

# Thirtieth Session of the Cape Conference Held at Cape Town, April 25 to May 1, 1927

# A Successful Gathering

THE Cape Conference opened with a good attendance on Monday night, April 25. The meeting place thronged with enthusiastic and happy believers, every face expressing enjoyment, satisfaction and appreciation for the spiritual blessings received. The weather, during the session, was ideal.

Elders Beddoe and Hall added greatly to the interest of the meetings by their stirring messages and encouraging reports.

The field was well represented, not by large numbers, but there seemed to be believers from every part of the conference. One very encouraging feature was the good attendance during the day. There were about two hundred present at the evening services. The interest was well sustained throughout the meetings. It was a joy to our people to welcome two new churches into the fellowship of the conference. These were East London and Athlone.

The young people's and children's services, which were well attended, were conducted in a cheerfully decorated hall. These meetings were under the direction of Elder J. I. Robison and Mrs. L. L. Moffitt.

The Book Depository arranged an attractive display of our publications, and Miss De Gourville, who had charge of the bookstand, reported a good interest and successful sales. F. G. CLIFFORD.

**Extracts From President's Report** 

To the Delegates Assembled in the Thirtieth Session of the Cape Conference: Greeting,

It is with a sense of deep and humble gratitude that

we, your delegated servants—officers, committee, and departmental secretaries—appear before you in this session to render an account of our stewardship, and to release into the hands of this constituency the affairs of the conference.

Our gratitude wells up first to God. As we look over the work of the year, and see, with painful consciousness, our own short-comings, we know that a Divine Presence has been among us. At different times throughout the year, we have been especially conscious of the stately steppings of Jehovah. And at this conference, when the work of the year is up for review, we can but say, in recognition of every achievement, "What hath God wrought!"

An expression of gratitude is also due our worthy co-workers—evangelists, pastors, Bible workers, teachers, and colporteurs—the earnest men and women who have been pushing to the front in devoted service throughout the year, extending the triumphs of the cross in various sections of the Cape Province. Eternity alone can rightly appraise and reward these noble self-sacrificing workers.

Gratitude gropes for fitting words to express appreciation, also, of our faithful local church officers men and women and young people who week after week through all the year, without any financial remuneration, in sheer faithfulness and devotion to the cause of God, perform the humble but some of the most important duties in connection with our worldwide work.

And now we come to the read kernel of the stability and permanent success of our conference, so far as the human element is concerned, and that is our devoted body of laymen who form the rank and file of our constituency. And on this occasion, when the delegates from our churches are here assembled, it is only fitting that we should avail ourselves of this opportunity of expressing to our faithful laymen our heartfelt gratitude for their part in whatever success has come to our conference during the past year.

We all regret that some of our members find it impossible to join us in this convocation of the Lord, but our kindest thoughts go out to our absent believers, and our prayers ascend to the Throne of Grace in their behalf. Many of our people enjoy the happy privilege of meeting from week to week in organised churches or companies; others are far removed from those of like precious faith. But, wherever the members of the Cape Conference are, I feel that we may be assured that they are joining us at the Mercy Seat as we seek for wisdom in planning for the work of the Lord.

While there is certain business to transact in connection with this conference session, let us all bear in mind that this gathering is much more than a business meeting. It is a gathering of the people of God to seek Him till He come and reign righteousness upon us. This ought to be the best camp-meeting the Cape has ever had, not because of any accomplishment or worthiness of ours, but because, in the face of present world conditions, we are challenged to a higher Christian experience. Let us come up to every meeting hungering for the Lord's blessing. Let there be much prayer, and much humbling of heart, much seeking after God.

### EVANGELISTIC EFFORTS

Since last camp-meeting, three tent efforts have been held in the Cape Conference, besides two or three series of meetings in churches.

Elder MacNeil conducted an effort with considerable interest in East London, as a result of which twentyone believers were added to the church. There is still a good interest in the Sunday night meetings being conducted by Elder M. W. Carey. Elder J. J. Birkenstock held a short effort in Robert-

Elder J. J. Birkenstock held a short effort in Robertson. Elder Birkenstock, at the request of the conference, later moved his family to Worcester, where he has been fostering the work he had developed the year before.

Upon the completion of the church at George, Elder A. W. Staples conducted a series of meetings in the church. He found a decided interest and as a result of the meetings a good number were baptised. There is still a good interest in George, which is being followed up by the laymembers.

Brother F. G. Clifford has held a successful series of Sunday night meetings in the Wynberg church during a considerable portion of the past year. As a result of these meetings, together with personal work, eighteen have united with the church. At the present time, Brother Clifford is holding a series of Sunday night meetings in the Claremont church.

It has been the earnest desire of our leading brethren to see the coloured work in the Cape Conference given a strong lift. We are happy to report that something is being done along this line. Elder A. V. Edwards was secured to head up this department of our conference work, and on January 15, of this year, commenced an effort at Athlone, Cape. As many as four hundred have been present at the Sunday night meetings. On Sunday, April 17, ten adults were baptised, and on Sabbath, April 23, a church of nineteen members was organised.

### NATIVE DEPARTMENT

In reviewing the native work of the past year, mention should be made of the labours of Elder W. C. Tarr in conjunction with our native evangelists and teachers, as a result of which fifty-one baptisms are reported. Brother Amos Magalela, who was ordained at the native camp-meeting at Bethel in April, 1926, has developed a good interest by his evangelistic work at Umtata. A number of the baptisms reported were a result of his work. Brethren Ntwana, Scott, and Ntsikeni have been doing pioneer work in Pondoland. where some interest is reported. Brother Agrippa Mzozovana and old Brother Moko held a series of meetings in the Grahamstown location, where a new native church has recently been erected under the direction of Elder W. C. Tarr. The native company at Korsten, near Port Elizabeth, was organised into a church in 1926.

### OUR CAMPAIGNS

On the whole, the campaigns of the past year have been most encouraging. We almost surprised ourselves, as well as the Union, I think, in our Big Week and Harvest Ingathering campaigns in 1926. In both, we went well over the conference goals. Surely, the Lord abundantly blessed the faithful efforts of our people in these missionary endeavours.

### FINANCIAL CONDITION

The treasurer will render a detailed report of our finances, so I shall make but brief mention of our financial position. At the beginning of the year, we faced an uphill task financially. We were carrying a considerably heavier pay roll than was carried the year before; besides, there were several heavy items of transportation and rent allowances. When our budget was drawn up, we faced a heavy estimated deficit. Then to make matters more perplexing, the tithe for the first six months of the year fell somewhat short of the estimate in our budget, so that by the middle of the year we faced a deficit of over £500. Early in September, we called a full committee meeting to study the position. Certain relief measures were adopted, and an earnest appeal was made for our people to be faithful in paying the tithe. As we approachd the close of the year, the prospect began to brighten. The last few months brought in good tithe returns, and we rejoice that the Lord helped us in this way.

We are also glad to note that in all departments, European, coloured and native, a distinct gain has been made in the mission offerings, but we have fallen short of our 2/6 per week per member. We averaged for the year 1926 in the European department 2/- per week per member. We indeed hope in 1927 to find those missing sixpences.

### DEPARTMENTS

During the year 1926, the Sabbath School Department has been very efficiently conducted by Sister Vixie. By earnest work, faithful promotion, and by considerable personal attention much appreciated help was given to the Sabbath schools. We regretted very much Sister Vixie's resignation as conference Sabbath school secretary at the close of the year. At the request of the committee, Mrs. Moffitt has been filling out the unexpired term in the Sabbath School Department.

A good showing has been made in our Publishing Department. Brother Vixie has done a strong work with our colporteurs. Our sales this year have shown a considerable increase. We are truly thankful for what the Lord has done for us in the distribution of our truth-filled literature.

While there is still much room for advancement in our Educational and Missionary Volunteer work, as well as in the other phases of our conference work, we are glad to note what has been done for our children and youth through our Educational and Missionary Volunteer Departments. Our schools are few, but the Lord is blessing these. Our Missionary Volunteer societies are proving a great blessing to our youth.

The Home Missionary work is one of the important factors in the dissemination of the light of Present Truth, and as the home missionary spirit actuates our churches as God designs, much more will be accomplished than we now witness. Our people throughout the field have done considerable in the line of home missionary endeavour during 1926.

### OUR NEEDS

Our needs are too numerous to mention. There are a few, however, that seem most urgent.

In order to carry on a very conservative work at our present stage of development, we need an average monthly tithe of £300. This is the minimum upon which the conference can operate in doing even a small amount of advance work without most distressing embarrassment. This, we believe, the Lord will help us to reach if every delegate at this conference will return to his local church with a determination to be, if possible, even more faithful to himself, and to encourage every man his brother in thus honouring the Lord with his substance.

We need a bilingual worker to head up our Dutch work in and around Worcester and other parts.

We need, in addition, to our colporteur work, a more systematic distribution of our literature, both in English and Afrikaans, in our small towns and rural districts, that these places may be speedily given the Message.

We need an experienced man of ability to pastor our European churches in the Peninsula, so as to release our younger ministers for pioneer evangelistic work. But where to get the man, is the question.

But above all our other needs, we need constantly to bear in mind that this is the Lord's work; and that with facilities ever so meagre He can accomplish mighty conquests, when, as a people, we are completely submissive to and constantly under the guidance of His Holy Spirit. We need today the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the "latter rain;" then many of our problems for men and for means will be solved. To this end, we need a Pentecostal seeking after God; and may this conference be at least the beginning of a renewed intercession for this inestimable blessing that "brings all other blessings in its train."

L. L. MOFFITT.

## **Extracts From Treasurer's Report**

BELIEVING that at this time of crisis in the world, the Message should be heralded as fast as possible, the committee voted very early in the year to appropriate £350 from our accumulated Reserve and to consider this appropriation as an income for 1926. Thus, a heavy loss in addition to this special appropriation threatened to altogether wipe out our Reserve.

We are glad to report that as we closed the year, our financial position was good. Four of the items which contributed to this success for the year were:

1. Increased tithe.

- 2. Special appropriation from the Union.
- 3. Response to the Evangelistic Campaign Fund.
- 4. Special donations by conference workers.

### TITHE

While our tithe from the European and Coloured Departments is a little below the 1925 figures, in the European Department we show the substantial increase of £375 over 1924 total.

In the Native Department, an appreciable increase over 1925 receipts is evident.

### MISSION OFFERINGS

Mission offerings' receipts show a splendid gain in all departments. It is true, we did not succeed in raising the goal set for us as a conference as we raised only the following per week per member:

	GOAL	RAISED
European Coloured Native	$\frac{2/6}{9d.}$	2/-8d. $1\frac{3}{4}d.$

### HARVEST INGATHERING AND BIG WEEK

These two campaigns contributed largely towards what was raised on our mission offerings' goal. The splendid and hearty co-operation on the part of all established a record far in advance of what has ever been accomplished heretofore. We wish once again to thank all our members for what they did in these campaigns.

	1925	1926
Harvest Ingathering Big Week	$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$	$\begin{array}{cccc} 1047 & 0 & 0 \\ 172 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$

### BAPTISMS

Not so much has been done along evangelistic lines this year as compared with last year, but we sincerely trust that the ninety-four added by baptism during the past year will, by the help of God, remain faithful. Steady constructive work in building up our membership is progressing and we are looking forward to even greater success when the slogan "Everyone win one a year" has gripped our hearts with the power of the "latter rain."

	1925	1926
European Coloured Native	91 13 62	$\begin{array}{c} 38\\5\\51\end{array}$
Totals	166	94

STATEMENT OF TITHE AND MISSION OFFERINGS FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1926

DEPARTMENT	TITHE		MISSION	OFF	FFERINGS		
European Coloured Native	$3523 \\ 364 \\ 186$	0	$2 \\ 4 \\ 0$	$2555 \\ 218 \\ 107$	16	$\frac{7}{1}$ 8	
Totals	£4073	2	6	2881	13	4	

### ANNUAL STATEMENTS

The income from the European Department for the vear amounted to £3960-11-3 and the expenditure to £4173-2-8 leaving a net loss on the year's work, transferred to Capital Account, £212-11-5. The Colourel Department closed the year with a surplus on its operating of £19-19-8. In the Native Department, the expenditure exceeded the receipts by  $\pounds 102$ .

The assets of the conference on the 5th of January last. amounted to £3972-10-11, and the liabilities, £2643-14-0.

The assets of the Book Depository were to the value of  $\pounds 1302-8-1$ , or  $\pounds 1025-10-0$  over and above the amount of the liabilities. For the year 1926, the Book Depository showed a net profit on its workings of  $\pounds 173 \cdot \overline{16} \cdot 3$ .

P. W. WILLMORE,

# Elections for the New Term

PRESIDENT, L. L. Moffitt. SECRETARY-TREASURER, P. W. Willmore.

SECRETARY-TREASURER OF DEPOSITORY, P. W. Willmore.

FIELD MISSIONARY SECRETARY, L. A. Vixie. HOME MISSIONARY SECRETARY, L. L. Moffitt.

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MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER SECRETARY, MIS. L. L. Moffitt. SABBATH SCHOOL SECRETARY, MIS. L. L. Moffitt.

EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY, Union Educational Secretary. CONFERENCE COMMITTEE, L. L. Moffitt, A. V. Edwards, M. W. Carey, L. A. Vixie, F. Visser, Snr., Chas. Sparrow, P. W. Willmore.

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## **Extracts From Report of Plans Committee** EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE

In recognition of the favour of God upon our conference during the past year in His protecting care over the homes and lives of our people and His blessings upon the endeavours of our conference in the winning of souls,

We humbly record our heartfelt appreciation of all these mani-festations of His love, and we do so all the more as we remember that He has not dealt with us according to our just deserts, but according to His loving kindness.

We therefore re-dedicate our lives to His service, and by God's grace determine to more fully meet His will in the proclamation of this Message during the coming year.

### MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Greater encouragement and enthusiasm in the financial campaigns of the church, which the Missionary Volunteer Department hopes to promote, would come to the young people if a definite portion of the goals was assigned to the youth, and

record kept of what they raise, and WHEREAS, The present plan of crediting on the goals only such funds which pass through the hands of the society's treasurer is

We Recommend, (a) That in the Harvest Ingathering and Big Week Campaigns, the Missionary Volunteer Department assume a definite percentage or portion of the goal.

(b) That in these campaigns it be the plan to assign to each church, where there are Missionary Volunteer members, a definite portion of the church goal to the young people, and that the Home Missionary and Missionary Volunteer secretaries, pastors, and other church workers, when organising the church for these campaigns, make arrangement for a definite portion of the task for the Missionary Volunteers.

(c) That the Missionary Volunteer Department promote the plan of systematic giving for foreign missions among young people by fostering the spirit of self-denial, by taking collections in the society's meetings, and by providing a self-denial box, where desired, which the youth may keep at home for the collection of money, and that such money be handed in at stated periods. (d) That foreign mission funds, which are donated in the

society's meetings, be entered in a special column in the church treasurer's book marked "Missionary Volunteer society offerings for foreign missions.'

SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

We Recommend. That a greater effort be made to promote a spirit of reverence in all our Sabbath schools.

(a) By securing quietness and order in the Sabbath school session and during the intermission.

(b) By refraining from buying and selling lesson pamphlets, or securing subscriptions for Sabbath school supplies on the Sabbath, and adopting some other plan for providing them. We suggest that Sabbath school members give yearly subscriptions for the "Quarterlies," Little Friends, etc., also that the Sabbath school maintain a liberal expense fund whereby such supplies may

be passed out free of charge. We Recommend, That we affirm our faith in the general policies and methods of promoting the following major items :

(a) Sabbath school membership to include the entire denomination.

(b) A faithful attendance of the membership.

(c) Daily study of the Sabbath school lesson by old and young. (d) A continual effort to improve the teaching in the Sabbath school through the medium of the Training Course and the Sabbath School Worker.

(e) Deeper spiritual life of leaders and members.

(f) Larger and more intelligent giving to missions.

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### The Last Great Day of the Feast

THE services held in the Cape Town church on Sabbath morning, April 30, were especially interesting and inspiring.

Promptly at 9.45 the Sabbath school opened. There were too many present for all to be accommodated in the church, and so the children were provided for in the downstairs rooms. The offering amounted to over  $\pounds 15.$ 

Elder Beddoe took charge of the church service, and spoke of the sacrifices that are being made for the advancement of the Third Angel's Message. The church was packed to overflowing, and chairs had to be placed in the aisles and wherever space would permit. At the close of the service, a special call was made for gifts for missions, and over £500 was pledged.

In the afternoon, Elder Branson spoke on "The Sacredness of the Gospel Ministry." Following the sermon, Brother F. G. Clifford was ordained.

### Another Landmark Passed

APRIL 19 to 22 marked one more important step for the colporteur work in our field. An earnest, consecrated band of canvassers met in the Claremont church on the above date for a canvassers' institute. Three full days were spent in instruction, drill and study, and the result was a deeper and stronger determination by all to consecrate themselves more fully to the work. Elders Joseph and Moffitt and Brother Vixie led out in the institute programme to a very successful degree.

Surely, if there are men and women who need our prayers, they are the canvassers. Let us daily remember these faithful evangelists in their work from house to house. P. W. WILLMORE.

# SO. AFRICAN UNION CONFERENCE

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### The 1927 Missionary Volunteer Goal

ALL eyes toward Pondoland! Recently, we have heard a good deal of the proposed new mission station in Pondoland, which was the object of our Big Week effort of last month. To get the mission started and on its feet will, without doubt, be the heaviest burden that the South African Union Conference will have both this year and next. The beautiful site, the splendid mission opportunities, and the favourable location have all been told of in recent numbers of the OUTLOOK, so need not be repeated.

However, there is one thing that has not been told, and that is that the South African Union Conference committee has asked the Missionary Volunteers in this Union to raise  $\pounds 150$  this year to help equip the medical dispensary that is to be established in Pondoland. This, I am sure, will be a worthy object for the Missionary Volunteer goal for 1927, and one that we all can take hold of with real interest and enthusiasm.

How is this money to be raised? Of course, offerings given by the young people toward this end will count on their goal. Then, camp-meeting pledges made by Missionary Volunteers will also apply; and this year, as plans for the Harvest Ingathering Campaign mature, there will be a plan developed whereby monies brought in by the young people will also apply on their Missionary Volunteer goal.

Let every society present this matter to its members, and begin to do something definite toward this end. As the plans are presented for the Harvest Ingathering Campaign this year, I hope each Missionary Volunteer will take hold with a determination to go over his goal, which this year goes to help build up the new medical work in Pondoland.

J. I. ROBISON.

NATAL-TRANSVAAL CONFERENCE B. M. HEALD, President A. E. NELSON, Secy. Treas. OFFICE ADDRESS: P. O. Box 6154, Johannesburg, Tvl.

# **Conference Next Week**

THE next event in our plans is the conference in Johannesburg. The first meeting will be held in our church, Monday night, May 9. The church is situated on the corner of Claim and De Villiers Streets. On the following day, the conference will begin in the Free Masons' Hall on the corner of Plein and Claim Streets. This large hall is an ideal place for our meetings and is near our church.

All the departments will have special days, symposiums, round table talks, rallies and demonstrations.

The Depository will hold a special sale of our books, and we urge all our people to avail themselves of the bargains at the booth.

There will be special music under the direction of Elder Hurlow. Bring your "Christ in Song."

You have received a copy of the daily programme and have noticed the strong lead given to devotional and spiritual revival.

Well-planned evening evangelistic services will arouse a public interest. Pray and plan for this great conference and convention. B. M. HEALD.

# Sabbath School Achievements in the Natal-Transvaal Conference

A SPLENDID record has been made in all our Sabbath schools during the first quarter of 1927. We have 864 Sabbath school members who meet in twenty schools each Sabbath. There are six family schools and ten conference Sabbath school members who report regularly.

During the quarter,  $\pounds 20-8-10$  was received from the Home Department members. The thirteenth Sabbath offering amounted to £93-7-1. This thirteenth Sabbath offering, which was given to advance the work in Russia is one of the largest ever given by this conference. Our members gave £9-10-11 to help swell our gifts to missions through the Birthday Fund. A blessing always comes to those who bring a thank offering to the Lord for sparing their lives through another year. Four schools reported £7-10-6 toward the Investment Fund, making the total funds contributed by all our schools for the first three months of 1927, £327-8-5.

Thirteen out of our twenty schools enjoy the visit of the Sabbath School Worker, while six schools receive memory verse cards and the Picture Roll to help the children in their Bible memory work. Thirty-four Sabbath school officers and teachers have enrolled thus far in the new Sabbath School Teachers' Training Course. Several papers have been received by the conference secretary, and Training Course certifi-cates will be forwarded just as soon as they are re-ceived from overseas. Our teachers who have taken the course in the past have greatly benefited by the study. We are grateful for the advancement made during the first quarter, and we look forward to increased progress during the remainder of the year.

MARY C. NELSON.

# **Report of Tithe and Mission Offerings**

WE are submitting the first quarter's report of tithe and offerings from our churches. In making a comparison with last year's tithe receipts, we find that £667-0-1 more was received this quarter than during the first quarter of last year.

Our mission funds show an increase of £182-4-1 over the corresponding quarter of last year. We are grateful for this increase, but yet we find we are short £369-15-0 in reaching our mission offerings' goal.

We wish to thank our people for the co-operation and liberality so generously manifested, and look for this continued expression of faithfulness. The Lord has blessed and we wish to acknowledge His goodness.

A. E. NELSON.

MAY 1, 1927

### Natal=Transvaal Conference

Tithe and Mission Offerings for Three Months Ending March 31, 1927

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# CONGO MISSION FIELD

C. W. CURTIS, Superintendent. D. A. WEBSTER, Secy. Treas. Address: Box 250, Elisabethville, Belgian Congo.

### Another Evidence of God's Leadership

"For your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things." Matt. 6:32. As we serve the Master here, we have evidences on every hand that this is so, and it will continue to be so until the end of time.

While on a recent exploration trip, in locating a new site for a mission, the writer, with Elders French and Anderson, located a favourable site on a new motor road connecting Kirundu, the post of the Government in that locality and on the Congo River, with Lubutu, an inland town about ninety-five miles east. The site is located in the centre of the new field that is to be opened and known as the Central Congo Mission Field. We are now awaiting word from the Government, and hope to be able to start active work in that field in a few weeks. The people are very numerous and in great need of help to release them from their bonds of heathenism.

While on my way home, after the brethren had left me, I met two ladies from America, making the trip from Cairo to Cape Town. When they learned that I was an American missionary, they became very much interested in our work, and asked questions. Since we were the only Americans on the boat. we had quite a little in common and became quite well acquainted. In answer to the questions, I told her about our work in a general way, and about our new work in the regions near Stanleyville. I explained to her the location of the new station, and our plan of work for the natives, mentioning that we were planning to open new work all through the Congo as fast as funds would allow. I might mention that the older lady, who is from California, is very wealthy, and the other is her travelling companion and secretary.

In telling about the location of our station, I mentioned that we would be quite isolated but some day hoped to have a more rapid means of conveyance than a machilla, if we could possibly afford it. Then she asked about my wife, if she would be able to get out occasionally. She also enquired with reference to the getting of supplies.

Nothing more was said about it in any direct way, until we reached They visited the Elisabethville. Katanga mission, saw our work there, inquired regarding our methods, met some of the Union workers, and satisfied themselves in general regarding our work. The day before leaving, the older lady sent her secretary over to the bank with me, and deposited enough money to buy a Ford motor-car, a runabout with light truck body. to be my personal property, free to use in any way I saw fit.

To me, this is another evidence that the hand of the Lord is in this work and that He is going to finish it. It is certainly a wonderful privilege to be connected with a work that is so directed. Surely the Lord saw the need of a conveyance, and provided for our needs in a remarkable way. "O, that men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men!"

W. ROYCE VAIL.

# South Congo Mission Field

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AFTER three years' absence from the mission field, we are glad to be back once more doing our bit to help finish the work of giving the gospel to Africa's waiting millions. Wherever we go, we find the people ready for and waiting to receive the message we have come to give them.

As we made our recent trip to the out-schools near Sekania, it was a great source of encouragement to see the progress the schools are making. The people gave such good attention and behaved so well during the meetings, that it seemed as if they had been attending religious services for years instead of for only a few months. By the intelligent questions asked we knew they were grasping the truths as they were presented.

Repeated calls keep coming to us for new schools in that part, and we wish we could answer them. While down there, an under-chief sent a messenger to me with an earnest request for us to open a school at his village as soon as possible. They are busy putting up a school house and will provide the teacher with food. How we wish we had a teacher ready for the place! We could open twelve new schools in that district now if we had the teachers and funds to enable us to do so. That part of the country is wide open to us and practically no mission work has ever The magistrate told me we were been done there. free to go anywhere in his district, as he believed in religious liberty and welcomed all denominations. Now is the time to press in and get our work well established in that part. We are determined to do this as rapidly as we can, and are already seeing good results

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for the short time the teachers have been at work in **P** that district.

Here on the station, we have a very good attendance at our Sabbath meetings and recently baptised twentyseven converts.

We are of good courage and look forward with glad anticipation to the final triumph of the gospel. J. V. WILSON.

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# Notice

THE regular biennial session of the constituency of the Zambesi Union Mission of Seventh-day Adventists is called to convene in the Seventh-day Adventist church, Bulawayo, May 26 to June 1, 1927. The appointment of such officers as provided by the constitution will be made, and such other business transacted as may properly come before the session.

The first business meeting will be held at 10.00 A. M., May 27.

E. C. BOGER, Chairman, C. W. BOZARTH, Secretary.

# List of Churches in the South African Union Conference

(For the benefit of those who may, at any time, be visiting, we give a complete list of the churches, with addresses, in the Union of South Africa.)

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CHURCH	Natal=Transvaal Conf Address	ierence Leader	King Wil= liam's Town	The home of Mrs. Wheatley,	Ele 66
Barberton	The home of Mrs. Gass, Barberton, Tvl.	Mrs. George Gass, P. O. Box 11, Barberton, Tvl.		С. Ў.	Kiı C.
Doornpoort	Cardoville, Doornpoort, Tvl.	Mr. Mienie, P.O. Herminia. Via Bank, Tvl	Karroo Farm	"Karroo Farm." Worcester, C. P.	Mr '' B We
Dundee	Gray Street, Dundee, Natal.	Mr. A. Burton, Gray Street, Dundee, Natal.	Langvlei	Langvlei Siding, Robertson, C. P.	Mr La Ro
Durban	Keits Avenue, Off Berea Road, Durban, Natal.	Elder D. F. Tarr, 352 Berea Road, Durban, Natal.	Langkloof	Langkloof, C. P.	${f Mr} {f P.0} {f Dis}$
Ermelo	MacDonald Street, Ermelo, Tvl.	Mrs. Ulrich, Post Office, Ermelo, Tvl.	Oudtshoorn	The home of Mrs. J. Staude, Adderley Street, Oudtshocrn, C. P.	Mr Ad Ou
Hlobane	Sanitarium, Hlobane, Natal.	Mr. W. Birkenstock, Delele, Hlobane, Natal.	Port Elizabeth	99 Upper Parliament Street, Port Elizabeth, C. P.	Mr 139 Poi
Johannesburg	Corner Claim and DeVilliers Street, Johannesburg, Tvl.	Elder W. H. Hurlow, 25 Ellis Road, Bellevue, Johannesburg, Tvl.	<b>Port Elizabeth</b> (Coloured)	Donkin Street, Port Elizabeth, C. P.	Ela 8 I Por
Krugersdorp	Odd Fellows' Hall, Krugersdorp, Tvl.	Mr. DuPlessis, 25 Tanner Street, Krugersdorp, Tvl.	Rokeby Park	Rokeby Park, C. P.	Mr P.C Via
Maritzburg	8, Stranack Street, Maritzburg, Natal.	Mr. J. C. Baumann, 223 Boshoff Street, Maritzburg, Natal,	Salt River (Coloured)	York Road, Salt River, C. P.	Eld Cle Cla

Pretoria	New Trades Hall, Skinner Street, Pretoria, Tvl.	Mr. A. C. leButt, 152 Bloed Street, Pretoria, Tvl.
Potchef= stroom	Potgieter Street, Potchefstroom, Tvl.	Elder B. P. de Beer. Du Plooy Street, Potchefstroom, Tvl.
Sweetwaters	Sweetwaters, Natal.	Mr. G. A. Imray, Post Office, Sweetwaters, Natal.
Spion Kop	Spion Kop College, Ladysmith, Natal.	Eld. F. E. Thompson, Spion Kop College, Ladysmith, Natal.
Standerton	Meyersville, Tvl.	Mr. F. Botha, Meyersville, Tvl.
	Cape Conference	5
Bonnie Vale	Bonnievale, C. P.	Mr. P. J. Meiring, P.O. Bonnievale, C. P.
Cape Town	56 Roeland Street, Cape Town.	Mr. F. G. Clifford, "Jesmond," Ottery Road, Wynberg, Cape.
Claremont	Grove Avenue, Claremont, Cape.	Mr. J. G. Slate, Rosmead Avenue, Kenilworth, Cape.
Catheart	"Tarsus," Cathcart, C. P.	Miss J. M. Tarr, P. O Box 27, Cathcart, C. P.
East London	Sons of England Hall, East London, C. P.	Elder M. W. Carey, 63 St. Mark Road, East London, C. P.
Elsie's River (Coloured)	Elsie's River Halt, C. P.	Mr P. Jackson, Glen Lily, Via Parow, C. P.
Grahams= town	Union Lodge Hall, Hill Street, Grahamstown, C. P.	Mrs. J. H. Bowie, 16 Lawrence St., Grahamstown, C. P.
George	Market Street, George, C. P.	Mr. W. D. Smith, Mitchell Street, George, C. P.
King Wil₌ liam's Town	The home of Mrs. Wheatley, 9 Market Street, King William's Town, C. P.	Eld. M. C. Sturdevant, 66 Thomas Street, King William's Town, C. P.
Karroo Farm	"Karroo Farm." Worcester, C. P.	Mr. H. E. duPreez, "Karroo Farm," Worcester, C. P.
Langvlei		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Langvlei Siding, Robertson, C. P.	Mr. J. S. L. Rheeder, Langvlei, Robertson, C. P.
Langkloof		Mr. J. S. L. Rheeder, Langvlei,
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Oudtshoorn Port	Robertson, C. P. Langkloof, C. P. The home of Mrs. J. Staude, Adderley Street, Oudtshocru, C. P. 99 Upper Parliament Street,	Mr. J. S. L. Rheeder, Langvlei, Robertson, C. P. Mr. J. J. Kritzinger, P.O. Nieuweplaats, Dist. Uniondale, C. P. Mrs. J. Staude, Adderley, Street, Oudtshoorn, C. P. Mr. E. W. H. Jeffrey, 139 Queen Street,

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# Final Results of the "Signs" Big Week Campaign

SINCE giving our last report in these columns with regard to the number of subscriptions that came in as a result of the *Signs* Big Week Campaign, quite a few additional subscriptions have been received, and we take pleasure in making this further report, which, we presume, has been delayed sufficiently to enable all subscriptions to be received. The total results to date are listed as follows:

	•	1926	1927
Cape Conference		215	306
Natal-Transvaal Conference		712	163
Orange River Conference		67	40
So. Rhodesia Mission Field		253	168
No. Rhodesia Mission Field		44	
$\operatorname{Total}$		1291	677

We feel that the readers of the OUTLOOK will be interested in the result of this campaign as compared with last year. We wish to take this opportunity to thank all who took part in sending in these new subscriptions. We feel that, as these papers go out from month to month, they will take a message into the homes of the people throughout South Africa that will cause many to think concerning the times in which we live, and, undoubtedly, will be the means of some souls accepting the Third Angel's Message. Let us pray to this end. J. G. SLATE.

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# General News Notes

WE regret to learn that Brother C. L. Wessels has been very poorly, and we trust that he will soon be himself again.

For the past three months, the Plumstead Nursing Home has had a busy time, and quite a number of patients have booked for the next two months.

DURING last week-end, several of those who led out in the meetings of the Cape Conference session left for Bloemfontein to attend the session of the Orange River Conference.

ON the morning of the 24th ult., Elder J. D. Baker and Dr. Tonge arrived in Cape Town from Angola. These workers, after a few days' stay in Cape Town, will attend the Division Council in Johannesburg.

A COPY of the new letterheads of the Highlands Mission Field, Malamulo mission, Nyasaland, has been received at the Division office. This letterhead is one of the first productions of the Malamulo Mission Press, and we congratulate our Nyasaland workers on the success of their first attempt.

BROTHER W. R. VAIL, of the Congo, reports a most interesting experience while travelling to Stanleyville in search of a suitable site for a new mission in that district. A part of the journey was taken with the commissioner of the district, though at the time Brother Vail did not know who his travelling companion was. However, upon reaching Stanleyville and when making application to the Government, it was found that the official handling the application was the one with whom the earlier part of the journey had been taken. Letters to the Administrator were received, and Brother Vail was very courteously and kindly treated.

## Obituary.

VAN DER MERWE.-Passed peacefully away on the morning of April 4, 1927, our beloved father, G. v. d. Merwe.

Father loved so dearly, he remained faithful until the time of his death.

The last words Father uttered, were to admonish Mother and me to be firm to this Truth to the end. He expressed the same wish regarding brother John, who is now in the mission field.

wish regarding brother John, who is now in the mission field. Mother, my brother and I mourn our loss, but not without the hope that we shall meet again in the great day of re-union, when we will all worship around the Throne.

P. J. V. D. MERWE.