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Rev. W. J. Hilliard, the new President, receives the token of his office from the retiring President, Rev. Douglas B. Gray.

EDITORIAL COMMENT Bracing Skegness

"SKEGNESS is so bracing "—this constant reminder was before us throughout the business sessions of our recent conference. Indeed, the weather could hardly have been more so, for though many of us drove to the town in lovely sunshine, and again returned in warm weather, our stay there was marked by winds that hardly encouraged holidaymakers to try sunbathing. Perhaps at least this ensured that attendance at the sessions was always at a very high level!

But it was not only the climate that was bracing, but the spiritual climate too. "Winds of change" are blowing not only in Africa (though we heard of these from our brother Pastor Mervyn Thomas in his excellent and forthright message), but also in this country. There is a changed attitude, we were reminded, towards the great truths of Pentecost, with many from the older denominations now coming to receive a Pentecostal experience. There must also be changed methods to meet the great need of the hour, and much consideration was given to modern methods of evangelism, especially through the printed page. Elim members will have the opportunity later of making their contribution to this vital work of expansion.

The four public meetings, together with the morning devotional sessions, were also most stimulating. As the week of conference coincided with the Universal Week of Prayer, these devotional periods were given over to a consideration of this great subject. One of these messages will be appearing shortly in our columns. The "bracing" atmosphere was also felt in the evening services, especially in the Tuesday missionary rally. Our Elim missionaries are certainly "live wires." with boundless enthusiasm for the great cause of Christ, and we could not but catch something of their fervour as they addressed us. Then, too, we were stirred by the message of our brother, John Carter, of the Assemblies of God. If we had become at all jaded by the more routine business of the representative sessions, here was a fine tonic, "bracing" indeed, and a real encouragement to all who seek to serve the Master,

"Bracing" too was the report on the financial position of our movement. We are so accustomed to hearing of deficits that it was indeed "bracing" to hear of the great response of our members to the appeal for evangelism, of the highest ever missionary income, and then to hear of a scheme which will bring a sense of security to older brethren in the ministry, assuring them of a good pension and provision for accommodation. Some of us may never need this, yet the Scriptures which adjure us to be ready for the Lord's return also advise us that to fail to make provision for one's own is reprehensible. Elim will not fail in this important duty.

Now we are all back in our churches, but we trust that some of the bracing atmosphere of Skegness, in the spiritual aspect at least, may energise us afresh in the service of our Lord and Master.

Installation of the new President

By J. A. WRIGHT MINISTER OF ELIM CHURCH, SOUTHEND-ON-SEA

"LET US SING of the heavenly sunshine," says the youthful Pastor Derek Green, commencing the chorus-time prior to this great meeting, and the warm welcome spring sunshine streams through the windows of the fine Algitha Road Methodist Church where we have gathered.

Pastor D. B. Gray opens this, his last service as President, as "an informal one," in the singing of the grand hymn "Sound the Gospel of grace abroad." The congregation bows in prayer and implores in song the breath of God. Pastor J. T. Bradley supplicates with passion for the coming of the Holy Spirit in a new way upon us, and thanks God for the outstanding ministry of Mr. Gray and the London Crusader Choir throughout our islands during his presidential year. We rise from prayer to sing with resounding praise, "I've believed the true report, hallelujah."

Now, in strange and unusual harmonies, dissonances and assonances blending in a perfect technique, the visiting American Crusader Trio of young men minister in music and song : "He could have called ten thousand to His aid," and "He died alone for you and me." We are gripped and blest.

How gentle and piquant is Mr. Gray's humour. In a short "few fading moments" speech he recalls his past year's itinerary, for the most part accompanied by the choir, covering thousands of miles, "to Inverness and Plymouth, Wales and Ireland"; in particular the severe winter period with its " frozen churches but warm-hearted people," and thanks God for the privilege of serving one another and the Lord. Accenting the needs of the smaller provincial churches, he urges us to pray, as churches, for one another. Paying tribute to the incoming President he recalls his visit to the Greenock church, of which Mr. Hilliard is minister, and how, on a spare afternoon, rather than to rambling or sight-seeing, he had invited him to visit some of the older church members, now "shut-ins." "That," Mr. Gray adds, "is typical of the man who is to succeed me."

The central moment of the service comes, the presentation to Pastor Hilliard, by Pastor Gray, of the presidential Bible, the symbol of our faith and of "the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love." Mr. Hilliard now takes the chair, and in replying thanks Mr. Gray on behalf of us all. He remarks that he has proved himself a man of courage and endurance, and he does not forget to include the absent Mrs. Gray, who in the capacity of choir member accompanied her husband.

The American Crusader Trio sing again : "I found what I wanted when I found the Lord," and "How great Thou art." In the latter great piece major and minor chords alternate with frequency and skill. What accomplished singers these consecrated brethren are.



Signing in on the opening day at Skegness.

The note changes. It is the presentation of awards for successful theses to student-ministers, and for this Mr. Hilliard introduces the Principal of the Elim Bible College, Pastor G. W. Gilpin. Three awards are made: to Brian Richardson, John Harris and Raymond Hobbs. Unfortunately, only one of these is able to be present.

Announcements given by our Secretary-General include telegrams and messages of congratulations; some of these from our missionaries overseas. We sing of "The Christ of burning cleansing flame," and then follows the presidential address, based on Acts 1:8: "Witnesses." We are right on the Pentecostal beam !

Recalling the origin of the word, i.e. "martyrs," Mr. Hilliard says: "The fires of persecution revealed the martyrs, but did not make them." Five things, he tells us, the world is quick to apprehend and appreciate : our courage, consideration, care, consistency and cheerfulness. He cites a remarkable in-



Councillor Tom Senior welcomes the conference to Skegness.

stance. A tract distributor on board a Clydeside steamer gave a printed messenger to a man who confessed that years before he had also given out the Gospel in similar fashion, but had lapsed from

FROM MY DIARY By T. H. STEVENSON

WHEN POPE John died, British warships at Malta flew the Papal flag at half-mast, the first record of doing so on such an occasion. The Archbishop of Canterbury's standard flew also at half-mast; again the first instance of this on the death of a Pope. These tokens by church and state are significant of the changed attitude towards Rome. Flying in the breezes, these flags certainly showed in which way the wind is blowing.

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IN BRITAIN it would be better if Pope John, and his successor, were forgotten awhile—and altogether, and more memory given to other great men named John : John Wycliffe, John Huss, John Calvin, John Latimer, John Knox. And also John, of the book of Revelation, whom all these reformers taught, had quite a lot to say about the Papacy, and not in the flattering terms of today.

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A LADY of my church rang up to ask my advice and prayer in her burden to do something for God, especially in sick visiting. Straightway she went to the nearest hospital seeking an interview. The assistant matron met her, and expressed her delight at our Greek sister's request, remarking that she was the first person ever to come in this way and with such a request, which was readily granted. She began his faith and was now a backslider. A comparison of earlier conversion dates revealed the astonishing fact that it was because of a tract given him by this very lapsed Christian that the distributor was converted to Christ! All who witness for the Lord in any way whatsoever should surely be encouraged by this. Our new President further exhorts us in four directions: to a sincere reading of the Bible, to personal prayer, to Christian fellowship and to sacrificial giving. The hush of God is upon us, and he is speaking strongly to us. In a final searching question as to why so many do not witness, he suggests that perhaps some are too deeply engrossed in the things of the world, and that others wilfully lack the courage offered in the text.

There follow prayers for the sick in body, and then this most impressive service is concluded by the singing of Samuel Davies's great hymn "Great God of wonders."

visiting that very morning (chiefly among elderly patients), and is free to do this ministry as frequently as she wishes in the mornings. How many Christians could learn from this example that there are many opportunities for service; doors ready to open, if there were just a little more "push." Don't wait for the pastor or someone else to give you a job, or just seek a task inside the church. "The field is the *world*," and "white unto harvest."

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PRINCE PHILIP'S favourite game is pony-riding polo, and Sunday the favourite day to enjoy it. His shoulder injury a few weeks ago would no doubt hurt, but many of the nation's most loyal subjects are hurt by the choice of the Lord's day to enjoy this game. Happening on the day of the tenth anniversary of the Queen's accession to the throne, this forcibly reminded one that while royalty has undoubtedly been affected by constitutional changes within the past decade, their majesties' power to effect changes in the way of customs and habits is greater by far than in any previous reign, by the fact that press and television daily set them before every eye as a public image.

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"KEEP UP with the changing times—read the Daily Worker." The Communist paper's slogan suggests one for Christians: "keep up in the changing times —read the Bible daily." It is there we learn we are "not of the world," nor need be "with it," as popular parlance has it. Ours is to live "above the world —on higher ground."

A GIANT AWAKES !

Dramatic Changes in Africa

By F. LAVENDER, MINISTER OF ELIM CHURCH, IPSWICH

A GIANT waking from sleep; a throbbing, vital, living continent; that was the vivid picture of Africa presented to the conference missionary rally by Rev. M. O. Thomas, home on furlough from Tanganyika. Thirty-one independent nations, having a total population of over 200,000,000, with an explosive determination to be heard in the counsels of the nations and clamouring to change the course of world affairs. Mr. Thomas spoke of his dismay at the "Victorian" image of Africa which persists in our churches, the ignorance of the dramatic changes taking place in that continent. In a forceful address, remarkable for its clarity and expert grasp and presentation of the facts, he showed the conference a new Africa, one that many of his listeners never dreamed existed.

EVERY HOME VISITATION

Mr. Thomas told of an "every-home crusade" which resulted in every home in Tanganyika—a country six times as large as Britain—being visited in the space of eighteen months; not, however, by enthusiastic Christians but by a nationalistic political party! Evil forces, conscious that what happens in Africa will decide the fate of the world, are working with fanatical zeal to enslave the continent: Communism, implacably determined to exclude the Christian Gospel, is working in every village, town and city, and is saturating the people with its propaganda; Roman Catholics are exerting every effort to win the Africans; while aggressive Moslems are winning ten times more converts than is the Christian Church.

CHALLENGE OF THE CITIES

Mr. Thomas said that the most important changes were the rise of great cities, with a fantastic rate of growth, and the increasing literacy of the people. Other changes are the rise of African nationals to replace the white workers-these men being the special targets of Communist propaganda-and the determination of African governments to take over schools and hospitals, thus releasing missionaries for evangelism. This new Africa challenges every Christian: pastors, evangelists, business men, craftsmen, can all find work to do for Christ; some to evangelise the great cities, others to pastor the churches, many to work in business houses and factories to witness there for Christ. It is imperative that Christians see the vision of the tremendous need before the door is

closed against the Gospel; dedicated men and women are needed from all walks of life, and money must be poured in to meet the financial demand. We were left no doubt concerning the desperate urgency of the task challenging us in Africa; it is nearly too late, and what is to be done must be done now.

MR. NEHRU VISITS DEHRI

Earlier Miss Beardwell, on furlough from India, told of the day when Mr. Nehru visited Dehri. Crowds of people poured into the town to see him, and into that crowd went Miss Beardwell and Miss Paint ready to do business for Christ. They found such a hunger for literature, that all through the day, until it was dark, they were busy distributing tracts and selling other Christian literature—they would have continued longer, so eager was the crowd, but candles proved (continued on page 423)



Section of the great congregation at the missionary rally.

The Evangelistic Rally at Skegness

By A. CECIL JARVIS, MINISTER OF ELIM CHURCH, GLOUCESTER

HE WAS sipping his pint in the public house in Belfast when the barman brought down a pewter mug on the counter with a resounding crash. "Time's up, gentlemen," he shouted. Like an arrow those words penetrated the heart of that man and he was converted. "Have you got your Bible with you?" laughed the girl's workmates as they saw her off on holiday. She was going with a Christian girl. "No, but I have my Guinness," she replied. But while away she agreed to attend church, and was brought to Christ. A reporter was assigned to cover the Billy Graham crusade in Scotland. Reading his articles his colleagues teased him that he would soon become a Christian. He replied that what Billy Graham said was true. "We all have sinned. Christ died for you and me," and as he said "me" the Holy Spirit operated and he was converted. Thus, forcefully the speaker at the great conference evangelistic rally, Pastor C. J. Kingston, newly-elected vice-president, brought home the mighty saving work of the Holy Spirit. That work was planned by the Father, spoken by the Son and effected by the Holy Spirit. Such a message moved our hearts to prayer for a mightier visitation.

It was a pity that the whole of our great Elim family could not be present for this occasion. Even so, join us now as you read and we will slip back into the large Methodist church where the rally is being held. "He breaks the power of cancelled sin," the people are singing. Late comers are finding it difficult to find a seat. The chair is now taken by Pastor Biddle. Needing no amplifier to be heard he announces the opening hymn: "We have heard the joyful sound, Jesus saves." Then the pause for prayer. Pastor P. S. Brewster



Douglas B. Gray at the organ at the Embassy ballroom.

leads, beseeching the Lord "to break in upon us." A spontaneous "Amen" rises from our hearts. Already this service is intensifying our longing to see a mightier moving of the Spirit of God.

We are privileged to have the Bible college students with us, and now the quartet are singing in stirring rhythm "He is my wonderful King of kings." We listen, thrilled that these young men have crowned Him King of their lives; thrilled that we too have crowned Him King of our lives.

Following a couple of choruses the student choir now brings an old favourite in a new setting: "Amazing grace, how sweet the sound," and then Pastor Greenway makes the essential announcements, including the welcoming of various visitors. Among them is Pastor John Carter, who until his recent retirement was General Secretary of Assemblies of God for many years.

Evangelism must embrace the children, thus our chairman introduces a chorus new to many: "When you see a rainbow, remember God is love." Some will be taking this back to the Sunday schools.

Musical instruments of varying kind seem to be coming more into prominence in bringing the Gospel to this modern generation. It seems especially so now as we are listening to a piece by the students: "I don't know about tomorrow, but I know who holds my hand." They are accompanied by the xylophone, clarinet, guitar and violin. Maybe to some of our older friends present this seems a little unorthodox, but at the same time everyone is thankful for this dedicated group who have more in life than to "eat, drink and be merry"; they have given "today" to the Lord and trust Him for their "tomorrow" that He will lead to useful service in His kingdom.

It is time for us all to join in singing again as the hands of the clock move swiftly on. We unite in General Booth's Pentecostal hymn "Send the fire" while the offering is given.

And now the President, Pastor Hilliard, is rising to give a warm welcome to the local town clerk, who is himself a preacher on the area Methodist circuit. We are told he ministered with great blessing in the local Pentecostal church the previous Sunday. He responds, expressing pleasure at being present, and his desire too to see many coming to a saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Skegness is blessed in having such a godly man, keen for souls, in this public position.

Before the message we are to enjoy yet two more

items from the students: Mr. and Mrs. Smales on the piano and the male voice student choir singing to a new setting "Jesus Christ is made to me, all I need."

The speaker now quietly, yet very forcibly, brings the message based on Hebrews 12:18ff. We listen as he reminds us of the need of the present age to be challenged again with the almightiness of the Triune God; the majesty of God the Father, the mediatorial work of Christ the Son, and the regenerating work of the Holy Spirit. Time has slipped and the speaker is now appealing for those seeking more of God, healing

A GIANT AWAKES! (continued)

unobtainable. So the seed was sent to a multitude of places which would otherwise not have been reached for Christ. We were delighted to hear our sister's vigorous words: "Our labour is not in vain; we are not discouraged!" Here is another changing nation, and we were urged to get to know this new India.

MISSIONARY WITH L-PLATES

Miss Gwynne, home from Southern Rhodesia, declared that, following an advertisement in the ELIM EVANGEL, she applied for acceptance as a missionary-teacher while she still had her L-plates up, having been recently converted through the testimony of an eleven-year-old child. The Lord, the great Teacher, told her to: "Learn of Me, for I am meek and lowly in heart;" and as she was outward bound for Africa He assured her: "My presence shall go with you." One evidence of the Lord's presence was the conversion of the boys of her day school class, and we were most interested to hear that the last of her "gems" was recently saved. Miss Gwynne thrilled us with the news that African Christians are getting the vision of souls and that three young men, Edgar, Samuel and Ephraim, are now training as evangelists to their own people. Miss Gwynne attributed much of the blessing being enjoyed in the work



Relaxation--he has a Way with him !

or the baptism of the Holy Spirit to come forward. The brethren are ministering to them. There is the hush of the Spirit and a wonderful sense of the presence of the Lord. "Too soon we rise," as the hymn-writer has said, and join in the final hymn. And how that hymn reverberates around the arches of the building: "I shall see the King some day." He has been in our presence this night; what a day it will be when we gather in His presence. But we trust not only we ourselves but that as a result of this evangelistic rally many more will be there to see the King.

in Southern Rhodesia to the nightly prayer meetings being held on the mission station, and the barrage of prayer going up in the homeland. Please join our missionaries in constant prayer for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit, who alone can meet the need of the area.

The meeting was convened by Rev. Leslie Wigglesworth, a member of the Missionary Council, for years a missionary in the former Belgian Congo. Others who took part were Rev. Clifford Stockdale, of India; Mrs. M. O. Thomas, who delighted us by bringing little Sharon to the pulpit; Rev. Samuel Gorman, Missionary Secretary of the Elim Churches; and our American friends, the Crusader trio.

BOOK REVIEW

Spiritual Gifts in the Work of the Ministry Today, by Donald Gee. A.O.G. Publishing House, 51 Newington Causeway, London, S.E.1. 7/6.

THIS BOOK is the substance of a series of lectures delivered recently by the author at L.I.F.E. Bible College in Los Angeles. In his own words: "The time is opportune for a reappraisal of spiritual gifts." With this we heartily agree. This our brother gives from the standpoint of a lifetime of experience in Pentecostal ministry all over the world. He has given us a most thought-provoking treatise, balanced in its teaching, sound in its exegesis and clear in its analysis of the manifestation of the gifts in Pentecostal assemblies.

Great stress is laid on the importance of the gifts of the Spirit not merely to satisfy a craving for the extraordinary and miraculous, but as a part—a vital part—of the essential work of preaching and teaching. References to the gifts of healings and miracles are particularly apt at this present juncture, when extreme views on this subject are all too prevalent.

Every minister and church leader should readand re-read-this book. We should like to see it circulated widely in all Pentecostal churches.

A.D.H.

ELIM CONFERENCE 1963 REPORT ON THE BUSINESS SESSIONS

By KENNETH SMITH

MINISTER OF ELIM CHURCH, BURTON-ON-TRENT

IN GIVING this report I want you to follow the human interest of conference debate rather than be presented with a stereotyped agenda, and so the personal element will be very dominant in this word picture of Elim's annual conference business sessions.

The ministers made their way on the Monday afternoon to the ministerial session, when a number of probationary ministers were admitted as ministers and recommended for ordination, some later in the week, others later in the year. Among those no longer on the ministerial list were Pastor S. Homer who has retired through ill-health, and also Pastor John Woodhead who retired during the year. A suggestion by Pastor G. W. Gilpin that the President's wife should be on the platform at his induction was a nice gesture and a tribute which I was pleased to see carried out at the evening service when Mrs. Hilliard joined her husband and shared his joy, as she must have shared his sorrows through many years in the Lord's service together. An inquiry as to whether this meant she should be present at the business sessions hardly merited serious thought, and provoked much laughter.

Tuesday morning commenced the representative sessions of the conference when ministers and laymen joined together to discuss the work nearest to their hearts. Pastor W. J. Hilliard was in the chair, and his gracious nature kept the tone of the sessions throughout the conference in an excellent spirit. After the appointment of scrutineers and other procedural matters, Pastor J. J. Morgan, the Field Superintendent, presented the conference with a number of churches for acceptance. Bognor, as a result of a campaign by Pastor R. Jones, with its minister, Pastor N. V. H. West-a native of Burton-on-Trent, was accepted into the Elim fellowship. At this point in the session the Chairman of the Skegness Urban District Council, Councillor Tom Senior, welcomed the conference to the town, and presented the President with a replica

Ministers, delegates and visitors on the lawn of the Y.M.C.A. holiday centre, Skegness. of the jolly fisherman bounding along the coast, with the motto "Skegness is so bracing," as, indeed, it was! Pastor W. J. Hilliard replied, and also Pastor D. B. Gray, who humorously added that he was used to bars—prison and musical, but no other sort! The session continued with the acceptance of Brighton back into the fold. Formerly it was an Elim church, but became a Bible Pattern fellowship. Pastor David Ayling is the present minister. A small work pioneered in Burton Joyce near Nottingham was accepted into the fellowship, and it was nice to hear Mr. T. Swan tell of the growth of the church. At the conference the



deeds of the building were given to Pastor J. J. Morgan; they were really in-building and all! Hanley, pioneered by Pastor P. S. Brewster, was accepted into Elim, and their pastor had previously been accepted as a minister. Sussex, North Midlands and Birmingham presbyteries received these churches. Pastor J. J. Morgan said that the Executive Council were keen to advance the work of Elim, and I thought it was good to hear this, for we elected them to do that task. Among a number of churches which had to be closed down was the church at Nelson, but it was suggested that the faithful members still worshipping in a house might become a branch church, evoking the witticism from Pastor A. Gorton that Nelson had got the half-Nelson! There is a place for humour in debate to relieve the pressure which so often is felt in conference.

Presenting the evangelistic report, Pastor Morgan paid a warm tribute to Pastor P. S. Brewster for returning from his holiday in the Channel Islands to Hanley to establish the converts as an assembly—and I thanked God for devotion to duty which inspired the sacrifice of one's holiday for the work of Elim. He spoke also of the campaigns of Pastor Alex. Tee in the London area, culminating in the All-London Crusade in Spurgeon's Tabernacle. City-wide evangelistic campaigns are planned for Birmingham and Glasgow, and I wondered however Mr. Tee would find time to do all this in view of his coming October youth drive. Pastor Morgan really did open his heart to the conference and encouraged younger ministers to seek God about the evangelistic ministry, as some of the senior evangelists were getting older-it will come to all of us, I thought! The idea of younger men teaming up with the more experienced evangelists was great, and one I trust will be implemented. The need of finance is always a problem, and Pastor Morgan pointed out that many older churches face declining numbers, and need a spiritual boost, but they must play their part by prayer and co-operation in evangelistic endeavour. "Evangelise or fossilise" is a wellworn slogan, but it was uppermost in my mind when this report was given. One could not help feeling that Mr. Morgan had a great concern for the work he was doing, and he received a great expression of appreciation for his work as Field Superintendent, not only from Pastor H. W. Greenway, but from the floor of the conference, and I am sure that many men on the field appreciate the human sympathy and interest shown by Pastor Morgan in his very difficult task, both on the evangelistic front, and on the stationing



of ministers. Several times during this conference he received warm acclamation from the brethren, richly deserved! Tribute was also paid by Pastor Morgan to Pastor J. Woodhead on his retirement for his ministry as an evangelist. In the discussion that followed, Pastor L. Cowdery made a plea to evangelise the large centres of population, which in turn should evangelise the districts themselves, a theme I have heard him mention before. Mr. S. Hannah, in his inimitable way, stressed that sound teaching should follow the establishment of a church, and his plea that some of the senior men should go in for this purpose should receive notice, and not be forgotten in the laughter.

The voting for the Executive Council returned some of the present members, but Pastors T. W. Walker and G. W. Gilpin very nearly replaced some of them. Pastor C. J. E. Kingston was announced as the Vice-President, as a result of a ballot vote, and Pastor Hilliard paid a warm tribute to his past contribution as chairman of the conference. An encouraging missionary report was given by Pastor S. Gorman who expressed his own personal appreciation that the income had topped £25,000 last year-highest ever! Pastor E. J. Phillips spoke warmly of the work of the Emmanuel Press in South Africa where millions of tracts in nearly forty African languages were being printed. Pastor Gorman and delegates gave a warm welcome to missionaries on furlough, and present in the sessions, and greetings were sent to those on the field.

The Elim Bible College report, the Youth Movement report and others followed in succession, all short and sweet—being previously printed and circulated before conference. The voting for committees followed, and then, under the heading of Central Funds we learned of the expense of the Royal Albert Hall gatherings on Easter Monday, in reply to a question, and they are now showing a profit, financially as well as spiritually! A much different picture was given about the ELIM



Pastor John Woodhead acknowledges the tribute to him on his retirement.



A point of interest—Pastors G. W. Gilpin and R. B. Chapman confer.

EVANGEL, which through ever-increasing printing costs is running at a loss. Pastor Broomhall again had his suggestion to help solve the situation—every minister pay for his present free copy! A lot was said about the EVANGEL, but nothing really positive came out of the discussion to meet the need and deficit. A united conference with the Assemblies of God would present accommodation difficulties, and was found to be impracticable at present.

The Wednesday sessions commenced with a thrilling report of the movings of the Holy Spirit in supernatural power in the most unlikely circles-high churchmen, Roman priests, modernists and other evangelicals, and all outside the accepted Pentecostal fellowship. This was given by Pastor J. H. Davies in proposing that something positive should be done in presenting Pentecostal propaganda. One phrase he used was great-" The optimist is there to show the pessimist how happy he is not," and there were no pessimists around concerning his proposal which won a unanimous vote, a rich reward to his positive, dynamic approach to the challenge of presenting Pentecostal doctrine. One hopes that the committee to be formed receives some of the spirit of enthusiasm Mr. Davies demonstrates! Pastor Alex Tee said that "this is a vital hour for Elim to give a balanced presentation of Pentecostal truth," and Pastor Ron Jones suggested a Pentecostal enquiry centre, advertising in the national and local press, and publications such as the Reader's Digest, as a vital form of evangelism. "Truth for truth's sake," the words of Pastor Gilpin in last year's conference, were re-echoed often in this session. This year he spoke of the danger of hilarity, and claimed that "nothing immature or infantile must be tied up in this move." Pastor A. D. Hathaway, editor of the ELIM EVANGEL, felt that we must be prepared to subsidise literature expounding Pentecostal doctrine, for "the Pentecostal experience is bursting the banks of the Pentecostal Movement, and Elim is ideally



The scoop of the conference—an unusual shot of Pastor E. J. Phillips.

placed with its balanced presentation of truth." Pastor S. Gorman brought a proposal concerning a period of continuous prayer in Elim, and Pastor L. W. Green was again requested to act as the secretary. Next year's conference is most likely to be at Southport, and final arrangements, such as date, etc., are in the hands of the Executive Council. The findings of a committee concerning the introduction of a uniformed youth movement into Elim caused a lot of discussion, Pastors Ian Moore, G. L. W. Ladlow, Eldin Corsie and L. Lambert being among those with deep convictions either way, and the divergence of opinion was seen in the voting which produced a stalemate. The conference passed on to the next business, which really did not satisfy those seeking its introduction. One thing did emerge, and that was the desire on all sides to bring youth to Christ.

Much of Wednesday afternoon was spent dealing with ministers' salaries, always on the conference agenda in one form or another! I thought that the four points of guidance used by the salary committee were worthy of note, and a fair assessment of the position. They were: the apparently uncontrollable rise in the cost of living, the need of younger ministers with a growing family, the reward of faithfulness, and the ability or otherwise of churches to meet the financial commitments. One did feel that although finance must enter into the most spiritual of causes, its place must be subservient, for many of us would be earning a much bigger salary in secular employment, and knew it would be a life of sacrifice. A proposal to regulate ministers' expenses was withdrawn.

On Thursday morning the smooth running of fellowship with other Pentecostal fellowships was helped by the suggestion that "where ever possible" others should be informed of any intention to establish a church in the district. Also a committee was proposed to investigate the possibility of union with the Assemblies of God, and as one who has good fellowship with some of their brethren, I felt that it should receive sympathetic consideration. If other denominations with far less in common can consider unity, we ought at least to explore this possibility! Retirement schemes for Elim ministers were outlined by Pastor J. C. Smyth of the headquarters staff, and I listened to a financial genius! He certainly had figures at his fingertips, and showed concern for the welfare of men who have spent their lives in the faithful service of Christ, and Elim in particular. During this debate Pastors John Carter, formerly the General Secretary of the Assemblies of God, and G. Stormont, a minister of Bethshan Tabernacle, Manchester, were welcomed into the session. Pastor J. Nelson proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. J. Smyth for his effort in producing the scheme, and everyone gave him a big hand. "We are Elim, not 20 Clarence Avenue; let us show our confidence in the future of Elim by supporting this scheme," exclaimed Pastor Brian Barnett, one of our younger ministers. He has a long way to go before he benefits! It was nice to hear one of the laymen, an insurance agent, Mr. C. T. Jones, of Llanelly, giving his experienced opinion of the scheme. He claimed that it was the happiest moment of any conference he had attended -and he rarely misses! "This is your day of opportunity," he said, addressing the ministers on the provision for the retirement of ministers, and the laymen gave full support to the proposals. I am sure that the older men went away from the conference not a little comforted, and even the younger men felt it to be an investment for their future-and Elim's. A proposal forwarded by Pastor J. C. Kennedy that retired Executive Council members should be invited to council meetings, without voting power, "for their valuable years of experience" received support, (Continued on page 429)



Pastor John Smyth outlines the new pension scheme.

The ordination and communion service

By D. W. CARTWRIGHT, MINISTER OF ELIM CHURCH, ANDOVER

THURSDAY, May 31st, 1963 was a memorable day in the lives of eight men. On Monday afternoon they were recommended by the Field Superintendent, Pastor J. J. Morgan, who spoke on behalf of the Executive Council, to the ministerial session of the conference and the conference approved of their admission as ministers.

At the Thursday evening service in the Algitha Road Methodist Church these same men were duly ordained to the ministry. The service, which started just before 7.30 p.m., was opened by Pastor D. B. Gray, who led the hymn "Grace! 'tis a charming sound," which was to set the tone for the whole meeting. How we sang in this our final service. After the opening prayer by Pastor George Stormont, the ministers' singing party (in which the writer spotted at least two laymen) sang two pieces: "They that wait upon the Lord " and " Lord, I hear of showers of blessing." As they sang a deep hush fell upon the meeting; the atmosphere was so sacred that one was almost afraid to breathe. Please, Mr. Gray, if this was recorded then us have it made available so that those who were not present may share the blessing that it brought to us.

Now we were introduced to the ordinands: Stephen Cain, D. M. Evans, T. G. Hills, C. E. Lamb, J. C. Quinn, H. C. O. Bawtree, T. T. Hodge and F. Waite. Hitherto their lives had followed different pathways, but now they were together at this the greatest moment in their lives. Let us just take two examples. In 1927 Mr. John Carter, for many years secretary of the Assemblies of God, was holding meetings in the Isle of Man. A baby boy of two



The conference male voice singing group.

weeks old was desperately ill and Mr. Carter laid hands upon him in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, praying for his healing. In spite of there being little hope of any recovery, humanly speaking, the Lord raised the young child up. Now on this memorable night on the opposite side of the country he was presented for ordination, and Mr. Carter was to be the preacher once again. About ten years later Pastor W. J. Hilliard was the minister of the Swansea Elim Church; during his ministry there he was to dedicate twin boys to the Lord. One of those boys was also one of the ordinands in this same service in Skegness and Mr. Hilliard led the meeting. Some might be tempted to call these things mere coincidence, but we would ascribe them to God's providence.

As their names were called they were publicly questioned by Pastor J. J. Morgan: "As a minister of Christ, do you pledge your loyalty to God and His Holy Word." Then followed the questions on their loyalty to "His Church, of which Elim is a part." Again they answered in the affirmative. Finally, after declaring this acceptance of the "Fundamentals" and the "Constitution" of Elim, they were ready for the imposition of the hands of the Executive Presbytery, which was to seal their ordination. As hands were laid upon them we joined in a prayer that each one would be used mightily in the Lord's service.

The delegates' group sang to us once again "Hark, 'tis the watchman's cry" and a final piece "Sweet will of God." Then Mr. John Carter rose to preach. Taking his reading from Luke 22:31-34, he did not attempt to entertain us for a moment; his object was rather to encourage. Using the Revised Version, "Satan asked to have you," he reminded us that the word conveys almost a "demand" on Satan's part. As he dealt with his theme it was so easy to listen; after a long day this was just the message that we needed. "There is plenty of chaff in all of us," he said. Commenting on 1 Timothy 6:7, he said, "There are things that we shall take out of this world that we never brought in "; on Romans 8:35: "things present "-you know what these are-you are going through them now! As we saw Peter in this his great test, we were reminded that Peter's Lord had said "I have prayed for you." "The man who had failed was called to give strength to others."



Donald Evans receives his ordination certificate from Pastor Hilliard, who dedicated him !

As the hands of the clock moved to 8.45 p.m. we were drawn together around the communion table; this indeed was a true family service. Our President reminded us that the part of the service that we were now entering was in no sense an exclusively Elim meeting. "This," he said, " is the Lord's table." All who loved our Lord Jesus Christ were invited to

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but not at their own expense, as originally suggested. On reflection, it would seem mean to have them pay their expenses after such long and loyal service to the Movement.

Friday morning brought a spate of unfinished proposals, and it does seem a pity that so much time is used to little effect at the beginning of conference and then the business on the last morning is either shelved or rushed. A number of suggestions including a lay preacher's Sunday, director of evangelism, and one on salaries were put on next year's agenda. The marriage of probationers was discussed, and in presenting the problems of stationing Pastor Morgan pointed out concerning a married probationer "He is no longer mobile-he is anchored!" Having felt for some years that the trend towards earlier marriage would bring many difficulties I very much supported the idea of some restriction, and the age of twenty-four is a reasonable age. Again Pastor Morgan received an expression of appreciation, from the floor of the conference, for his untiring work as Field Superintendent, and I joined in the appreciation of my former pastor and one to whom I owe so much. The position of Pastor A. D. Hathaway, as the Editor of the ELIM EVANGEL, was discussed at length, and it was decided that he should give up the pastorate of my home church at Bradford and devote himself to his work as Editor. This will be reviewed at the next conference.

partake: visitors, delegates and friends. It was good to see friends and relations of the ordinands, but we were also pleased that Rev. John Wright, the superintendent minister in whose church we were meeting, was present too. The emblems were brought to us by the district superintendents and other senior ministers, and together—delegates and visitors, ordinands and executives—we joined in worship at the feet of Him who "loved us and gave Himself for us."

So my pen was put away as I joined in the worship, giving thanks to God for His unspeakable gift. As we rose to sing the final hymn "Wonderful birth" and Pastor Kennedy closed in prayer, we were sorry that this was our final service. Though we would soon go on our way to our various spheres of labour we knew that it was not so much our work that mattered but His.

As a final word to those who read these words, if you have never been to an Elim conference before then you do not know what you have missed. Why not make the effort next year?

His work in the College, on the Missionary Council and in other departments will keep him fully occupied, I am sure. Pastor Gilpin expressed the appreciation of us all for his service as Editor. He will be staying on at his present address in Bradford.

Mr. F. B. Phillips gave a well thought out scheme for reaching every home with the Gospel through the printed page, but I thought that to crowd it into the last morning, when there was so much other business, did not give it full justice, and I was glad to hear that it will be circulated to us. I was sorry that the question of the Free Church Council and our position was not discussed, but the Channel Islands delegates, the proposers, had gone, so the proposal never saw light of day! Much discussion about a time of prayer, similar to the one held the other year in Birmingham, took place, and eventually it was agreed that we should meet at the kind invitation of the Birmingham presbytery again for the first week in November, returning to have a week of prayer in our own churches, culminating in a Sunday of prayer and fasting, with special emphasis on the need of an outpouring of spiritual gifts on our Elim fellowship. No one felt the need of this more than I did, and I look forward to joining with other brethren in this spiritual retreat.

On this note of spiritual yearning for a deeper outpouring of the spirit of God upon our fellowship the conference closed, and we returned to our churches thankful to God for the joy of fellowship and service in the cause we love so dearly.



Scripture Union Portions, Notes by L. C. Quest (Minister of Elim Church, Erdington)

Monday, July 8th. 2 Kings 3 : 1-12.

Mixed decisions! Jehoram, king of Israel, and Jehoshaphat, king of Judah, were not all that good nor all that bad, but they were carnally minded men, doing that which suited them best. Judah and Israel, though unhappily divided, could unite when it was convenient, to fight the common enemy, Moab. What a great pity their alliance and allegiance could not have remained ! In great straits they sought the prophet Elisha and the word of the Lord. It is far better to seek the Lord's guidance before you get into difficulties; often troubles and trials can be avoided, but "better late than never " ! However, prayer first is best !

Tuesday, July 9th. 2 Kings 3 : 13-27,

" Make this valley full of ditches."

Digging ditches! What a strange thing to do when there was no water (v. 9). Elisha did not spare any punches reminding Jehoshaphat of false gods. Nevertheless, knowing of the king's need, and God's mercy, he demanded works of faith: "dig ditches." Sometimes we pray for revival or some personal blessing, yet make no preparation for it. God says " Prove me now," and we all know what that means. There's the prayer meeting, the Bible study, the breaking of bread, or that unforgiving spirit. Dig ditches, and God can send the showers of blessing. Look up Philippians 2 ; 12, 13, Work ! for God still works in you.

Wednesday, July 10th. 2 Kings 4 : 4-17. "Shut the door behind thee."

Shut doors ! Great things are done behind shut doors. The wife of a godly prophet was left in poverty with two sons and a debt. God was there to meet the need of the widow, through the prophet who was also poor, but rich in faith. Why not obey the Word of God and get behind "shut doors"? Miracles can happen in the place of prayer and intercession ! Locked doors kept the Jews out of the upper room, but not Jesus. What a place of manifestation ! " Enter into thy closet," said Jesus, " and thy Father which seeth in secret will reward thee openly" (Matthew 6 ; 4-7),

Thursday, July 11th. 2 Kings 4 : 18-30.

Godliness with contentment! This woman's integrity and faith had been rewarded. Now it had to be tried as by hire (1 Peter 1 : 7). Who can tell the value of a believing, praying mother? Brushing all aside, including husband and Gehazi, she finds herself at the feet of the man of God. When questioned about everything she cries "It is well." What faith ! Eli misunderstood Hannah, but Elisha did not fail to understand the woman of Shunam. Her godliness with contentment brought her great gain. The power of prayer sets into operation the power of God. Pray ! God will restore that prodigal child to life again. He is the God of restoration!

Friday, July 12th. 2 Kings 4 : 31-44.

O thou man of God.

Can God? God can ! This chapter is full of miracles, five in all. It is to be noticed that both Elijah and Elisha worked miracles on ordinary things like food and drink. Elisha turned hurtsome food into wholesome food. Twenty barley loaves fed 100 men. How much greater is the God-man. Jesus Christ! He fed 5,000 with five loaves and two fishes'

(twelve baskets full remained), and 4,000 with seven loaves and a few little fishes (seven large baskets full were taken up afterwards). This is not Elisha, but Jesus our Lord. In His own words: "How much more shall your Heavenly Father give . . ." (Luke 11 : 13).

Saturday, July 13th. 2 Kings 5 : 1-14.

Great and small ! Do we centre our thoughts around Elisha the prophet or the captain of the host of Syria in this great miracle of healing? There are great people and great things to be seen, but what about the "little maid"? A captive and a slave, a Hebrew girl who had not lost her faith, the "little maid" was a good servant of God and of her mistress. Her faith created faith in others, whereby God was glorified. Maria Millis was a maid in the Duke of Marlborough's household. She was the means of Lord Shaftesbury's conversion, hence the Factory Act and no more chimney boys.

Sunday, July 14th. 2 Kings 5 : 15-27.

"Two mules' burden of earth."

A little Canaan of his own! A proselyte to the worship of the God of Israel, Naaman resolves never to offer sacrifices to any other gods, so he conveys a little of the land of Canaan to his garden and there builds an altar. He did not desire Elisha's portrait or any other charm, but a little of this sacred and holy land, the land which meant so much to Abraham and the children of Israel. "Two mules !" The double blessing ! Salvation with its gift of living water (John 4 : 14), and the baptism into the Holy Spirit, with its streams of living water (John 7: 37, 38).

PRAYER AND PRAISE FELLOWSHIP

Conducted by F. H. Coleman

Power for the pastor

The story is told of Wilbur Chapman when he went to Philadelphia to be the minister of Wannamaker's church, that a man came to him after he preached his first sermon in the church, and said: "You are pretty young to be the pastor of this church. We have had older pastors. I am afraid you will not succeed. But you preach the Gospel, and I am going to help you all I can." "I looked at him." said Dr. Chapman, "and said to myself, 'He is a crank." But the old man continued: 'I am going to pray for you, that you may have the power of the Holy Spirit upon you, and two others have covenanted to join with me."

Said Mr. Chapman: "I did not feel so bad that he was going to pray for me. The three became ten, the ten became twenty and eventually two hundred met before every service to pray that the Holy Spirit might come upon me, In another room eighteen elders gathered to pray with me. I always went into my pulpit feeling I would have the anointing of the Spirit in answer to the prayers of the two hundred and eighteen men. It was easy to preach, and what was the result? We received 1,100 into our church by conversion in three years and six hundred of them were men. It was the fruit of the Holy Spirit-in answer to the pravers of those men."

Our pastors need the prayers of their members. Will you not covenant to pray that God's Spirit will so rest upon your pastor next Sunday that many souls will be brought to Christ through his preaching?

Prayer is requested for

Revival throughout Britain.

The purchase of an ex-Methodist church in Loughborough. Business people and others are expected to oppose the purchase.

A woman who is weak after an operation.

Thought for the week

The power of prayer is amazing.



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BURTON-ON-TRENT. July 14. Elim Church, Moor Street, Visit of J. Cooper and evangelistic team from Elim Church, Hanley, 6.30 p.m.

GUILDFORD. July 6. Elim Church, Martyr Road. South London Presbytery. Guest speaker : T. W. Walker. Business 3 p.m. Rally 7 p.m.

HAYES, July 6, Élim Church, Keith Road (from main line station turn left, then first right). North London Presbytery. Speaker: T. H. Stevenson (Ilford). Business session 2.30 p.m. Rally 7 p.m. **NEWHAVEN**, July 13. Elim Church, Bridge Street, Monthly Rally, Speaker: Ivan Malyon (Brighton), 7 p.m.

ROMFORD. July 20-22. East London Revival Rally. Speaker: George Backhouse, Saturday, at Salem Baptist Church, Romford Road (kindly loaned), 3 and 6.30 p.m. Monday, at Elim Church, Wheatsheaf Road, Supporting items from local churches, 7.30 p.m. Tea provided between services.

SWANSEA, July 2-18, Y.M.C.A. (large hall). Evangelistic Crusade, conducted by George Canty and party.

YEOVIL. July 7. Elim Church, Southville. Visit of W. G. Hathaway. 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

THE LONDON CRUSADER CHOIR (Conductor : Douglas B. Gray)

August 11, Eastbourne (Elin Church and Town Hall); 18, Holloway prison; 29, Brighton (Elim Church); September 7, 8, Derby; 15, Edgware; 22, Maidstone prison and A.O.G.; October 6, 7, Birmingham; 12, Kingsway Hall, London; 13, Wormwood Scrubs prison; 18, Letchworth; 20, Broadmoor Hospital and Slough; 26, Odiham; 27, Slough.

By KENNETH SMITH

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ELIM CHURCH INCORPORATED

This is the larger body which includes the Elim Pentecostal Churches of Essex and others

DESPITE the nice weather outside a good number gathered for the annual meeting of the Elim Church Incorporated, and after prayer by Pastor G. Stormont, and a number of constitutional matters which included the election of Pastor C. J. E. Kingston as the vice-president, Pastor and Mrs. John Woodhead were invited on to the platform to hear a warm appreciation of their ministry from the President, Pastor W. J. Hilliard. He spoke of the many years of service given by our brother, who retired at this year's conference, and told of his work among the Forces, his pastoring of some of our biggest churches, his evangelistic ministry and his work as district superintendent, Executive Council member and former President. What an active man for God he has been. I was glad to hear Mr. Hilliard say that Pastor Woodhead has "been ably supported hy our dear sister." He went on to speak of the blessing she has brought down the years as a soloist. Then he presented them with a cheque. A spontaneous standing ovation, lasting quite a while, showed the appreciation of the congregation. "I am absolutely lost for words, for whatever we have done has been simply and solely because of our love for souls, and our love for the movement . . . I don't want to retire, I want to spend the rest of my days helping ministers in your churches . . . Preaching has a beneficial effect upon me-I love preaching," were some of the sentiments expressed in Pastor Woodhead's reply, and he told of his attack of coronary thrombosis and angina, when doctors despaired of his life. Surely here was a man who had

burned out for God, and does not intend rusting in retirement, for he came to conference from Barnsley, where he held the fort during Pastor Alan Caple's absence at the Wrexham campaign. He seemed so pleased to have Mr. John Carter in the service, for it was John and Howard Carter "who started me in the ministry-giving out handbills !" he added. Pastor Wesley Gilpin expressed the appreciation of the conference and again Pastor and Mrs. Woodhead received applause. A moment's prayer of thankfulness to God for the service of our brother and sister was offered by Pastor P. S. Brewster, a fellow evangelist, who prayed that others may be raised up to carry on the work of evangelism in this land, and I felt that my former minister had done more than his share in the field.

Pastor E. J. Phillips continued by reading a paper on "Trends in the Ecumenical Movement," giving the history of its progress, the formation of the W.C.C., and his attitude to this body. Only a small body of Pentecostals in Chile in South America were represented on the W.C.C., and Mr. Phillips spoke of the trend to modernism, a world Church, Romanism, and the suppression of minorities, including evangelicals. Unity in essence, oneness of the Spirit and not an organisation was that of John 17. Other speakers included Pastors W. Gilpin, D. B. Gray and J. T. Bradley, and among the problems discussed was the question of assistance in refugee schemes, sponsored by the W.C.C., and we all felt that the outpouring of Pentecostal blessing brought true unity and fellowship.

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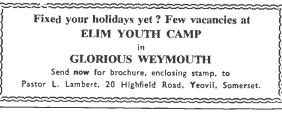
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MARRIAGES

FLOWERS-GRIFFIN. On June 8th, in the City Temple, Hull, John Flowers, deacon and Crusader secretary, to Patricia Griffin, Sunday school teacher. Officiating minister: Ian R. Moore.

HOLMES—DEBEER. On June 15th, in the Elim Church, Sheffield, David Graham Holmes (assistant pastor at Bristol) to Dolores Elaine DeBeer (South Africa). Officiating ministers: W. R. Jones and I., Knipe.

PERSIGN-BOS. On June 15th, at Summers Park Avenue Methodist Church, Malvern, Johan Marcus Polydor Persign to Ruth Van Den Bos. Officiating minister: William J. Maybin.

COMING EVENTS (continued)

ITINERARIES

Miss S. F. Beardwell, on furlough from India, will visit the following churches: July 6, Burton-on-Trent; 7. Leicester; 8, Loughborough; 9, Derby; 10, Ashbourne: 11, Rotherham; 13, Barnsley; 14, Nottingham.

Miss M. Gwynne, on furlough from S. Rhodesia, will visit the following churches : July 13, Hastings ; 14, Eastbourne ; 16, The Lanes, Brighton ; 18, Newhaven ; 20, Bognor ; 21, Worthing ; 23, Preston Park (Hove Sisterhood 3 p.m.) ; 24, Hove ; 25, Chichester.

Mervyn Thomas, on furlough from Tanganyika, will visit the following churches: July 6, 7, Southampton; 8, Canada; 9, Romsey; 10, Eastleigh; 11, Andover; 13, Petersfield; 14, 15, Portsmouth; 16, Ryde; 17, Gosport; 18, Sholing.



OF THE

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Plan now to be present.

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