

# The N.A.M. News Letter



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## *The Purpose of our New Publication.*

OUR object in publishing a mid-quarterly *News Letter*—of which this is the first number—is to increase the prayerful interest of American and British Christians in the evangelization of North Africa. In such a task as that with which our Mission is entrusted, it is as important to secure the sympathy and support of believers in the home-lands as it is to train missionaries and send them to the field. In this, as in so many departments of service, the one member of the body cannot say to the other “I have no need of thee”; both are alike indispensable. But if the interest of the “home-partners” is to be sustained, it is necessary for the Headquarters staff to keep them well supplied with information concerning the progress of the campaign; for even Spirit-led intercessory prayer, which is of such immeasurable importance in all missionary enterprise, normally requires to be fed by a knowledge of existing need.—It is to serve as a medium for this “ministry of information” that the *N.A.M. News Letter* is issued; and as it is desirable that the largest possible number of friends should be reached, it is proposed to circulate it free of charge.

## *Not the Only Sources of Information!*

IN case of misunderstanding on the part of any casual reader, it may be well to state that the *N.A.M. News Letter* is far from being the only source of information concerning the work of the Mission. Monthly Notes are sent to members of the Prayer Circle; tracts and leaflets of various kinds are printed; we have on sale (at the extraordinarily low price

of 6d.) one of the best missionary volumes ever written, entitled *A Budget from Barbary*, by the gifted authoress Miss Christine Tinling; and the main organ of the Mission, *North Africa* (price 2d. per copy), is sent quarterly to subscribers. It is to supplement such literature, and more particularly to meet a special need, that the *N.A.M. News Letter* is being issued; for it is hoped that the receipt of it half-way through each quarter will be a means of “stirring up the pure minds” of our many friends to remember the labours of their brethren and sisters on their hard, but, thank God! not fruitless, field.

## *Prospect of a New Mission Dispensary in Tunis.*

THOSE who have followed the movements of Dr. and Mrs. Liley will be aware that they have been staying for some time in Tunis, where their knowledge of Italian, which they had specially acquired for use in Tripoli, has enabled them to give much-appreciated assistance at Bethesda, a centre of Gospel labour amongst the Italian-speaking people. There is now every hope that Dr. Liley will receive permission from the French authorities to undertake medical practice; and if this is granted, it is proposed that in addition to continuing their ministry amongst the Italians, they should open a Mission Dispensary for Arabs and others in some hitherto untouched quarter of the city. They will value the prayers of friends in regard to this important matter.

## *Enlargement of the Tulloch Memorial Hospital.*

BELIEVERS in the work of the medical missionary—and there are many such—will no doubt be interested to see the pictures of

the new Out-patients' Department of the Tulloch Memorial Hospital which embellish these pages. Readers of *North Africa* will perhaps recall that the last number of that magazine contained a description of the new buildings, together with an account of their formal opening; but for lack of space no illustrations of them could be given. Hence



TULLOCH MEMORIAL HOSPITAL,  
TANGIER

*Dr. Fraser Anderson and Staff.*

their somewhat belated appearance here; but they are inserted as showing how very much more effectively the purposes for which the T.M.H. was established, both medical and evangelical, can now be achieved.

### *Orphanage for Moorish Girls, Tangier.*

IN 1926 our missionary, Miss Glen, opened her house to seven needy Riffian children, and from this humble beginning the present Orphanage has grown. There are now under our friend's charge nearly fifty Moorish girls, ranging from quite little ones to those who

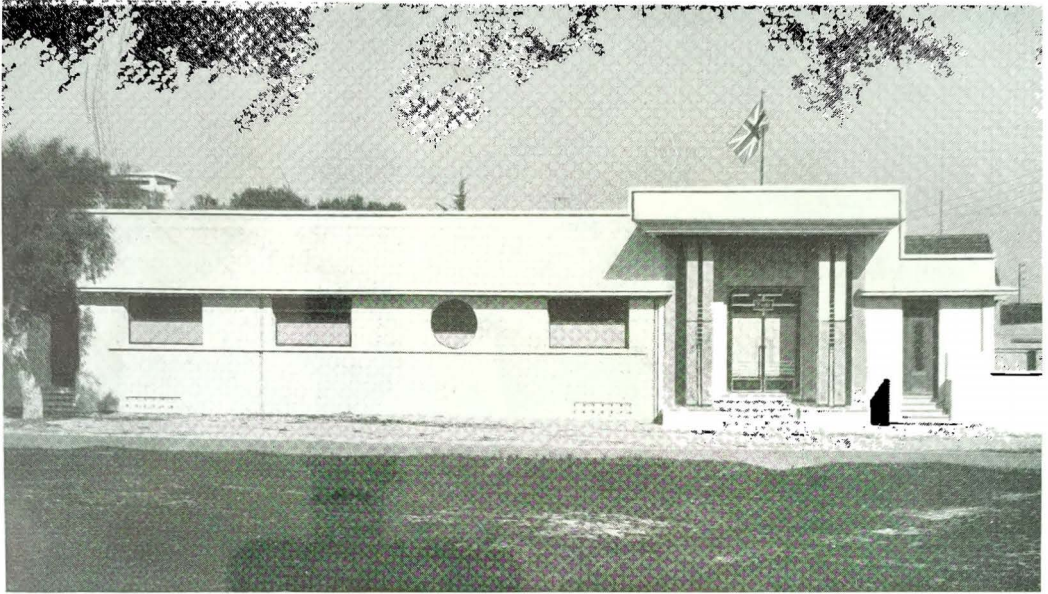
are approaching marriageable age. The premises in which they are housed have been enlarged and improved, and are now admirably adapted for their purpose. In certain cases, children received into the Orphanage are allowed periodically to visit their own homes, but others have no home ties of any kind. They are all taught to read, so as to become acquainted with the Scripture, and to acquire sufficient arithmetic for shopping purposes; they also learn how to do washing, cooking, house-cleaning, and sewing. Naturally, the conversion of the children is earnestly sought, and the missionaries have been cheered to know that several have been brought personally to trust in the Lord Jesus Christ. Miss Glen has the help of Miss Drury in this good work; and the staff will shortly be strengthened by the coming of Miss Rokeby-Robinson, lately Assistant Matron at the Norland Nurses' Institute, and an authority on child welfare, who has recently been accepted by the Council of the Mission.

### *European Work in Casablanca.*

OUR missionaries Miss Banks and Miss Bowring have been labouring for several years, with encouraging results, amongst the Italian and Spanish colonists of Casablanca, the Moroccan seaport that has so wonderfully developed in recent years. They have the help of Senor Padilla as pastor of the Spanish congregation, while Signor Varvelli gives valuable assistance at the Italian meetings. We rejoice to hear, from time to time, of conversions and baptisms in this fruitful little corner of our field.

### *Illness of Mr. E. E. Short.*

WE regret to learn that Mr. E. E. Short, our senior missionary in Tunis, who has been suffering for some time from acute indigestion, has now found it necessary to undergo an operation. Examination by means of X-rays has shown that his trouble is due to causes which can only be dealt with by surgical attention; and through the good offices of Dr. Liley, arrangements have been made for him to be taken to the King George V Seamen's Hospital, Malta, where in a congenial English atmosphere he will have the benefit of expert medical skill. He is to be accompanied by Mrs. Short; and we trust that by the time these lines are in print,



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*New Out-Patient Department.*



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*New Out-Patient Department—Interior.*

he will have been brought safely through his time of trial.

[NOTE.—A communication received from Malta as we go to press states that a further examination raises the hope that an operation may prove unnecessary.]

## *New Mission Dispensary for Moorish Women.*

MOST Christian visitors to Morocco have found opportunity to see something of Miss Winifred Ross's labours amongst the inhabitants of "Tin-town," Casablanca.—"Tin-town" is a native settlement in which all the buildings, even to the mosque itself, are composed of kerosine and other tins, flattened out, and nailed to wooden frames.—As may be imagined, the condition of many of the people living in this strange colony is degraded and miserable in the extreme. Especially is this so in the case of the women and children; and for many years Miss Ross has sought their welfare, both as a skilled nurse and as a missionary, although at the cost of both comfort and health. Recently, however, the French authorities have begun to erect permanent shelters for the "Tin-town" dwellers in a district near by; and Miss Ross has been able to secure a site which, while fronting on a good main road, backs on the new native quarter. On this she has had erected, at her own charges, a mission-house, which is in every way suitable for its purpose, and which will, we trust, make her work somewhat easier. The Dispensary and Gospel meeting-room are on the ground floor, and are easy of access to the native women, while the missionary's private apartments are on the first floor, and quite separate from those in which the patients are received. The house, which possesses most modern conveniences, has the advantage of a Moorish roof, from which an extensive view may be gained. It is hoped that Miss Ross's furlough, which falls due this year, will do much to set her up in health again.

## *House Party at Keswick, 1938.*

ARRANGEMENTS have been made for another N.A.M. house-party at Keswick, July 16th to 23rd; and the Lakelands Private Hotel, Derwentwater Place, has again been booked

for the purpose. Friends who desire to avail themselves of this opportunity of comfortable accommodation and happy fellowship should write to Mr. A. J. Deer, at the office of the N.A.M., as early as possible.

## *New Member of Council.*

IT is a very great pleasure to be able to announce that Mr. Cecil F. Baker, who is so cordially esteemed by the many visitors to "Rustington," Eastbourne, has recently joined the Council of the North Africa Mission. His presence on the Board of Directors is very warmly welcomed.

## *Finance.*

IN obedience to the divine command and under the clear guidance of God the North Africa Mission continues to carry the Gospel to the Moslems of the Barbary States, and relies upon Him for the means to do so. But inasmuch as His supplies are ministered through the gifts of His people—for He has "called His own servants and committed unto them His goods"—it is our part to bring the needs of the work before them. For over half a century "the barrel of meal has not wasted," but scarcely a month ends without our having to scrape the bottom of it. It is so once again as we write these lines.

## *Deputation Engagements.*

MR. ERNEST J. LONG'S immediate deputation engagements are as follows:

Feb. 14	†Highgate Road Chapel
" 15	†Brighton—Islingword Road Old Bap. Ch.
" 16	†Brighton—Railway Mission
" 17	†Hove—Emmanuel Church
" 19	†Kenton—Glebe Hall
" 20	Clissold Park—Library Hall
" 21	†Cowplain, Hants.
" 22	†Enfield—Brigadier Hall
" 23	†Tower Bridge—Union Con. Church
" 24	Ealing—Baptist Church Junction Road
" 26	Hackney Hospital
" 27	Barking—Park Hall
" 28	†Barking—Park Hall
Mar. 1	†Bristol—Unity Chapel
" 2	†Bristol—Redland Park Hall
" 3	†Bristol—Alma Road Chapel

†Including Exhibition of Missionary Film.

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