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## To Heal the Sick

By C. R. ANDERSON, *Medical Secretary, Inter-American Division*

Jesus planned that His followers should preach the gospel in every land among every people. Part of this great commission included the important work of healing. They were to "lay hands on the sick," anointing them in the name of the Lord, with the assurance that the power of heaven would aid in their recovery. This would be one of the evidences of the true church until the end of time.

The important work of healing the sick was never intended to be a function of the state. It was given by God as a responsibility to the church. This is why we are now busy establishing hospitals and clinics throughout the Inter-American Division. In Mexico we are building a fifty-bed institution at Montemorelos near Monterey. And in Puerto Rico we are also building a thirty-bed hospital at Mayaguez. Other units are being planned for Costa Rica and Trinidad and Columbia. In the Bahamas Doctors Turner and Day are laying the foundations for a modern hospital at Nassau. And in Jamaica the Andrews Memorial Hospital and Clinic are becoming widely known and appreciated.

Nearly eight months ago a ground-breaking ceremony was held at Hope Road, Half-Way Tree, St. Andrew. Work has been progressing steadily, and now the roof is being put on the new two-floor hospital building. We hope that soon this building may be ready to take care of the many patients for whom we now do not have sufficient space. This new unit when completed will give us fifty beds at Hope Road.

Then standing beside our large North Street Church in the centre of Kingston we have the Andrews Memorial Clinic. Truly it may be said that there "the rich and the poor meet together." All classes of people are examined in the same offices by the same doctors and nurses. We have twenty-three beds at the Clinic for those who can not afford private rates. Special reductions are made for those who need surgical operations, and above all

there is a kindly Christian atmosphere created by nurses who are giving their lives in service for the sick.

### CLINIC WORK

During the past five months of this year no less than 5,892 patients were examined at the Clinic, and 4,250 treatments were given. Of these 915 were private patients from whom we derive the necessary income to care for those who are unable to pay. There were 846 charity patients who did not pay anything, except perhaps a little toward the cost of medicines. The other 3,807 patients paid part of their medical fees, varying from one shilling to six shillings for each office call, according to their financial ability.

Thus the Andrews Memorial Clinic during the first five months of 1947 gave £3,724 worth of charity service to the public of Jamaica, £1,204 of which was free surgery.

A free Clinic is now conducted by one of the doctors every morning except Sabbath. Patients must be there by 8:30 a.m. All types of diseases are treated, and patients come from all over Jamaica. We pray that every contact may not only help to restore those who are sick, but that each patient who comes

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This month we take real pleasure in presenting the staff of the J. N. Andrews Memorial Hospital and Clinic, Kingston Jamaica. Dr. Anderson's article in this issue will introduce you to many of the faithful workers.



## HOME MISSIONARY AND SABBATH SCHOOL DEPTS.

W. L. BARCLAY, Secretary

### Home Missionary Department News and Notices

The proposed School of Evangelism to have been held for our leading Lay Preachers during the College vacation has had to be cancelled. Conditions over which we have no control both in the field and in the College have forced us to very reluctantly take this action. We hope that next year we will be able once again to arrange for these important meetings.

The Lay Preacher's Institutes in both the East and West Jamaica Missions will be held during the month of July in Kingston and Mandeville as previously announced. Recent information from the Division brings the good news that more than likely Elder Oswald, Home Missionary Secretary from the General Conference, will be with us for these important meetings. Our local Mission Home Missionary Secretaries will be contacting the Lay Preachers who are to be invited to attend the two institutes.

The Ingathering campaign is still in progress. We are sorry that circumstances have forced us to prolong the campaign this year. Following are the totals to date: (We hope every church will keep at it until their full goal is reached.)

Field	Total Reported to		Total Raised
	Date 1947		
	1946	1947	1946
Bahamas	500	0 0	325 0 0
British Honduras	219	10 3	321 0 0
East Jamaica	1650	0 0	1989 0 0
West Jamaica	1437	7 9	1350 0 0
Cayman Islands	40	0 0	68 15 0
Salt Cays	23	3 3	22 18 0
Union	3871	1 3	4056 13 0

## PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT

A. R. HAIG, Secretary.

### Publishing Department Honour Roll for the Month of May, 1947

Field	Av. Hours Per Week	Deliveries
Bahamas:		
T. R. Rahming	51	£14 4 0
British Honduras:		
S. Vasciannie	40	52 10 0
East Jamaica:		
H. A. Dawes	42	17 13 0
L. Dillon	50	14 11 0
G. Jobson (Student)	45	10 0 0
West Jamaica:		
A. A. Cameron	67	35 12 3
C. H. Hepburn	40	20 4 2
W. S. Llewellyn	66	29 11 6
J. E. Wright	42	24 4 0

## JA. BOOK & BIBLE HOUSE

CURTIS PARCMENT, Manager  
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### BIBLE HOUSE NEWS LETTER

For the last few months we have had a struggle to keep the prices of our books down as low as possible. There have been no changes in the prices of our Trade Edition books for many years, but now we find that the high cost of materials has made it necessary to raise the prices of all our literature. We want to assure all our members that as soon as prices can be cut, they will be cut.

Our churches throughout Jamaica will welcome the good news of the arrival of our Message Tracts. All our churches can be supplied with all the literature they need. We want to emphasize that these tracts are obtainable only in sets of twelve each, so in ordering your supply do not ask us to send you, i.e. 25 of No. 6.

**ATTENTION:** Every parent should secure a copy of the little booklet, *Children's Common Contagious Diseases*, dealing with such diseases as Whooping Cough, Measles, Chicken Pox, and many others. The price is only 6d per copy. It will save you pounds in the end.

**BOOKS OF INTEREST TO MINISTERS:** Ministerial Manual — *Behold The Man*, by Taylor G. Bunch; this book deals vividly with the closing scenes in the life of Christ. It is one of the best books written on that subject — *The Lord's Prayer, The Twenty-Third Psalm and the Beautitudes*; these three books are full of inspiration, and every minister should secure a copy of each.

**JUST ARRIVED:** The new edition of *Daniel & Revelation*. No minister can preach effectively on the prophecies without a knowledge of this book. Secure your copy now.

**PARENTS:** Every home should have for use at evening worship a copy of *Choice Readings for the Home Circle, Desire of Ages*.

**YOUNG PEOPLE:** Every young person desiring to live in harmony with the plan of God for him should read these books — *Life Begins With God, His Cross and Mine*. Improve your mind and broaden the intellect with *George Washington Carver, Their Word of Honour, Questions Answered*; for all those who are planning to establish homes — *Makers of the Home, Love Courtship and Marriage, Messages to Young People*. Look out for the Prices on the Price List.

**PLEASE NOTE** the change in the price of Sabbath School Quarterlies which goes into effect the **FOURTH QUARTER** of 1947. The price will be 5d instead of 4d.

**SONG BOOKS:** Calls have been made many for *Christ in Song* and *Gospel in Song*. Both of these books are out of print, and Jamaica is the only country that is still using the *Christ in Song*. The new *Church Hymnal* has taken its place, and the *Gospel Melodies* has taken the place of the *Gospel in Song*. The prices of these are also on the Price List.

### PRICE LIST

#### Books

Acts of the Apostles	14/6
Bible Study & Service League	1/-
The Beautitudes	5/-
Bible Readings	14/6
Choice Readings	8/6
Christian Service	7/6
Church Manual	6/3
Daniel & Revelation	14/6
Desire of Ages	14/6
Fishers of Men	2/6
Great Controversy	14/6
George Washington Carver	12/6
Gospel Workers	7/6
Behold the Man	5/-

#### Song Books

Church Hymnal:	
Words with Music (Leather)	48/-
Words with Music (Cloth)	10/-
Words without Music (Cloth)	5/-
Words without Music (Paper)	3/-
Gospel Melodies (Paper)	2/6
M. V. Song Books (Paper)	1/6
Men's Chorus (Paper)	3/-
His Cross & Mine Paper 3/6; Cloth 6/3	
Index to Testimonies	17/-
Junior Hand Book	2/6
Love, Courtship & Marriage	1/-
Lay Preacher & His Work	4/-
Life Begins With God	7/-
Makers of the Home	10/-
Messages to Young People	7/6
Ministerial Manual	6/3
Master Comrade Manual	5/-
Patriarchs & Prophets	14/6
Prophets & Kings	14/6
Perfect Prayer	6/3
Questions Answered	8/6
Shepherd Psalm	6/3
Testimonies	Cloth 60/-; Limp 80/-
Selections from Testimonies	30/-
Family Group	£2 13 6
Big Four	1 9 6
Church Officers Gazette	8/6 per yr.
Sabbath School Worker	8/6 " "
Youth's Instr. (Single)	1 0 6 " "
Youth's Instr. (Comb.)	19 9 " "

Keep yourself informed through reading your church papers.

— C. H. PARCMENT.



## Harry Watch Dedication

About fifty years ago our leaders in Kingston began to turn their eyes toward the country parts of the island. Their vision was not limited to city evangelism, as important as that phase of our work is. We understand that one of the very first places where they sent a worker was the Waterloo district in northern Manchester. Soon a church was established at Waterloo and the beams of gospel light that streamed forth from this church resulted through the years in the establishment of a number of other Seventh-day Adventist churches in adjoining communities.

Waterloo has always been off "the beaten track" and so about five or six years ago it was decided to move the church to a new location. A piece of ground on the main road at Harry Watch was secured and the new church building began to take shape immediately. By the time the church was roofed and fully enclosed the building funds were completely exhausted and for several years the believers at Harry Watch worshipped in a building that was only about 80% finished. During the past year, however, the members were inspired to raise funds for the completion of their house of worship, and these funds, together with much appreciated appropriations from the West Jamaica Mission and the Union Mission, were sufficient to complete the building.

The dedication of the new building was held on May 11. In spite of the threatening weather a large number of workers, members and friends gathered on this Sunday afternoon to hear Elder Meade MacGuire, Field Secretary of the General Conference, deliver the dedicatory sermon. We were happy to have with us Elder E. E. Parchment from the Union Mission, Elder W. S. Nation from the West Jamaica Mission, Elder B. C. Butherus, President of the West Indian Training College, Elder R. E. Gibson, Manager of the Andrew's Memorial Hospital, and Curtis Parchment, Manager of the Jamaica Book & Bible House. Each of these workers had a part in the service of dedication. There were also present friends from surrounding churches and from the College at Mandeville.

We are well pleased with the building that under the blessing of God now stands as a light house to the Harry Watch community. Though it is neither large nor very elaborate many have told us that it is the finest building in that community. It is now the desire of the members that the membership shall be enlarged to the extent that the building

shall overflow with those who look for the soon appearing of their Lord and Master.

—CLYDE O. FRANZ.



HARRY WATCH CHURCH  
This West Jamaica church was dedicated on May 11, 1947.

## Onward and Upward

By W. E. MURRAY

The work of God's church must go forward. Either it will go forward, or it will go backward. There is no middle ground. The church is like a boat on a river. To advance toward a given point means effort. If the destination lies up the river, then effort is required to push the boat upstream and to guide it to the proper place. If the destination is down stream, it will require effort to guide the boat, and power to control it in the force of the current. A boat under power is always easier to manage and control than a boat with its engines stopped.

In the work of the gospel human effort must be combined with divine power. Human effort without divine power in gospel work has lost in the struggle, before beginning. God has designed, too, that man should have a part to act in the reconciliation of his fellow men to God. In the union of these two there is great strength,—irresistible strength.

The baptisms by unions in the Inter-American Division for 1945 and 1946 are as follows:

Antillian Union Mission	1,300	1,696
Br. West Indies Union Mission	1,313	1,507
Caribbean Union Mission	1,409	1,576
Central American Union Mission	652	586
Colombia-Venezuela Union Mission	353	291
Mexican Union Mission	961	1,291
Totals	5,988	6,947

These are splendid results. These are far-reaching and important results. These who have been added to our church membership become new units for the formation of new churches. Every convert becomes a convert-maker. Every convert becomes a supporter of the enlarging programme of the gospel cause.

We know that to bring each one to the fold has cost mental effort, heart effort, much seeking of God, and the demonstration of the love of God, and many tears on the part of workers and laymen. We appreciate this fine harvest of souls in 1946, and all have had some part in it. It is the work of the whole church, and let us thank God that He has permitted us to see the days of His power.

Now what about our boat on the river of progress for 1947? Our port is up the river. We must not let our engines stop. The boat must be guided and steered toward the goal to be accomplished in '47. There must be those who constantly feed the fires down in the "boiler room." There must be those who steer the ship. This will all require hard work by day and vigil by night. Our Captain is with us. We have our chart and compass. We must keep our attention fixed on them so as not to get off our course. If we all are faithful in our posts of duty, we shall bring the old ship by many for *Christ in Song* and *Gospel in 1947*.

Nineteen forty-seven should be bigger and better than 1946. We are happy that our union and local fields are placing the emphasis on winning souls for the kingdom. The efforts of all activities are being focused on soul winning. When the work of any department is considered it is asked: "Will this plan contribute to our goal for souls?" The colporteur work is being done with the end of gathering a people soon to meet their Lord. The Sabbath schools have always in mind to bring souls to Christ. The radio adds up its results in terms of souls. Our schools are focusing their attention on the ultimate salvation of the young people. More teaching is but the means toward the greater end. The young people's department has as its motto: "To Save from Sin, and Guide in Service."

Then the medical workers. Their ultimate objectives are to win souls for the kingdom. They know that healing a person to live in time, must always be secondary to the greater end of healing a person spiritually to live in eternity.

The Home Missionary Department is the great recruiter and trainer of men and women,—to do what? To carry the light of the gospel to those in darkness, and persuade them to be children of God. Office workers, secretaries, administrators, teachers, Bible workers, doctors, nurses, ministers,—all are working to make a common cause succeed.

As you, individual church member,

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### BAHAMAS MISSION

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#### Bahamas Mission News Notes

"The canvassing work, properly conducted, is missionary work of the highest order, and it is as good and successful a method as can be employed for placing before the people the important truths for this time. The importance of the work of the ministry is unmistakable; but many who are hungry for the bread of life have not the privilege of hearing the word from God's delegated preachers. For this reason it is essential that our publications be widely circulated. Thus the message will go where the living preacher cannot go, and the attention of many will be called to the important events connected with the closing scenes of this world's history." C. E. p. 5.

I was reminded again of the truthfulness of these words by God's messenger after conducting a baptismal service recently at Knowles, Cat Island. Among the candidates was Brother Azariah Rose, who, before learning of the truth, was a catechist in one of the popular churches in these islands. Some time before leaving this settlement to continue my itinerary among the churches further south, I had the privilege of visiting in this man's home. In the course of our conversation, I asked Brother Rose how the Third Angel's message came to him. I was expecting him to state that some of our faithful members had contacted and interested him, but his was a different story.

It seemed that our new brother formerly had been very prejudiced against our church in Knowles and would have nothing to do with it. He told me how that when passing by on Sabbath mornings while the Sabbath School or morning preaching service would be in progress, he would usually turn his head, looking the other way so that none might get the impression that he was in the least sympathetic with Adventists.

He then stated that about twenty-five years ago, when leaving the States to return to Cat Island that his nephew, who had previously purchased the book "Great Controversy" from a colporteur, handed it to him stating that he might find something worth reading in it. He found no time, however, on his return trip to the Bahamas to read the book and upon his arrival home, put it in a trunk where it remained unread until a few months ago when he happened to run across it and began to read a chapter dealing with the Sabbath truth. The more he read the

more interested he became in its message and long before he had finished the book, he found God's special message for our day!

He stated that his attitude immediately changed toward the people who were keeping "all ten of God's commandments" and that he began to meet regularly with our believers, where he became more familiar with all the points of faith.

And so again, it was the printed page which brought the message to an honest soul when the living preacher or teacher had been unable to make the contact and secure the interest. Surely, "were it not for the efforts of the canvasser, many would never hear the warning!"

Our colporteur work in the Bahamas is going forward with leaps and bounds! During the first five months of this year, they have delivered a total of £664 11 6 worth of books! Of this amount Brother and Sister Waldo delivered £247 3 0. (They have now returned to the States where they will be working in the New York Conference until winter when they plan to return to the Bahamas to continue their work.)

On returning from Eleuthera lately with the Waldos, I was interested in learning that Sister Waldo had sold the book "Bible Readings" to a fellow-passenger who was a lady from Harbour Island. The sea was rough and she was experiencing a touch of sea-sickness and was lying on her bunk in her cabin. The boat rolled and tossed so much that the lady became frightened and it was then that Sister Waldo suggested that prayer be offered for their safety. After the prayer was offered, the ship settled down and the remaining part of the journey was smoother. Our colporteur then canvassed her fellow-passenger for one of our large books and secured her order.

Sister Waldo mentioned afterward, that of all places she had sold books, this was the first time she had ever secured an order while flat on her back, experiencing sea-sickness on the stormy ocean. She then stated that she hoped some time she could sell a book while flying above the clouds. She didn't have long to wait for this ambition to be realized as the following letter from her, included with her last report will indicate. It read in part as follows:

"While flying over from the Bahama Islands to the U.S.A. I found opportunity to talk with a nice young couple on the plane. This resulted in a sale for books to the value of £2 10 0. They paid me in full, thanking me for showing the books and for the privilege of getting them. They knew some of my customers

### CAYMAN ISLANDS MISSION

K. S. CROFOOT, President & Treasurer  
Georgetown, Grand Cayman.

#### Cayman Islands News

The big news in the Cayman Islands Mission these days is that Dr. A. B. Cafferky and family have at long last arrived in Georgetown to open medical work on Grand Cayman. This was indeed a happy day for all of us for we had been looking forward to their arrival for many months. We heartily welcome the Cafferky's and feel sure that their coming will mean a great deal to the upbuilding of the work in our Mission field.

Because of Dr. Cafferky's arrival and other pressing matters on Grand Cayman, Elder Crofoot's effort on the Brac has been postponed until July. In the interim, Brother Wood will be spending some time on the Brac getting things prepared for the effort. He will also rejuvenate the Bible Correspondence School.

The Brac Church dedication will be held in the middle of July at which time it is planned that both Elder Crofoot from the Mission Office and Elder Pierson from the Union will be present.

The evangelistic meetings in Savannah continue with good-interest. There are eleven in the baptismal class and it is planned to have a baptism about the eighth of June. The enemy of souls has been working over-time here, but the opposition is of such a nature that it disgusts rather than discourages those interested in the message.

in Nassau and were favourably impressed with my work."

"Another man on the plane was looking for something to read so I handed him a "Steps to Christ." He insisted that I accept a dollar.

"I have sold books on land and on the sea, in automobiles, trains, buses and boats, but always wanted to sell one in the air! So now the height of my ambition has been realized! And to what Height? Eight thousand feet in mid-air! So you see when it comes to colporteur work, "The Sky is the Limit!"

And so the good seed has been and is being sown in the rich homes, among the middle class and to the less privileged throughout these islands which have waited long for the messenger of truth to call. "Thus the message" is going "where the living preacher cannot go, and the attention of many" is being "called to the important events connected with the closing scenes of this world's history."

— H. D. COLBURN.



**SALT CAYS MISSION**

G. M. Prenier, Pres. & Treas.  
Grand Turk, Turks Island, B.W.I.

**News from Grand Turk**

During our Union President's recent visit, a Mission Committee meeting was held in Grand Turk, May 29. At this meeting many important actions were taken.

Departmental Responsibilities were assigned as follows:

Home, Missionary, G. M. Prenier; Sabbath School and Missionary Volunteer Departments, Mrs. G. M. Prenier; Publishing Department, C. C. Nebblett.

District responsibilities were voted as follows: Turks Islands, G. M. Prenier; Caicos Islands, C. C. Nebblett; Inagua and Mayaguana Islands, R. B. Campbell.

Inasmuch as Brother and Sister Nebblett will be devoting most of their time and efforts to work in the Caicos Islands it was voted that they should make their headquarters in East Harbour in the Caicos group. East Harbour is comparable to Grand Turk as far as living conditions are concerned and it will bring Brother Nebblett much closer to his field of labour. It is planned that three efforts of varying length will be held in the Caicos Islands the balance of the year in Kew, Blue Hills and Five Cays.

The Salt Cays Mission Bible School is being divided into two sections due to irregular mail connections among the islands. Brother Prenier will be in charge of the Grand Turk sections and Sister Nebblett will have charge of the branch in the Caicos Islands.

Two organs have recently been purchased for evangelistic work—one for Grand Turk and the other for the Caicos group.

The building programme in Blue Hills will be resumed very shortly. Zinc for the roof has been purchased and is now on the spot. Funds have been provided for completing the roof without delay and it is hoped that with funds from the stone-laying the building can soon be prepared for occupancy.

In Grand Turk, plans have been laid for the early repair and remodeling of the building purchased for the new church home. This was a very fortunate purchase for the building is ideally laid out for our church needs in this island capital. Brother Prenier plans to have the building ready for occupancy in the near future.

Elder R. H. Pierson spent five weeks with us in an evangelistic effort during May and early June. A tent was pitched in a central location and good interest

**BRITISH HONDURAS MISSION**

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**British Honduras News**

Elder W. L. Barclay, Union Departmental Secretary, spent three weeks in the British Honduras Mission during the month of June. Brother Barclay's strong help in the current Ingathering campaign has been greatly appreciated. He has helped not only in Belize, but in company with Elder Williams worked several days in El Cayo.

Elder E. E. Parchment, Union Field Secretary, arrived in the Colony about the middle of June. Elder Parchment came by boat and will be spending some time with us in connection with our church building programme.

On Thursday, June 12, the new church building at San Pedro was dedicated to the honour and glory of God. A more complete account of this important service will appear in an early issue of the "Visitor."

Miss Dorothy Campbell, our new Belize Church school teacher, arrived in our field on the *Caymania*, May 30. Miss Campbell is a graduate of the West Indian Training College and until she accepted our call to Belize has been teaching in the West Jamaica Mission. She will be taking the place left vacant by Sister Newman's recent resignation. Sister Newman has done a fine work in the Belize school.

The Ingathering Campaign this year has been going slower than usual. Because of the economic condition existing in the Colony, money has not been as free as in the past and many offerings have either been reduced or discontinued. By the 15th of June a little more than \$600 had been gathered by workers and lay members.

On June 7, Brother and Sister Manuel Cojulun arrived in Belize to take up colporteur work in our field. Brother Cojulun comes to us from the Guatemala Mission, responding to our call for a colporteur to work among the Spanish speaking people of our field.

was manifest from the beginning. Despite much opposition and conflicting meetings the tent was well filled practically every evening. When Elder Pierson left, there were twenty in the baptismal class and quite a number more who manifest a genuine interest in the message. It is encouraging to note the growth in Sabbath School attendance and we are praying that before the year closes a good church may be organized in Grand Turk.

**EAST JAMAICA MISSION**

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**East Jamaica Mission News Notes**

We are sorry to report that Miss Sangster, our Bible Worker in Kingston, has been in hospital for quite a number of days recently. We trust she will soon be fully recovered and able to resume her duties in connection with the large North Street Temple Church.

Mrs. Mary Henry, one of our office secretaries has recently resigned her post in the Mission Office to join her husband who has recently removed to Black River. We have appreciated Mrs. Henry's faithful service and regret losing her now.

The Union Auditor spent some time in the East Jamaica Office recently auditing our Mission books.

Pastor H. S. Walters, our former Departmental Secretary, has written from New York City that he hopes to be back in Jamaica for work again in November.

Elder E. E. Parchment, B.W.I. Union Field Secretary, spent two weeks in our field recently in the interest of our church building programme. Brother Parchment spent a day or two in practically every district in the Mission and reports good progress being made on many of our building projects.

Brother C. E. Clough, one of our faithful lay preachers in Upper St. Andrew, has been holding an effort in Cavaliers. Despite the rain and many handicaps, Brother Clough reports that nine interested persons came forward recently in response to his call and two already have commenced keeping the Sabbath.

Brother V. H. Percy, one of the teachers in Kingsway High School, has very kindly made a gift of a fine piece of land for a new church building at Hector's River. Since Brother Harold Fletcher's effort there, the present small building has been totally inadequate to care for the large increase in the church membership.

Eighteen have been baptized from Comfort Castle where Brother Holness has been holding meetings the past several weeks. Elder Nembhard, the Portland Parish pastor, has now organized this number, along with a goodly number already members in this place, into a company, meeting separately from the Cornwall Barracks church. This brings the total baptisms to 56 as the result of Brother Holness' efforts since the beginning of the year.



### WEST JAMAICA MISSION

W. S. NATION, President  
MERTIE SHAKES, Secy.-Treas.  
Mandeville, Jamaica

### Gleanings from West Jamaica

Congratulations to the district pastors and their members who have succeeded in reaching their Ingathering district goals! We are sorry that not every district can be listed as having exceeded its goal, but we are sure it was not from a lack of earnest effort. The following are the victorious ones: District No. 1, Pastor Fletcher; District No. 3, Pastor Bull; District No. 4, Pastor Vaz; District No. 8, Pastor Greene; District No. 10, Brother Earl Parchment, District No. 11, Pastor E. E. Parchment; District No. 12, Brother Hamilton; District No. 13, Pastor Franz and Brother McCalla.

We are not yet able to award the banners to the different churches because all the cash has not been sent in to the office, but we trust that by the time this copy of the VISITOR reaches your hands this shall have been done. Treasurers, please see that all Ingathering funds are sent to the office promptly.

Up to the present time we still lack £62 12 3 of reaching our goal of £1500, but we are hoping that before long the promises will materialize to supply this lack. We thank God for what has been done in spite of the hardships that confront us at the present.

Now that our Ingathering is over, all our district leaders are launching into soulwinning efforts again. Brethren Earl Parchment and B. R. Hamilton have launched out at Asia where they report an excellent interest. The lay brethren of this church have been very active in stirring up the surrounding districts, so that now they are looking forward to a rich harvest from this effort.

Pastor Gouldbourne writes that what he intended to have been a two-weeks' revival meeting at Flower Hill is turning out to be a major effort; the response of the people in that area is so good. Truly, the fields are white to harvest. We long to be able to answer the many calls that come to us for efforts in the different districts.

Recently our Publishing Department Secretary, our Secretary-Treasurer, and I made a trip through Pastor Hurst's district. It was very encouraging to see how the brethren at the different churches responded by meeting with us at the appointed hours. There is much to be done in this large parish, but with the whole-hearted interest of the believers there victory is sure.

Our baptisms to the end of May are now 209, and we look forward to a good increase for the month of June.

In spite of the shortage of building materials, our church building programme is underway. For the month of June we have two dedications and one stone-laying scheduled.

"The Press is still a mighty factor of power for the finishing of the work in West Jamaica," says Pastor Reid. "I am very happy to state that in spite of the hard and cruel odds against which our happy band of colporteurs have to fight, we are pressing on and God is giving us the victory at each step. Our financial goal is keeping up splendidly; we have delivered £2,071 6 5 for the first five months of the year. Along with this comes very encouraging reports of soulwinning. One sister wrote recently, 'I have 10 interested in the truth, and 3 are already keeping the Sabbath.' A brother received the following letter, 'Brother... I thank you for the books you sold me, I will be baptized on Sunday as a result.' Still another colporteur reports that 'Quite a number are being baptized as a result of the books I delivered in a certain district.' Truly, it pays to scatter the printed page, won't you join our faithful army now?"

Let us consecrate our lives anew daily to the finishing of the work of God in the earth.

— W. S. NATION.

### WEST INDIAN TRAINING COLLEGE

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### Week of Prayer

"Where is the flock that was given you, your beautiful flock?" Jer. 13:20 (*Am. Translation*).

That it is our duty as parents to place our children under the best influence possible for the development of Christian characters, is self evident from this text. There is no better place in all the world for youth than our schools—than the West Indian Training College.

Where is your beautiful flock now? Happy the parent that can say—they are in our Christian Schools.

We are thankful to God for His leadership and blessings He has so kindly given us this year. We are enjoying the largest enrolment in the history of the school, and why not? Today we are on the threshold of eternity and all our youth should be under the tutelage of

godly men and women as teachers, preparing for heaven in a haven of refuge.

The students and teachers enjoyed a wonderful Week of Prayer during the visit of Elder Meade MacGuire, who led us near to the throne of God, for he knows indeed what it means to live in the presence of God. Nearly all the students reconsecrated their lives anew to God, and at the present time we have fifteen in the baptismal class.

These youth have made the greatest decision in life, that of surrendering their lives to God, and we pray that they will continue to be blessed as they stay near to God.

Now as the young people of the British West Indies Union think of the future, we hope they will be sure to plan first to complete their education in a Christian school so that God may use them in a mighty way in the finishing of this last message to all the world.

Those interested should write to the President of the College, and secure the needed information.

— B. G. BUTHERUS.

### Happenings of the College

The Young Men's Excelsior Club gave a concert in the Roof Garden Theatre, Mandeville, June 16. The programme consisted of solo and group singing, together with instrumental music. The proceeds are to be used toward the purchasing of a new piano for Cedar Hall.

The "Challenge of the Cross", a sacred programme, was given by students from the college at Mile Gully to aid in the building of a church. Brother Haig has been instrumental in bringing many into the Message, and a church is needed badly.

For the first time students of W. I. T. C. have been privileged to sit for government bookkeeping examinations at the school. Elder C. O. Franz supervised the group Saturday night, June 7, with eleven individuals sitting for the examinations.

President and Mrs. Butherus invited the teachers to their home Wednesday evening, June 11, for a friendly get-together. An informal luncheon was served and games were enjoyed.

Brother Headley Anderson, farm manager, who left some weeks ago to study farm improvement by actual observation and practice in Southern Missionary College, Tennessee, U. S. A., writes that he is getting much good as a result of the privilege that has been granted him. He will be returning sometime during the third term of school.

Elder and Mrs. J. I. Crawford, of Kingston, entertained the student-teach-



er body by vocal selections on Saturday night, June 7. Everyone appreciated the programme very much, and they are desirous of having them return sometime to give another concert. Elder Crawford is the principal of the Kingsway High School.

The Dorcas sale held in the dining room May 18 brought good results. Mrs. L. A. Morrison, leader, says that about £12 were cleared. Much good is being done by the Mandeville Dorcas society; many hours of Christian help work are being reported as a result of the helpful hands.

The little folk, together with their teacher, Aunt Dell, are anxiously looking forward to the use of their new school building which has progressed nicely during the past few months. A stone-laying service is to be held sometime in August.

Principles of Education, Directing, Sightsinging, Mercantile Law, and Field Evangelism are additional classes that are being offered this semester.

Part of the new science equipment has arrived. A vacuum pump, a rotator, a balance, and some chemicals are among the much-needed necessities for the physics class as well as the secondary science classes.

In addition to the various clubs, the college offers opportunities for student leadership in religious activities. The second semester officers have been chosen for the Sabbath School and the Missionary Volunteer Society. Miss Ethline Lindo and Caleb Clayton are the Sabbath School superintendents, and Miss Kathleen Morrison and Roy Williams are the secretaries. Miss Valerie Hamilton and Eardley Philp are the Missionary Volunteer leaders, while Miss Cynthia Fletcher and William Morgan are the secretaries. D. W. Hawthorne and Leonard Gray are the Home Missionary leaders. Teachers in the Sabbath School and leaders of the Missionary Volunteer bands are almost entirely chosen from the student body.

The Honour Roll students for last period are:—

*Those who received all "A" grades:* Esther Harriott and John Pierson.

*Those who received all "A" and "B" grades:* Joyce DaCosta, Beryl Bull, Norma Wood, Lloyd Binns, Lennox Westney, Ralph Tyrell, Milton Bromfield, Joe Fletcher, and LeRoy Lawrence.

*Those who received a "B" average with no "D":* A. G. Lawrence, Herman Mills, Joyce Hogg, Valda Morrison, Olive Nation, Valerie Hamilton, Vernice Hogg, Alma Scott, and Icelyn Webley.

The regular summer school session

is to begin July 16. The following classes will be offered:

Spirit of Prophecy, Denominational History, Daniel, Psychology, Senior Cambridge classes, and twelfth grade mathematics.

### "Sacredness of Vows"

By ELLEN G. WHITE

When the hearts of men are softened by the presence of the Spirit of God, they are more susceptible to the impressions of the Holy Spirit, and resolves are made to deny self and to sacrifice for the cause of God. It is when divine light shines into the chambers of the mind with unusual clearness and power, that the feelings of the natural man are overcome, that selfishness loses its power upon the heart, and that desires are awakened to imitate the Pattern, Jesus Christ, in practicing self-denial and benevolence. The disposition of the naturally selfish man then becomes kind and pitiful toward lost sinners, and he makes a solemn pledge to God, as did Abraham and Jacob. Heavenly angels are present on such occasions. The love of God and love for souls triumphs over selfishness and love of the world. Especially is this the case when the speaker, in the Spirit and power of God presents the plan of redemption, laid by the Majesty of Heaven in the sacrifice of the cross. By the following scriptures we may see how God regards the subject of vows:—

"And Moses spake unto the heads of the tribes concerning the children of Israel, saying, This is the thing which the Lord hath commanded. If a man vow a vow unto the Lord, or swear an oath to bind his soul with a bond he shall not break his word: He shall do according to all that proceedeth out of his mouth." Numb. 30:1, 2.

"Suffer not thy mouth to cause thy flesh to sin: neither say thou before the angel, that it was an error: wherefore should God be angry at thy voice, and destroy the work of thine hands?" Eccl. 5:6. "I will go into thy house with burnt offerings: I will pay thee my vows, which my lips have uttered, and my mouth hath spoken, when I was in trouble." Ps. 66:13, 14. "It is a snare to the man who devoureth that which is holy, and after vows to make inquiry." Prov. 20:25. "When thou shalt vow a vow unto the Lord thy God, thou shalt not slack to pay it: for the Lord thy God will surely require it of thee: and it would be sin in thee. But if thou shalt forbear to vow, it shall be no sin in thee. That which is gone out of thy lips thou shalt

keep and perform: even a free-will offering, according as thou hast vowed unto the Lord thy God, which thou has promised with thy mouth." Deut. 23:21-25.

"Vow and pay unto the Lord your God: let all that be round about him bring presents unto him that ought to be feared." Ps. 76:11. "But ye have profaned it, in that ye say, the table of the Lord is polluted: and the fruit thereof, even his meat, is contemptible. Ye said also, Behold, what a weariness is it! and ye have snuffed at it, saith the Lord of hosts: and ye brought that which was torn, and the lame, and the sick: thus ye brought an offering: should I accept this of your hand? saith the Lord. But cursed be the deceiver, which hath in his flock a male, and voweth, and sacrificeth unto the Lord a corrupt thing: for I am a great King saith the Lord of hosts, and my name is dreadful among the heathen." Mal. 1:12-14.

"When thou vowest a vow unto God defer not to pay it: for He hath no pleasure in fools: pay that which thou hast vowed. Better is it that thou shouldst not vow, than that thou shouldst vow and not pay." Eccl. 5:45.

### Our Medical School

By JERRY L. PETTIS

General Manager—Alumni Association

The Seventh-day Adventist School of Medicine, known in the medical world as the College of Medical Evangelists, now has the largest student enrolment of any medical school in the western part of the United States. This standing is recorded in the most recent educational issue of the *American Medical Journal* the official organ of the American Medical Association.

In addition to a student body of 322, the Adventist College has a staff of 439 professors, associate professors, assistant professors, instructors and assistants. This group of teachers is larger than the total number of professors in all the Adventist colleges in the United States.

The faculty of the medical school, which has trained nearly 2000 doctors in the principles of the Seventh-day Adventist church and practice of medicine, is composed of men and women who are recognized as specialists in the various fields of medicine, and who, for the most part, donate their services to the school.

The senior class of medicine which graduates June 22, 1947, numbers 87, and more than half of this group has expressed the desire to serve as medical missionaries.



## Onward and Upward

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think about your life as a Christian,— as you, individual worker, contemplate your future in relationship with the cause of God, why not think of it with emphasis on consecrating every power to the supreme goal of winning souls for the heavenly garner?

Echoing across the time of the centuries comes the promise of God to those who work for souls. Speaking through the prophet Daniel, He says: "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever." Daniel 12:3.

## To Heal the Sick

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for treatment may also learn something of the Truth for this time.

### MEDICAL STAFF

There are now three full time doctors on our staff in Kingston. In October Doctor A. W. N. Druiitt arrived from England and entered upon his new responsibilities with enthusiasm. He has a large group of patients under his care. Then just a few weeks ago Doctor Edwin Dunlop, also from England, joined our staff and already has a growing list of patients who are indebted to him for medical care. Within recent weeks we have also had Doctor Allen Cafferky from Canada here, observing local conditions and methods of treating tropical diseases. He and Mrs. Cafferky are planning to open a new medical missionary centre in the Cayman Islands in the near future. Nurse Ivy Sailman, who has been on our Clinic staff for nearly two years, is going with them to help establish the work. May God bless their united efforts in that interesting field.

### NURSES TRAINING SCHOOL

Back in 1944 when the Andrews Memorial Hospital and Clinic were only in the planning stage, it was decided to organize a training school for nurses. This is always a costly venture in any new hospital undertaking. We are happy to report that our Nurses' Training School has proved of great value to this growing institution. We have three classes now in training — twenty-seven girls in all. Eighteen of these students were born in Jamaica, two in Panama, two in Trinidad, one in British Guiana, one in Columbia, and two came from the United States. These young ladies are receiving a very thorough professional training, and we

believe some of them will one day be called for service in opening hospitals and clinics in other fields around the Caribbean.

The educational side of our medical work is of the greatest importance. We need intelligent girls who have passed the Senior Cambridge, or an equally high standard. They must also have a natural aptitude for study and a desire to help in the finishing of the work of God. All students must take some studies at one of our training schools, and they must be recommended by the faculty of the school. Those wishing to take up nursing should first of all contact the Registrar of the West Indian Training College at Mandeville, or the Headmaster of Kingsway High School, 12 Osborne Road, Kingston. Those from overseas are required to bring a recommendation from the training college in the field from which they come.

As we review the past two or three years, we feel that God has already prepared the people — especially those in government circles—to help in the establishment of this Medical Centre and Nurses Training School in Jamaica. He has also prepared many workers to fill places of responsibility in the Hospital and Clinic, and many others to be trained for service in the future. Every month our staff becomes more efficient. There is an excellent spirit among the workers, and we now number more than eighty on the staff.

### SPIRITUAL LIFE

During the past two years the Andrews Memorial Church has raised a large sum in tithes and offerings, and £125.0.0, in the present Ingathering Campaign. One well known lady from upper St. Andrew drove in several miles to give her donation to the student nurse who had helped her back to health in the Hydrotherapy Department.

Several patients have accepted the Message as a result of studies given by our faithful hospital and clinic workers. Sabbath, May 10, was a happy day at the Andrews Memorial Church. Nine of our young people, one of our graduate nurses, and two of our patients who had come into the faith, were baptized and added to the Church. One prominent lady, wife of a doctor in Government service, is requesting baptism as a result of Bible studies given by Doctor Druiitt and Mrs. R. E. Gibson. The recent baptismal service was attended by a number of patients and their friends. It followed a fine Week of Prayer conducted by Elder Meade MacGuire from the General Conference. Among those who attended all the meetings was a patient who is one of the wealthiest planters in Jamaica. At the

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close he came forward with a beaming face, expressing his appreciation for all that had been done for him, and grasping my hand, he said, "Doctor, almost thou persuadest me!" He left soon after to return to his estates, but we pray that the seed sown may soon bear fruit to the glory of God.

Our Junior Sabbath School is attended by children and youth from some of the wealthy homes in St. Andrew as a result of contacts with patients and friends. Mrs. Crager and Mrs. Luce are giving excellent service in this department of child evangelism. Also, a very energetic Young Peoples Missionary Society is being carried on under the experienced leadership of Mrs. R. Pleasants every Friday night. Student nurses also gain practical experience in personal soul-winning in holding Bible studies with patients, and also in giving talks in meetings that are being conducted by Pastor Gibbon out in the rural areas.

It is our earnest prayer that these young people may not only be given the best type of professional training that this world can offer, but that each may become an effective medical missionary in healing the sick, and in opening the hearts of all to receive the Message of God and to join with His people in finishing His work.

### Until He Comes

Brother Isaac Benjamin White of the Cave church fell asleep on January 18, 1947, in sure and certain hope of the first resurrection.

—LEONARD WALCOTT.

Sister Lilian Francis Carwin of the Cave church fell asleep on April 12, 1947. She awaits the call of the Life-giver.

—LEONARD WALCOTT.

Brother Samuel Taylor, a faithful member of the Orange church, passed away on the 15th of April, 1947. We laid him away in the confident hope of his awakening in the first resurrection. Funeral services were conducted by Pastor Fletcher.

—JOHN A. DOWNER.

Brother Christopher Matthews, of the Montego Bay church, was laid to rest in his 73rd year on May 29. He awaits the Life-giver. It was said of him "a good man and a Christian is dead." He leaves to mourn their loss a faithful wife, many relatives and a host of friends.

—E. V. ANTONIO.