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"Lengthen Thy Cords"

A. V. Olson

he Winter Council of our Southern European Division was held at Gland, Switzerland, December 13-20. Many were the problems that pressed in upon us at this Council for consideration and solution. Transcending all other problems in importance was the serious question of how we can meet the demands made upon us in this solemn hour of earth's history. Day by day the picture was held up before us of ripening fields calling for more laborers. Every leader present from the home fields, as well as the missionaries who were with us from our mission fields, told of opening providences and plead with us for more workers. Our hearts were moved as we beheld the needs of our great Division field with its nearly two hundred million souls.

As we prayerfully studied the situation before us, the conviction settled down upon us that the hour had struck for us to undertake greater things for God. The end of all things is fast approaching, and whatever is to be done must be done quickly. We have no time to lose. In view of all this, and notwithstanding the sad fact that the economic situation in most parts of our Division is gradually growing worse instead of better, we agreed to heed without delay the command of the Lord: "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes."

With faith and confidence in God that He will help us increase our funds, we voted to strengthen our stakes at home and to lengthen the cords in the mission fields. Provision was made in our budget for five new missionaries to be sent to Africa and the islands this year. Some of these have already been placed under appointment and will soon be on the way to their new fields of labor. New recruits have also been called into service in some of the home fields. We know that our dear people will rejoice when they learn of these new additions to our slender working forces.

Increased funds and enlarged working forces will not be sufficient in themselves, however, to meet the demands of God upon us. A new spirit of consecration, and a new spirit of evangelism must take hold of us. A new passion for souls must grip our hearts. Workers and members must unite in seeking for souls as never before. All must be organized for action. In our great cities, a larger and more aggressive work must be undertaken.

The letters and reports that come to my desk indicate clearly that God is at work. Here are several letters before me that have just come to hand. One of them is from far-away Mauritius. It says that one Sabbath in December they baptized twenty-eight souls. (A few weeks before, they had baptized sixteen.) Another letter is from one of our union presidents. Writing about his visits in some of the churches, he says that in one church thirty-five asked for baptism, in another one twentyfour, etc. Here in Berne, where it has always been difficult to gather a large audience, Brother Rupp is this winter speaking to a crowded hall every week. The interest is so great that the conference has sent two additional workers to assist him. In Paris, Lisbon, and many other places, the people are manifesting a real desire to hear the truth.

In the name of Him who gave His own life to save the lost, we appeal to our workers and members from one end of our Division to the other to greatly intensify their soul-winning endeavors. Let the camp of Israel arise and move forward. Let no one hesitate to go forward for fear of failure. God says, "Fear not; for thou shalt not be ashamed: neither be thou confounded; for thou shalt not be put to shame." To His church He has promised that if she will stretch forth the curtains of her habitation, "thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited."

An Important Winter Council

Steen Rasmussen

Three months have passed by since the holding of our last Division Winter Council. This meeting was in many respects one of the most important and profitable that we have ever held. Owing to the fact that the last issue of QUARTERLY REVIEW had just been published when the Council convened, this is our first opportunity, through the columns of our Division organ, to say a few words regarding this very helpful meeting.

Once more we were favored in having Elder W. A. Spicer with us during the Council. His daily studies were a source of much encouragement and spiritual help to everyone in attendance. Elder Spicer's note of courage and good cheer always grips and inspires.

True unity and unselfish interest characterized the Council from beginning to end. There was manifest a large degree of real brotherhood and good will. Everyone in attendance did his best to co-operate in the business transacted at the meeting and in helping to solve the various problems that came up for consideration.

The outstanding feature of the meeting was the call to advance which was sounded by our Division president, Brother A. V. Olson. In no previous Council since the Southern European Division was organized were so many new workers placed under appointment for the mission fields as was the case in connection with this one. This step, however, was only made possible by voting a budget based upon a considerably larger income than that of the preceding year.

In this respect, however, we are following the example set by the General Conference Autumn Council in Battle Creek last fall. At that meeting there was reported a small increase in General Conference receipts. But because of governmental restrictions in certain European countries regarding the free flow of money from one country to another, it became necessary to reduce appropriations to most of the world divisions, in order that the mission fields served by one of our European Divisions might receive help directly from the General Conference.

Owing to this new arrangement and this help which of a necessity had to be given, our appropriations as a Division were reduced with a sum of \$ 10,000.— Moreover, the reserves of the General Conference treasury are so depleted because of the continued drain upon them incident to the world financial crisis, that an unbalanced budget had to be presented at the General Conference Autumn Council.

In view of this situation which faced not only the General Conference Council but also our own Division Council, very definite resolutions were passed, calling upon our believers in all parts of the world to rally anew in this time of special opportunity and need by increasing their tithe and mission offerings with an amount of from 10 to 25 per cent during 1935. When this matter was discussed in our Division meeting, the brethren in attendance expressed their unanimous approval of this plan, and it was voted that we endeavor during the present year to increase all offerings for foreign missions with an amount equal to 10 per cent over the mission offering receipts for 1934.

A set of very important recommendations were also passed in regard to faithfulness in tithe-paying as well as to carry on a systematic promotion of this divine plan throughout the field.

A renewed call to more efficient and more fruitful efforts along evangelistic lines was given hearty approval by all in attendance. It is hoped that the present year will be the most fruitful year as far as soul winning is concerned that we have ever had in our Division field.

Due consideration was also given to the many and varied interests and projects connected with our departmental work. It was indeed very cheering to notice that the publishing work had made very notable forward strides during 1934 compared with the previous year.

The action, however, which will mark our 1934 Winter Council as one of the most notable in Southern Europe was the fact that calls were made for five new missionary families to proceed to the mission fields during the present year. Two families will go to the Equatorial African Mission; two to the Madagascar Mission; one to the Cape Verde Islands, and possibly another family also to the Mauritius Mission. In addition to these families, a sister was also called to go to the Equatorial African Mission as a missionary nurse.

Since the close of our Winter Council very encouraging reports have reached our Division office regarding the growing interest which is manifest in many parts of the field in connection with the evangelistic efforts of our ministers. The Spirit of God is arousing men and women everywhere to seek an understanding of what the perplexities of the times in which we live really mean. As the call has been sounded to advance, let us in the power and strength of our mighty leader go forward in faith and with courage toil on until the work shall gloriously triumph and the kingdom of God be ushered in.

"Melting Pot" for Missions

Sabbath, May 4, 1935

The "Melting Pot" is an expression new to most of our workers and believers, although some will have read about it in our denominational church paper, REVIEW AND HERALD. We shall briefly explain what is meant, and call attention to an action taken by the Division Committee in its recent Winter Council.

In view of the world situation, the uncertainty of the times and the unmistakable signs of the soon coming of Christ, as well as the increasingly difficult problem of financing our expanding mission work, the Division Winter Council unanimously voted to pass the following appeal on to our believers:

"From the records of the Old Testament we learn that the people of Israel brought their ornaments of silver and gold to assist in the building of the sanctuary of God and, as a result, experienced great blessings.

"In view of this example of old and of the fact that the Lord has given to us as His people clear and definite instruction that precludes the wearing of gold and silver ornaments and jewelry generally; and believing that in the homes of our people such ornaments are found and never used; and

"Whereas, The present appeal to advance in our home and foreign mission program calls for renewed personal sacrifice in helping to extend the message into all the world, therefore

"Resolved, 1. That Sabbath, May 4, 1935, be set aside as a day on which our believers and friends of the message be invited to bring a thank offering of gold and silver ornaments or other objects of jewelry.

"2. That all donated jewelry or ornaments be sent by the conferences or missions to the union office in their respective fields and sold, the proceeds to be reported back to each field and applied on their foreign mission offerings."

In taking this action, it was naturally concluded that some of our believers are in possession of various gold and silver ornaments and jewelry which they would be glad to donate to the cause of foreign missions. It was also felt that others who are acquainted with our movement and our work, but who have not yet become members of the church, might also be glad and willing to join in this plan. No doubt there are some of our believers who, before they accepted the truth, used jewelry in the form of rings, earrings, broaches and bracelefs. But these outward adornments have been laid aside in a drawer, chest, case or box and are never being used.

Turning to the old Biblical records re-

garding a special offering which the Lord on a certain occasion asked the children of Israel to make, we read: "And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering; of every man that giveth it willingly... and let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them." Ex. 25:1,2,8. Further on in the same book we read of how willingly and readily they placed at the disposal of Moses the gold and silver ornaments, the jewelry and other precious objects which they brought with them out of Egypt; "And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering to the work of the tabernacle of the congregation, and for all his service, and for the holy garments. And they came, both men and women, as many as were willing hearted, and brought bracelets, and earrings, and tablets, all jewels of gold: and every man that offered, offered an offering of gold unto the Lord." Ex. 35:21,22.

The liberality of the people reached such proportions that Moses had to restrain them from further giving. The things called for were for the erection of the tabernacle, and we readily understand the Lord's purpose in having His people bring the treasure of Egypt along when they left that land never to return.

As a people we have also been called upon in the providence of God to erect places of worship in order that the kingdom of God may be advanced. God's work is making wonderful progress. Now is the time for us to make a similar offering to that of Israel of old. Soon the jewels of gold and silver will be of no value. Today it is still time to turn these things into the treasure house of God and make them a blessing to the cause of the Lord. We appeal therefore to such of our believers and workers everywhere who may still be in possession of some trinkets of jewelry and other objects of gold and silver to make a special thank offering to the Lord of the same.

In view of the tremendous responsibility which has been placed upon us as a people and as leaders in God's cause, the brethren assembled in Winter Council voted a budget based upon an increase in tithe and offerings of 10 per cent for the year 1935 over the year 1934. This was done in order that we might be able not only to keep all our present staff of workers employed, but that we might strengthen the work in our mission fields.

It is our conviction that through the in-

gathering of jewelry and of gold and silver ornaments our cause of missions will be greatly benefited. The plan is that the jewelry received be passed on either to the union or local conference or mission treasurer who will endeavor to sell it at the best price obtainable. The sum will then be reported as "Melting Pot" offering to the Southern European Division, and be used as mentioned above, for the advancement of the work in the foreign mission fields.

Remember the date: May 4, 1935. It might be well for our workers to call attention in the churches to this special offering two or three weeks beforehand.

Fr. Brennwald
Treasurer Southern European Division

Literature Ministry in 1934

Dark clouds were hovering over the world horizon as we entered the year 1934. And truly it has been no easy year for the human race. In most fields of our Division the depression has been just as severe as in former years. In many places it has even grown worse. Political turmoil has created uneasiness and disorganization. In a number of cases the situation grew so tense that for a time our colporteurs could not proceed with their work. In several countries the enemy made determined efforts to stop our work by decrees and persecution.

It has been in such adverse circumstances that the Lord has given us a great victory in our literature ministry. The Division colporteur sales show an increase of 10,748.58 gold dollars, bringing our sales just a little above our record year 1930. We appreciate the earnest endeavors put forth by our colporteurs as shown in a higher percentage of working hours. The average sales per hour has increased from \$ 0.36 in 1933 to \$ 0.39 in 1934.

The hand of God has been with our colporteurs in time of persecution. In one of our. eastern fields a colporteur met a school teacher who was very bitter against our work. He gathered a crowd intending to give the colporteur a good beating. As they were dragging our brother outside the village, a big ruffian armed with a stick joined them. But on hearing it was an Adventist he took his defence saying: "If this man is an Adventist we should not do him any harm. I was once in an Adventist meeting. Nobody can pray like they do." In view of his determined attitude nobody dared strike our colporteur. The school teacher was furious and said: "Then let us take him to the police." The officer had enough sense of justice to examine the colporteur's books. He soon convinced himself that they were just what the people needed. He bought one himself paying cash for it. In

spite of the wrath of the school master, the example of the police officer was followed by that of several of the people who had first intended to beat our brother. Thus the Lord has many different ways to send deliverance and help in time of trouble.

Most inspiring is the uplifting influence of this blessed work. Reports of souls saved are coming constantly from the different fields. Jugoslavia sent word that around a hundred persons are interested by the colporteurs during the year, several of whom have already been baptized. A sister near Belgrade found a woman who was just getting ready to hang herself. She presented to her the love of the Saviour. New courage sprang up in her troubled heart. Now this person rejoices in the truth and has won several others to the blessed hope.

Another sister found a woman who could not read: "I would buy a book if I could read", the woman said; "Could'nt you come and teach me?" The colporteur did come. Soon she learned to spell and to read. She bought a book, later a Bible and is now a happy member of the church.

Our two large annual literature campaigns have also been attended with the special blessing of God. Our Big Week report shows a gain of \$500.— The Harvest Ingathering official figure is \$1000.— short of the preceding year's. But in reality our campaign made a gain of around \$500.— The discrepancy is due to the fact that the unions with a gain over either 1932 or 1933 were allowed to keep this gain for 1934.

We cite one instance among many of the soul winning characters of these great missionary campaigns:

Two years ago, Brother O. A. Succar in Spain solicited an offering from a man in charge of a small factory. Later the colporteur who was working in Valencia at the time was sent by Brother Succar to sell the man a book. He was able to sell him "Great Controversy", and later other books and magazines. He was invited to the meetings by the colporteur, and his interest in the books and meetings induced him to tell of the new-found faith to his wife and daughters who were fervent Catholics. Together with his wife and three daughters he attended all the meetings in the Adventist hall from then on, and they accepted all the light as fast as it was revealed to them. As a result of the Harvest Ingathering visit by Brother Succar in 1932, this family has now accepted the truth, and they have since brought another man and his wife into the truth. Thus seven precious souls have been won as a result of the Ingathering campaign.

This is not the end of the story. In the same city there lived a very pious Catholic

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Name of Conference or Mission	Number of Churches	Previous Membership	Baptism	Vote	Letter	Total Gains	Apostasy	Death	Letter	Total Losses	Net Gain	Present Membership	Ord. Ministers	Lic. Ministers	Miss. Licentiates	Officer Workers	Canvassers	Number of	Sab. Schools	Sab. School Membership	Average Attendance
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Financial Report of the Southern Europ. Division of S. D. A. for the Quarter Ending Dec. 31, 1934

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2. FRANCO-BELGIAN UNION CONF. 3. Belgian Conference 4. East France Conference 5. North > > 6. South > >	F. Fr.	65,418 50 52,671,50 66,156,50 69,999,50	55 867.— 57,616.15 78,2 5 9.20 78,638.10	550,— 82.60 11,086.40 2,661 ,—	198.55 2,500.— 1,931.—	53,963.60 29,933.45 64,532.50 51,639.85
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7. JUGOSLAVIAN UNION CONF. 8. Danube Conference	Dinar "	63,715.— 41,549 20 45,014.80	44,322.26 28,037.62 38,530.01	, ,		27,962.— 24,628,— 47,295,—
10. Moraya »	Dinar \$	150,279.— 2.659.90	110,889.89 1,962.73	,	-,-	99,885.— 1,767.97
11. RUMANIAN UNION CONFERENCE 12. West Muntenian Conference 13. East	Lei n n n n n n	839,132.— 290,110.— 258,257.— 185,783.— 352'222.— 175,279,50	327,832.— 142,666.— 110,213.25 101,036.50 123,093.45 69,721.50			212,958.— .106,770.— .124,052.— .110,098.— .148,230.— .84,073.—
16. Transylvanian » 17. Banat »	Lei \$	2,100,783.50 12,604.60	874,562.70 5,247.36			786,181.— 4.717.11
18. SWISS L'NION CONFERENCE 19. German Swiss Conf	Sw. Fr.	43,370 — 28,545.10	32,546.50 28,188.28	2,448.70 1.766.14	5,113,10 3,103.58	36,458.— 25,299.25
20. Leman Conference	Sw. Fr.	71,915.10 13.951.50	60,734.78 11,782.55	4,214.84 817.67	8,216.68 1,594.03	61,757.25 11,980.91
21. IBERIAN UNION MISSION 22. Spanish Mission 23. Portuguese »	Pesetas "	11,613.40 6,443.50 994.50	18 182.28 4,700.70 1,562.44	<u> </u>	 	28,715.45 11,821.15 3,135,75
24. Madeira »	Pesetas \$	19,051,40 2,476,70	24,445.42 3,177.92			43,672.35 5,67 7. 40
25. ITALIAN UNION MISSION 26. North Italian Mission	Lire "	18,706.— 8,785.10	31,579.25 14,649.60			26,110,45 9,211.80
77. South » »,	Lire \$	27,491.10 1,426.70	46,228:85 2,399.26			35,322.25 1,833.23
28. NORTH AFRICAN UNION MISSION 29. Algerian Mission	F. Fr.	20,004.— 5,862.—	48,415.10 12,629.85		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	19,042,50 8,302,50
9. Algerian Mission	F. Fr. \$	25,866.— 1,021.—	61,044.95 2,411.28			27,345.— 1,080.12
n. Eq. African Mission *)	F. Fr.	3,828.40 151.20	542.35 21,42			
2. MADAGASCAR MISSION *)	F. Fr.	10,510.50 415,20	3,192,75 126,11		·	4,697.80 185.56
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Totals 4th quarter 1934	\$	46,132.—	37,925.09 41,376.50	1,387.47 4,175.13	1.818.38	35,215.89

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Specification of Mission Offerings (Column No. 3)

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· ·	Sabbath School Offerings (exc. 18th Sabbath)	13th Sabbath Offer ng	Harve-t Ingathering	Annual Offerings	Miscellaneous Offerings	Self Denial Offerings	Big Week	Young People's Collection	(Relief Fund) Weekly Offerings			
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1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.	8,216,15 6,514,70 7,902,15 10,018,55 32,651,55 1,269,73	2,176:— 2,904.10 2,474.95 3,741.85 11,296.90 446.23	30,751.20 41,822.60 57,582.45 54,743.25 183,899.50 7,264.03	12.690,20 7.142,45 9,990.15 9,399,45 39,222,25 1,549,28	 	200.65 1-2.50 150.— 135.— 648.15 25.60	7.30 12.50 19.80 78	1,807.10 147.— 600.— 2 554.10 100.88	25.70 62.50 —.— ————————————————————————————————			
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	412.56	81.01	1,181.27	238.30		6.99	3.19	23.36	16.05			
11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16.	114,320.50 48,895.— 44,920.— 29,542.— 43,720.50 23,528.—	26,094.75 12,119.— 8,753.50 7,250.— 10,841.— 7,349.—	76,541.— 37,945.— 41,177.— 41,197.— 43,2~5.— 25,569.—	89,469.— 37,183.— 12,348.25 19,612.— 22,710.— 10,655.—		1,399.— 388.— 55.— 535.—	7,747.50 1 639.— 1,270.— 344.— 555.—	4,342.75 1,818.— 199 — 1.401.— 97.— 550.—	7.917.50 2,679.— 1,545.50 1,979.50 1,550.°5 1,515.50			
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Report of the Missionary Volunteer Department of the Southern European Division For the year 1934

	Franco- Belgian U. C.	Jugoslav. U.C.	Rumanian U.C.	Swiss U.C.	Iberian U.M.	Italian U.M.	N. African U.M.	Missions	Yearly Average and Totals 1934	Yearly Average and Totals 1933
Number of Societies	26 17	25 10	217 161	19 15	9	14 13	3. 2	22 19	335 243	338 246
Total Membership (Including Associate and Junior Members)	436 44	900 137	· 5122 · 2775	424 202	74 81	127 82	47 34	613 560	7743 3915	7253 3545
baptized, regardless of who labored for them	12	30	169	17	15	, 8	1	14	266	385
had a part in winning Number belonging to missionary bands	3 45	100 42	39 1024		85	. 9 58	.7 31	72	159 1357	88 1483
REPORT OF MISSIONARY WORK: Number of Bible readings or gospel meetings Number of missionary vi-its Number of persons taken to S. S. or other services Number of persons given needed help Number of treatments given Number of articles of clothing given to the needy Numbear of books, missionary periodicals or tracts distributed Number of missionary letters written	535 778 170 527 102 640 11065 255	4335 2175 1113 1171 1013 326 3827 401	70776 43062 15232 59196 11531 2845 25023 1665	886 816 139 296 88 246 9540 361	769 1327 127 484 198 145 12257	1598 1510 325 332 215 223 4676	573 327 96 52 233 10 3943	1694 1602 2867 661 1086 168 914 56	81166 51597 20069 62719 14466 4603 71245 3401	76014 48851 27420 55092 13536 3819 74421 5046
DEVOTIONAL AND EDUCATION.: Number observing the Morning Watch Number systematically reading Bible through Number taking Reading Course No. studying for Stand. of Attainment	110 31 29 16	126 71 —	1364 617 679 1431	19 16 10	19 34 15 8	71 27 19	. 15 15 —	588 29 14 31	2312 824 753 1515	2310 1142 1270 2151

Report of the Home Missionary Department of the Southern European Division For the year 1934

·	Franco- Belgian U. C.	Jugoslay. U.C.	Rumanian U.C.	Swiss	Iberian U.M.	Italian U.M.	N. African U.M.	Missions	Totals for the Year 1934	Totals for the Year 1933
No. added to the union membership since last report as the result of missionary work of lay members	33 74 2029	116 110 2571	1415 520 14986	22 57 2367	65 16 676	25 34 643	 11 -268	18 26 899	1694 848 24439	1404 812 23172
No. of churches and companies sending in a report	47 4	85 3	429 6	46 2	16 3	29 2	9 1	<u>14</u>	675 21	659 22
members) No. of churches holding first Sabbath mission-	51	152		30	65	134	53	.98	583	708
ary service. No. of churches organized into working bands How many of the following classes are operating in your union?	37 11	52 62	358 224	23 14	4 4	24 27	4	12 10	510 356	435 306
Bible Training Medical Dorcas Literature Total amount of offerings during the year		29 20	427 130 79 116	2 1 16 9	2 2 2 2	 9 27		=	475 133 147 189	298 176 98 230
for local missionary work, incl. Missionary Volunteer	1,213.24 460	\$ 1108	\$ —.— 13875	\$2,676.78 856	\$— <u>.—</u> 381	\$ 22.73 379	\$ 130.56 143	\$7.85 611	\$4,051.16 17813	\$1,927.29 13350
REPORT OF MISSIONARY WORK: No of Bible readings or gospel meetings » missionary visits » persons taken to S. S. or other services » persons given needed help » treatments given » articles of clothing given to the needy » books, missionary periodicals, or tracts distributed No. of missionary letters written	6181 7624 826 3568 1103 3990 65520 1753	64643 28493 6984 4120 6897 2506 21281 1894	537611 256786 100304 277940 59770 17125 75086 7371	5176 4714 678 1700 787 2790 59722 1834	6653 8057 1570 5045 1696 1461 131391 1153	8881 7648 1142 1998 2151 1510 18946 1800	2622 2011 336 197 695 14 15094 437	9686 7283 3484 2739 2297 805 5208 391	641453 322616 115324 297307 75396 30201 392248 16633	515781 288755 84139 237797 67828 19967 375150 23585

Report of the Publishing Department of the Southern European Division

For the Year 1934

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1.	FRANCO-BELGIÁN UN. CONF.	_	10550			10.5			 .
2. 3.	Belgian Conference East France »	19 10	12550 8128			12.7 15.6	361,795.05 B. F. 159,675.30 F. F.	10,024.22 6,307.17	10,558.40 6,738.79
4, 5.	North » » South » »	18 16	15534 13162			16.6 15.8	339,244.50 » 256,192.80 »	13,400.14 10,119.59	10,642.94 9,942.50
	Totals 1934 Totals 1933	63 65	49374 51086	5,705.22 3,773.—	34,145.90 34,109.63	15.1 15.1	1,008,889.75 F. F. 958,431.55 »	39,851.12	37,882.63
6.	JUGOSLAVIAN UN. CONF.					,			
6. 7. 8.	Danube Conference Sava »	$\frac{20}{14}$	23862 14248			22.9 19.6	134,676.— Din. 97,103.— »	2,383.75 1,718.71	2,037.94 2,187.49
9.	Morava »	22	28177	£ 100.05	2 212 25	24.6	186,885.— »	3,307.86	1,965.06
	Totals 1934 Totals 1933	56 50	66287 64116	5,198.27 4,405.30	2,212.05 1,785.19	22.8 24.7	418,664.— Din. 349,524.— »	7,410.32	6,190.49
10. 11.	RUMANIAN UN. CONF. West Muntenian Conference	04	35241			90.0	050 000 T	# 100 OF	4 000 nà
12. 13.	East » »	24 11	16501			28.2 28.8	853,992.— Lei 467,140.— »	5,123.95 2,802.84	4,028.29 2,022.40
14.	South » »		27590 25079			$\frac{35.4}{30.1}$	522,903.— » 448,771.— »	$3,137.43 \\ 2,692.62$	3,985.83 2,274.03
15. 16. 17.	Tran-ylvanian » Banat » School		21044 11803		New	$\frac{33.7}{22.7}$	390,269.— » 283,395.— »	2,341.62 1,700.37	2,312.46 2,204.87
17.	School		1221 138479	11 664 60	6 260 26	29.3 27.7	37,671.— »	226.03	353.32
	Totals 1938		148409	11,664.60 10,659.77	6,360.26 6,521.43	26.9	3,004,141.— Lei 2,862,766.— »	18,024.86	17,181,20
18. 19.	SWISS UNION CONFERENCE	95	90517			90.6	145 555 - C T	20.056.04	
20.	German Swiss Conference Leman »	25 16	38511 18690			29.6 22,5	145,757.— S. F. 103,664.55 »	28,276.84 20,110.89	29,452,42 22,199.54
	Totals 1934 Totals 1933		57201 59498	10,160.11 11,305.87	38,227.62 40,346.09	26.8 26.0	249,421.55 S. F. 265,971.35 »	48,387.73	51,651.96
21.	IBERIAN UNION MISSION				}		•		
22. 23. 24.	Spanish Mission Portuguese »	14	$\frac{22341}{14202}$,	21.5 19.5	149,486.20 Pes. 50,025.85 »	19,433.19 6,503.35	13,269.61 4,623.96
24.	Madeira » Totals 1934	·	1667 38210	99 469 74	2 210 07	91.0	6,508.30 »		
	Totals 1933	30	33598	23,462.74	3,319.87	21.0 21.5	206,020.35 Pes.	26,782.61	17,893.57
25	ITALIAN UNION MISSION *								
25 26. 27.	North Italian Mission South » »								
	Totals 1934	29 26	31670 27662	1,148.78 635.97	7,077.36 6,791.92	21.0 20.5	158,500.— Lire 143,126.70 »	8,226.14	7,427.89
00					0,172.72	20.0	110,120.10	0,220.17	1,±21.09
28. 29.	NORTH AFRICAN UNION MISS Algerian Mission	8	4910			11.8	106,020.— F. F.	4,187.79	4,077.39
30.	Moroccan » Totals 1934		2446 7356	1,832.43	4,174.05	23.5	46,043.— » 152,063.— F. F.	1,818.69	1,087.34
	Totals 1933	10	7002	2,055.75	3,108.98	13.5	130,668.50 »	6,006.48	5,164.73
31.	MADAGASCAR MISSION Totals 1934	8	8491	741.85	275.82	20.4	95 764 45 E E		
	Totals 1933		5083	899.12	747.22	20.4 10.9	25,764.45 F. F. 41,652.85 »	1,017.67	1,664.34
32.	MAURITIUS MISSION								
	Totals 1934 *Totals 1933	1	619 82	25.13 95.63	198.96 48.—	31.0 20.5	616.32 Rs. 430.88 »	224,09	143.63
			рг		ГИЬАТ				
1.	Franco-Belgian Union Conference	63	49374	5,705.22	34.145.90	15.1		39,851.12	37,882.63
2. 3.	Jugoslavian » » . Rumanian » »	56 96	66287 138479	5,198.27	2,212.05 6,360,26	22.8		7,410.32	6,190.49
4. 5.	Swiss » » Iberian Uni n Mission	• 41	57201	11,664.60 10,160.11	38,227.62	27.7 26.8		18,024.86 48,387.73	17,181.20 51,651.96
6. 7.	Italian » »	29	38210 31670	23,462.74 1,148.78	3,319.87 7,077.36	21.0 21.0		26,782.61 8,226.14	17,893.57 7,427.89
8. 9.	Madagascar Mission Mauritius »	8	7356 8491	1,832.43 741.85	$\substack{4,174.05 \\ 275.82}$	$\frac{14.1}{20.4}$		6,006.48 1,017.67	5,164.73 1,646.34
9.	Totals 1934	. 550	619 397687	25.13 59,939.13	95,991.89	31.0 22.6		224.09 - 155,931.02	143.63
	Totals 1933	341	396536	51,723.98	93,458.46	22.4		145,182.44	145,182.44
	Gains Loss		1151	8,215.15	2,533.43	0.2		10,748.58	

^{*} No report for local fields on account of organizatorial changes ** This total for 1934 is for 1 month only *** This total for 1933 is for 5 months only

Statistical Summary of the Southern European Division for the Year 1934

Name of Conference or Mission	Number of Churches	Previous Membership	Baptism	Vote	Letter	Total Gains	Apostasy	Death	Letter	Total Losses	Net Gain	Present Membership	Ord. Ministers	Lic. Ministers	Miss. Licentiates Other Workers	verage	ot Canvassers Total Workers	Number of Sab. Schools	Sab. School Membership	Average Attendance
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16 17	18		20	21	22
1. SOUTHERN EUROP. DIV. 2. Franco-Belgian Un. Confer. 3. Jugoslavian " " . 4. Rumanian " " . 5. Swiss " " . 6. Iberian Union Miss 7. Italian " " . 8. North African " " . 9. Equatoria; African Miss 10. Madagascar " . 11. Mauritius " .	65 106 474 54 17 27 10 2 7	1977 2313 14194 2383 632 614 261 95 240 463	157 355 1337 134 82 52 34 70 45	11 24 208 10 8 7 3 —	117 32 1054 56 59 103 28 1 4	285 411 2599 200 149 162 65 1 82 45	76 70 595 119 32 29 20 3	24 25 146 31 12 8 7 - 9	133 58 1066 66 61 96 31 — 5	233 153 1807 216 105 133 58 3 14	52 258 792 —16 44 29 7 —2 68 35	2029 2571 14986 2367 676 643 268 93 308 498	15 55 14	5 15 5 23 4 10 8 7 2 1	8 — 21 5 4 1 16 9 12 9 1 3 3 2 — 9 2 12 —	63 56 96 41 35 29 10 	19 126 81 199 80 64 56 27 5 23	80 109 512 59 27 33 13 27 15 30	1960 3239, 22533 1942 681 727 272 2342 739 859	1610 2593 19009 1543 689 669 216 2065 586 556
Totals for the year 1934	771	23172	2266	279	1454	3999	944	272	1516	2732	1267	24439	140	80	102 34	339	695	905	35294	29536
Totals for the year 1933	760	21658	2402	321	1865	4588	874	267	1933	3074	1514	23172	133 -	62	105 45	341	686	894	32248	21844

young woman. One day she borrowed "Great Controversy", the title of which attracted her attention in the library of some friends who had no interest in it. The message in the book made a deep impression on her. She read it through three times, put aside her jewels and began to observe the Sabbath in spite of the opposition of her mother. She knew nothing about Adventists. Arriving one morning, last fall, at the place where she was learning typewriting, she inquired what exercise she should do. "You may copy something out of this paper," answered the director pointing to a copy of our Harvest Ingathering magazine that was lying on the table. He had given an offering for it the day before to one of the girls of the family mentioned above. One can easily picture the surprise and eagerness of the girl as she looked through the paper and saw the address of our meeting place in her own home town. The first thing she did at noon was to hurry there and get in touch with Brother Succar.

Surely we live in a time when God is doing great and wonderful things to bless the efforts of His children. He is using in a special way the literature ministry to gather a people for the glorious day of His appearing.

F. CHARPIOT.

Our Annual Summaries

With the passing of another year we have anew had the privilege of summarizing both the statistical, the financial, as well as the departmental reports of the Division for the year 1934. We are presenting these statistical facts in this issue of the QUARTERLY REVIEW. The story which they tell sounds the same note of advance as in former years. Although our increase in membership did not come up to our expectations, yet we render deep gratitude to God for all that has been accomplished.

There are altogether in our Division 771 organized churches. In this respect the Southern European Division ranks third among the world divisions, as only the North American and the Central European Divisions have a larger number of churches. The membership, as will be noticed from the report, has grown from 23,172 a year ago, to 24,439 at the end of 1934. There were baptized and added to the church on profession of faith a total of 2545.

The financial summary reveals the fact that the tithe for the year amounted to \$ 167,979.90 which is approximately \$ 4000.— more than the previous year. Indeed a very encouraging omen of the faithfulness of our believers in rendering to God a faithful tithe. The mission offerings on the whole have kept up fairly well with the receipts of the previous year as will be noticed by studying the comparative tables. This is so much the more remarkable as the general economic situation in certain sections of our Division from which we have the heaviest income has been further impaired and unemployment grown worse.

In order, however, to fulfill and take care of our ever increasing mission obligations, we must increase our income in tithe and offerings for the present year with a considerable sum. To this we have made reference in another article.

A brief analysis of the Publishing, and Home Missionary reports will also be found in the present issue, so we shall not refer to them here. We desire, however, to call attention to the fact that our Sabbath School membership is now 35.294 in 905 Sabbath schools. Our Missionary Volunteer membership has also made an encouraging gain during the year, so that at present we have 7745 young people enrolled in our societies. In addition to their general missionary activities and their contribution to the work through the regular established plans and campaigns for the financing of our mission work, the young people collected during 1934 a sum of a little over \$ 1,000.— (gold) for the work in the Madagascar Mission.

In this connection we wish to call attention to an important meeting which will be held in the interest of our young people in the western section of our Division field this summer. It has been decided to hold a young

Weekly Offerings	15	16.33 67.99 392.48 128.95 14.28	96.789
Young People's Collection	14	261.72 92.46 123.89 371.69 32.40 96.14 41.48	1,151.25
Big Week	13	1,964.76 275.56 612.02 2,105.19 638.18 505.29 257.95 17.40 85.58 66.94	6,077.11
Self Denial	12	967.01 666.11 1,281.84 1,997.33 447.03 447.03 2.22 205.83 6,127.78	7,535.69
Miscellaneous Offerings	п	19.75 19.75 	720,79
Annual Offerings	10	1,655.38 247.29 1,1324.82 3,719.55 382.77 360.02 94.52 28.72 65.23 156.60	8,196.19.
Harvest Ingathering	6	19,585.86 1,740.18 2,939.18 10,036.24 3,815.04 2,529.95 2,684.05 67.55 493.73 677.59	45,595.45
13th Sabbath Offering	8	1,604.06 316.69 11,569.72 1,870.43 305.14 301.87 141.24 108.76 232.75	6,937.95
Sab. School Offerings (exc. 13th Sabbath)	2	4,627.74 1,586.76 7,400.88 7,609.71 1,015.62 498.88 721.8 328.54 495.74	25,418.66
Colporteur Book Sales	9	39,851,12 7,410,32 118,024.86 41,837.73 26,732.61 8,226.14 6,006.48 1,017.67 224,09	145.182.44
Contributions for Local Church Work	ıc	480.68 	18,869.57
Contributions for Home Miss. Work	4	1,213.24 2,676.78 22.73 130,56 7.85 4,051.16	8,938.87 18,869.57
Total Offerings (incl. Specials)	3	30,702.61 4,983.04 15,644.78 28,461.13 7,653.10 5,270.20 3,850.60 2,24.53 1,084.06 1,835.45 99,709.50	102,321.05
Total Tithe	2	\$ 35,755.60 \$ 10,319.20 \$ 43,306.10 \$ 8,24.60.8 \$ 5,326.50 \$ 4,24.0 \$ 4,24.0 \$ 1,695.50 \$ 1,695.50 \$ 1,695.50 \$ 1,695.70	\$ 163,808.30
Name of Conference or Mission	1	1. SOUTHERN EUROPEAN DIV. 2. Franco-Belgian Un. Confer 4. Rumanian """"""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""	Totals for the year 1933

people's congress at our Collonges school from July 23 to 28 intended especially for the young people of France, Belgium, and Switzerland. We are however hoping also to have some representatives from Italy, Spain, and Portugal.

As the work marches onward we are reminded of a brief statement in the Spirit of prophecy which reads: "Courage, energy, and perseverance they [the workers] must possess. Though apparent impossibilities obstruct their way, by His grace they are to go forward. Instead of deploring difficulties they are called upon to surmount them. They are to despair of nothing, and to hope for everything." — "Gospel Workers," p. 39.

S.R.

"Words to Writers"

In this new little booklet, "Words to Writers," is contained much timely advice to those who write. The author, Miss Mable Hinkhouse, is both a writer and a proofreader who has been connected with one of our main publishing houses for years and is speaking from practical experience.

To be able to express clearly and convincingly our message of truth through well-written articles, stories, reports, and letters is an accomplishment well worthy of highest endeavor. There are many in our ranks who should qualify themselves for greater efficiency at the point of the pen.

A few of the valuable sections contained in the booklet are here listed: Life's Greatest Moments, Self-expression, Qualifications, Learning to Write, Writing Technique, What to Write About, Nothing New? How Writers Write, References, The Writer's Tools, Braving the Editorial Den, etc.

The booklet contains 36 pages, including a fourpage supplement to Seventh-day Adventist writers. It can be ordered through one of our publishing houses, and costs 25 cents.

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* NEWS NOTES

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In a recent Division committee meeting it was decided that D.N. Wall, Home Missionary and Sabbath School secretary of the Division, visit our missions in the South Indian Ocean: Madagascar and Mauritius. Brother Wall left Division headquarters the 14th of February. He will be absent for a period of about four months.

Robert Gerber, who has served as superintendent of the Iberian Union Mission since its organization in 1928, was at the time of the Division Winter Council called to become manager of our sanitarium, "La Lignièr-", Gland, Switzerland. Brother Gerber has already taken over his new responsibilities. During his administrative work in the Iberian Union the work has made steady progress, and two new fields have been entered: the Madeira and the Azores Islands.

On February 28, Brother and Sister A. Long together with their two children left Marseille for Madagascar returning to their field of labor after a period of rest in Italy. Brother and Sister Long are going back for another term of six years' service on that great island. We wish them God's richest blessing as they take up the work anew, believing that the Lord will grant them another harvest of precious souls during their new term of service.

Recent visitors to our Division office have been W. E. Phillips, assistant auditor of the General Conference, and A. Sprogis, missionary in the Tanganyika Mission, East Africa. Brother Phillips has been in the Central European Division to do auditing work, and after having spent a few days at our Division headquarters he left for the Southern Asia, the Far Eastern, and the China Divisions. Brother Sprogis was on the way back to his field of labor after a furlough in his homeland, Latvia.

The work which has made such encouraging progress on the Sevchelles Islands has been enlarged also to take care of the special interests of the young people. Some time ago we received from L.D. Ignace, our local worker, information that ten young people had finished our prescribed Bible and Denominational History course or the so-called Standard of Attainment plan. These ten young people have not only faithfully followed the lessons contained in these two courses, but they have successfully taken their examinations and received their certificates.

We greatly regret to inform our readers that M. Raspal, who has served as superintendent of the Equatorial African Mission since 1929, has been compelled on account of sickness to leave the field and return to France. He arrived at Bordeaux a short time ago. Brother Raspal has given of his very best strength to the work in the Cameroon, and under his energetic and practical leadership a splendid work has been begun. From present indications it seems as though it will not be possible for Brother Raspal to return to the tropics for further service. But we hope that after a time of rest and recuperation he can engage in evangelistic work here in the home field.

Shortly after the Winter Council on January 4, Brother and Sister J. Erzberger left Bordeaux to return to the Equatorial African Mission after their furlough here in Switzerland. We are very happy that Brother and Sister Erzberger can return to their field of labor for another term of service. It is our hope that as they return to the Nanga-Eboko station that they will be able in the near future to start a little girls' school. The work for the young women of heathen Africa is of great importance.

During the last year and a half the message has found its way to the Cape Verde Islands, off

the West Coast of Africa. Ouite an interest has been developed by a laymember who came from California to visit the islands a little over a year ago. A colporteur from Portugal has also done excellent work in circulating our lite ature. At present there is a group of balievers already keeping the Sabbath, but no organized church. We are pleased to be able to state that one of our experienced workers from Portugal, Brother A. F. Raposo, has recently been called to go to the Cape Verde Islands. Brother and Sister Raposo have accepted the call and will proceed to the field in the near future.

In connection with the Division Winter Council the following appointments were made: Roger Guenin and wife, of the Collonges school, to the Madagascar Mission for educational work; Edgar Villeneuve and wife also to Madagascar, for evangelistic and general mission work; Paul Bénézech and wife to the Equatorial African Mission; Sister H. Cachemaille also to the Equatorial African Mission. Brother Guenin has for a number of years been connected with our educational work the last couple of years. Besides carrying heavy teaching work, he has also served as preceptor of the school at Collonges. He will head up our educational work in Madagascar, and his experience will be very valuable in building up our educational interests in that great field. Brother and Sister Villeneuve have both been students at our Collonges school for a number of years. They were recently married and expect to sail for their field of labor sometime in March. Sister Villeneuve has her mother and other relatives in Italy. Brother Paul Bénézech has of late years been engaged in evangelistic work in the South France Conference. He has also had some departmental experience in work. Sister Bénézech, who is a graduate nurse, is the daughter of Brother U. Augsburger.