

Division Medical Report

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THE past six years have been filled with much to encourage us and to urge us on to greater things in the cause of our Master. As we stop to consider the thousands that visit our hospitals and dispensaries each year, it gives unprecedented opportunities for the sowing of the seeds of spiritual truth. Who knows to what distances this gospel has been carried by those leaving our hospitals and leper colonies? Just consider for a moment the work at Songa. There are but few people living near the hospital, but during the year 1936 there were over 24,000 patients treated in the hospital and dispensary. Many of these came long distances. What an opportunity to spread the glad tidings to thousands that otherwise might never hear this message!

At Bongo we have the privilege of treating both Europeans and Natives. The work of Dr. Parsons is gaining much favour amongst the Portuguese as well as the natives. Medical care and a sympathetic word when one is sick often does more to appeal to the heart than all the preaching in the world. Christ taught us this principle, which was so beautifully revealed in His life of service for man.

As we take a hasty glance over the field and see the dots which represent the hospitals and dispensaries in our Division, how little is realised of the effort and worry associated with the care of 414,265 patients treated during the year 1936. During the last six years our doctors and nurses have given nearly three million treatments to the people of Africa. Just consider what a privilege we have, not only in caring for the physical needs, but in appealing to their hearts as they listen to the gospel story from day to day as they attend the clinics or as they lie in the hospital recuperating from an operation or from some serious illness. Often it is the seed sown at such times that later spring forth yielding fruit for the Master's harvest.

Christ did not see how much influence for good came from the work He did until after He returned to heaven. Undoubtedly the experiences of the disciples where thousands were converted in a day came as a result of the faithful and untiring work of our Great Physician.

During the past six years the hospital at Ngoma was opened by Dr. Sturges who later was forced to return home because of illness in the family. We were sorry that this hospital was without a doctor for a time but the arrival of Dr. Beckner was hailed with great joy and again a strong medical work is being carried on in that great country with such out-standing opportunities.

Another of our hospitals has been with-

out a doctor for over a year and we all sympathise with our people in Nyasaland. We were sure a number of times that help was forth-coming but still they wait. God only knows why these disappointments are allowed to come to us, but with the arrival of Dr. Davies we are now able to arrange relief for Malamulo, which in some respects, has the largest medical work of any one of our stations in this Division.

It has been most gratifying to us to see how our medical work has appealed to the different governments in our land. The opening and annual maintenance of our

At times, due to new government laws, we are caused to draw back fearing for the future. God knows best and if we step out in faith He will go before us to lead the way, and we should have no fear as long as we are doing right.

At this present time calls are coming to us to enter new sections of our unentered field. God has gone before to open the way that we may enter with the "Entering Wedge" to break down the opposition to our "Three-Fold" message. Surely we should do all in our power to enter these places while they are calling, for who knows when these same doors may be closed to us forever.

Time will not permit to mention each doctor and nurse by name and to picture for you the splendid work that each is doing. To say the least it is most gratifying to associate with such a loyal, unselfish, conscientious group of workers. The uppermost desire in their hearts is the saving of souls. With such determinations the medical work will accomplish its God-appointed purpose in the finishing of our great task.

We are not satisfied with what we have done but with the guidance and blessing of the Lord we are anxious to press on to still greater things that our Master may soon come.



A Message to Our Physicians

THE physician who has received wisdom from above, who knows that Christ is his personal Saviour, because he has himself been led to the Refuge, knows how to deal with the trembling, guilty, sin-sick souls who turn to him for help. . . . Precious are the opportunities that the physician has of awakening in the hearts of those with whom he is brought in contact a sense of their great need of Christ. He is to bring from the treasure-house of the heart things new and old, speaking the words of comfort and instruction that are longed for. Constantly he is to sow the seeds of truth, not presenting doctrinal subjects, but speaking of the love of the sin-pardoning Saviour. Not only should he give instruction from the Word of God, line upon line, precept upon precept; he is to moisten this instruction with his tears and make it strong with his prayers, that souls may be saved from death.

In their earnest, feverish anxiety to avert the peril of the body, physicians are in danger of forgetting the peril of the soul. Physicians, be on your guard; for at the judgment-seat of Christ you must meet those at whose death-bed you now stand. —"Testimonies," Vol. VII, pages 72, 73.



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Standing: Dr. C. P. Bringle, Dr. G. Beckner,
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new Maun Hospital is made possible by the liberal assistance of the Bechuanaland Government. In the Congo, the medical work was made nearly self-supporting by the liberal gifts from the Belgian Government. In Nyasaland the same is true to a lesser degree. Truly the Lord is speaking to the hearts of Government officials as He did in the days of Moses, Joseph and Daniel.

We wish to thank our loyal constituency for the faithful and untiring efforts in the Harvest Ingathering which has made possible the opening of the Nokuphila Hospital. The future of the institution seems very bright and we are hoping that great things will come from its establishment. Who knows the good that will come from the training of faithful nurses! It is their untiring efforts that saves many a soul that otherwise would go to the grave prematurely.

Sabbath School Recommendation

Mission Field Offering and Membership Goals

WHEREAS, no membership or offering goals have as yet been set in the mission fields for the Sabbath school, and

WHEREAS, on account of this fact our reports to the General Conference Sabbath School Department have been incomplete and inaccurate, therefore,

We recommend, 1. That a Sabbath School Membership goal throughout the Mission Fields be set on the following basis: the church membership, plus the membership of the Probationers' classes, plus one half the membership of the Hearers' classes, plus all the children that are enrolled in the Sabbath school.

2. That each Union set per capita weekly financial goals and Thirteenth Sabbath Offering goals for the various sections of their fields, these goals to be set on the regular basis of church membership, with the suggestion that the Weekly Financial Goal be set at one half the mission offering per capita goal recommended by the Division for the respective Unions, and that the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering goal be set at from two to four times the weekly goal.

3. That the Sabbath school secretaries of each Union keep the superintendents of each Sabbath school informed of their respective Sabbath school goals, and that they explain to them the purpose and meaning of the goals, and make suggestions as to ways and means of reaching the goals.

New Ruling for Granting Pennant

We recommend, That we adopt from the beginning of 1938 the General Conference new ruling for granting Pennant:

"Any Sabbath school reaching the average per capita goal for the quarter should be awarded the pennant. The General Department will provide a special seal of honour for those schools which also reach the Thirteenth Sabbath goal."

Extension of Sabbath School Influence

WHEREAS, The Sabbath school is designed to be a great soul-winning agency as well as a means of retaining and strengthening those already in the church and in attendance at the Sabbath school, and

WHEREAS, It has been demonstrated that the Branch Sabbath school is a potent factor in bringing to those who do not know the truth a knowledge of the gospel as presented in the Third Angel's Message, and of bringing them eventually into the Sabbath school and the church as regular members; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we encourage the officers and teachers in our Sabbath schools to promote the Branch Sabbath school idea and to plan for the conducting of Bible schools either on Sabbath or other occasions as a part of their regular Sabbath school activities, using the regular Sabbath school lessons for this purpose, with a view

to uniting the persons thus interested with the regular Sabbath school.

2. That these Branch Sabbath schools be included in the report of the parent Sabbath school until separately organised.

3. That our Home Division members be encouraged to invite neighbours and friends to unite with them in the study of our Sabbath school lessons, so that by God's blessing, such groups may be organised into regular branch Sabbath schools on the usual basis with officers and teachers who are church members in good standing.

4. That isolated members be encouraged to use the Sabbath school lessons as a basis of giving Bible studies to their neighbours.

5. That, on our farms, the natives be given the opportunity of attending a Sabbath school established especially for them.

6. That we suggest the following slogans:

- a. "Every farm a miniature mission station."
- b. "Every servant in S. D. A. homes a possible star for someone's crown."
- c. "Is your Branch Sabbath school growing branches?"

Sabbath School Field Promotion

WHEREAS, Better field contact and strong field promotion of a systematic and definite kind for our Sabbath schools is needed in every union and local field, we

Recommend, to meet this need, the following means of promotion be provided as rapidly and fully as possible:

1. That a Sabbath school convention be held in each Union, in connection with the Union Workers' Institutes.

2. That District or Local Sabbath school conventions in each conference or mission field be held each year, circumstances and financial conditions permitting.

3. That as conference and mission field finances will permit, Sabbath school field secretaries be encouraged to make personal contacts with the local schools in their field from time to time as can be arranged.

Children's Work

WHEREAS, In the not far distant future, the children of this faith must meet the heresies and fables now taught in all parts of the world, and there is need for us to emphasise strongly the importance of Sabbath school teachers and officers doing thorough work in behalf of the children, therefore, we urge that, to meet the evils that are everywhere in evidence, the leaders and teachers of the children's division be very thorough in their preparation, that they in turn may be enabled to teach the very youngest children with simplicity, but with great thoroughness, ever keeping in mind that what is done as teachers and leaders must stand the test of the judgment; and

WHEREAS, the best place to begin to teach

children is with the very youngest members of the Sabbath school, the Cradle Roll and Kindergarten, therefore,

We recommend, That our Conference Sabbath school secretaries put forth special effort to help the inexperienced leaders and teachers that they may learn how to do this work effectively by showing them:

a. How to use the helps provided for the children in illustrating the lessons as suggested in the *Sabbath School Worker*.

b. How to visualise the lesson with the use of the sandtable cutouts by working out the day's lesson for them; also helping them to see the importance of collecting assorted pictures for use in their work, mounting them, and having them ready when needed.

c. By calling frequent attention to the Cradle Roll books which contain the lessons for the very young children.

We further recommend, That conference Sabbath school secretaries, in co-operation with the Division leaders in the schools, give careful study to the supplies provided for the children's division in each school, and endeavour to have it properly equipped for effective work; and

That they encourage the leaders and teachers of the children's divisions to study books that may be suggested for the training of children, their development, and the needs of the different ages.

Missing Members

WHEREAS, In many churches not all church members regularly enjoy the blessing of Sabbath school membership,

We recommend, To all Sabbath school and church officers, pastors, other conference workers, and committees, that they study the local conditions responsible for the non-attendance of these "Missing members," and that earnest efforts be continued to make the Sabbath school a vital factor in the spiritual life of all church members, using every possible means of winning these members to active, regular Sabbath school membership.

Spiritual Appeals in the Sabbath School

REALISING, that there is a need that more definite work be done for the unconverted children and youth in our Sabbath schools,

We recommend, 1. That greater care be taken in the selection of spiritual teachers and that every teacher be urged to do personal work for every pupil making definite appeals for decision for Christ.

(2) That consecration services and decision days be planned for and held whenever possible at least twice a year.

Birthday Offering and Investment Fund

Believing that the Birthday Offering and Investment plan should be more strongly promoted, therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we encourage a

stronger promotion in our Sabbath schools of the Birthday Offering plan, inviting all our Sabbath school members to give a special thank-offering in commemoration of their birthday or baptism.

2. That we re-emphasise the Investment plan and suggest as a means of promoting this, the appointment of an Investment Leader or Secretary for each Sabbath school.

Thirteenth Sabbath Offering Envelope

WHEREAS, the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering envelope has resulted in a marked increase in the amount of that offering given in the schools that have properly used it,

We recommend, 1. That all our European and coloured Sabbath schools make regular use of this offering envelope during the entire quarter, placing their self-denial gifts in it, week by week, thus enabling them early to reach their goal for the Thirteenth Sabbath.

2. That the Division prepare a gummed sticker with terminology suited to Africa to paste over the present heading of the envelope furnished by the General Conference Sabbath School Department.

Methods to Increase Mission Funds

In order to increase our mission funds and insure the reaching of the weekly goal in the different Unions,

We recommend, the following methods:

1. A stronger evangelistic programme in each conference and mission field which, through increasing our membership, assures a larger amount of funds for mission fields.

2. A continuous educating of our people as to the marvellous progress the message is making in foreign fields. This can be done through encouraging a wider reading of our church paper, the *Review and Herald*, and other special missions literature sent out by the General Conference, and by frequent efforts of our ministers to keep the church members well-informed concerning the development of the work abroad.

3. Each field adopting as a regular policy, to be understood by all workers and church members, that the raising of mission funds is to have first place in the field over the raising of local funds.

4. Continually keeping before the conference workers the necessity of reaching the allotted goal in each church and district.

5. Encouraging each Sabbath school to set weekly and thirteenth Sabbath financial goals and that we encourage our Sabbath Schools to strive to reach the weekly and thirteenth Sabbath goals set by the Division.

6. Sending out each quarter from the office the latest information regarding the standing of the field on missions.

7. An occasional well-worded letter from the Conference president or mission field superintendent to his constituency, expressing appreciation of their faithfulness in giving to missions, with a statement of the

needs, and an earnest appeal to greater sacrifice.

8. Encouraging our people to give more liberally at the time of the Week of Sacrifice and Annual Offerings as well as doing more in the Big Week endeavour.

9. Getting a larger number each year to engage in the Harvest Ingathering, as well as setting larger individual goals and larger field goals.

10. Soliciting pledges of our people the last month of the year for a definite sum each week for foreign missions for the succeeding year, thus beginning the new year with each church back of the programme in a definite way. This can be done by adopting a missions pledge card.

11. Each field supplying free to each isolated family of believers an inexpensive envelope or box of some sort to encourage the setting aside each week of mission funds, these to be sent to the field treasury each month or quarter.

12. A more general use of the world missionary map in our Sabbath schools and churches.

13. That our native workers be encouraged to lead their native constituency in mission offerings.

Right Motives in Sabbath School Achievements

1. In view of the need of constantly maintaining the proper perspective in regard to the aims of the Sabbath school in daily study, perfect attendance, and liberal gifts to missions; therefore,

Resolved, That the spiritual basis of the promotion of all our Sabbath school goals by departmental secretaries and Sabbath school officers and teachers be re-emphasised in order that the motives actuating our Sabbath school members, in the pursuit of our objectives, be the spiritual benefits and blessings of the achievement for which our goals, devices, and honour awards stand.

2. With these principles dominating all of our Sabbath school promotion, and especially permeating our financial appeals, and in view of the urgency of our quickly pressing in to finish the work of the Lord in all the world, making the most of the time of peace and prosperity now granted to us in South Africa; therefore

Resolved, That we re-emphasise the appeal to our people for increased liberality in gifts to missions through the Sabbath school, and to this end

We recommend, that we raise the Sabbath school per capita goal from 9d. to 1/- per week per church member for Europeans, and from 4d. to 6d. per week per church member for the Cape Field.

Standards for Granting Honour Cards and Bookmarks

WHEREAS, the present General Conference plans for the granting of perfect record awards are reasonable and generally satisfactory where strictly followed, yet are often open to criticism due to certain ex-

ceptions which have been allowed locally, therefore,

We recommend, that beginning with October 1, 1937, the following standards be adhered to with respect to the issuance of Perfect Record Cards of Honour and bookmarks:

1. The study of the Sabbath school lesson for at least ten minutes daily.

2. Being present and on time ("on time" means being present when the opening hymn is announced) at one's own Sabbath school every week without fail, except in the cases of:

a. Home division members who carry out the Sabbath school programme suggested for this division, and report quarterly to the secretary.

b. Travelling workers who are at times necessarily absent from their home schools, but who have their private Sabbath school, keep an adequate record, and report quarterly to the conference or mission Sabbath school secretary.

c. Visitors who attend Sabbath school while away from home, and who bring back to their own school a Visitor's Card, or written statement, dated and signed by an officer or teacher of the school visited.

d. On Duty workers, connected with a medical institution or in private practice, who, due to their responsibilities, find it impossible to be in regular attendance, but who hold their own Sabbath school when absent from the home school, mark the record provided, and turn in this report with their offerings to the Sabbath school secretary of the home school at the close of the quarter.

We further recommend, 1. That the Perfect Record Cards of Honour be not issued to Cradle Roll pupils (infants four years old and under), but that a suitable award for regular and punctual attendance be given them, by the local Sabbath school.

2. That where the Perfect Record Card is issued to Kindergarten children, a thorough knowledge of the lesson and the repeating of the memory verse shall be required as evidence of daily study; or where this is lacking, the record must be verified by the parent.

In spite of the hardship that may seem to come to a few individuals through the rigid adherence to the above rulings, it is felt that these regulations are for the good of the larger body—the church and the Sabbath school as institutions—and for the greater effectiveness of the Perfect Record plan. Hence, from October 1, 1937, no other exceptions are to be made by Sabbath school officers, or conference Sabbath school secretaries.

Recommended, That the Division Committee give study to the question of granting *progressive* Bookmarks to the native Sabbath school members for perfect daily lesson study, on the same basis as for the Europeans.

(To be continued)

Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary

THE present session of what was formerly called the Advanced Bible School, but now has been re-named Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, opened June 1 in its temporary quarters in Takoma Park, Washington, D. C. The General Conference officers and the manager of the Review and Herald Publishing Association have arranged the former Review and Herald cafeteria building for the temporary quarters of the Seminary. The building has been partitioned off with sound-proof material, and is well arranged and equipped with teachers' desks, students' chairs, blackboards, and two fans in each room. It also has two offices for teachers, and two for the president and his registrar-secretary, as well as a front room which is used as a lobby.

We also have at our disposal the libraries in the Review and Herald and the General Conference offices, which are open to us during the day and also in the evenings. The chapel exercises and devotional services are conducted in the General Conference chapel.

The enrolment of the school is 51 and it is expected that there will be a few more in attendance during the second period of the summer session. The majority of these students come from various parts of the North American field, though the foreign fields are also well represented. Of the foreign fields, the following have representatives: Hawaii, India, South America, Mexico, Guatemala, the East Indies, the West Indies, Germany, England, and South Africa. The student body is composed of editors, teachers, departmental secretaries, and preachers.

I am happy to report that the Southern African Division is represented by Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Marter, Mrs. J. van der Merwe and the writer.

The session was formally opened by an impressive service in the Takoma Park church at which a message from Elder M. N. Campbell, vice-president of the General Conference for North America, was read by Elder L. E. Froom, and Elder E. D. Dick, secretary of the General Conference, addressed the assembly. Both of these leading men spoke strongly in support of the school, recognising it as the school which rounds off our educational system at the top and as a factor in the strengthening and unification of our denominational scholarship.

A very fine list of courses are being offered for study. Such subjects as the Sanctuary, Hellenistic background of the New Testament, Apostolic history, Archaeology and the Bible, etc., are being pursued with a real spirit of enthusiasm and appreciation. It is an inspiration to join with men from various parts of the world in earnest, hard study into the great truths of revelation, religious history, etc.

The teachers are selected from among the very best of the denomination.

A series of lectures has been arranged for the students. The first of this series was given by Elder W. A. Spicer on "The Contribution of the Spirit of Prophecy to the Development of Our Denomination." He delivered four lectures, which served to enlighten us all on this vital topic of Sister White's work. Elder C. B. Haynes has given us six lectures on Evangelism. These were given in a very strong way. Other lectures will follow by Elders J. L. McElhaney, L. E. Froom, Dr. B. G. Wilkinson and others.

This new school is doing very successful work and doubtless has a very important part to act in the closing work of the Advent movement.

J. VAN DER MERWE.



A Message Enroute No. 3

THE morning of May 23 we began coming in toward the beautiful harbour of Hongkong and Kowloon. The Island of Hongkong is a British Crown Colony acquired by Great Britain in 1841. It is a bit of mountainous beauty three miles by eleven miles in extent. The city with its population of some 850,000 is made up of many nationalities, 6,000 of whom are British. It is a free port enjoying world-wide trade. The greater part of the city bustles about the feet of the mountain peaks and in its busy streets there is a great combination of ancient and modern, oriental and western. Beautiful cars of every make glide by rickshaws and chair bearers, and the kimonoes of Japan walk amid black shiny jackets and trousered ladies of China.

Across the bay is Kowloon, the mainland of China, there they make marvellously carved camphor-wood and ebony chests and display lovely china and porcelain vases, etc., while children-beggars hold out small hands and repeat their prepared beggar's plea of "no papa, no ma-ma, no ta ta" (or some such words meaning they have no food).

We were kindly received by the folk at our Compound. It is up on a hillside and commands a splendid view of other mountain-placed homes, some city, and some of the bay;—at night the twinkling lights look like stars dropped from the skies to twinkle at the ones above. We spent ten days here and at Canton which is over on the China side and less than four hours by train. There at Canton we found Doctor and Mrs. Bates with their assistants carrying on a work of love and mercy. They have been in the new three-story Sanitarium less than two years. It is a neat commodious building with a staff of about forty nurses.

Some three years ago they opened a Tuberculosis camp a distance from the Sanitarium, it was really a faith project

as there were no funds available. However, the need was so great and the trust of the sick so complete in Dr. Bates' skill that they came forward with sufficient money to put up the first bamboo and mat hut. From that small beginning it has grown to a group of fifty huts and about that number of patients. They are given a rich protein diet. The majority recover under the tender care they receive. Pastor A. L. Ham is the Superintendent of that Union. On the evening of June 1 a group of the Compound folk accompanied us to our next ship, the "Chichibu Maru." It was a passenger boat and much larger than the "Hawaii Maru." We sailed away in the early morning of Thursday, reaching Shanghai Friday morning. Following the "Year Book's" directions together with those of a policeman, we reached our headquarters and were kindly and warmly greeted; old friends and new friends joined together in making our one day in Shanghai worth while. We were taken out into the near countryside to see our beautifully situated Sanitarium amidst lawns, shrubbery and flowers. Then down into the heart of this ancient, needy city, to where our church and dispensary property are located; and what a sight met our eyes! Six floors are fully occupied by this dispensary and clinic. Dr. Butka with his staff carry on a self-supporting work helping the poor, sick and suffering "feel the touch of His hand."—I am sure it is one of China's answers to "Go ye into all the world." That night after supper with friends, and after the evening meeting in the chapel where Mr. Boger told them a little of Africa, we were again accompanied to the ship and again in the early hours before dawn on Sabbath we were off down the muddy river toward the Inland Sea of Japan. We were so disappointed to have it all misty and rainy much of the way: we had hoped for clear skies through this beauty channel, but if we come in its rainy season we must take the consequences I guess.

We docked at Kobe the morning of June 7. The train for Tokyo would not go out until 12:25 so we took a ride of a couple of hours and saw much that was interesting in and around the city. It is almost prohibited to take pictures in and about Kobe, but we were allowed the picture of a picturesque shrine gate up in the hills. Had the day been fair we might have taken more. How beautiful the green hills and how sombre the city looked from the heights with the vast expanse of brown tiled houses, unpainted for the most part, smoke stacks everywhere telling their own story of thrift and industry in this part of the Orient. We are getting accustomed to the "click clack" of wooden sandals, and brilliant umbrellas, and rich kimonoes.

MRS. E. C. BOGER.



"THE greatest truths are the simplest, and so are the greatest men."

The Youth's Page

Conducted By South African Union

Missionary Volunteer Week

THIS copy of the OUTLOOK will reach you in the midst of the special effort that is being put forth in all of our churches to assist our youth to a higher and happier plane of living.

We sincerely trust that this Missionary Volunteer Week is proving to be a blessing to you, and that your attention has been arrested, and enlisted in the mighty and victorious movement that is God's agency in the earth at this time.

The call of God to our Advent youth is to a life that promises to be more stirring than that of Elijah, more challenging than that of John the Baptist, more adventurous than that of Paul, and more victorious than that of Napoleon. Events of a magnitude that the world has never before witnessed are about to crowd in upon us with bewildering rapidity. It is the trained and prepared man or woman, boy or girl, that will be able to stand in the ranks of Prince Immanuel at such a time. The preparation that God requires is of body, mind and heart. A strong, healthy, clean, body. A vigorous, clear, alert, ordered mind, and a pure, noble, kind, and true heart. The call is to action—in the home, in the school, in the shop, on the street, in the church, in the world, everywhere; at all places, at all times, vital, steady and consistent Christian action is called for—Volunteers of the King who will always consider themselves on duty—influencing, persuading, leading and guiding away from sin and on to righteousness.

Have you heard the call of your King? Have you enlisted in His service? His voice is calling you. His Spirit is inviting you. Will you come? F. G. C.

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For the Juniors Only!

How Ralph Was Caught

RALPH was fond of chocolate. The difficulty was that he had little money to spend, and even if he spent all he had on chocolate, it seemed to Ralph as though it would not buy nearly as much as he could eat.

One day Ralph made a discovery. He found that a mixture of cocoa powder and condensed milk made something that tasted

as good as his favourite brand of milk chocolate. Mother always kept cocoa and condensed milk in the pantry, and occasionally, when Ralph had been especially helpful, mother would give him a treat by permitting him to make two or three spoonfuls of his delicious mixture. How good it tasted! Ralph always longed for more.

One morning mother went out for a while to help a sick neighbour. Ralph had not tasted chocolate for more than two weeks. It almost seemed like two years when he thought of it. He just must have a taste. And mother would never know. Now mother had always warned Ralph against taking things without permission, but this was such a temptation. There was the cocoa, and by its side the condensed milk tin with two holes punched neatly in the top, just asking to be used.

It took just a jiffy to drop a teaspoonful of cocoa into a cup. Now quickly with the milk. But the morning was cold and the milk seemed to be in no hurry, it took such a time to start flowing toward the largest hole. Just to save time Ralph tilted one side of the tin well within the cup, and putting his lips to the other hole gave a good blow, as he had sometimes seen father do when he was in a hurry. But the milk was still far from the other hold and instead of pushing the milk out with a rush, the air just burst into the cup and sent the dry, brown cocoa all over Ralph's face and neck and clean white shirt.

Ralph was washing the cocoa out of his eyes when mother walked in. It was useless trying to explain, for his shirt told the story so clearly. "Never mind," said mother. "Aren't you glad you were found out the first time? It will help you to remember not to touch that which does not belong to you." F. G. C.

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From Here and There

THE Natal-Transvaal societies must have been working and studying hard of late, for quite a number of Investiture services are to be held shortly. And they are as far apart as Southern Suburbs (Johannesburg), Alberton, Germiston, Gezina, Potchefstroom, Maritzburg and Durban. This

is an indication of progressive leadership both in the societies and in the field.

We are eagerly looking forward to the day when every society will have a group preparing for Investiture.

PERHAPS we are a little late, but never mind, I am sure we all join in wishing two of our seniors, Brother Hermanus Grobler and Sister Elizabeth Botha, great happiness and much of the Lord's rich blessing as they walk the journey of life together. They were married in the Johannesburg church the latter part of July.

THE new Melville (Johannesburg) church reports the formation of a Junior society. Every success to you Melville.

Special to Juniors!

Now is the time to begin saving your money for the boys' and girls' camp that is to be held in the Western Province at the close of this year. Cape Conference Juniors, start saving right now, so as to enjoy a happy and profitable holiday. For particulars write today to: Pastor A. C. Le Butt, P. O. Box 508, Port Elizabeth.

Those interested in philately and who desire to obtain the vocational honour awarded in this branch of the progressive class work will be glad to know that the Cape Conference Missionary Volunteer Department has prepared a little booklet, giving the origin and development of the postal service in South Africa. The booklet also deals with the history of the savings department of the Post Office. This information is necessary if you desire to obtain your badge for philately. Any desiring the booklet should order from the Cape Conference M. V. Department, P. O. Box 508, Port Elizabeth, enclosing three-pence stamps to cover the cost of postage and expenses.

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To Our Leaders

LEADERS, permit the youth to assist you in formulating your plans. Not only ask them to do things, but invite their cooperation in planning the programmes and activities of the society. This will develop their powers of leadership. We shall never have too many capable Missionary Volunteer leaders in our ranks.

Help and Guidance

Conference Missionary Volunteer Department

The Junior Standard of Attainment

To understand the simple doctrines of the Bible thoroughly, and to know the way in which God has developed this people, to give His message for this time to the world, is something that every Adventist boy or girl should be familiar with. The Junior Standard of Attainment is a course of studies especially adapted for helping boys and girls to become acquainted with Bible doctrines and denominational history. Those who complete the prescribed course and pass the tests given by the Missionary Volunteer Department will receive certificates.

How to Begin

Classes may be organised in any society or church. There is no age limit as to membership of those joining the class. Each class should have a leader, who will conduct the lessons, and a secretary, who will keep a record of the attendance. The classes might be held in the homes of the members if no other suitable building is available. Isolated members can study alone.

Material Necessary

The questions on Bible doctrines with the references are all to be found in the Junior Standard of Attainment Manual. The Manual also contains the questions upon denominational history and the answers are to be found by studying "An Outline of Mission Fields" and the book "Pioneer Stories." The *Review and Herald* also contains helpful information on current missionary history. This necessary material is not expensive. The Manual costs 4d, the booklet "An Outline of Mission Fields" is free, and "Pioneer Stories" is 8/-. All of these helps can be ordered from your Conference Book Depository.

The Examinations

Examinations based upon questions in the Manual are given twice each year. The test questions are supplied by the conference Missionary Volunteer Secretary to the local church elder or some appointed person who will conduct the test. The test need not be taken in both subjects at the same time so that ample time can be taken to cover the course if time for study is limited. The answers are sent in to the conference

Missionary Volunteer Secretary and those who receive marks of 75 per cent or over will be granted a Junior Standard of Attainment Certificate and become Junior members of Attainment.



The Gold Fish

GOLDFISH are pretty creatures, but they are content to live in a bowl. Occasionally one does refuse to submit and dies rather than face the future, but otherwise they spend their lives going round and round, round and round covering the same ground, hour after hour, day after day, month after month, year after year. Always on the move, but never getting anywhere. The scene changes around them, but they can never participate in it. They may look farther afield but they *can never go* farther afield.

Not unlike the experience of many Christians. Timidity, discouragement or selfishness keep them within the bowl of a stagnant experience. True, they are always on the move, yet they never get anywhere. They are busy but they never accomplish anything. They have been trapped in the bowl of dead works.

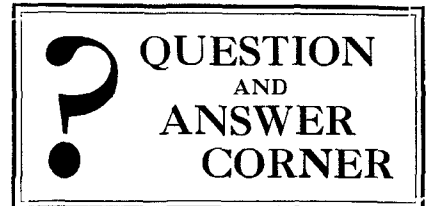
Hope lies in a restoration of the first love that produced the first workers. Rev. 2:4, 5. That first love is renewed as the first conversion is renewed. A daily surrender to death of the life from below, and a daily renewal of the life from above provides for a progressive, fruitful experience.

F. G. C.



New Life

Yes we are seeing it all around us, for spring is in the air. The trees, grass, and plants are all responding with their leaves, blades, buds, and flowers. But there is another kind of life being renewed in our land at this time. It is the life of many of our Missionary Volunteer Societies that has been dormant for some time. Some had gone to sleep for lack of leadership, others had hibernated for lack of interest on the part of the young people. The reports we have received of plans and endeavours to revive, renew and restore such societies have given cause for rejoicing. Now is the time to put new life into our groups, classes and gatherings.



QUESTION.—Is it right for Seventh-day Adventist boys to learn simple boxing in order to protect themselves against anyone who might attack them?

Answer.—It might appear plausible to say yes to this question, but fists cannot prevent an attack with a knife or a gun. Should we, therefore, not carry and know how to use a knife or a gun in case we are attacked? To this we all say, no. We must not forget that the ability to fight, whether developed in the boy, or the nation, engenders the fighting spirit, and the fighting spirit leads inevitably to war.

QUESTION.—Is it right to listen-in to boxing and wrestling matches?

Answer.—I do not think that Christians would attend such exhibitions and, therefore, would not find pleasure in listening-in to the commentary upon the contests. It is largely a question of cultivating our taste for that which is ennobling and refining.

QUESTION.—Is it right for S. D. A. sisters to wear feathers in their hats?

Answer.—There are at least two ways of approaching this question. The obtaining of some varieties of furs and feathers results in a great deal of suffering to the creatures concerned. Otherwise the accepted canon of modesty, neatness and good taste should settle the dress problem. Those whose dress provoke no comment are indeed well dressed.

QUESTION.—What are the textbooks for the Study and Service League course?

Answer.—Two textbooks and one pamphlet are necessary. The books are, "The Great Advent Movement," price 3/9, and "Fishers of Men," price 2/6. The pamphlet is "Senior Missionary Volunteer Studies on Bible Doctrines," price 10d. Your Conference Missionary Volunteer Secretary will gladly furnish you with a leaflet giving you an outline of this course of study.

Bladsy Vir Jongmense

Gereel deur die Suid-Afrikaanse Unie

Strewersweek

HIERDIE uitgawe van die OUTLOOK sal u bereik in die middel van die spesiale poging wat aangewend word in al ons kerke om ons jeug volgens 'n hoër en gelukkiger standaard te laat lewe.

Ons vertrou van harte dat hierdie Strewersweek sover tot seën gewees het, en dat u aandag opgewek en verkry is vir die magtige en seëvierende beweging wat vandag die instrument van God op die aarde is.

God roep ons Adventis-jongmense na 'n lewe wat beloop om aangrypender te wees as die van Elia, uitdagender as die van Johannes die Doper, avontuurliker as die van Paulus, en oorwinnender as die van Napoleon. Gebeurtenisse soos die wêreld nog nooit tevore beleef het nie, sal spoedig met verbysterende snelheid begin plaasvind. Dit is die opgeleide en voorbereide man of vrou, seun of dogter, wat in staat sal wees om in die geledere van Prins Immanuel te staan op so 'n tyd. God vereis 'n voorbereiding van liggaam, verstand, en hart—'n sterk, gesonde, skoon liggaam, 'n opgewekte, heldere, lewendige, ordelike verstand, en 'n reine, edele, goedwillige, en opregte hart. Daar word werk vereis—in die huis, in die skool, in die winkel, op straat, in die kerk, in die wêreld, en orals. Op alle plekke, op enige tyd, moet hulle gereed wees om Christelik op te tree, want as vrywilligers van die Koning moet hulle altyd op diens wees om andere weg van sonde en in die rigting van geregtigheid te beïnvloed, oor te haal, te lei en te stuur.

Het u die stem van u Koning gehoor? Het u aangesluit in Sy diens? Sy stem roep u. Sy Gees nooi u uit. Sal u kom?



Vir Juniors Alleen!

Hoe Piet Betrap is

PIET was baie lief vir sjokolade. Die moeilikheid was net dat hy nie baie geld gehad het om te spandeer nie, en al sou hy alles wat hy besit het aan sjokolade spandeer, hy nog nie na sy sin genoeg daarvan sou gekry het nie.

Eendag het Piet 'n ontdekking gemaak. Hy het uitgevind dat 'n mengsel van kakao en blikkiesmelk net so lekker smaak as sy geliefkoosde soort sjokolade. Moeder het altyd kakao en blikkiesmelk in die spens gehou, en af-en-toe, as Piet baie fluks gevees het, het Moeder hom toegelaat om twee of drie lepelsvol van sy heerlike meng-

sel te maak. Hoe gaaf het dit nie gesmaak nie! Piet wou altyd graag bietjie meer hê.

Een môre het Moeder vir 'n oomblikkie uitgegaan om 'n siek buurvrou te gaan help. Dit was al twee weke wat Piet laas sjokolade geniet het. Dit het amper soos twee jaar gelyk toe hy daaroor dink. Hy moes nou regtig bietjie kry, en Moeder sou nooit daarvan weet nie. Moeder het Piet altyd gewaarsku om niks sonder toestemming te neem nie, maar die versoeking was nou te groot. Daar was die blikkie kakao en langs hom die blikkie melk met twee netjiese gaatjies in die deksel—asof hulle hom gevra het om hulle te gebruik.

Dit was net 'n oomblikkie om 'n teelepeltjie kakao in 'n koppie te gooi. Toe was dit nog net die melk. Maar dit was 'n koue oggend, en dit het lank geneem vir die melk om na die grootste gaatjie te vloei. Om tyd te spaar, het Piet die eenkant van die blikkie oor die koppie gehou, en met sy mond hard by die ander gaatjie in geblaas, soos Pa altyd gemaak het as hy haastig was. Maar die melk was nog ver van die ander gaatjie, en instede van die melk vinnig te laat uitkom, het die lug net in die koppie telande gekom, en die droë, bruin kakao oor Piet se gesig, nek en skoon wit hemp gewaai.

Toe Piet nog besig was om die kakao uit sy oë te vryf, stap sy ma binne. Dit was nutteloos om sake te probeer verduidelik, want sy hemp het die storie te duidelik vertel. „Toe maar,” het sy moeder gesê. „Is jy nie bly dat jy die eerste keer betrap is nie? Dit sal jou leer om niks aan te raak wat nie aan jou behoort nie.”



Hiervan en Daarvan

DIE Natal-Transvaal Vereniginge werk en studeer seker baie hard, want binnekort sal daar 'n aantal Investituurdienste gehou word. Hierdie vereniginge is ver van mekaar, want hulle is in Suidelike Voorstede (Johannesburg), Alberton, Germiston, Gezina, Potchefstroom, Maritzburg en Durban. Dit is 'n teken van progressiewe leierskap in die vereniginge sowel as in die veld.

Ons sien met verlange uit na die dag wanneer elke vereniging 'n groep sal hê wat voorberei word vir Investituur.

DIE nuwe Melville- (Johannesburg) kerk rapporteer die stigting van 'n Junior Vereniging. Ons wens hulle alle voorspoed toe.

ONS is miskien te laat, maar ek is seker ons stem almal saam om ons beste wense aan twee van ons Seniors, br. Hermanus Grobler en sr. Elizabeth Botha, te stuur. Ons wens hulle 'n gelukkige loopbaan en die Here se rykste seën toe nou dat hulle saam die lewenspad bewandel. Hulle is teen die einde van Julie in die Johannesburgkerk getroud.

Spesiaal vir Juniors!

DIT is nou tyd om julle geld te spaar vir die seuns- en dogterskamp wat in die Westelike Provinsie aan die einde van die jaar sal gehou word. Die Juniors van die Kaapse Konferensie moet nou begin geld spaar sodat hulle 'n aangename en nuttige vakansie kan geniet. Skryf vandag om besonderhede aan: Leraar A. C. Le Butt, Posbus 508, Port Elizabeth. Diegene wat geïnteresseerd is in posseëlversameling, en wat begerig is om in hierdie tak van die progressiewe klaswerk onderskeiding te ontvang, sal bly wees om te verneem dat die Kaapse Konferensie Strewersverenigingsdepartement 'n boekie opgestel het, waarin die oorsprong en ontwikkeling van die posdiens in Suid-Afrika beskryf word. Hierdie boekie handel ook oor die geskiedenis van die Spaarbank van die Poskantoor. Hierdie kennis is noodsaaklik as jy van plan is om onderskeiding in posseëlversameling te ontvang. Almal wat die boekie wil hê, moet aan die Strewersdepartement van die Kaapse Konferensie, Posbus 508, Port Elizabeth, skryf, en 'n trippens se posseëls insluit om die prys en die posgeld te dek.



Aan Ons Leiers

LEIERS, laat die jeug toe om u te help met die vorming van u planne. Moenie hulle slegs vra om sekere dinge te doen nie, maar vra hulle saamwerking in die opstelling van programme en in die bepaling van die werksaamhede van die Vereniging. Dit sal hulle leierskapvermoëns ontwikkel. Ons sal nooit te veel bekwame Strewersverenigingleiers in ons geledere hê nie.



„JESUS is die volmaakte mens, en ons admireer altyd 'n volmaakte lewe. Maar om volmaak in wandel te wees soos Hy volmaak was, is 'n ander saak. Nogtans is dit die bevel van Jesus dat ons moet volmaak word. Met kenmerkende selfvergetendheid sê Hy nie „soos Ek volmaak is nie, maar „soos julle Vader in die hemele volmaak is.” Matt. 5:48.

Vir Hulp en Leiding

Konferensie Strewers-Departement

Junior Bekwaamheid-sertifikaat

OM die eenvoudige leerstellings van die Bybel deeglik te kan begryp, en om die manier te ken waarop God hierdie volk ontwikkel het, om Sy boodskap vir hierdie tyd aan die mensdom te verkondig, is dinge waaromtrent iedere Adventiste seun en dogter op hoogte van sake behoort te wees. Die Junior Bekwaamheid-sertifikaat-Kursus is 'n reeks studies wat spesiaal bewerk is om seuns en dogters te help om beter bekend te raak met Bybelse leerstellings en die geskiedenis van die denominasie. Almal wat die voorgeskrewe kursus voltooi en slaag in die toetse wat deur die Strewers-departement gestel word, sal sertifikate ontvang.

Hoe om te Begin .

Klasse kan in enige vereniging of kerk georganiseer word. Daar is geen ouderdomsperk vir diegene wat by die klas wil aansluit nie. Iedere klas moet 'n leier hê, wat die lesse sal waarneem, en 'n sekretaris wat 'n verslag van die bywoning sal hou. Die klasse kan in die huise van die lede gehou word, as daar geen ander geskikte gebou beskikbaar is nie. Afgeleë lede kan alleen studeer.

Benodigdhede

Al die vrae oor Bybelse leerstellings met hulle verwysings staan in die Junior Bekwaamheidshandboek. Die handboek bevat ook die vrae oor die geskiedenis van die denominasie, en die antwoorde kan verkry word deur die volgende boeke te studeer: „An Outline of Mission Fields” en „Pioneer Stories.” Die *Review and Herald* bevat ook hulpvaardige materiaal omtrent hedendaagse geskiedenis. Hierdie benodigdhede is nie duur nie. Die handboek kos 4d., die boekie „An Outline of Mission Fields” is gratis verkrybaar, en „Pioneer Stories” is 8/-. Al hierdie boeke kan van u Konferensie Boek Depot bestel word.

Die Eksamens

Eksamens gebaseer op vrae in die Handboek word tweemaal per jaar gegee. Die toetsvrae word deur die Konferensie Strewerssekretaris aan die plaaslike ouderling van die kerk oorhandig, of 'n ander persoon wat aangestel is om die toets te gee. Die toets hoef nie in altwee onderwerpe op dieselfde tyd gegee te word nie. Dus kan daar 'n lang tyd geneem word om die kursus klaar te maak as daar nie baie studeerkans is nie. Die antwoorde word aan die Konferensie Strewerssekretaris gestuur, en die-

gene wat 75 persent of meer merke behaal, sal 'n Junior Bekwaamheid-sertifikaat ontvang, en dus Junior Bekwaamheidslede word.



Nuwe Lewe

JA, ons sien dit orals rondom ons, want die lente is hier. Die bome, gras, en plante lewer almal bewys daarvan met hulle blare, halme, bloeisels, en blomme. Maar daar word nou ook 'n ander soort nuwe lewe in ons land aangetref. Dit is die lewe in baie van ons Strewersvereniginge wat vir 'n tydperk aan die slaap gewees het. Party het aan die slaap geraak weëns gebrek aan leierskap, ander het oorwinter weëns gebrek aan belangstelling by die jongmense. Die rapporte wat ons ontvang het van planne en voornemings om sulke vereniginge te laat herleef en herstel, het ons baie stof tot dankbaarheid en vreugde verskaf. Dit is nou die tyd om groepe, klasse en vergaderinge met nuwe lewe te besiel.



Investituurdiens te Kimberley

A. C. LE BUTT

DIE 19de Julie was 'n spesiale dag vir die jongmense van die Kimberley-kerk, want daardie dag was afgesonder vir die Investituurdiens. Met hierdie geleentheid is daar een Geselspel en ses Vriendspelde toegeken aan lede van die Strewersvereniging.

Presies om 7:45 N.M. was die jongmense in hulle plekke, gereed en ywerig om deel te neem aan die voorbereide program. Die verskillende voordragte wat gelewer is, was 'n uitdrukking van die vasberadenheid van die groep om volgens die hoë standaard van hulle vereniging te leef. 'n Mens kon ook duidelik sien dat hierdie jongmense 'n deeglike opleiding ontvang vir die Meester se diens binnekant en buitekant die kerk. Die Strewersvereniging is een van die organisasies wat deur God gebruik word vir die voorbereiding van jongmense vir verantwoordelike posisies in die verskillende departemente van die kerk.

Terwyl die spelde uitgereik is, het die skrywer almal teenwoordig herinner aan die belangrikheid van die Vereniging, en veral die progressiewe klasse wat in staat is om hulle praktiese Christene en nuttige burgers te maak.

Ouers, ons sal nooit die waarde van die Strewersvereniging ten volle besef voordat

ons ons kinders gered sien in die koninkryk van God nie.

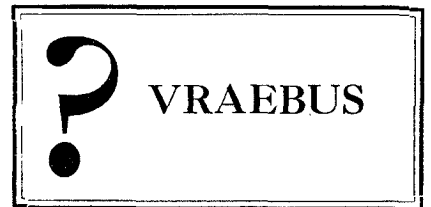
Mag ons, aan hierdie kant van die koninkryk, die belangrikheid van die Strewerswerk besef, en dit op alle maniere ondersteun.

Aan die volgendes is spelde toegeken:

Geselspel.—Mej. A. G. Fleming.

Vriendspelde.—Mejj. T. Carr, A. Stanley, C. Jeffrey, Mnr. J. Hall, en die jongheere A. Patterson en G. Nezar.

Ons waardeer die belangstelling wat Mej. Fleming in die jongmense van Kimberley toon, en mag Gods seën op die Vereniging rus terwyl hulle voortgaan met hulle progressiewe klasse.



VRAAG.—Is dit reg vir Sewende-dag Adventiste seuns om eenvoudige bokslesse te neem teneinde in staat te wees om hulleself te kan verdedig as hulle aangeval word?

Antwoord.—Dit sal miskien mooi lyk om „ja” op hierdie vraag te antwoord, maar vuiste kan nie 'n aanval met 'n mes of 'n geweer verhoed nie. Behoort ons dan nie ook 'n geweer en 'n mes te dra en te leer hanteer in geval ons aangerand word nie? Hierop sê ons almal, „nee.” Ons moenie vergeet nie dat die bekwaamheid om te veg, of dit nou in die seun of in die nasie ontwikkel is, 'n vegtende gees meebring, en so 'n gees lei onvermydelik tot oorlog.

VRAAG.—Is dit reg om in te luister na vuisgeveg- en stoei-wedstryde?

Antwoord.—Ek dink nie Christene behoort sulke vertonings by te woon nie, en dus sal hulle ook geen plesier daarin vind om na die beskrywing daarvan in te luister nie. Dit raak die vraagstuk aan of ons ons smaak ontwikkel vir alles wat veredeld en verfyndend is.

VRAAG.—Is dit reg vir Sewende-dag Adventis-susters om vere op hulle hoede te dra?

Antwoord.—Daar is tenminste twee maniere om hierdie vraag te nader. Die verkryging van sommige soorte bont en vere veroorsaak baie lyding by die betrokke diere. Andersins behoort die gewone reël van beskeidenheid, netheid, en goeie smaak die kledingsvraagstuk op te los. Diegene op wie se klere geen aanmerkings te maak is nie, is inderdaad goed gekleed.

Mediese Rapport van die Divisie

DR. A. N. TONGE, *Sekretaris*

DIE afgelope ses jaar het baie opgelewer om ons te bemoedig en tot groter dinge aan te spoor in die werk van ons Meester. As ons dink oor die duisende wat jaarliks ons hospitale en apteke besoek, dan besef ons hoe baie geleentheid ons kry om die saadjies van geestelike waarheid te saai. Wie weet waarheen hierdie evangelie nie geneem is deur diegene wat ons hospitale en leprose-gestigte verlaat het nie? Laat ons vir 'n oomblik stilstaan by die werk op Songa. Hoewel daar maar min mense naby die hospitaal woon, is daar gedurende die jaar 1936 oor die 24.000 pasiënte behandel in die hospitaal en apteek. Baie van hulle het van ver gekom. Wat 'n gulde geleentheid om die blye tyding te bring aan duisende wat dit anders nooit sou gehoor het nie!

Op Bongo het ons die voorreg om Blankes sowel as Naturelle te behandel. Die werk van Dr. Parsons vind baie byval by die Portugese sowel as die Naturelle. Mediese behandeling en 'n woordjie van medelyde doen dikwels meer goed as al die prekerie in die wêreld. Christus het ons hierdie beginsel geleer, wat so duidelik geopenbaar is in sy lewe van diens vir die mensheid.

As ons 'n haastige blik oor die veld werp, en die kolletjies sien wat die hospitale en apteke in ons Divisie voorstel, hoe min besef ons nie van die werk en bekommernis wat verbonde is aan die behandeling van 414,265 pasiënte nie; en soveel is in 1936 behandel. Gedurende die afgelope ses jaar het ons dokters en verpleegsters byna drie miljoen behandelings gegee aan die mense in Afrika. Dink net wat 'n voorreg ons het om, nie alleen aan die liggaamlike behoeftes te voorsien nie, maar ook dag na dag die evangeliestorie aan hulle te vertel terwyl hulle behandel word, of terwyl hulle na 'n operasie of 'n gevaarlike siekte wag om sterker te word. Dikwels is dit hierdie saadjies wat gesaai word, wat later vrugte dra vir die Meester se oes.

Christus het nie gesien hoeveel goeie gevolge Sy werk gehad het, voordat Hy nie na die hemel teruggekeer het nie. Ongetwyfeld was daardie ondervindinge van die apostels toe duisende op een dag tot bekering gekom het, die uitwerking van die getroue en onvermoeide werk van die Grootste Geneesheer.

Gedurende die afgelope ses jaar is die hospitaal te Ngoma geopen deur Dr. Sturges, wat later genoodsaak was om terug te keer huistoe weens siekte in die familie. Ons was jammer dat hierdie hospitaal vir 'n tyd sonder dokter moes wees, maar die aankoms van Dr. Beckner is met groot genot begroet; en nou word daar weer 'n groot mediese werk gedoen in die land met sulke uitstaande geleentheid.

Nog 'n ander hospitaal is al vir meer as 'n jaar sonder dokter, en ons simpatiseer met ons mense in Nyasaland. Ons het al

'n paar keer gehoor dat daar hulp sal kom, maar hulle wag nog steeds. God alleen weet waarom ons sulke teleurstellings moet kry. Sedert die aankoms van Dr. Davies kan ons nou reëlings tref om Malamulo te help, waar, in sommige opsigte, die grootste mediese werk in hierdie Divisie gedoen word.

Dit het ons baie genoeg gedoen om te sien hoeveel byval ons mediese werk by die verskillende regerings gevind het. Die opening en instandhouding van ons nuwe Maun Hospitaal is moontlik gemaak deur die gulhartige ondersteuning van die Betsjoeanalandse Regering. In die Kongo is die mediese werk byna selfonderhoudend gemaak deur die vrygewige ondersteuning van die Belgiese Regering. In Nyasaland geld dieselfde op 'n kleiner skaal. Die Here spreek waarlik tot die harte van Regeringsbeampptes soos in die dae van Moses, Josef en Daniël.

Ons wens om ons getroue gelede hartlik te bedank vir hulle onvermoeide pogings in die Oesinsameling, wat dit moontlik gemaak het om die Nokuphile Hospitaal op te rig. Die toekoms van hierdie inrigting lyk rooskleurig en ons hoop dat sy oprigting grootse gevolge sal hê. Wie weet hoeveel goed daar nie sal spruit uit die opleiding van getroue verpleegsters nie! Dit is hulle onvermoeide werk wat baie siele red wat anders na 'n vroegtydige graf sou gegaan het.

Partymaal, weëns nuwe regeringswette, vrees ons vir die toekoms en deins ons terug. Maar God weet die beste, en as ons in geloof voortgaan, sal Hy voor ons uit gaan en ons lei. Dus hoef ons nie te vrees solank as ons reg doen nie.

Op die oomblik is daar roepstemme wat ons vra om nuwe dele van ons onbearbeide veld in te gaan. God het ons vooruitgegaan om die weg te open en die opposisie teen ons „Drievoudige Boodskap” tot niet te maak. Dus moet ons alles in ons vermoë doen om na hierdie plekke te gaan terwyl hulle roep, want wie weet wanneer hierdie deure vir ewig sal gesluit wees vir ons?

Die tyd sal ons nie toelaat om elke dokter en verpleegster se naam te noem of om u 'n beskrywing van die uitstekende werk wat hulle verrig, te gee nie. Om die minste te sê is dit uiters getotvol om met so 'n getroue, onselfsugtige, ywerige klomp werkers om te gaan. Hulle grootste begeerte is om siele te red. Met sulke voornemens sal die mediese afdeling sy deur God vasgestelde doel bereik in die voltooiing van ons ontsaglike taak.

Ons is nie tevrede met wat ons gedoen het nie, maar onder die leiding en sêen van die Here wil ons graag vooruitstreef na die verrigting van groter dinge, sodat ons Meester spoedig kan kom.



„DIE Bybel is die man in moeilikheid se beste gids, die evangelie is sy sterkste hoop, en Christus is sy beste vriend.”

Sabbatskool Voorstelle

Nuwe Reëls vir die Uitreiking van Wimpel

Ons beveel aan, dat die nuwe reëls in verband met dit uitreiking van die Wimpel soos deur die Wêreldkonferensie vasgestel, in werking tree vanaf die begin van 1938. „Enige Sabbatskool wat die gemiddelde per capita doel vir die kwartaal behaal, behoort die wimpel te kry. Die wêrelddepartement sal 'n spesiale onderskeidingsseël verskaf vir al die skole wat ook die Dertiende-Sabbat Doel bereik.”

Uitbreiding van Sabbatskoolinvloed

AANGESIEN, die Sabbatskool bestem is om 'n groot sielreddende liggaam te wees, sowel as 'n middel om die lede van die kerk en van die Sabbatskool te behou en te versterk, en

AANGESIEN, dit bewys is dat die Sabbatskool-takke 'n vername faktor is om die evangelie aan diegene te verkondig wat nog nie die Derde Engel se Boodskap gehoor het nie, en hulle uiteindelik gereelde lede te laat word van die Sabbatskool en die kerk,

Besluit ons, 1. Dat die ampsdraers en onderwysers in ons Sabbatskole aangemoedig word om die idee van tak-Sabbatskole te bevorder, en om Bybelskole te hou op die Sabbat of op ander geleentheid gedurende hulle Sabbatskoolwerk. Dat die gereelde Sabbatskoollesse hiervoor gebruik word, met die oogmerk om die mense wat op hierdie manier begin belangstel, lede van die gereelde Sabbatskool te laat word.

2. Dat hierdie tak-Sabbatskole ingesluit word in die rapport van die hoof-Sabbatskool totdat hulle apart kan georganiseer word.

3. Dat ons afgeleë Sabbatskoollede aangemoedig word om bure en vriende uit te nooi om saam met hulle ons Sabbatskoollesse te studeer, sodat, deur Gods seën, sulke groepe kan georganiseer word in gereelde tak-Sabbatskole op die gewone basis met ampsdraers en onderwysers wat onbesproke kerkelede is.

4. Dat afgeleë kerkelede aangemoedig word om die Sabbatskoollesse te gebruik as 'n basis om Bybelstudies vir hulle bure te gee.

5. Dat, op ons plase, die naturelle 'n kans gegee word om 'n Sabbatskool wat spesiaal vir hulle bedoel is, by te woon.

6. Dat ons die volgende leuses sal aanneem:

- „Elke plaas 'n klein sendingstasie.”
- „Elke bediende in S. D. A.-huise 'n moontlike ster in iemand se kroon.”
- „Kry u tak-Sabbatskool nuwe takke?”

Sabbatskool-Propaganda in die Veld

AANGESIEN, daar nouer aanraking en sterker propaganda van 'n sistematiese en definitiewe aard nodig is in elke Unie- en plaaslike veld,

Beveel ons aan, dat die volgende reëls so spoedig moontlik toegepas word, teneinde in hierdie behoefte te voorsien:

1. Dat daar in elke Unie 'n Sabbatskool-konvensie gehou word, in verband met die Unie-Werkerskonvensies.

2. Dat Distrik- of plaaslike Sabbatskool-konvensies in elke konferensie of sendingveld elke jaar gehou word, as omstandighede en geldsake dit toelaat.

3. Dat, sover as wat die finansiële toestand van konferensies en sendingvelde dit toelaat, Sabbatskool-Sekretarisse aangemoedig word om in persoonlike aanraking te kom met plaaslike skole in hulle veld van tyd tot tyd soos dit kan gereël word.

Kinderwerk

AANGESIEN, In die nabye toekoms, die kinders van hierdie geloof voor die dwaalere en fabels wat vandag geleer word, sal te staan kom, en dit dus noodsaaklik is vir ons om sterke nadruk te lê op die belangrikheid daarvan dat Sabbatskoolonderwysers en beamptes deeglike werk sal doen ten behoeve van die kinders, daarom dring ons aan dat, teneinde die kwaad te weerstaan wat orals aangetref word, die leiers en onderwysers van die kinders baie deeglik opgelei word, dat hulle op hulle beurt weer in staat kan wees om selfs die kleinste kindertjies in alle eenvoud te leer, en tog met die grootste deeglikheid, en dat hulle nooit die feit uit die oog verloor dat wat hulle as onderwysers en leiers doen, die toets sal moet deurstaan in die oordeel nie; en

AANGESIEN, die beste plek om kinders se opvoeding te begin die Kleuterklas en die Kindergarten is; daarom

Beveel ons aan, dat ons konferensie Sabbatskoolsekretarisse spesiale pogings aanwend om die onervare leiers en onderwysers aan te help om hierdie werk doeltreffend te verrig, en hulle te leer:

a. Hoe om die voorligting te gebruik wat aangegee word vir die verduideliking van die lesse in die *Sabbath School Worker*.

b. Hoe om die les te demonstreer deur die nodige uitknipsels, en die hele les vir hulle te demonstreer; ook om die belangrikheid daarvan te besef om verskeie soorte prente te versamel om in hulle werk te gebruik, hierdie prente op kaarte of blokke vas te plak, en gereed te hou vir gebruik wanneer nodig.

c. Deur dikwels die aandag te vestig op die Kleuterskool-boeke wat die lesse vir die heel klein kindertjies bevat.

Ons beveel ook aan, dat konferensie Sabbatskool-sekretarisse, in medewerking met die Divisie-leiers in die skole, noukeurige aandag wy aan die voorrade wat vir die kinderafdeling van elke skool verskaf word, en probeer om 'n behoorlike toerusting te hê vir doeltreffende werk; en

Dat hulle die leiers en onderwysers van die kinderafdelings aanmoedig om die boeke te bestudeer wat aangegee word vir die opvoeding van kinders, hulle ontwikkeling, en die behoeftes van die verskillende ouderdomme.

Afwesige Lede

AANGESIEN, In baie kerke al die kerklede nie gereëld die voorreg geniet om die Sabbatskool by te woon nie,

Beveel ons aan, dat alle Sabbatskool- en kerkbeamptes, leraars, en ander konferensiewerkers en komitees, uitvind wat die plaaslike toestand is wat verantwoordelik is vir die afwesigheid van hierdie lede, en dat hulle ernstige pogings aanwend om die Sabbatskool 'n vername faktor in die geestelike lewe van al die kerklede te maak, en dat hulle elke moontlike middel gebruik om hierdie lede werkende en gereëld Sabbatskoollede te maak.

Sielwenning in die Sabbatskool

AANGESIEN ons besef dat daar 'n behoefte is om meer te doen vir ons onbekeerde jongmense en kinders in ons Sabbatskole,

Beveel ons aan, 1. Dat meer versigtigheid beoefen word in die kiesing van geestelike leiers, en dat elke onderwyser aangemoedig word om persoonlike werk vir iedere leerling te doen, en ywerig probeer om hulle na Christus te bring.

2. Dat toewydingsdienste en beslissingsdae gehou word waar moontlik, en tenminste tweemaal per jaar.

Verjaarsdagoffergawe en Beleggingsfonds

AANGESIEN ons glo dat die Verjaarsdagoffergawe en die Beleggingsfonds meer aanmoediging behoort te geniet, daarom

Besluit ons, 1. Dat ons die verjaarsdagoffergawes in ons Sabbatskole aanmoedig, en ons Sabbatskoollede almal uitnodig om 'n spesiale dankoffer te bring ter aandeking van hulle verjaarsdae en hulle doop.

2. Dat ons weer nadruk lê op die Beleggingsfonds, en aan die hand gee dat daar in elke Sabbatskool 'n Beleggingsleier of Sekretaris aangestel word.

Dertiende-Sabbat Offergawekoevert

AANGESIEN, die Dertiende-Sabbat offergawekoevert 'n opmerklike vermeerdering teweeggebring het in die bedrag wat in ons Sabbatskole vir daardie offergawe gegee is,

Beveel ons aan, 1. Dat al die Sabbatskole van ons blankes en bruinmense gereëld hierdie koevert gebruik, gedurende die hele kwartaal, sodat die lede hulle self-offerings gawes week na week daarin kan sit, teneinde dat hulle vroegtydig kan genoeg hê vir die Dertiende-Sabbat.

2. Dat die Divisie 'n aanplakpapiertjie verskaf met terme wat geskik is vir Afrika om oor die opskrif van die koevert te plak wat deur die Wêreldkonferensie Sabbatskool-Departement uitgegee word.

Metodes om Sendingfondse te Vermeerder

Teneinde ons sendingfondse te vermeerder en die bereiking van die weeklikse doel in die verskillende Unies te verseker,

Beveel ons die volgende metodes aan:

1. 'n Sterker evangelistiese program in elke konferensie en sendingveld wat, deur ons ledetal te vermeerder, 'n groter bedrag offergawes vir sendingwerk sal verseker.

2. 'n Aanhoudende onderwysing van ons mense in verband met die wonderbaarlike vooruitgang wat die boodskap in anderlande maak. Dit kan gedoen word deur

meer mense om te haal om gereëld die kerkblad, die *Review and Herald*, te lees, sowel as ander spesiale sendingleesstof wat deur die Wêreldkonferensie uitgestuur word, en deur gereëld pogings van ons predikante om die kerklede goedingelig te hou aangaande die ontwikkeling van die werk oorsee.

3. Dat elke veld dit as 'n vasgestelde reël hou om die insameling van sendingfondse belangriker te ag as die verkryging van fondse vir plaaslike doeleindes, en dat alle werkers en kerklede hierdie reël goed verstaan.

4. Dat konferensiewerkers altyd die noodsaaklikheid daarvan voor oë hou om die vasgestelde doel in elke kerk en distrik te bereik.

5. Dat elke Sabbatskool aangemoedig word om weeklikse en Dertiende-Sabbat finansiële doele wat deur die Divisie vasgestel is, te probeer bereik.

6. Dat die kantoor elke kwartaal die laatste informasie in verband met die veld se posisie aangaande sendingwerk, uitstuur.

7. Dat die konferensie-president of sendingveldsuperintendent af en toe 'n goedbewoorde brief aan sy kerklede skryf om sy waardering uit te spreek van hulle getrouheid om vir die sendingwerk te gee, en om die groot behoefte aan meer fondse vir die sending duidelik te maak en 'n beroep te doen op hulle om groter opofferings te maak.

8. Dat ons mense aangemoedig word om gulhartiger te gee tydens die Week van Opoffering en die jaarlikse Offergawes sowel as die Middejaar Offerande.

9. Dat daar meer mense gewerf word as deelnemers in die Oesinsameling, en dat daar hoër doele vir persone en velde vasgestel word.

10. Dat geloftes verkry word van ons mense die laaste maand van die jaar vir 'n bepaalde som elke week vir buitelandse sendingwerk gedurende die volgende jaar, sodat elke kerk as 'n jaar kan voorwees. Dit kan gedoen word deur middel van 'n gelofte-kaartjie.

11. Dat elke veld gratis aan iedere afgeleë familie gelowiges 'n goedkoop koevert of iets dergelyks stuur waarin hulle gereëld elke week 'n offergawe kan insit vir die sending, sodat hulle dit elke maand of elke kwartaal na die veldskatkis kan stuur.

12. Dat daar meer algemene gebruik gemaak word van die wêreld-sendinglandkaart in ons Sabbatskole en kerke.

13. Dat ons natuurlike werkers aangemoedig word om hulle gemeentes te lei in hierdie rigting.

(Word vervolg)

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Die Bybelwerkers-Instituut

'n Geestelike Fees

„DEUR wysheid word 'n huis gebou, en deur verstand word dit bevestig; en deur kennis word die kamers gevul met allerhande kosbare en lieflike goed . . . en die

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oorwinning is deur die menigte van raad-
gewers." (Spreek. 24:3, 4, 6.)

'n Groep belangstellende studente van
beide die Natal-Transvaal en Kaapse Kon-
ferensies het kennis versamel deur middel
van die uiters goed opgestelde reeks stu-
dies gereël deur die Suid-Afrikaanse Unie-
Konferensie. Dit is baie interessant, leer-
saam, opheffend, en nuttig, en word inder-
daad deur die bostaande tekste opgesom.

Ek weet ek spreek die gevoelens van al
die studente uit as ek ons hartlikste en
waarderende dank bring aan ons prinsipaal
— Leraar Clifford, asook aan sy staf, vir
hulle onvermoeide belangstelling; en aan
die susterkonferensies vir hulle hulp om dit
finansiëel moontlik te maak vir ons om die
kursus by te woon.

AILEEN G. FLEMING.

General News Notes

ELDER BOZARTH has recently returned to
the office from the Congo Union where he
audited their records for the past year.

ELDER MILTON ROBISON who has been
away from the office for several months
attending camp-meetings in the Angola
Union, is due back at the Cape on Sep-
tember 4.

We are happy to report that word has
been received from the General Conference
office to the effect that Miss Bain who has
been ill for some considerable time has
now fully recovered and is with her people
in Florida, U. S. A.

We regret to report that while Brother
Potter was engaged in the Harvest In-
gathering work at Beira he met with an
accident which resulted in a badly sprained
ankle. Brother Potter is now at home
recuperating and we are glad to say that
he has almost fully regained the use of
his ankle.

WORD has reached the office that Doctor
J. G. Foster, who is to connect with the
work at the Maun Medical Mission, will

arrive at the Cape on September 2. Doctor
Chapin who goes to Malamulo Mission
arrives at Beira on September 6. Brother
John van der Merwe, who has been taking
further studies in America is scheduled to
arrive at the Cape on September 26.

MRS. BRINGLE and her two children ar-
rived at the Cape a few days ago from the
Maun Medical Mission in Bechuanaland,
and sailed for America on August 30.
Mrs. Bringle is going home owing to
word that she has received regarding the
physical condition of her father who is
not in the Truth. Sister Bringle plans to
return and join her husband within a
year from the date of sailing.

The Bible Workers' Institute

A Spiritual Feast

"THROUGH wisdom is an house builded
and by understanding it is established.
And by knowledge shall the chambers be



Group of Missionary Volunteers at Kimberley.

filled with all precious and pleasant riches.
... In the multitude of counsellors there
is safety." (Prov. 24:3, 4, 6.)

A group of interested students from both
the Natal-Transvaal and Cape Conferences
have been building up knowledge through
the exceedingly well-planned course of
studies arranged by the South African
Union Conference. It is intensely interest-
ing, instructive, uplifting, and profitable,
and is indeed summed up in the above texts.

I know I express the sincere sentiment
of each student in expressing our hearty ap-
preciation and gratitude to the Principal
— Elder Clifford, and his staff, for their
untiring interest, also to the sister Con-
ferences for making it possible, financially,
for us to attend.

AILEEN G. FLEMING.

THE band of workers and prospective
workers who met together in Bloemfontein
for the greater part of the month of
August, enjoyed the privilege of being stu-
dents in a most helpful Bible Worker's
Institute. The timely instruction that came
to us from day to day was much appre-
ciated.

The class group of nineteen brethren and
sisters were drawn more or less equally
from the two European Conferences.

I feel confident that great benefit will
accrue to the evangelistic work in our field
as we go forth from this gathering with
a new vision, a wider range of knowledge,
and fresh methods, and will enable us to
speed on the work, and hasten the day
when our Lord shall appear to gather His
children.

A. J. HERHOLDT.

Kimberley Investiture Service

A. C. LE BUTT

JULY 19 was a very special day for the
young people of the Kimberley church as
that was the day set aside for the Investi-
ture service. On this occasion one Com-
panion pin and six Friend pins were pre-
sented to members of the Missionary
Volunteer Society.

Promptly at 7:45 p.m. the young people
were in their places, ready and eager to
take part in the programme prepared. The
various items rendered expressed the de-
termination of the group to live up to the
high standards of the Society. It was also
very evident that these young people were
being well trained for the Master's service
in and outside the church. The Missionary
Volunteer Society is one of the organisa-
tions that is being used of God in the train-
ing of young people for positions of re-
sponsibility in the various departments of
the church.

As the pins were presented, the writer
reminded those present of the importance
of the Society and especially the progressive
classes which were able to make them prac-
tical Christians and useful citizens.

Parents, we will never know to the full-
est extent the value of the Missionary
Volunteer Society until we see our children
saved in the Kingdom of God.

May we, on this side of the kingdom,
sense the importance of the Missionary
Volunteer work and support it by all means.

The following are those to whom pins
were presented:

Companion.— Miss A. G. Fleming.

Friend.— Misses T. Carr, A. Stanley, C.
Jeffrey, Mr. J. Hall and Masters A. Patter-
son and G. Nezar.

We appreciate the interest Miss Fleming
is taking in the Kimberley young people
and may God's blessing be with the Society
as they continue with the progressive
classes.