 32 12 71 84 — 1 3 — 26 197	13 21 4 5 11 8 25 29 	6 17 14 17 29 33 258 46 2 2 6 3 33 338	45 66 35 49 72 53 354 159 2 12 10 3 66 568	-26 5 50 35 13 -14 -15 -112 1 34 4 3 352 -29	3614 4551 2227 1591 2996 2019 7929 8071 457 1154 262 83 3976 13404	17 32 13 8 37 12 25 33 7 5 2 26 62	12 10 4 8 17 4 12 10 7 1 5 —————————————————————————————————	8 35 6 11 53 24 48 29 8 6 2 2 41 51	.3 11 13 5 2 5 11 8 — 1 14 27	31 95 57 65 48 53 100 14 64 10 2	71 183 93 97 157 98 149 180 36 76 20 6 107 174
Totals 1st Quarter 1928: Totals 1st Quarter 1927: Totals 1st Quarter 1926: Totals 1st Quarter 1925: Totals 1st Quarter 1924:	2435 2312 2152	84343 80469 75421	1511 1565 1837 1881 2545	347 294 293 240 348	1345 1336 1251 738 571	3203 3195 3381 2859 3464	973 1070 1192 896 630	281 269 258 214 179	1467 1452 1349 773 698	2721 2791 2799 1960 1939	482 404 582 899 1525	88671 84747 81051 76320 70830	453 432 421 394 320	207 160	462 425 403 364 280	179 191 174 201 221	1101 1209 1349 1485 945	2391 2447 2544 2604 2031

<sup>\*</sup>Report for the fourth quarter of 1927.

# Specification of Mission Offerings for the First Quarter 1928.

Name of Conference or Mission	Sabb, Sch. Off. (12 Sabbaths)	13th Sabbath Offer.	Weekly Offer.	Harvest Ingath. Offerings	Annual Offerings	Miscell. Offerings	Week of Sacrif. Offerings	Total Offerings for Foreign Miss.	Percentage of Offer. of Tithe	"Big Week" Fund	Europ, Relief Fund
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
West German Union	ion \$ 6826.11 \$ 5920.90 \$ 4984.29	1692.09 1310.13 1156.59	1459.54 1016.36 847.67	248.37 247.85 45.45	331.21 186.43 64.11	955.78 951.85 664.94	1.44	11514.54 9633.52 7763.05	19,0% 19,3% 20,1%	142.07 155.55 129.02	==
Baltic Union British Union Czechoslovakian Union Hungarian Union Latin Union Polish Union Rumanian Union Scandinavian Union Iberian Union Mission Jugoslavian Union Mission Bulgarian Mission Greecian Mission Missions * Russian Unions *	\$ 749.37 \$ 4206.79 \$ 722.24 \$ 567.44 \$ 1779.10 \$ 653.02 \$ 1755.81 \$ 4750.74 \$ 346.16 \$ 221.82 \$ 95.05 \$ 27.41 \$ 1680.37 \$ 2650.70	235.48 1529.95 231.25 151.95 729.32 137.40 522.25 1949.67 126.93 52.96 40.52 14.91 372.02 267.87	166.89	58.68 143.58 158.95 225.41 168.13 24.13 308.38 294.73 150.27 221.81 31.96 4221.76 1556.70	42.63 143.27 37.00 	614.14 113.19 8.43 21.33 . 10.18 8.94 ————————————————————————————————————	31.93 5.93 	1253.05 6669.66 1257.17 1097.08 2973.27 920.72 3075.82 7341.01 640.57 535.31 186.71 283.49 9760.68 9770.97	20,3% 23,9% 21,4% 19,1% 27,3% 29,0% 31,6% 35,7% 38,8% 96,0% 137,5% 44,0%	7.05 10.39 167.79 68.17 47.30 36.22 2569.18 30.18  25.76	10.38
Totals 1st Quarter 1927:	\$ 37937.32 \$ 36161.05 \$ 35130.26	10521.29 9612.09 8172.25	4756.83 7810.87 7997.29	8255.84 4801.54 4356.53	9279.67 4586.58 4143.61	3457.40 8315.95 7036.26 1159.30	468.27 607.58 1022.39 — Y. P.	74676.62 71895.66 69017.89	26,9% 26,9% 28,0%	3388.68 268.87 105.12	10.38 21.95 96.13

<sup>\*</sup> Report for 4th Quarter 1927.

### Ending March 31, 1928.

	Tithe	Tithe per Capita	Offerings to Mission (except Sabb. Sch. Off.)	Sabbath School Offerings (12 Sabbaths)	13th Sabhath School Offerings	Miss. Offerings per Capita and per Week	Spec. 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
	·	••••			······································							
\$	61294.40 50642.60	4.12 4.22 4.23	2996.34 2402.49	6826.11 5920.90	1692.09 1310.13	0,06 0,06	142.07 155.55	10210.58 7427.91	23304.99 28379.03	376 310	16484 13424	11834 9720
<b>\$</b>	39260.20	4.23	1622.17	4984.29	1156.59	0.06	129.02	6503.88	26592.05	198	9822	6837
<i><b>₩₩₩₩₩₩₩₩₩₩₩</b></i>	6165.00 27931.70 5895.90 3571.80 15924.70 3541.70 10706.10 31317.40 1791.60 2121.00 480.40 295.10 7096.22 22179.64	1.69 6.14 2.71 2.29 5.34 1.74 1.35 3.83 3.93 1.89 1.86 3.69 1.96	268.20 932.92 303.68 377.69 464.85 130.30 797.76 640.60 167.48 260.53 51.14 241.17 7708.29 6852.40	749.37 4206.79 722.24 567.44 1779.10 653.02 1755.81 4750.74 346.16 221.82 95.05 27.41 1680.37 2650.70	235, 48 1529, 95 231, 25 151, 95 729, 32 137, 40 522, 25 1949, 67 126, 93 52, 96 40, 52 40, 52 267, 87	0.03 0.11 0.04 0.06 0.08 0.04 0.03 0.09 0.11 0.04 0.05 0.27 0.21	17. 43 10. 39 167. 79 68. 17 47. 30 36. 22 2569. 18 30. 18 25. 76	1486. 28 2162.30 497.05 825.27 432.20 ———————————————————————————————————	3349.67 21948.40 5407.36 5751.57 9676.21 2113.35 5454.84 35088.13 2404.10 4556.95 462.19 91.00 1244.92	113 119 87 62 119 142 298 223 18 96 15 2 321 605	3815 4704 2312 1567 2627 2334 10002 7308 418 1608 283 98 13489 14426	2910 3504 1840 1217 2259 1786 7794 5574 392 1292 250 76 12250 12379
. \$	290215.46	3.29	26218.01	37937.32	10521.29	0.07	3399.06	34856.83	175824.76	3104	104721 97949	81914 79173
* *	267802.73 247026.67	3.18 3.06	26122.52 25715.38	36161.05 35130.26	9612.09 8172.25	0.07 0.06	290.82 201.25	37979.71 30137.62	180375.20 194344.57	3058 2865	97949	69687
φ \$	247020.07	3.17	22342.70	34541.80	8037.43	0.06	717.73	16303.89	220089.38	2650	84879	67382
\$	169181.10	2.40	20847.62	24302.54	6763.07	0.07	11248.48	11051.51	150187.76	2335	74193	59343

### Harvest Ingathering Campaign 1927 in the European Division.

	Date	Raised 1926	Raised 1927	Amount per Capita 1927	No. of Papers Ordered	Languages
Baltic Union	October I - November 15	\$ 4917.41	\$ 4822.59	\$ 1.33	35800	German, Lettish. Esthonian,
British Union	September — October	\$ 32357.87	\$ 36057.36	\$ 8.11	66200 (and 279000 Leaflets)	Russian, Yiddish English
Com Euron Union	September - October	\$ 15911.81	\$ 17518.16	\$ 1.90	83500	German
	August — October	\$ 24047.41	\$ 24874.58	\$ 1.68	160000	German
	September — October	\$ 26007.34	\$ 27715.21	\$ 2.30	147000	German, Dutch
Crash salam Union	October 1 — November 30		\$ 3699.76	\$ 1.71	33100	German, Czechish, Polish,
Czechosiov. Chion	October 1 - November 30	ф 5290.10	φ 3077.10	φ 1.71	. 33100	Hungarian, Slovakian
Latin Union	September 1 — December 31	\$ 15448.30	\$ 20533.38	\$ 7.24	95570	French, German, Italian, Flemish, English, Spanish
Polish Union	October — December	\$ 1547.72	\$ 1841.77	\$ 0.97	19000	Polish, Russian, Ruthenian, German
Rumanian Union	September 5 — November 30	\$ 1076.13	\$ 2393.21	\$ 0.32	33000	Rumanian, Hungarian, German, Russian
Scandinav. Union	September 1 — November 1	\$ 20689.74	\$ 24021.52	\$ 3.01	91500	Danish, Norwegian, Swedish, Finnish
Bulgarian Union	September - December	\$ 514.40	\$ 513.90	\$ 1.95	6700	Bulgarian, German
Hungarian Union	November - December	\$ 4065.09	\$ 3174.82	\$ 2.10	10300	Hungarian, German
Iberian Un. Miss.	•	`	\$ 1020.92	\$ 2.29	6000	Spanish, Portuguese
Jugoslav. Un. Miss.	,	\$ 61.87	\$ 694.44	\$ 0.66	1650	Serbian, German, Rumanian, Hungarian
Missions		\$ 2395.75	\$ 2468.46	\$ 0.72		
Divi Tota	sion Goal 1926sion Goal 1927 Il Cost of Papers in 1926 Il Cost of Papers in 1927	. \$ 160000.— . \$ 32283.55	Raised Net C	Sain		\$ 171350.08 \$ 120053.47

#### Report of the Home Missionary

·	Baltic Union	British Union	Bulgarian Mission	Cen. Europ. Union	East Gers man Union	West Geraman Union	Czechosl. Union	Greek Mission
1. No. of Churches and Comp. 2. Tot. numb. of Church Memb. 3. No. of Persons Reporting 4. Perc. of Members Report.	67 3614 1274 35 %	99 4551 988 22,%	15 262 101 39 %	193 9354 3744 40 %	376 14938 8046 53 %	310 12045 6589 55 %	88 2227 1046 47 %	2 83 —
Report of Missionary Work:  a) Missionary Visits	6632 5185 2337 5225 1486 10481 1868 331 1095 1190 571	5751 1415 644 16263 795 145594 23957 338 3137 2212 1090 11	943 813 309 413 253 634 117 151 33 106 73	18138 12195 709 7382 2134 82395 2234 243 1206 2149 1122 32	28062 25312 1570 4542 156941 2658 305 716 3413 1597 110	24955 17341 ————————————————————————————————————	7338 8735 930 1022 580 7085 556 192 1080 2042 765 38	127 102 — 5 41 13 12 5 10

# Report of the Missionary Volunteer Department of the European Division for the First Quarter 1928.

Raitie Union		Centr. Europ. Union	East German Union	West German Union	Czechoslov. Union	Hungarian Union	Iberian Union Miss.	Jugoslavian Union Miss.	Latin Union	Polish Union	Rumanian Union	Russian Unions	Scandinavian Union	Missions	Totals for the First Quarter 1928	Totals for the First Quarter 1927
No. of Societies 3 Tot. M'bership of Soc. 87 Members Reporting 38 Perc. of Memb. Rep. 45	1 1543 8 423	2605 815	363 5106 2114 <b>41</b> %	289 4458 1492 <b>33</b> %	24 424 220 52 %	26 416 199 48 %	7 84 60 71 %	\$ 4 70	56 807 356 <b>44</b> %	25 472 252 53 %	78 1942 1129 58 %	1245 689 <b>55</b> %	62 1417 427 <b>30.</b> %	16 322 70	1161 21782 8634 41 %	974 19628 7242 <b>37</b> %
Report of Miss. Work:	( <									4			<	•		
1. Miss. and Sick Vis. 251 2. Bible Readings 185 3. Hours of Chr. H. W. k. 289 4. Treatments Given. 66 5. Subscr. to Period. 10 6. Pap. and Mag. Distr. 369 7. Books Distributed. 38 8. Tracts Distributed. 84 9. Letters Written 70 10. Letters Received 38 11. SOULS WON	9 409 5 8458 5 304 3 112 6 54325 6 1197 0 8369 7 861	1212 682 262 67	5305 3909 783 89 37801 77 265 799 422 47	6771 2041 912 307 34752 145 101 443 243 19	921 938 214 43 30 1637 106 59 511 292 3	2030 3157 1623 313 10 867 140 595 396 226 , 8	226 202 81 10 11 206 70 1169 45 25	_ 	1372 854 613 96 119 4612 249 626 398 211	1307 1823 16 28 — 801 14 178 109 58	6308 7259 6047 679 47 1133 376 639 515 294 16	754 660 — — — — — 78 60	1594 1018 685 126 524 10929 685 4203 728 268 7	248 316 1087 8 12 98 23 60 67 9	32680 25657 23313 3624 1124 170865 3529 17234 5964 3097 128	29329 24938 18884 4735 602 156815 4260 17746 6302 3288 139

§ No report.

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In all rivers of the Niger delta it was customary to make human sacrifices for all kinds of purposes. These were regulated by the ju-ju-man. At Bonny and Calábar, for instance, sacrifices were made to the god of the bar, i. e. the sandbank at the mouth of the river, where navigation was dangerous. An Albino woman, progeny of black parents, quite frequent on the Coast, was brought to the town and allowed free access to the houses for some time, where she was given rest and food as the purpose of her presence was generally known. On a certain day she would be taken in a canoe to the mouth of the river, tied hands and feet, upon which her back was broken across the beam of the canoe and then thrown into the water to the sharks which infested the place. This sacrifice was believed to propitiate the god of the bar, who would thus allow ships to pass through safely. "This and other practices", the writer says, "were of frequent occurrence, and notwithstanding that strong remonstrances were made against them by the Europeans, they were continued for many years, either openly or in secret, until through missionary influences they were ultimately abandoned."

The late Bishop Crowther, a native, rescued by a British cruiser with several hundred slaves from a ship en route to Cuba, with his ministers has been instrumental, the writer says, for all these evil practices to come into disrepute. Also the ju-ju-house that was filled with human skulls and bones was no longer shown and finally destroyed, "as the people, which had gradually turned to Christianity, were ashamed of their former heathen customs."

#### Department for the First Quarter 1928.

Iberian Un. Miss.	Hungar. Union	Jugosl. Un. Miss.	Latin Union	Polish Union	Russian Unions	Ruman. Union	Scand. Union	Miss.	Tot. for the 1st Qu. 1928	Tot. for the 1st Qu. 1927
17 457 —	61 1591 942 50 %	71 1154 625 <b>54</b> %	103 2996 956 32 %	86 2019 946 46 %	<u>-</u>	250 7944 3953 40 %	255 8071 1835 23 %	10 190 190	2003 71496 31235 44 %	1932 69288 30347 44 %
786 660 77 304 66 1335 6492 16 166 410 152	8515 12542 2320 3605 1361 3394 1445 14 506 1061 685 28	2403 3390 173 627 318 695 1103 - 389 436 266	6212 4229 360 2367 827 15980 3233 300 1290 1296 678 9	4240 6896 242 401 183 2195 472 84 327 174	4035 6431 ————————————————————————————————————	29067 41449 7876 22696 4122 6366 3273 833 1083 1635 804	7433 4317 701 3752 1184 61314 22998 3371 2680 2173 1004 13	484 1110 50 1282 117 607 141 19 64 124 21	155124 152322 18298 71359 19896 651349 72306 6281 14461 21359 10397	141781 147000 13474 50621 20156 594603 84739 4293 16718 19764 10191

#### Our Native Workers and Schools in Heathen Africa, 4th Quarter 1927.

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Name of Conference or Mission	Ord. Ministers	Lic. Ministers	Lic. Missionar	Teachers	Colporteurs	Other Worker's	Total	Number i Baptismal Cl	Number of	Enrolment	Number of	Enrolment	Number of	Enrolment	Number of	Enrolment	No. of Pers.	No. of treats ments given
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East African Union Mission. Kenya. Mwanza. Pare Ruanda-Urundi Uganda				176 57 28 20 4	, I, I I I		176 57 43 20 4	191 251 250 121 20	1 1 1 2	· 39 26 23 67	4 4 1 2	295 180 113 550 38	162 38 26 23	597 <b>5</b> 981 2271 1138	2 1 1 1	55 4 19 31	3 4 - 6	3781 4781 — 8158
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Ethiopian Union Mission Central Abyssinia. Eastern Abyssinia. Western Abyssinia. Eritrea	=			5 -5 7	1 =	=	6·  5 - 7	13 4		=	2 1 1	50 16 38	1 1 1	3 -4 25	1 - -	6	1 1 1	165 290 203
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West African Missions. Sierra Leone Liberia. Gold Coast. Nigeria	1	$\frac{5}{\frac{2}{4}}$	9 - 6 4		<del>-</del>	9 - 15	24 11 23	95 130 160	- <u>1</u>	27 - -		65 142	15 1 2	343 — 26 52	<u>-</u>	4	2 2 3 —	405 825 820
-	2	11	19	2		24	58	385	1	27	3	207	18	421	1	4	7	2050
Totals	2	- 11	34	304	1	24	376	1235	6	182	18	1437	270	10818	7	119	23	19428

We thank God for the power of the Gospel which to-day changes even vilest men into new creatures as in days of old, forming them after the image of our great Master.

W. K. I.

# THE HOME MISSIONARY AND MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT REPORTS.

Knowing of the interest with which our fellow labourers read the *Quarterly Review* and study the many interesting tables of figures which it

contains, telling of the ever onward march of the work of God in our large Division, we take this opportunity to call attention to the Home Missionary and Missionary Volunteer Reports for the first quarter.

It will be noticed that nearly 1,000 more of our believers reported missionary work done the past quarter than during the corresponding quarter of 1927. The West German Union has the highest percentage of reporting members, viz., 55, closely followed, however, by Jugoslavia with 54, and the East German Union with 53.

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## Financial Report of the European Division

Name of Conference or Mission	T i t	h e	Sabbath Se Offerin		13th Sal Offeri		Weekl Offerin		Harve Ingathe	
or Mission	Loc. Curr'y	. Dollars	Loc. Curr'y	Doll.	Loc. Curr'y	Doll.				
	1		2		3		4	-	5	
Arabic Union Mission Egypt Syria Mesopotamia	$\pounds$ 62.16. 8	307.10	£ 18.10. 0 £ 6.9.1 Rs. 201.01	31.52	£ 1. 3. 6	5.70	£ 0. 1. 7	0.40	£128. 6. 7 £ 18. 4. 6 Rs. 99.04	626.66 89.20 36.43
		855.20		195.33		19.96	<u>-</u> -	26.80		752.2
East African Union Mission Kenya	£ 81. 1. 8 £ 36.15.10 BFr. 5891.00	396.60 179.80 164.40	£ 58. 0. 1 £ 25.12. 9 £ 17.14.10 BFr.1578.40 £ 3. 9. 0	125.28 86.60 44.06	£ 5.19. 2 £ 6.18.10 BFr.654.35	29.10 33.88 18.27			£ 34. 9. 4 £ 55.11. 2 £ 2. 3. 0 BFr. 7.50	168.29 271.50 10.50 0.22
,		1638.40		556.08		147.99				450.4
Ethiopian Union Mission Central Abyssinia. Eastern Abyssinia. Western Abyssinia* Eritrea.	Th. 73.00 Th. 176.00	35.60 85.80	Th. 20.00 Th. 33.00 Lire 201.00	9.78 16.12	Th. 10.45 Th. 3.00 Th. 20.00 Lire 23.00	9.78	Th. 37.00 Th. 7.80 Th. 18.00 Lire 38.00	18.09 3.80 8.78 2.11 32.78		
West African Missions Sierra Leone ** Liberia Gold Coast Nigeria	£ 9.10. 0	0 46.40 0 647.40	£ 29. 6.10 £ 26. 1. 2	7.32 143.31	£ 0. 6. 0 £ 8. 3. 2	39.85			£ 14.19. 2 £259.10. 2 £ 34.12.10	73.0 1267.4 169.1 1509.7
Miscellaneous Missions Faroe Islands	IKr. 2949.00 FFr. 3341.50 Rs. 3230.80 Krs. 1814.50	654.50 148.40 1151.80 197.00	DKr. 129.30 IKr. 737.12 FFr. 415.10 Rs. 200.14 Krs. 187.55 Ltq. 73.36	163.62 18.41 69.94 20.35		41.02 5.39 39.93 3.87	DKr.27.00 ———————————————————————————————————		DKr.737.00 IKr.3163.39 Rs. 1706.15	197.7 703.3 608.2
		\$ 2458.62	\$	347.86	\$	114.88	\$	11.74	\$	1509.3
Grand Totals for Missions	<u> </u>	\$ 7096.22	- \$	1680.37		372.02		71.32	\$	4221.7

<sup>\*</sup> Includes 3rd and 4th quarters.

### European Division of the General Conference of S. D. A.

N a m e	Address .	No. of Buildings	No. of Acres	Capacity
1. Baltic Union School	Brivibas iela 11, Riga, Latvia	13 3 1 14 7 6 2 2 7 7 1 3	275 44 1 200 70 25 4 33 225 14 10 101 625	150 70 25 195 115 250 80 150 50 25 60 75
	Totals for 1927: Totals for 1926: Totals for 1925: Totals for 1924: Totals for 1923:	69 67 56 43 41	1627 1622.7 1569 1622 1661	1310 1346 1456 1415 1230

<sup>\*\*</sup> Includes 2nd, 3rd and 4th quarters.

### Missions for the fourth Quarter 1927 specified.

Annual Offerings Loc. Curr'y Doll.	Miscellaneous Offerings Loc. Curr'y Doll.	Self Denial Week Loc. Curr'y Doll.	Total Offerings to Foreign Missions Loc. Curr'y Dollars	Percentage of Offer. of Tithe	"Big Week", Fund Loc. Curr'y Doll.
6	7	8	9	10	11
£ 26. 1. 0 127.20 £ 1. 0. 6 5.04 Rs. 250.00 91.50	£ 0.12. 4 3.00 Rs. 128.00 46.93	£ 17. 1. 4 83.33 £ 3. 5. 0 15.90	£ 197.13. 8 965.29 £ 30. 4. 2 147.76 Rs. 694.07 254.21	244,9 % 48,1 % 164,9 %	
223.74	49.93	99.23	1367.26	159,8 %	
$\pounds$ 226. 1. 8 1104.28 $\pounds$ 55. 0. 9 268.72 $\pounds$ 114.15. 0 560.50 BFr.3705.35 103.42 $\pounds$ 15. 0. 2 73.30	$\pounds$ 1.16. 3 8.85  BFr. 556.00 15.51 $\pounds$ 0. 5. 0 1.22		$\pounds$ 331. 8. 5 1618.63 $\pounds$ 144. 0. 1 703.45 $\pounds$ 141.11. 8 691.48 BFr. 6501.60 181.48 $\pounds$ 19.10. 1 95.25	193,0 % 177,3 % 384,5 % 110,3 % 209,3 %	£ 5. 5. 6 25.76
2110.22	25.58		<b>329</b> 0.29	200,8,%	25.70
Th. 103.00 50.29 Th. 30.00 14.65 Th. 32.34 15.80 Lire 350.00 19.43	Lire 63.00 3.46	Th. 53.75 26.25 Th. 52.00 25.40	Th. 308.69 150.73 Th. 60.80 29.69 Th. 155.34 75.88 Lire 675.00 37.43	81,0 % 83,4 % 88,4 % 60,7 %	· == == ==
100.17	3.46	51.65	293.73	79,6 %	
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79.27		91.24	2244.86	126,4 %	
DKr. 55.75 14.96 IKr. 399.37 87.91 FFr.1337.85 59.38 Rs. 369.31 131.67 Krs. 150.00 16.28 Ltq. 150.00 83.54	Rs. 64.47 22.98 Krs. 8.10 0.87 Ltq. 10.42 5.80	1Kr. 445.00 98.82 — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	DKr. 990.28 265.72 IKr. 4929.88 1094.69 FFr. 1874.80 83.18 Rs. 2448.15 872.78 Krs. 920.50 99.88 Ltq. 266.29 148.29	655,7 % 167,2 % 56,0 % 75,7 % 50,7 % 55,6 %	
\$ 393.74	\$ 29.65	\$ 157.33	\$ 2564.54	104,3 %	
\$ 2907.14	\$ 108.62	\$ 399.45	\$ 9760.68	137,5 %	\$ 25.

## Report of the Educational Institutions for the Year 1927.

1-8	Grades 9-12	13—16	Teach ers	Grades done	Library	Laboratory	Manual Tr. Fac.	Stud. Grad.	12 gr.	Graduated 14 gr.	16 gr.	Studs. entered Work
	107 28 19 156 36 150 41 112 33 25 30 96 72	27 98 48 —————————————————————————————————	10 3 3 11 12 12 12 4 7 4 7 4 2 5 14	9—12 9—12 9—11 9—14 9—14 8—14 9—12 9—12 9—12 9—12 9—12 9—12	800 450 250 3550 1780 2000 500 1500 325 150 160 1000 950	yes yes some yes yes yes some none yes some none yes some yes	yes yes none yes some yes Garden yes none none some yes yes	8 6 4 16 3 20 7 19 7 —	8 6 	8 2 2 		35 28 8 25 56 10 18 13 12 8 9
101 105 132 236	905 1041 1096 750 525	209 116 104 310 306	93 79 89 89 81		13385 11385 12955 9940 8170			119 72 98 94 170	57 29 72 56 95	17 12 26 8 40		275 270 354 267 162

Report of S. D. A. Church Schools in the European Division for the Year 1927.

Place:	No. of Teachers	Enrolment	Building	Estimated Value of Equipment	Expense of Annual Maintenance
British Union:		,			
Plymouth Stanborough Park Walthamstow West London	2 4 2 2	26 92 26 42	= -	£ 30.0.0 £ 50.0.0 £ 35.0.0 £ 50.0.0	£ 298. 0. 0 £ 450. 0. 0 £ 326. 0. 0 £ 302. 0. 0
East German Union:					,
Friedensau, Post Grabow, Bez. Magdeburg	1	12		· <u> </u>	
Latin Union:					,
La Lignière, Gland, Switzerl. Chaux-de-Fonds, Temple Allemand	1	10 · 12		<del>-</del>	SFr. 3300,— SFr. 4000.—
	1	12			DI 1. 4000.—
Scandinavian Union:		20.		C17 1(0)	
Stockholm, Tunnelgatan 25. Oslo, Kingosgate 1 Copenhagen, Suomisvey 5, V. Aarhus, Nörre Allee 30 Skodsborg, Badesanatoriet Gredstedbro Jerslev, Pr. Brönderslev Frederikshavn "Salem" Allee Esbjerg, Finlandsgade 28	3 2 3 3 2 1 1	30 36 40 50 33 10 15 12	DKr. 6000.— DKr. 3500.—	SKr. 1600.— NKr. 700.— DKr. 2000.— DKr. 1000.— DKr. 800.— DKr. 800.— DKr. 400.— DKr. 500.— DKr. 500.—	SKr. 5598  NKr. 7000  DKr. 4610  DKr. 6400  DKr. 1370  DKr. 2000  DKr. 1700  DKr. 1600
Totals: 16 Schools	30	459	\$ 2554.—	\$ 2856.—	\$ 17866.30

# European Division of the General Conference of S. D. A. Report of the Sanitariums for the Year 1927.

Name	Address	No. of Buildings	No. of Acres	Capacity	Persons Treated	Charity Work	Physicians	Nurses	Other Empl.	Total Empl.
1. Skodsborg Sanitarium 2. Sanitarium "Waldfriede" 3. "The Stanboroughs"	Skodsborg, Denmark Berlin-Zehlendorf-West, Gern	22 n. 4	8½ 8	340 120	1400 1297	\$ 21377.40 \$ 1816.15	5 4	96 46	143 23	244 73
	Watford, Herts. England Gland, Ct. Vaud, Switzerlan Kurhaus Wiffelshach, Oberl	id 2	17 90	65 70	556 475	\$ 5493.40 \$ 440.40	2 2	25 10	29 51	56 63
6. Oslo Health Home 7. Kendu Mission Hospital	Germany Akersgatan 74. Oslo, Norwa	2 av 1	. —	138 20	22 900	\$ 773.80 \$ 1000.00		2 20	16 16	18 36
8. Hultafors, Sanitarium	Colony	4	10 172	35 100	7870 700		1	6	43	12 50
	Totals for 192 Totals for 192 Totals for 192 Totals for 192 Totals for 192	6: 40 5: 34 4: 38	305½ 203½ 136½ 151 157	888 870 794 691 730	13220 20589 6290 5201 4762	\$ 30901.15 \$ 31642.28 \$ 27109.63 \$ 20497.03 \$ 17758.80	15 15 14 13 15	207 188 186 201 195	330 319 276 274 275	552 518 476 488 485

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A glance at the items of Missionary work will reveal an encouraging growth practically all the way through. We are particularly pleased to notice the faithfulness of our people in doing gospel and Bible work. 13,500 more missionary visits were made, and 5,000 Bible readings more given during the past quarter. There is also a decided increase in the number of periodicals distributed, vic. 57,000.

Reflecting upon the Missionary Volunteer Report, it will readily be noticed that there has been an increase of 187 new societies in our Division and a membership increase of 2,160, comparing the two quarters of 1927 and 1928. Our young people have also shown great faithfulness in reporting and there has been a 4% increase in reporting members for the quarter. The Iberian Union heads (Continued on page 22.)

#### Report of the Treatment Rooms for the Year 1927.

N a m e	Address	Capacity	Persons Treated	Charity Work	Physicians	Nurses	Other Empl.	Total Empl.
1. Bergen Treatment Rooms:	Kurbadet, V. Torvgate, Il Bergen, Norway	. 45	140	\$ 39.50	_	4		4
2. Nyhyttan Health Home	Järnboas, Sweden	90	185	\$ 93.84	1	7	18	26
3. Stockholm Treatment Rooms	Humlegardsgatan 18, Stocksholm, Sweden	100	700	\$ 220.65	_	9	5	14
4. Helsingfors Fysikaliska Inst.	Annegatan 7, Helsingfors, Finland	50	457	- <u>-</u>	1	4	_	5
5. Charlottenbad	Charlottenstr. 22—24, Hams burg, Germany	250	23560	\$ 119.00	_	9	1	10
6. Coloniabad	Pantaleonswall 42—44, Cologne, Germany	50	1680	\$ 11.90	_	2	_	2
	Totals for 1927: Totals for 1926: Totals for 1925: Totals for 1924: Totals for 1923:	285 230 220	26712 1140 1050 1050 1050	\$ 484.89 \$ 318.85 \$ 1060.83 \$ 1164.47 \$ 824.45	2 2 1 1	35 39 23 26 26	24 23 26 25 23	61 64 50 52 50

# European Division of the General Conference of S. D. A. Report of the Publishing Houses for the Year 1927.

Name	Address	Book Sales	Periodical Sales	Total Value Literature Sold	Buildings	Employees	Periodic's	Languages
1. Hamburg Publ. House *	Hamburg, Grindelberg 15 a,							_
2 St. 1 1 D TAI	Germany	\$ 395465.80	\$ 217568.18	\$ 613033.98	9	135 32	14	.2
2. Stanborough Press Ltd. 3. Norway Publish. House	Watford, Herts, England Akersgaten 74, Oslo, Norway	\$ 97981.22 \$ 29729.54		\$ 148282,22 \$ 59282.54	~ ‡ .	16	37	· 1···
-4. Denmark Publish. House	Suomisvei 5, Copenhagen,	Ф 49749.J±	₽ 29333.00	ф 39202.34	· - *- , ,	10		1
1. Denmark I ubnan, House	Denmark	~_\$ 27813.73	\$ 18861.01	\$ 46674.74		~ 4	2	1
5. France Publishing House	DammarieslessLys, (S. & M.)	-0, 7,0,0,0	Ψ 10001.01	Ψ 20012112		<b>^</b> .		
· ·	France	\$ 22425.69	\$ 19537.85	\$ 41963.54	1	14	3	- 2
- 6. Sweden Publish. House	Tunnelgaten 25, Stockholm,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<b>4</b> 27047100	Ψ -27,0000-				
	Sweden	\$ 29402.00	\$ 11709.00	\$ 41111.00	_	6	3	1_
7. Czechoslov. Publ. House	Brno 12, Kralovo Pole,							
•	Czechoslovakia	\$ 29734.05	\$ 5439.40	\$ 35173.45	1	6	2	7
8. Finland Publish. House	Annegatan 7, Helsingfors,					_		_
	Finland	\$ 29810.00	\$ 4130.00	\$ 33940.00	_	5	3	2
9. Rumania Publish. House	Strada Labirint 116, Bukarest,	A 12077 00	A 7412.01	A 21201 00		10	-	•
10 T D . II	Rumania	\$ 13877.89	\$ 7413.91	\$ 21291.80 \$ 18677.20	1	10 4	5 2	3
10. Latvia Publishing House	Brivibas iela 11, Riga, Latvia	- \$ 13887.40	\$ 4789.80	\$ 18677.20		4	4	1
11. Jugoslavia Publ. House	Petra Zrinjskog 13, Novi	\$ 15446.22	\$ 1071.00	\$ 16517.22	1	4	3	3
12. Poland Publishing House	Sad, Jugoslavia	\$ 7269.97		0 10440.00	1	2	3	. 6.
13. Italy Publishing House	Via Trieste 17, Florence, Italy	\$ 9392.08	\$ 663.59	\$ 10055.67	1	- 2 .	1	1
14. Spain Publishing House	Apartado 492, Barcelona,	φ ,5,2.00	4 003.55	φ 10055401	•	-	-	-
11. Opain Auditoming 110450	Spain	\$ 8664.34	\$ 587.56	\$ 9251.90		3	2	1
15. Esthonia Publish, House	Merepuiestee 14 a, Tallinna,	Ψ 0	, 4 , 55, 555	φ , ποχί, ι		-		
	Esthonia	\$ 6408.73	\$ 1082.58	\$ 7491.31	1	2	. 1	1
16. Iceland Depository	P. B. 262. Reykjavik, Iceland	\$ 5786.19		\$ 5786.19	_		` 1`	1
17. Portugal Publish, House	Rua Joaquim Bonifacio,			*,		,		
	M. A. Lisbon, Portugal	\$ 4772.46		\$ 4772.46 \$ 2949.48	_	1	_	1
18. Bulgaria Publish. House	Solunska 49, Sofia, Bulgaria	\$ 1327.38	\$ 1622.10	\$ 2949.48	1	1	1	1
19. South Kavirondo Press	Gendia Mission, P. O.				_			
20 1 1: **:	Kisumu Kenya, B. E. A.	\$ 910.16		\$ . 910.16	2	2		6
20. Arabic Literature Society	Mataria, Cairo, Egypt	\$ 848.83	` —	\$ 848.83		'n	_	1
21. Turkey Depository	Box 109, Galata, Constans	\$ 452.37		\$ 452.37	1	1		2
22. Lithuanian Depository	tinople	\$ 434.31	-	\$ 432.37	1	1		4
22. Lithuaman Depository	Maironio g-ve 22, Kaunas, Lituania	\$ 346.98		\$ 346.98	_	1	_	1
	Lituania	3 J30.70				<u> </u>		
*	Grand Totals for the Year 1927			\$ 1129255.94	22	252	52	
	Grand Totals for the Year 1926			\$ 1211923.84	22	247	48	_
	Grand Totals for the Year 1923			\$ 1197154.86	21	260	45	_
	Grand Totals for the Year 192			\$ 1148299.00	17	245	44	_
	Grand Totals for the Year 192			\$ 655194.15	21 20	231 250	42 39	
	Grand Totals for the Year 1923	2: \$ 487078.33	\$ 93457.95	\$ 580536.28	20	430	39	

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

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the list with 71%, followed by Rumania with 58, and Czechoslovakia with 52. A corresponding growth in the amount of missionary work revealed in the Home Missionary Department is also noticed among the young people.

A letter recently received from the Suji Mission in the Tanganyika Territory in Africa tells of the organization of the missionary volunteer work even down in that far-away field. The report states that the 54 senior and 36 junior volunteers of a certain society "helped other people" 4,682 times. This is the way they express Christian help work. They paid a number of visits to the sick and wrote quite a few missionary letters, besides carrying 1,874 stones for the construction of our new church-building. Sister Winifred Clifford, in sending us this splendid report, adds: "It is quite hard work to carry these stones from a distance to the place required, and I would like our young people in the homeland to see our natives marching along the narrow path single-file, each carrying on his or her head a huge stone blasted from the place of rocks and singing weird but inspiring songs."

We look forward with real courage and greater expectations to the future when we think of the soul-saving and soul-conserving work carried on by our church-members and our young people throughout our Division. Steen Rasmussen.

# NOTES ON THE STATISTICAL REPORT.

88,671 is our membership at the end of the first quarter of 1928. This means a net gain of 482 souls, whereas 1858 were added to the church by baptism and vote.

Those of our readers that are interested in comparisons we refer to page 14 where at the end of the recapitulation by unions the totals of the corresponding quarters of the four previous years are given.

Greece is now a detached field like Bulgaria, i. e. directly under the European Division. Beginning with next quarter it will no longer be necessary to report for Greece a quarter late as we have to in the case of the far away fields.

The report of our Foreign Missions has also undergone a reconstruction. The former Egypto-Syrian Mission now includes Mesopotamia and has become the Arabic Union Mission. — Eritrea is connected with the Ethiopian Union Mission.

A few months ago when studying the yearly reports we rejoiced over the growth of the membership in our missions, for never before had

the net gain within a year reached 642. The present report shows a net gain of 352 for one quarter only, or 54.8% of last year's gain! Had Greece not been disconnected our foreign missions would have now passed the 4000 mark in membership. At present it stands at 3976.

Attention should be called to the Harvest Ingathering results in the mission fields. These are more than double that of previous years. — Heretofore Russia has not been able to report Harvest Ingathering Offerings, but now a beginning is made and the equivalent to \$ 1,556.70 was gathered.

At the last winter council in Vienna it was decided that 50% of the weekly offerings should remain in the field and be used as a fund for our poor people. Consequently in this report the weekly offerings (with the exception of Russia and the Missions where 100% is given) represent only 50% of the total receipts. But not all the unions have reported the other 50% in column 27 (Contributions for local church work). This should be adjusted in the second quarters' report.

Among other yearly reports of the various institutions a small survey of our church schools will be found on the pages of this "Quarterly". Our members know we have church schools although this is the first report published in our paper.

In closing an earnest request to all whom it may concern. Would it not be possible to send in to the Division the statistical report for the second quarter before August 1, say between July 20 and 25? This would enable us to have the "Quarterly" ready for distribution at our Division Summer Council August 15—22. The majority of the reports come in punctually, but one or two hold up the publication. This time it was Poland (May 9) and Rumania (May 18).

Berne, May 18, 1928.

E. Borm.

All who consecrate soul, body, and spirit to God, will be constantly receiving a new endowment of physical and mental power. The inexhaustible supplies of heaven are at their command. Christ gives them the breath of His own Spirit, the life of His own life. The Holy Spirit puts forth its highest energies to work in heart and mind. The grace of God enlarges and multiplies their faculties, and every perfection of the divine nature comes to their assistance in the work of saving souls. Through cooperation with Christ they are complete in Him, and in their human weakness they are enabled to do the deeds of Omnipotence." — "The Desire of Ages," p. 827.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

When the last number of the "Quarterly" was already in print we learned of the death, February 17, of Sister Conradi, the faithful companion of Elder L. R. Conradi, at their home in Hamburg. Though belated we pass on this word to the family of our readers. Sister Conradi, née Wakeham, accepted the message together with the Wakeham family under the ministry of Elder E. W. Farnsworth following a series of meetings



Mrs. L. R. Conradi.

at Dennison, Ia, in 1876. She united in wedlock with Brother Conradi in 1882 and came over to Europe with him in 1886. For many years in poor health and of very delicate physique she has borne her lot with great fortitude especially in view of the fact that the duties of her husband took him away from their home the largest part of the year. As a true missionary she gave little thought to herself in her condition and has been a source of great encouragement to Brother Conradi by her quiet, cheerful Christian bearing. Those present at the celebration of Elder Conradi's seventieth anniversary, March 20, 1926, will remember his touching testimony as to how much he owed to his dear companion in life for the success that has attended his labours. Sister Conradi has been laid to rest and it can be truly said of her that "their works do follow them". We extend to Elder Conradi and Dr. and Mrs. Conradi, as well as to the members of the Wakeham family our heartfelt sympathy. In a letter Brother Conradi says: "The blow seems hard; yet the sun shines into her room which now serves as an office attached to my ever growing prophetic library, where the Advent hope continues to grow brighter through the grief caused by the loss." W. K. I.

We are greatly grieved to announce the death of Sister O. Zimmermann, wife of Elder H. Zimmermann at the Hague, Holland, April 26. Brother and Sister Zimmermann had been sent out by the German Mission Society to the Dutch East Indies together with Brother and Sister Dittmar, and Brother and Sister Peter Drinhaus in 1921, where they have been working with good success. All these three families had come home on their first furlough last year. Sister Zimmermann was in rather failing health and it was hoped that she would fully recuperate in the homefield before returning to Java. Unfortunately her recovery made rather slow progress so that, when Brother Zimmermann in company with Brother Drinhaus left Holland for the Dutch East Indies early in April, the condition of her health caused some concern. It appeared that an operation became necessary to which she has succumbed. Brother Zimmermann was due to arrive at Singapore May 8. We deeply sympathize with him and his only son, who has been left behind in Holland, in their bereavement. May the Lord strengthen and comfort him with the assurance of a re-union at His soon return.

Our readers will be pleased to learn that Elder H. Bauer, formerly president of the Muntenia Conference in Rumania, who had been sentenced to one year's imprisonment because of a lantern lecture delivered in our own chapel at Bucharest, has been released under the general amnesty granted to political offenders some weeks before the expiration of his term. As we understand, his imprisonment has no influence at all on his continuing in service as this general amnesty involves the abolition of the original sentence. Brother Bauer is now president of the newly organized West Muntenia Conference and he is indeed happy to return to his former place of labour.

In a letter, dated May 1, Elder A. Thomas, superintendent of the Bulgarian Mission, briefly refers to the recent earthquake that has devastated quite a large section of the country, the city of Philippopel being especially involved. So far as Brother Thomas has been able to learn none of our own people have lost their lives, though their material loss is rather considerable. Some 50 villages have been totally destroyed, while some cities have been partially demolished and have become uninhabitable. The total loss is estimated at two billion lewa. Our mission, which is incorporated as a philanthropic association, has contributed 10.000 lewa to the relief fund that is being collected by the Minister of the Interior. Some of our brethren have lost their houses. Brother Thomas was just about to make a trip through the field in order to ascertain the needs of our own people, and he believed that a special appeal for help would have to be made to the Division. We have reason to thank God for sparing the lives of our brethren in these calamities.

Word has come to us that Brother A. Koch, formerly editor at the Hamburg Publishing House and now connected with the work in Japan for several years, has been elected field missionary secretary of the Japan Union Mission. We wish him every success in the new work that he is taking up and have full confidence that with his excellent experience in publishing lines he will be a good help in promoting the interests of this important branch of the cause.

The congress of our Federation of S. D. A. in Russia is to convene at Moscow May 12—19. This is really their quadrennial session, as the last general meeting was held in 1924. Application has been made for the visit of Brethren L. R. Conradi and W. K. Ising, but at the time of this writing it seems doubtful whether permission will be granted. We know that all our people take a great interest in our work in Soviet Russia and we pray that the Lord may give our brethren there wisdom in so relating themselves to all questions that will come up for consideration at this important gathering as will promote the best interests of the work.

In a meeting of the Division Committee held at Frankfurt/Main, April 10, it was voted to change the place of our summer meetings from Friedensau to Darmstadt, where our school provides ample facilities. It was believed that this place is more centrally located and easier of approach than Friedensau.

As this "Quarterly" goes to press some of the general brethren from abroad are beginning to arrive in Europe. We learn that Elder Evans of the Far Eastern Division has safely arrived at Naples, Italy. Elder Beddoe, associate secretary of the General Conference, has reached England, and Elder O. Montgomery, general vice-president, is due in England May 11. These brethren will be attending various union sessions and other meetings in different parts of Europe before our Summer Council convenes. We welcome them in the European Division and hope that their visit will be one of mutual profit.

Our readers, we are sure, will give thoughtful study to the list of languages given in this issue in which the Message is proclaimed, either by the printed page or by word of mouth, in the territory of the European Division. The list last published in Vol. 10, No. 2, 1924, gave 75, which number, as will be seen, has since increased to 97. There are only a few letters left to complete the alphabet. This, certainly, is a remarkable accomplishment and an evidence of the fulfilment of Rev. 14. 6.

We read in the annual address delivered by the Governor of Nigeria that of their total customs revenues amounting to £ 2.719.933, £ 240.984 were contributed to this sum by customs on cigarettes; £ 397.249 on unmanufactured tobacco, and £ 613.563 on gin, so that these three articles aggregate 46 per cent of the sum total of their revenues. The following statement of the Governor relative to these items will be of interest:

"The consumption of cigarettes has now reached a point which it might almost be thought cannot be exceeded, and yet there is no doubt that it will increase by twenty-five per cent within the next few years. Some idea of the extent of that trade can be formed when it is realized that in the port of Lagos an average sum of £ 3,000.— in duty found its way to the Treasury every week of the year. It would not have been unreasonable to assume that the cigarette habit would have affected adversely the trade in leaf tobacco, but the quantity of the latter article imported last year was well above the average and cannot but be considered to point to a state of general prosperity. The same may be said of another luxury article, gin, which in spite of the almost prohibitive rate of duty shows importations above the average."

In a letter, dated Heliopolis, Egypt, May 4, Brother C. Rieckmann, missionary field secretary for the Arabic Union Mission, writes that he was planning to go to Assuan, the terminus of the Egyptian railway in the south, the following week to train a student colporteur who is to locate there. He anticipates quite a hot climate in view of the fact that, at Cairo, they recently had 45 °C in the shade. He says that the prospects for the canvassing work are better than ever. Four additional student colporteurs will enter the work in Egypt this summer.

From the accompanying report of his first itinerary through the field, which has taken him to Palestine and Syria, it is interesting to see that the canvassing work is being strengthened, though many difficulties and opposition must be met, and the work carried on in a way to meet local conditions that, in many respects, are guite different from those in the home fields. At Beyrout, Syria, he has also worked in a colporteur, selling on the first day 19 of their smaller books in Turkish, Armenian, Arabic, English, and French, in all of which languages they must carry books to suit their customers. He had to give up his plan to visit Transjordania on receiving a telegram from Brother Steffen not to come, because of the incident that had recently occurred there when two representatives of another mission were badly beaten. One of them, an Englishman, being almost killed by the Mohammedans, so that great fears were entertained by all missionaries there because of the excitement caused among the population.