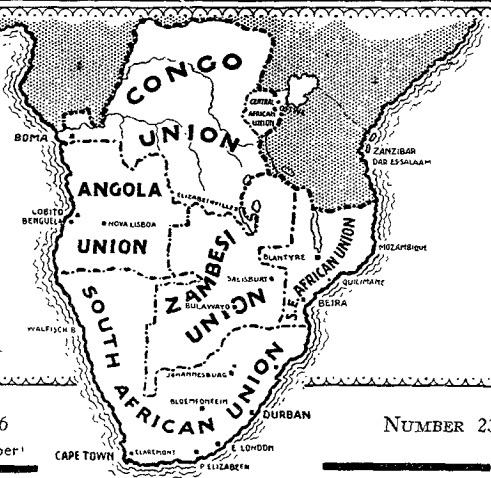


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Africa's Thirteenth Sabbath

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Sabbath School Secretary, Southern African Division

Of course every thirteenth Sabbath is ours in general, and we are ever eager to do our part in making every thirteenth Sabbath a success. But this thirteenth Sabbath is ours in particular; the overflow from the Thirteenth Sabbath offering on December 26 is to benefit Africa. And how our mission fields need this help!

During this quarter the eyes of our brethren and sisters around the world have been turned toward Africa. The missions' exercises Sabbath by Sabbath have carried our appeal to their hearts. That a generous response will be made to our plea is assured, for the evangelisation of Africa constitutes a magnetic appeal to the liberality of Seventh-day Adventists.

While our brethren and sisters in other lands are sacrificing for the benefit of the work in our Division surely we must not come behind any of them in giving. We know that our members would not intentionally and deliberately refrain from supporting the work of God on any occasion, we might let some special opportunities for giving slip by unless we were definitely reminded of them. That is why we promote our special offerings, and that is the reason why we are occupying this space in the OUTLOOK to give a final rally call for the last Thirteenth Sabbath Offering of the year. We trust that every Seventh-day Adventist in Africa will show his appreciation of what others are doing for us in helping us carry our burden of missions, by giving an extra liberal offering this Thirteenth Sabbath.

Remember the date, December 26. Let's make our offering a real Christmas gift for missions.

**REMEMBER THAT THE THIRTEENTH SABBATH OVERFLOW,
DECEMBER 26, COMES TO AFRICA**

An Extraordinary Privilege

A. F. TARR

IT is a most coveted privilege to share in the benefits of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering; and it is not often that such a privilege comes to South Africa. We think of it as going to India, South America, China, Japan, or some other far-away country. South Africa has seemed too near at hand to be classed among those deserving of such special favour.

But this year South Africa has been singled out from among all the countries of the world, to benefit from the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering. Two projects, both in the South African Union, have been selected to receive the overflow, *viz.*, the Nokuphila Hospital in Johannesburg, and the proposed medical mission in Zululand. Both of these are destined, we believe, to exert a wide influence on our work in South Africa. The medical work in the past has been one of the weakest links, and the present effort to strengthen it ought to be far reaching in its effects.

Already the Nokuphila Hospital is filled

to capacity, and for weeks has had a waiting list. Its work is appreciated by municipal and Government officials as well as by the public at large. In it the public are afforded an object lesson of what our hospitals elsewhere are doing,—those hospitals whose work they support by their annual Harvest Ingathering gifts. But more funds are needed to make that hospital all that it ought to be; and these are desired in the Thirteenth Sabbath appeal.

The second project, and that which is especially occupying the attention of the South African Union Conference at present, is the Zululand medical mission. For many years we have wanted to open up work in that important section, and the only means thus far devised is the establishment of a native hospital near Nongoma. If funds can be secured this project will be proceeded with, and the responsible committees have generously voted

that fifty per cent of the Thirteenth Sabbath overflow on December 26 shall go towards this purpose.

In view of the unprecedented opportunity we in South Africa have of receiving funds directly from the Sabbath school for work in our own needy field we invite every member to give to the limit on this coming Thirteenth Sabbath.

While the attention of members all over the world is being focussed upon South Africa and gifts will pour in from every country, we, whose immediate task is being lightened, should make our own offering a record one, both in generosity and in sacrifice. That this may be so, we appeal to every church member who can possibly do so, to be present at Sabbath school on December 26 with a liberal offering for the work in this field. And to those whose circumstances prevent them from being present, we suggest that an offering be sent to the treasurer of your church or to the Sabbath school superintendent.

A Sabbath School in the South-east African Union Mission Field

MRS. H. M. SPARROW

COME with me this beautiful Sabbath morning and we will visit a typical mission Sabbath school. We enter a neat, though rudely-constructed building in many instances, and find an orderly crowd seated in rows—small children in front—women and girls on the left—and men and boys on the right. Seated before the people are the superintendent and the secretary, dressed usually, in European clothing.

The opening hymn is announced and it does our hearts good to see with what fervour these people, but lately from heathenism, sing our good gospel songs. The children, especially, sing most heartily.

Prayer is offered and the secretary's report is read. This reveals the pulse of the school. We see an earnest endeavour toward daily lesson study and the learning of the memory verses Sabbath by Sabbath. Many have come long distances to attend, and an effort is made to be on time, though they have no guide but the sun, to tell them the time.

Some member is chosen to conduct the review. A favourite method is to have the secretary call on someone to answer, and if that one fails to answer correctly, to stand till someone is called, who can give the correct answer. This is somewhat embarrassing but it has a wholesome effect.

The school is divided into classes, and these go outside under the shady trees to study. Each class specialises on the memory verse.

On reassembling, the secretary calls on each class to stand. The teacher gives the reference and the class recites the memory verse in unison. The teacher also gives attendance, daily lesson study, number of visitors, and amount of offering, and these are written on the blackboard by the Sabbath school secretary. At the close of the school a summary can be seen. A class record is kept by each teacher as well.

The offering is rather unique in the school we are visiting. The people have very little money, but they love to give and so bring whatever they have. One sees eggs and live chickens, tomatoes, grain of various kinds, papaws—in fact anything that the native grows or eats. This is turned into cash wherever possible.

One native mission we visited had bags to hold the various kinds of grain and when one was full it was sold and credited to the Sabbath school. Thus we see how every little helps. We are sure God looks down and blesses the "mites" that are given.

The lesson quarterly is a big problem to the native. Many cannot read, and those who can are often too poor to buy

one—though a quarterly costs but five-pence for six months. Still we encourage as many as can, to own a quarterly. One teacher overcame the difficulty in this way: he appointed one man in each village who could read, and this man called the people together daily for study. In this way many were able to obtain perfect records. "Where there is a will, there is a way," is as true in Central Africa as anywhere else in the world.

What we see in Central Africa today is the result of your liberal offerings from Sabbath to Sabbath, year by year. God has blessed your money to the saving of souls, and in the kingdom may your crown be bright with stars as the result of the sacrifices you have made that the heathen might have the opportunity of hearing the message.

Sabbath, December 26, is Thirteenth Sabbath. What will be your response to Africa's plea?

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"THE Sabbath school is an important branch of the missionary work, not only because it gives to young and old a knowledge of God's Word, but because it awakens in them a love for its sacred truths, and a desire to study them for themselves." —*Testimonies*, Vol. V, page 398.

Remember that the Thirteenth Sabbath Overflow, on December 26, comes to Africa.

The "Review and Herald"

The Weekly Newspaper for Seventh-day Adventists

Supplement to the Southern African Division Outlook, December 1, 1936

A Personal Letter

(From the Division President)

MY DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS,

How I wish I might visit each one of you personally this morning; however, inasmuch as such a visit is not possible, I am addressing this letter to you with the hope that you will read it as a personal one.

At this time I want to lay upon your hearts the great need of your receiving the weekly visits of the *Review and Herald*. Really, I feel very sad when I think of so few of our people having our church paper in their homes. If I, as a minister, need this paper with its timely counsel, admonitions, entreaties and information relative to the remnant church and its work, surely the members of the church need it also. In fact, I cannot conceive of any member of the church being informed regarding, or keeping pace with the message so dear to us, without the *Review*. Then, too, the counsel and messages contained in the *Review* each week tend to build up the individual spiritually, and to make him stronger in the most holy faith.

Now, in this supplement of the *OUTLOOK* you will learn of the feast of good things which the *Review* will bring to you for 1937. *Please read it carefully*, and then *decide* without delay that you will be a reader of the *Review* next year. The few shillings you will spend to secure it will be returned to you a hundred-fold in the good things which the paper will bring to you. Therefore, I have no hesitancy at all in urging you to subscribe for the paper. You can afford to do this at any sacrifice. If you secure the *Review* for one year, you will better appreciate the fact that you cannot afford to be without it.

I shall not say more this morning, but will pray that God will guide you in making the right decision. May the Lord help you to be able to place your subscription before December 31.

Hoping you will join at an early date the family circle of *Review* readers, I am, on behalf of our church paper,

Yours in the Master's service,

J. F. WRIGHT.

One Fact You Should Realise

F. E. POTTER

ONE fact stands out like a pillar of flame against a black sky before the eyes of Christendom today—the nearness of the coming of Christ. It is a fact which should make the hearts of Seventh-day Adventists leap for joy. It should prompt us to put on the whole armour of God so as to enable us to withstand the wrathful onslaughts of the devil who, perhaps even better than we ourselves, knows that his time is short.

Scripture has warned us that in the last days the world will be enveloped in a period of trouble which will make past upheavals pale into insignificance. We are entering that period today, and we shall need far greater strength, wisdom, patience, and endurance than we have ever enjoyed heretofore if we are to escape engulfment in this maelstrom of evil.

One great source of help for Seventh-day Adventists is the good old *Review and Herald* which has stood as a denominational bulwark now for years. Take a look over this leaflet and notice the wonderful feast of good things to be provided by the *Review and Herald* for our mental and spiritual refreshment and invigoration during 1937.

Can any of us afford to be without such help? Can any of us lightly pass by such wonderful provision made for the upbuilding of our faith and hope? Already the New Year clamours for our attention. It seeks to sketch in our minds the framework of our future policy. Soon we shall be laying definite plans for 1937 and, right here, dear believer, let us urge you to place your order for the *Review and Herald*. Whatever plans you lay for the coming year *do not* fail to make room for the *Review and Herald* as a weekly visitor. Its advent each week will bring into review before the eyes of your family the progress of this blessed message in other parts of the vineyard. It will herald, also, coming events relating to the welfare of the advent cause. It will provide cheer for each member of your family—it will enlighten, strengthen, comfort and bless you.

Send off your order now to your Conference Religious Book Depository and thus plan for a special treat for yourself and your family in 1937.

JOIN THE FAMILY CIRCLE OF *REVIEW* READERS



PERHAPS never in any one year of its history did we have in prospect so many good things for the readers of the *Review* as we have for the ensuing year. The *Review* is our general church paper, the great newspaper of the church, the family paper, and it will be the earnest endeavour of the editors, more than ever before, to meet this large purpose of its existence. We are pleased to announce for 1937 the following special features:

General Conference Plans and Reports

1. Through the *Review* more than through any other paper in the denomination, the officers of the General Conference speak to the members of our churches throughout the world. These men constitute the list of our special contributors. Elders J. L. McElhany, E. D. Dick, and W. E. Nelson, with their associate officers of the world field, will have many important announcements to make during 1937. Plans and policies adopted by the General Conference Committee will be discussed in the columns of our church paper. In order for our people to keep pace with the progress of the second advent movement, it will be necessary for them to know these plans, so that they may intelligently co-operate with them.

2. Important council meetings and conventions, such as the Spring meeting of the General Conference Committee and the Autumn Council, will be reported through the columns of the *Review*. Oftentimes business of a more far-reaching character is transacted at the time of our Autumn Council than at the General Conference session.

General Articles From Prominent Leaders

3. We have reached the time, as never before, when we should seek great things from God and expect great blessings from Him. These blessings will come through the divine agency of the Holy Spirit. Elder I. H. Evans will furnish a series of articles on the ministry of the Holy Spirit. These will be presented in a form suited to the practical needs of our readers, and we believe they will be of great value.

4. The ministry of Christ constitutes the central truth of the gospel. That ministry was graphically represented in type and symbol in the sanctuary and temple service of the old dispensation. A review of this great topic will be of value and interest to every reader of the *Review*. We plan to publish a series of articles on this subject during the year to come, and are arranging with one of our leading workers to furnish the same.

5. "Dangers Threatening the Church," by Elder J. E. Fulton, the field secretary of the Pacific Union Conference. Brother Fulton has had long experience in this work, both as a foreign missionary and as a home worker, in evangelistic and administrative fields. He will sound

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a definite trumpet note in these articles which he will

6. Elder W. C. White will continue his recital of the historical development of this movement, citing many interesting experiences which will furnish valuable lessons for the future. Many have spoken in appreciation of the articles in this series which have already appeared.

7. From time to time we have had requests for help on the original text of the Scriptures. Some of our readers wish to know the meaning of difficult words or phrases, such as "tormented forever and ever," "everlasting fire," and "soul," "end of the Sabbath." Prof. W. E. Howland, a former time student and teacher of Greek, will furnish a series of studies on difficult texts of Scripture, during the year. We believe that these studies will make a special contribution to our ministers and to all critical Bible students.

8. The natural tendency of even religious workers of the world is toward the material, toward trusting in plans and policies, believing that the work can be accomplished by them. Every phase and feature of our work needs to be spiritualized. This is particularly emphasised in the series of articles by Elder L. E. Froom, under the title, "God's Plan for His Work." You will appreciate this presentation.

9. The *Review* during 1937 will carry a number of articles from leading workers upon important Bible doctrines and applications of Christian experience. These will constitute a review of the foundations of our faith.

Featuring Our Mission Fields

10. In addition to the stirring reports of missionary experiences which will be published weekly from our world divisions, the *Review* will feature every month a special mission number devoted to some one of the great world divisions. We have eleven of these, namely, the Australian Division, the Central European Division, the China Division, the Far Eastern Division, the Inter-American Division, the Northern European Division, the South American Division, the Southern African Division, the Southern Asia Division, the Southern European Division, the North American Division. These will require eleven special numbers of the *Review*, one devoted to the interests of a particular division.

In addition to this we shall devote a special number of time during the year to the Laymen's Missionary Movement, placing before our readers the great work being done in this rank and file of this denomination. This will make a special number of our church paper. These numbers

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SPECIAL FEATURES

Illustrated, featuring the important advance made by our in these various fields.

Our Home and Health Department

We shall unite what has appeared heretofore in the Department of Health with that of the Home — the Home and Health Department. We shall have articles of intensely practical interest and value in this department for the coming year. Mrs. Agnes Lewis Caviness, a mother in Israel, a practical maker and teacher, will furnish for this department several articles of helpful instruction.

We have the promise also of articles from Mrs. May Cole of China, who has already written some very helpful articles for our Home Department.

The children will doubtless be glad to know that Uncle is coming back to the Home Circle with his interesting stories of nature.

In the field of health we have three series of articles already promised: (a) The Care of the Teeth, by Dr. D. S. Teters. Dr. Teters is a competent dentist of wide experience. (b) A Balanced Dietary, by Mrs. Winifred Lindsay, dietitian at St. Helena Sanitarium. (c) Accidents and Emergencies, Simple Diseases and Their Treatment, by Miss Hulda J. Warner, supervisor of nursing education, Washington Sanitarium Training School for Nurses.

"Steppingstones to Success"

The department for Young Men and Young Women, formerly known as our "Y" Department, will have many articles of human interest and practical experience during the coming year. Mother Naomi will continue her answers to questions from girls. These answers have brought cheer and help to many who were heartsick and discouraged. A series of articles by various writers on "Steppingstones to Success" will be printed in this department. Such topics as the following will be considered in that practical way which will make them, we believe, a real help to every aspiring young man and woman:

- (1) The Need of an Education
- (2) The Value of Courtesy
- (3) Neat and Appropriate Dress
- (4) Good Health Essential to Success
- (5) Stenography as a Steppingstone to Other Positions
- (6) My Relation to My Employer
- (7) Practical Education for the Mission Field
- (8, 9, 10) How I Secured My Education
- (11) When and Whom Should I Marry
- (12) Why I Married
- (13) What to Do in Event of Disappointment in Married Life
- (14) Why I Did Not Marry
- (15) The Kind of Woman I Want for a Wife
- (16) The Kind of Man I Want for a Husband

- (17) Choosing My Profession
- (18) Right Objectives in Social Relations
- (19) The Call of the Lord — How Determined
- (20) Choosing One's Intimate Friends
- (21) My Reading and Study After School Days
- (22) The Value of Time
- (23) Dangers Threatening Our Youth
- (24) In Prison for Christ's Sake
- (25) Why I Chose Medicine as a Profession
- (26) My Call to the Ministry, and Why I Accepted
- (27) The Appeal of a Business Life
- (28) The Girl Student From the Viewpoint of a Preceptress
- (29) Colportage in the Development of Character
- (30) Why I chose to Be a Nurse, and the Sequel
- (31) What I Owe to My Father
- (32) What My Mother's Companionship Meant to Me
- (33) What I Expect From My Secretary
- (34) Why I Became a Teacher
- (35) The Value of Adaptability
- (36) The Lessons of Poverty and Economy
- (37) Lessons Learned in the University of Hard Knocks
- (38) The Christ Life — How to Obtain It, How to Keep It
- (39) Why Some Succeed and Some Fail in Life's Objectives
- (40) The Value of Trial

13. We shall have many interesting reports of evangelism, of conference activity and church organisation, in our World-Wide Field Department. These will come from the home bases, such as America, Australia, and Europe.

From the Editors

14. The editors of the *Review and Herald* will have articles of special interest on various topics during 1937. W. A. Spicer will write in his own inimitable way about many things and on many questions as his fruitful mind may be led. F. D. Nichol will continue the excellent series of articles on Modern Religious Thinking which is now being printed in the *Review*. T. M. French will furnish a series of topical studies on the book of Hebrews. These studies we believe will be found helpful in Biblical exposition and in the way of spiritual appeal. C. P. Bollman will write as the Lord leads his mind on various phases of Christian experience. The editor of the *Review* will continue His Heart-to-heart Talks, and write on various questions pertaining to the work of our movement, and in response to questions from the field.

Liberal Illustration

During the last few years of depression our church paper has sought to economise in every possible way, and but few new illustrations have been used. Those employed have been largely drawn from our art files. A policy of liberal but consistent use of pictures will be employed during 1937, particularly in illustrating the progress of our work in mission lands and in illustration of articles appearing in the Home and "Y" Departments.

No one can afford to miss the feast of good things which will be spread before our readers during the coming year. The spirit of admonition, instruction, and inspiration will characterise the contents of the paper. An effort will be made, more than ever before, to make it the home journal, filled with matter suited to every member of the household — the parents, the youth, the children. It should be in the home of every English-reading Seventh-day Adventist. We call upon all who appreciate its value to make possible the realisation of this hope.

The Union Conference Committee Presents Its Appeal

The terrible struggle between the forces of righteousness and those of evil, is undoubtedly drawing to its close. Today, on every hand we see a concentration of the forces of evil in a final effort to hinder and destroy the work of God. An enticing hand is outstretched to our youth by a world dazzling in its appeal. Subtle influences are at work which would question the truths committed to us as a people.

The *Review and Herald* has, under the guidance of God, become a mighty bulwark and a source of great strength in combating these forces of evil. In our family church paper the truths of our message in all their beauty, are constantly kept before us, protecting us from the apostasy so distressingly evident in modern religious organisations. Modernism is revealed in all its subtle deception and our youth are extended a hand which will save and support them in the most dangerous age youth has ever faced.

Finally the *Review* brings a weekly message of courage and confidence from our world-wide field, by its stirring record of mighty battles being fought and glorious victories won.

The *Review and Herald* in its many departments, and by its wide appeal has become a real necessity to the Seventh-day Adventist home where the message and the work is loved and where the final triumph of the message is sought.

We appeal to our brethren and sisters of the South African Union: Make our senior church paper, the *Review and Herald*, a weekly visitor to your home. For your children's sake, for the church's sake, and for your own sake, let its valuable influence maintain in your family the vital interests of the message and add to the stability of your home.

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Helderberg College---Principal's Report

G. E. SHANKEL

Spiritual Progress

THE general tone of the year 1936 has been markedly good. In spiritual and disciplinary matters a very satisfactory level has been maintained. A most gratifying degree of co-operation between teachers and students, as well as between teachers, has contributed to a smooth-running year. Major discipline remained at a minimum. The fact that the staff has been sufficiently large so that its members have not been overworked, thus permitting of a close contact with the students, has been a contributory factor to the generally good spirit manifest.

The teachers made a special effort to engage in personal work and its effects have been faithfully reflected in the spiritual status of the students. A special word of appreciation is due to both Elder W. L. Hyatt and Brother Vixie for the splendid spiritual appeals made during their several days' visits to the college. A baptismal class of upwards of twenty has been carefully instructed throughout the year by Elder Edwards and more than a dozen of the fully-established ones have been baptised. A large number have also qualified for the M. V. pins, several having received Comrade and Master Comrade pins.

Teaching Strength

The added strength to the various departments consequent upon the additions made to the staff has been appreciated. The work offered in college courses this year has been lighter than usual, due to certain changes in the course. Next year, however, the present staff will be loaded heavily. It may be well to point out here that the work of the Bible Department is quite too much for one man to handle, and the question of adjusting this load is one of the most difficult at the present time.

The unification of several departments has been effected by recent additions to the personnel of the staff. The English Department is now under one head, as are also the Modern Languages Department, the Mathematics Department, the Normal Department and the Commercial Department. The Commercial Department is doing work far superior to that done previously, and in another year the college will be producing competent three-year Commercial graduates.

Courses

In the three separate Three-Year College Courses the college now offers a fairly enriched curricula. The action passed by the board at the mid-year meeting, adding a year of College Commercial work in addition to Commercial Nine and Ten really makes a fourth year College course. The Three-Year Course previously offered, which was a combined Normal and Theological one, is still favoured by many of the students. Representations have been made to the General Conference Education Department to recognise our Three-Year Courses as worthy of full credit overseas.

Enrolment

A year ago a forecast of 130 students was made for 1936. The actual enrolment reached 131. The average attendance remained comparatively high in relation to enrolment, there being a loss of only nine students during the year, or less than 7%. The present enrolment does not afford a safe margin, as far as income is concerned, and it is to be hoped that the enrolment may be increased for another year. Three of the staff will cover the Union of South Africa quite thoroughly during the summer to co-operate with the conference forces in the accomplishment of this end.

Inspection Committee Recommendations

It has been a disappointment to the staff that the Inspection Committee has not been able to visit the school this year. The 1935 visit of the committee was highly profitable. Valuable criticisms were offered and a number of improvements suggested. Among those already effected or in process of being worked out are the following: Increased bath facilities, separate shop and tools for Woodwork Department, study group meetings of the staff for professional study, the English work placed under one teacher, the erection of a separate Normal Building. One important recommendation to which no solution has been found as yet is the keeping of the afternoon programme more free for industrial and practical work. The problem does not admit of any simple solution, for with it is closely hinged the question of "whither bound" in our whole educational philosophy. If we tend more and more to the formal, theoretical and classical type of education then we must of necessity minimise the practical end. Education today has become so specialised in its nature that one cannot do both at one and the same time. In a general sense it would appear that the larger interests of our work as a whole in Africa would be better served by emphasising the practical in the training of our students. We have attempted to do this by incorporating vocational subjects in the curricula so that each student shall pursue some practical subject each year while in school.

Improvements

During the year the effort has been to effect improvements that have not called for any considerable cash outlay. Further work has been done on the campus, the section toward the new teachers' cottage now being near completion. Storm-water drains have been constructed and further hedge planted so as to extend the entire length of the campus. A further 5,000 sugar gums have been planted this year.

In harmony with a board action to increase the flock of fowls, three additional houses 18 x 54 ft. have been constructed, one more being sufficient to care for 2,000 laying hens.

Several new power tools for the woodwork shop have been secured and charged against a trust fund for woodwork equipment.

The Junior Hostel and Normal Building is somewhat of a major undertaking. This building will fill a long-felt need and a well-conducted Junior Hostel should meet with considerable favour. Careful attention is being given to the interior details so that the arrangement, fittings and equipment may be suitable and convenient.

It is now planned to move the Science Department to the basement rooms formerly occupied by the church school and thus provide more ample space for laboratory and for storage of laboratory equipment. This change in turn will allow needed room for the growing Commercial Department.

The value of the library has been greatly enhanced this year, not only by the addition of several hundred new books, but also by the organisation and system effected through the efforts of Mrs. Clarke who has devoted full time to this work.

Future Development

Some of the following projected improvements will apparently have to be deferred. A separate dairy building is urgently needed with proper equipment for cooling and refrigeration of dairy and poultry products. A silo will also be a great asset as soon as it can be provided. A machine house or shed for care of equipment is also needed.

The ceiling of the dining room is a project that has received consideration and this will be completed before school opens in January.

Another dwelling house or two, and a small building to serve as a home for the Music Department are also among the material needs which will call for attention.

Our efforts for the immediate future should undoubtedly be to consolidate and finish what has been begun. The institution should now begin to indicate permanency and completion.

Besides spiritual and moral power and vision I should say that the major need is young people to fill the institution. Now that the dormitories are entirely cleared for students, and with the Junior Hostel available, it will be quite possible to care for 200 students comfortably. The school needs the youth and they need the school. Our work calls for trained men and women. We all need to make more earnest endeavours than ever before to turn the hearts of our youth to this training centre. The future of the work depends to some extent on our ability to inspire young people to improve the opportunity of preparing for service, of turning every human resource to the great objective of a finished work, and directing wasted talent to soul-saving aims. Toward the achievement of these objectives the college stands ready to offer its fullest co-operation.



"My son, if thou come to serve the Lord prepare thy soul for temptation."

S. S. Department

L. L. Moffitt, Secretary

The Investment Plan

What is the Investment plan?

The investment plan is a means whereby we can bring into God's treasury for missions money that otherwise would not be given.

What have been its results?

During the last 10 years almost £100,000 have come into the treasury by this means.

How long has this plan been in practice?

In 1925 the General Conference first launched it.

What is the extent of the plan?

It is practically world wide. Every Division but one has adopted it and most of the local fields. It is growing from year to year.

What means of investment can you suggest?

A portion of ground set apart for produce.

A portion of a crop—mealies, wheat, beans, potatoes.

Certain number of garden rows of produce, tomatoes, radishes, salad, rhubarb, carrots, flowers.

Certain proportion of fruit, or certain trees set apart.

Number of eggs laid on Sabbath.

Money from sale of old newspapers.

Making and selling of useful articles.

Saving copper-coins.

Selling small books.

Selling Bible portions.

Collecting used postage stamps.

Gathering wood to sell.

Needlework; dressmaking; knitting.

Making and selling pictures.

What admonitions are given us about the acquiring and use of money?

"But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is He that giveth thee power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore unto thy fathers, as it is this day." Deut. 8:18.

"It is God who gives men power to get wealth, and He has bestowed this ability, not as a means of gratifying self, but as a means of returning to God His own. With this object it is not a sin to acquire means. Money is to be earned by labour. Every youth should be trained to habits of industry. The Bible condemns no man for being rich, if he has acquired his riches honestly. It is the selfish love of money wrongfully employed that is the root of all evil. Wealth will prove a blessing if we regard it as the Lord's to be received with thankfulness, and with thankfulness returned to the Giver."—*Testimonies*, Vol. VI, pages 452, 453.

Why does He give us money?

"It is not the plan of God to rain down means from heaven in order that His cause may be sustained. He has entrusted, or deposited, ample means with men, that there shall be no lack in any department of His work. He proves those who profess to love Him by placing means in their hands, and then tries them, to see if they love the gift better than the Giver. God will reveal, in time, the true feelings of the heart."—*Id.*, Vol. II, page 660.

What returns will invested money bring?

"There are high and holy objects that require means; and money thus invested, will yield to the giver more elevated and permanent enjoyment than if it were expended in personal gratification, or selfishly hoarded for greed of gain. When God calls for our treasure, whatever the amount may be, the willing response makes the gift a consecrated offering to Him, and lays up for the giver a treasure in heaven that moth cannot corrupt, that fire cannot consume, nor thieves break in and steal. The investment is safe. The money is placed in bags that have no holes; it is secure."—*Testimonies*, Vol. IV, pages 78, 79.

What value has money today which it will not have later?

"One dollar now is of more value to the work than 10 dollars at some future period."—*Testimonies*, Vol. V., page 732.

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Branch Sabbath Schools

NO. 3.—ADVANTAGES

ARCHA DART

HAVE you ever stopped to think how handy everything is for you to conduct a branch Sabbath school? First, the lessons are already prepared. Whether your school is for children, young people, or adults, the lessons are ready for you. Second, the lessons never have an end. There is no danger of creating an interest and then running out of material. Begin when you will and run as long as you wish, the lessons are there fresh for every week in the year. Third, we have studied these same lessons ourselves every day during the week. By the time we are ready to teach the lesson, we are familiar with it. Fourth, it is an excellent way to spend part of the Sabbath. We find it difficult at times to make a visit that is proper on the Sabbath. In a branch Sabbath school we have all the visit we wish and the kind that Jesus' smile can rest upon. Fifth, we are helping to give this message—something that must be done before Jesus can come. Sixth, it helps us. We learn by teaching. Our hearts are set on fire when we are labouring.

The Word of God itself is the greatest attraction we have to offer the people. Many are hungry for something, they know not what. The Bible is the bread from heaven. When one young lady started her Sunday school, several people told her that

it was no use, for the people would come once or twice and stop just as they had always done before. But they haven't stopped. The attendance is growing and has grown from the time our sister took over the school. The people say, "These lessons are wonderful."

Always keep the children in mind. If the lessons are made simple enough for the children, the others will understand them also. If the children are interested in the school, you may be sure that the parents will sing its praises. Seeds sown in a child's mind stand a better chance of bearing fruit anyway.

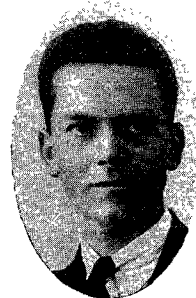
Here are ten little rules to keep in mind if you want to keep your school growing:

1. Be regular yourself.
2. Keep a record of attendance.
3. Give Honour Cards and Ribbons to those who earn them.
4. Have a goal device.
5. Do not allow your meeting to drag.
6. Let others have parts on the programme. (But do not urge anyone overmuch.)
7. Have a story to illustrate each lesson.
8. Give a picture card or something to each child.
9. Enjoy the meeting yourself.
10. Stop on time.

"There is a most precious missionary field in the Sabbath school, and if there are now omens of good, they are only indications and beginnings of what may be done."—*Testimonies on Sabbath School Work*, page 29.

PUBLISHING Department

F. E. Potter, Secretary



Who's Who in the Literature Ministry

No. 5.—J. B. Cooks

THE photograph above is that of the energetic field missionary secretary of the Zambesi Union. We tried to get Brother Cooks to tell us of some of his exploits in the literature ministry, but his keen sense of modesty defeated us. Outside the bare data covering his contact with the

literature ministry from student days until the present time, all our good brother would say about his success was, "Whatever has been done is attributable to God's working."

Brother Cooks' first contact with the printed page was in 1928 when he joined the student-colporteur contingent from Helderberg College. He repeated the experience each year until 1932. After being graduated from Helderberg College Brother Cooks laboured in the South African Conference as church school teacher during 1933, and in January of 1934 received a call to connect with the Zambesi Union as field missionary and home missionary secretary.

His three years of labour in that field have been fruitful ones, and the literature ministry has prospered and grown under his faithful supervision and promotion.

The literature ministry in this great Division needs more earnest young men — young men with the spirit of Christ in their hearts — in its ranks who will brave difficulties and hardships in advancing the triumphs of the cross by means of the pages of truth with which this denomination has been so liberally blessed.

Young men who read this appeal and who feel impressed to respond to the call of the hour should get in touch with the field missionary secretary of their conference.

In Natal-Transvaal Conference

N. Cowley, P.O. Box 7768, Johannesburg, Tvl.

In Cape Conference

C. S. Pike, P.O. Box 508, Port Elizabeth, Cape.

In Zambesi Union Mission

J. B. Cooks, P.O. Box 573, Bulawayo, So. Rhodesia.

An Appreciation

I WISH to take this opportunity of thanking all the people of God on behalf of my mother, brothers and sisters, for the earnest prayers offered up for my late father. I know it has certainly not been a lack of prayer and faith on the part of God's people, but, "My ways are not your ways," saith the Lord, and we submit to His guidance.

I would mention especially the names of Sisters Simpson, Lansdown and Bagley for their kindness during my father's illness and can assure them it was greatly appreciated.

At this time I wish to solicit your prayers on behalf of my dear mother. God has sustained her wonderfully, for the shock has been a terrible one to her. She has suffered many years and still is a sufferer. God will hear the prayers of His faithful people I know and in His own time heal her. Let us take it to Him and leave all in His hands.

W. BASTIAANS.

Afrika se Dertiende Sabbat

L. L. MOFFITT

(Sabbatskool-Sekretaris, Suidelike Afrikaanse Divisie)

Natuurlik het ons, algemeen gesproke, deel aan elke Dertiende Sabbat, en ons is altyd gereed om ons deel te doen om dit 'n sukses te maak. Maar ons het spesiale belang in die eerskomende Dertiende Sabbat, want die surplus wat daar op 26 Desember sal wees, is aan Afrika toegesê. En hoe broodnodig het ons sendingvelde hierdie fondse!

Gedurende hierdie kwartaal was die oë van ons broeders en susters oor die wêreld op Afrika gerig. Die sendinglesings van Sabbat tot Sabbat het veral 'n beroep op hulle gedoen. Dat hierdie beroepe goeie gevolg sal hê is 'n uitgemeekte saak, want die evangelisasie van Afrika is 'n saak waarvoor Sewende-dag Adventiste mildelik bydra.

Terwyl ons broeders en susters in ander lande opofferings maak vir die werk in hierdie Divisie, moet ons seker maak dat ons nie agterstaan nie. Ons weet dat ons kerklede nie moedswillig sal nalaat om die werk van God te ondersteun nie, maar ons kan lig party kanse laat verbygaan as ons nie spesiaal daaraan herinner word nie. Dit is om hierdie rede alleen dat ons u attent maak op hierdie spesiale offergawes, en hierdie artikel in die OUTLOOK skryf. Ons vertrou dat alle Sewende-dag Adventiste in Afrika hul waardering sal toon van wat ander vir ons doen in verband met die ondersteuning van ons sendingwerk, deur 'n buitengewoon mildelike offergawe te bring op die aanstaande Dertiende Sabbat.

Onthou die datum is 26 Desember. Laat ons 'n ware Kersgeskenk vir die sending gee.

'n Seldsame Voorreg

A. F. TARR

Dit 'n baie groot voorreg om te deel in die Dertiende Sabbat Offergawe; en ons in Suid-Afrika kry nie dikwels so 'n voorreg nie. Ons kan ons voorstel hoedat dit na Indië, Suid-Amerika, China, Japan, of 'n ander ver afgeleë land gaan. Maar Suid-Afrika is te dig by ons om so 'n guns te ontvang.

Hierdie jaar egter is Suid-Afrika onder

al die ander lande van die wêreld uitgekies om voordeel te trek uit die Dertiende Sabbat Offergawe. Twee ondernemings in Suid-Afrika sal van die surplus fondse ontvang: die Nokuphila Hospitaal, en die voorgenome mediese sending in Zoeloeland. Ons glo dat altwee hierdie inrigtings bestemd is om 'n groot invloed uit te oefen in ons werk in Suid-Afrika. In die verlede was die mediese werk nog altyd een van die swakste skakels, en die poging wat ons gaan aanwend om dit te versterk behoort verreikende gevolge te hê.

Die Nokuphila Hospitaal is reeds tot oorlopiens toe vol, en daar is 'n groot waggelys. Sowel die stedelike as regeringsbeambtes, asook die publiek, waardeer die werk van hierdie inrigting. Met hierdie hospitaal as voorbeeld kan die publiek 'n idee vorm van wat in ons ander hospitale gedoen word — inrigtings wat hulle help om aan die gang te hou met hul Oesinsameling-gifte. Daar is egter meer fondse nodig om die hospitaal doeltreffend te maak, en met die oog hierop maak ons hierdie Dertiende Sabbat oproep.

Die tweede onderneming, en een wat tans die aandag van die S. A. Unie Konferensie geniet, is die voorgenome Zoeloeland Mediese Sending. Vir jare al begeer ons om werk in hierdie belangrike gebied te begin, en die enigste kans tot dusver is die oprigting van 'n natuurlike hospitaal naby Nongoma. As die nodige fondse inkom sal die werk aan die gang gesit word. Die verantwoordelike komitee het reeds helfte van die surplus op die aanstaande Dertiende Sabbat toegesê vir hierdie doel.

Met die oog op die groot voorreg wat ons in Suid-Afrika geniet om fondse te ontvang direk van die Sabbatskool, vir werk in ons eie behoeftige sendingveld, vra ons elke lid om soveel te gee as hy kan op die aanstaande Dertiende Sabbat.

Terwyl die oë van die lede oor die ganse wêreld op Suid-Afrika gerig is, en daar fondse van alle lande sal inkom, moet ons hier ter plaatse, ons offergawe een van die grootste en mildste maak. Met hierdie doel voor oë, doen ons 'n beroep op elke kerklid om indien moontlik op 26 Desember teenwoordig te wees met 'n milde offergawe vir die werk in hierdie veld. En aan diegene wat deur omstandighede verhinder mag word om teenwoordig te wees, maak ons die voorstel dat hulle hul offergawe stuur aan die tesourier van hul kerk of aan die superintendent van hul Sabbatskool.

Die Aanstaande Dertiende Sabbat Surplus

LAAT ONS ALLE REKORDS SLAAN

J. F. WRIGHT

Ons leef in 'n eeu waarin rekords op elke gebied geslaan word. Daar is mense wat alle kragte inspan om die skynbare onmoontlike te doen. As dit waar is van

mense met wêreldse ambisies, wat omtrent manne en vroue met geestelike visie en ambisie? Daar word tans meer van ons geverg as in enige vorige tydperk. Geen onderneming in die werk van God is vir ons te groot nie.

Eerlank sal 26 Desember aanbreek, wanneer al ons kerke hul Dertiende Sabbat Offergawe sal bring. Laat ons dit die grootste offergawe maak wat nog ooit in Afrika ontvang is, *Want soos u weet sal hierdie Divisie die surplus ontvang.*

Vorige surplusse het voorwaar ons werk in Afrika vooruitgehelp. Vandat hierdie plan eerste in werking getree het, het ons meer of min £12,000 in surplus fondse ontvang. As gevolg daarvan het ons vandag skoolgeboue, kerke, hospitale en apteke — alles opgerig met hierdie geld. Hoe dankbaar behoort ons daarvoor te wees! Maar dis nog lank nie die einde nie.

Weer gaan ons die surplus ontvang. Hoeveel gaan dit wees? Ja, dis die vraag. Hoe wens ons dat dit 'n £1,000 kan wees! Ons hoop dit sal; maar laat ons hier in Afrika alles in ons vermoë doen om daardie doel te haal.

Ons het baie ernstige beroepe gedoen op die mense oorsee in verband met hierdie saak. Nou doen ek 'n persoonlike beroep op ons leke en werkers om hul deel te doen in hierdie verband. Die individuele doelwit oorsee is 4/2 per lid vir Afrika. Persoonlik egter, is ek van plan om £1 te gee. Ek hoop dat daar baie ander sal wees wat 'n soortgelyke bedrag sal gee. Sommige sal miskien 10/- kan bekostig, ander weer, sal nie soveel kan gee nie; maar laat ons almal trag om soveel moontlik te gee. Ek weet dat my beroep nie vergeefs sal wees nie; ek weet u sal u bes doen, en ons verag met alle vertroue 'n goeie surplus. Mag die Here dit so beskik.

Uitgewers Dept.

F. E. Potter, *Sekretaris*

Wie is Wie in die Leesstof-Bediening

No. 5.—J. B. Cooks

Die foto hierbo is dié van die Sendingsektaris van die Samesie Unie. Ons het Broeder Cooks versoek om ons 'n paar van sy wedervarings in die leesstofbediening mee te deel, maar sy nederigheid het hom belet om dit te doen. Hy het slegs die datums verskaf van die verskillende tydperke wat hy in hierdie verband gedien het, en verder het hy gesê, „alles wat ek gedoen het, het ek met die hulp van God gedoen.”

Broeder Cooks het in 1928 die eerste maal as student-kolporteur uitgegaan, en van toe af het hy elke jaar uitgegaan tot 1932. Na hy met die kollege klaar was het hy in diens van die S. A. Konferensie

gegaan as onderwyser. In Januarie 1934, het hy die betrekking aangeneem van Sendingsektaris van die Samesie Unie. Die drie jaar wat hy nou daar besig is het baie vrugte afgewerp, en die leesstofbediening het baie vooruitgegaan onder sy toesig.

Die leesstofbediening in hierdie groot Divisie het meer jongmense nodig — jongmense met die gees van Christus in hul hart, en wat moeilikhede en ontbering sal verduur in die verspreiding van die waarheid wat aan hierdie denominasie toevertrou is.

As daar diegene is wat wil aansluit by die leesstofbediening, word hulle versoek om in verbinding te tree met die Sendingsektaris van hul konferensie. Ons gee die adresse van die verskillende konferensies hieronder:

Natal-Transvaal Konferensie

N. Cowley, Posbus 7768, Johannesburg, Tvl.

Kaap Konferensie

C. S. Pike, Posbus 508, Port Elizabeth, C. P.

Zambesie Unie Sending

J. B. Cooks, Posbus 573, Boelawajo, Suidelike Rhodesie.

Helderberg Kollege

Uittreksels uit Rapport van Prinsipaal — 1936

Geestelike Vooruitgang

Die algemene gees gedurende die jaar was uitstekend. Dissipline was goed gehandhaaf. Daar was goeie samewerking tussen onderwysers en studente, en dit het baie bygedra om alles vlot te laat gaan. Leraar W. L. Hyatt en Broeder L. A. Vixie verdien 'n spesiale woordjie van dank vir hul besielende geestelike boodskappe gedurende die tyd wat hulle die kollege besoek het. Gedurende die jaar was daar 'n doopklas gehou vir sowat twintig studente, deur Leraar Edwards, en eindelik was daar iets oor 'n dosyn gedoop.

Kursusse

Vir die drie verskillende driejarige kursusse het ons nou 'n taamlik uitgebreide leerplan. Die stappe wat die Raad teen die helfte van die jaar gedoen het deur 'n handelskursus in te stel, gee ons feitlik 'n vierde kollegekursus. Die gekombineerde teologiese en normaal kursus van drie jaar val nog die meeste in die guns van die studente. Ons het vetoë gerig aan die Wêreldkonferensie om die erkenning van ons driejarige kursusse op Helderberg Kollege.

Verbeterings

Gedurende die jaar was daar sekere verbeterings aangebring wat nie eintlik groot geldelike uitgawes vereis het nie. Daar was aan die skoolgronde gewerk, reënwater riole gemaak, en heinings aange-

plant. Daar was ook 'n verdere 5,000 bloekomboompies uitgeplant.

Die uitbreiding van ons trop pluimvee het die oprigting van drie addisionele hoenderhuise, 18 x 54 voet, nodig gemaak.

Daar was ook nuwe masjienerie vir die houtwerk departement aangekoop, en ons is tans besig met die oprigting van die Junior koshuis, wat 'n taamlike groot taak is.

As gevolg van deegliker organisasie, en die aankoop van nuwe boeke, was die waarde van die biblioteek aansienlik verhoog.

Toekomstige Uitbreiding

Daar is groot behoefte aan 'n doeltreffende gebou vir ons melkery, asook die nodige uitrusting vir die verkoeling van ons suiwelprodukte. Daar is nog ten minste twee woonhuise nodig, en 'n gebou vir die musiekklassie. Maar ons grootste behoefte is aan studente om ons inrigting te vul. Nou dat ons die koshuise heeltemal ontruim het en ook 'n nuwe Junior koshuis sal hê, sal ons maklik 200 studente kan huisves. Ons het opgeleide manne en vroue in ons werk nodig, en alle pogings moet aangewend word om ons jongmense te beweeg om na ons opleidingsentrum te kom.

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Rina se Tuiskoms

(Vervolg)

As gevolg van haar omgewing en wêreldsgesinde maats het daar 'n groot verandering in Rina plaasgevind, en dit het Mev. Pieterse gou opgemerk. Baie min van ons jongmense kan wêreldse skole bywoon sonder om gouer of later die nadele daarvan in hul lewe te ondervind.

'n Paar dae later het sy Rina in die tuin gevind, verdiep in 'n boek. Mev. Pieterse was verbaas om te merk dat dit 'n roman was, getitel „Die Mooi Bedrieër.” Gedurende die volgende paar dae het Mev. Pieterse tot haar groot ontsteltenis nog dieper besef hoe ver Rina werklik afgedwaal het. Eenmaal het Rina aangedring op vleis by haar ete, en by 'n ander geleentheid het haar moeder op haar afgekom dat sy vir haarself koffie maak. Hoewel Mnr. Pieterse nie 'n Christen was nie, was hy darem 'n voorstander van gesondheidsbervorming.

Mev. Pieterse het met Rina oor die boek gepraat, en haar gevra of sy dink dat Jesus so 'n boek sou goedkeur. Haar antwoord was: „Moeder, as jy nie ophou om beswaar te maak teen my onskuldige pleiertjies nie sal ek die huis verlaat. Ek het op die universiteit 'n ware blik op die lewe gekry, en ek sal niemand toelaat om my daarvan te beroof nie.”

Rina het darem 'n teer hart gehad, en sy het die mooi Christelike karakter van haar moeder geadmireer, al sou sy dit nie graag wou erken nie. Sy was skaam oor die manier waarop sy haar moeder behandel het, maar sy het haarself getroos aan die feit dat Miem aan haar gesê het

Onthou die surplus op die aanstaande Dertiende Sabbat, 26 Desember, kom na Afrika

dat dit maar moeilik sal gaan om 'n ouderwetse moeder te bekeer.

Miem was heeltemal wêreldsgesind, en sy het Jesus nooit geken nie. Sy was Rina se kamermaat en beste vriendin op skool.

Daardie aand aan tafel het sy gesien dat haar moeder se oë rooi gehuil was; haar moeder was egter baie vriendelik teenoor haar, en het nie 'n woord van die middag se gebeurtenis gerep nie.

Piet Jooste, 'n jong man van wie Rina se ouers nie gehou het nie, het 'n afspraak met haar gehad om haar na 'n dans te neem. Die dans sou wees by mense met wie die Pieterses nie eintlik omgang gehad nie. Rina wou net besluit om die bestelling te kanselleer toe sy Piet by die hekkie hoor fluit, en omdat sy nie 'n baie sterk wil gehad het nie, het sy maar besluit om te gaan.

Sy het 'n briefie aan haar moeder geskryf en op die kleedtafel gelaat. Sy het haarself gou aangetrek en eerlank was sy opweg na die dans. Op kollege het sy ook baie maal weggeloop, en haar gewete was al so toegeskroei dat dit haar nie meer gehinder het nie.

Mev. Pieterse het Rina gemis, maar het gedink dat sy in haar kamer was, dog toe sy daar kom het sy net die briefie gevind. Vir 'n oomblik het sy hulpeloos gestaan, maar sy was gou op haar knieë in gebed tot die Een wat al ons leed en smarte verstaan. Sy het gebed dat die Here die hart van haar kind moes aanraak om die dwaasheid van haar handelwyse te besef voordat dit te laat was. Sy het ook vir haar man gebed.

So verdiep was sy in haar gebed dat sy nie iemand gehoor het wat saggies ingekom het nie. Toe sy opkyk na iemand haar aangeraak het, het sy in die betraande oë van haar eggenoot gekyk. Toe het hy langs haar neergekniel en met 'n gebroke stem gesê dat hy gehoor het hoe dat sy vir hom en hul kind gebed het. „Lena,” het hy gesê, „dis alles my skuld dat Rina nou so handel. Dis deur my dat sy na die universiteit gegaan het in plaas van 'n Christelike skool. O, Lena, is dit te laat om tot inkeer te kom? Kan God so 'n sondaar soos ek vergewe?”

Man en vrou het saam die aangesig van die Here gesoek, en Mnr. Pieterse het God om vergifnis gevra.

Daardie aand was Rina gladnie gelukkig onder die plesierzoekers op die party nie. Dit het vir haar telkens gevoel of sy op haar moeder se gebroke hart trap. Skielik het alles haar gewalg en sy het stiltejies na buite gevlug.

Net oorkant die straat was daar 'n helderverligte kerkgebou, waarin daar opwekkingsdienste aan die gang was. Een van die beskilderde vensters het 'n pragtige beeld van Christus getoon, met uitgestrekte arms waarvan die hande duidelik die merktens van die spykers gewys het.

Sy het ingegaan en in die portaal gaan sit met haar gesig in haar hande. Dit was of die skubbe van haar oë afgeval

het, en sy het haarself gesien soos sy werklik was, en die smart besef wat sy haar moeder aangedoen het. Die woorde van die liedere wat daar gesing was het 'n diep indruk op haar gemaak.

Die slotlied was: „Neem My Hart, O, Vader Neem Dit.” „Ja, Here,” het Rina gefluister, „dis ook my gebed.”

„Rina waar is jy! gaan jy nie hierdie dans met my dans nie?” Dit was Piet Jooste se stem. Toe hy by haar kom was hy verbaas om 'n besliste stem te hoor sê, „Nee, Piet, ek het vanaand my laaste dans gedans. Neem my asseblief huis-toe.”

Sy wou eers die trappe ophardloop om haar moeder te vertel van die groot verandering wat in haar plaasgevind het, maar toe het sy weer besluit om dit nie te doen nie, want haar moeder kon miskien al aan die slaap wees. Sy het die trappe stil opgegaan; sy het gemerk dat haar kamerdeur op 'n skrefie oopstaan, en sy kon haar vader se stem hoor. Dit het vanaand anders geklink. Sy kon egter haar oë nie glo nie toe sy haar vader langs haar moeder op sy knieë sien. Hulle was besig om te bid, en sy het haar naam gehoor. Sy het 'n stil gebed laat opstyg en God gedank dat Hy ook haar vader tuisgebring het.

Voordat hulle van hul knieë kon opstaan het sy die kamer binnegegaan, 'n arm om elkeen gesit, en gefluister, „Die Here is barmhartig en genadig. Die verlore lammetjie het weer die kraal gevind.”

Obituaries

HAARHOFF.—David Schalk Haarhoff was born at Pietersburg in 1920 and entered into his rest at Heidelberg, November 23, 1936.

Our brother met his untimely death while he and his younger brother were swimming in a reservoir at Heidelberg kloof. They were swimming across, and just as they were reaching the farther side David disappeared. His young brother realising what had happened ran into town to call for assistance, but it was not until after two hours had expired that his body was brought to the surface. Artificial respiration was applied, but by that time life was extinct.

David had very early in life learned to know his Saviour. He definitely accepted his Lord when he was baptised last year. His young life had been one of dedication, and his parents have the sweet assurance that their boy is asleep in Jesus.

A large and representative gathering came together at the Wesleyan church where the writer addressed the audience. A still larger body met at the grave-side where Elder Staples spoke words of comfort. A most impressive service was closed with the singing of, “God be With You till We Meet Again.”

Our prayers and sympathy go out to

the bereaved father and mother and two younger boys, that God may sustain them in their sad hour of trial, while, with hope, they await the sweet resurrection morn to be united once more with their beloved.

P. J. v. d. MERWE.

KIENHUYS.—Wilhelmina Kienhuys had for many years been a faithful member of the Church of England. In 1929 she accepted and took her stand for the advent message. Sister Kienhuys, who was faithful to her newly found faith, joined the activities of the Athlone church up to within a few days of her death.

Our sister, who had been a widow for twenty-five years, passed away suddenly at the age of seventy on the morning of November 5. She leaves, to mourn, seven daughters, two sons, a large number of grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, as well as the members of the Athlone church who will miss in her a loyal and faithful sister in the faith.

Mourners and hosts of acquaintances followed the funeral cortège in cars and buses to the family plot at Woltemade where the remains were interred.

The service was conducted by Elder J. N. de Beer, assisted by Brother P. H. Mantell and the writer. P. J. VAN ECK

PURDON.—On May 19, 1936, Brother H. E. Purdon fell asleep and was laid to rest in the Rokeby Park church cemetery on May 20. The funeral service was conducted by Pastor Hurlow; it was a very quiet and impressive occasion. Brother Purdon was one of our pioneer members, having accepted the advent message preached by Elder I. J. Hankins. He was baptised on April 20, 1890. Brother Purdon was one of the charter members of the Rokeby Park church. He was the first deacon and treasurer, which offices he held for many years.

Brother Purdon was a useful worker in the church here at Rokeby Park and had a good influence on the youth whose Sabbath school teacher he was for many years. There are some today in the mission field who date their interest and love for missions from his early teaching.

Brother Purdon finally retired to Port Alfred where he died.

We, who still remain, are pleased that he chose to have his last long rest in the shadow of the old church, there to await the resurrection.

EMMA DAVIES.

Thanks

MR. AND MRS. P. HAARHOFF, James and Pieter, wish to express their sincere thanks to their brothers and sisters in the faith, and other kind friends, for the many letters and telegrams of condolence received in their recent bereavement. Special thanks are tendered to Brother and sister Van de Merwe.

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A Visit to East London and Grahamstown

A. C. LE BUTT

THE pouring rain did not dampen the spirits of our members in the East London and Grahamstown churches, for in spite of the downpour, our members, in full force, attended the services arranged for in these two centres.

On Sabbath, November 7, the East London church was well filled and after an interesting Sabbath school, it was the writer's privilege to speak to the church members and their friends.

The afternoon service, while it was announced as a Young People's service, was well attended by both adults and youth.

Because of the very limited time at my disposal, I was unable to do much visiting in that town, but I hope that on my next visit I shall have the pleasure of visiting the members in their homes.

The Grahamstown members are still carrying on in the same old enthusiastic way, and it is always a pleasure to see the interest manifested in the "City of the Saints." Services were held over the weekend and every church member was visited. Visits were paid also to one or two who had found the way a little hard and had become somewhat discouraged; however, God is good, and He is able to lift us once again into the sunshine of His presence.

While in Grahamstown, I was able to slip over to Port Alfred. Here we have a very earnest isolated member. Mrs. Lees is working all on her own, and she has taken upon herself the responsibility of Port Alfred. After collecting the largest amount ever solicited in that town during

the last Harvest Ingathering campaign, she has now set herself the task of obtaining fifty subscriptions for the *Signs* and/or *Tekens*.

Mrs. Lees has interested a lady to such an extent that she is earnestly considering sending her son to Helderberg next year.

This shows what can be done, if we put our shoulders to the wheel and get a vision of the needs around us.

May God bless our isolated members and help them to scatter seeds of truth to those around them, either by visiting, sending the *Signs*, or writing letters.

The Coming Thirteenth Sabbath Overflow

LET US BREAK ALL RECORDS!

J. F. WRIGHT

WE live in an age when all previous records in every line of endeavour are being broken. Men of the world strain every nerve to achieve the seemingly impossible. If this be true of men with worldly vision and ambition, what should be true of men and women of spiritual vision and ambition? The times in which we live demand more of us than any previous period of earth's history. There is nothing too great for us to undertake and achieve for God in completing the task committed to us, as well as running the race set before us.

Now we face the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering to be received in all our churches on Sabbath, December 26. We must make it the best ever received here in Africa, *for, as you know, the overflow comes to this Division.*

Surely previous overflows have meant much to the advance of our work in Africa. During the years since the plan was inaugurated, approximately £12,000 in overflow offerings have come our way. Today we have school buildings, churches, hospitals and dispensaries that have all been made possible by this money. How thankful indeed we should be for this £12,000 and what it has made possible! But the end is not yet.

Again we are to enjoy the overflow. What will it be? That is the question. How we wish it could be £1,000. We hope it can be so. Let us do all we can here in Africa to make it so.

What is received this time will be used in the extension of new work. Half of it will go toward the new hospital in Zululand. Long have we tried to get into this country. Now it seems that the only avenue left to us is the medical work. Therefore, we plan to help start a hospital there with a portion of the overflow.

We have sent many earnest appeals overseas in behalf of this offering. Now I appeal to our workers and laymembers to help make the overflow a mighty uplift for Africa. The goal set overseas is 4/2 per member for Africa. Personally, however, I plan to give £1. I hope many

others can join in giving that amount. Others can give 10/-. Some of course will not be able to give so much. But let us each make our gift as large as possible. I know my appeal will not be in vain; I know you will do your best and so we can with confidence expect a splendid overflow. May God help us to make it so.

Investiture Service

A. C. LE BUTT

ON Sunday afternoon, November 8, an investiture service was held in the Kingwilliamstown church hall before a goodly number of members and friends, at which time several "Friend" pins were presented.

The enthusiasm of the society in that town knows no bounds and the little company deserves praise for their keenness and their missionary endeavour.

Those who received the "Friend" pins are well on into the Companion Progressive Class and it will not be long before another investiture service will be held in Kingwilliamstown. Miss G. Wittstock is a live leader, and as the result of her zeal, and the labours of other church members, one family, comprising three adults, is interested in the truth. Young people, that is the way!

The little hall was well filled on Sunday night when the writer had the privilege of holding a preaching service. The members in Kingwilliamstown, in spite of their not seeing a worker for so long, are of good courage, and it was refreshing to see the way they invited their friends and neighbours to the services.

Well done! This is the spirit that overcomes discouragement. I shall certainly look forward to having the privilege of meeting again with the church members and friends in that town.

Situation Vacant

THE Natal-Transvaal Conference is anxious to get in touch with energetic young men and women desirous of engaging in the magazine work. Write to the office, P.O. Box 7768, Johannesburg, for details of the plan whereby you can earn not less than £8 to £10 per month at this work.

Notice

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Please note that the address of Mrs. Kalson, late of the Hexagon Hotel, Queenstown, C. P., is now Hotel Imperial, Oudtshoorn, C. P.

The Overflow from the 13th Sabbath Offering on December 26 comes to Africa,