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THE General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, brought into being nearly one hundred years ago, was a very simple organization. The total membership was approximately that of a small conference today. The working staff consisted of but a handful of hardy, pioneering, self-sacrificing ministers. These ministers were all front-line, aggressive evangelists. We had no educational work, no medical work, no young people's work as such. Neither had the Sabbath-school work taken shape. The direction and promotion of what is now the departmental phase of our work, so far as it was promoted, was all done by these hard-working ministers.

With the rapid growth of our work came the establishment of our schools, colleges, sanitariums, publishing houses, and our far-flung Sabbath-schools. These interests could not, without some special direction and integration, be directed into the most useful paths. Thus was made apparent the need for specialists in these various fields to foster and guide them into the greatest degree of co-operation and fruitfulness.

Out of an immediate need was born our Medical Department of the General Conference. At the turn of the century there was confusion among those interested in medical evangelism. There were faddists, extremists, well-intentioned but ill-advised health promoters.

There was an epidemic of diet extremists who threatened to bring the health work of the denomination into disrepute. There were many health institutions being promoted by those whose motives were commercial, and by those ill-prepared to assume the direction of such an important task. Not that any one man could correct these undesirable trends in our denominational medical work, but that there might be someone to counsel on such matters, one who would devote his energies to the promotion of a balanced medical and health programme, there was appointed a secretary to foster this important phase of our work in the General Conference. In like manner at later dates secretaries have been appointed in the various divisions, unions, and many local conferences. It is the duty of these secretaries and their associates to study existing medical and health activities, to be prepared to give counsel, and to co-ordinate interests. It is their duty to study possible new fields of usefulness for medical work both in the home fields and abroad, and to direct in the promotion and development of such work.

While the results of this programme have not been all that could be wished, there has developed, through the co-operation of the Medical Department with our denominational administrators around the world, a very helpful system of medical institutions, dedicated to the

revelation of God's love through medical ministry. We have in North America sixteen well-established sanitariums and a large and growing number of well-administered private institutions, some of them comparable to our better denominational sanitariums. In northern Europe we have four sanitariums and upwards of one hundred privately operated treatment rooms, each one the centre of an Adventist church community. We have a sanitarium in England and one in Switzerland. We have two good sanitariums in Australia besides some smaller private projects. In the various mission fields of South America, Africa, the Orient, and the South Seas, we have more than fifty mission hospitals, each an active centre of evangelism.

The Seventh-day Adventist denomination conducts an excellent College of Medical Evangelists, graduating a hundred well-qualified physicians annually. Our thirty-two schools of nursing turn out more than three hundred graduate nurses each year. Besides the graduates of our denominational medical college, there are young men and women graduating from medicine in England, Europe, South Africa, India, China, South America, the Philippine Islands, and Australia. These men and women from other countries are joining our medical and nursing graduates from America in

staffing the far-flung mission field institutions.

As our schools and colleges are centres of training for denominational workers, so our medical college and schools of nursing are maintained for just one purpose—to prepare workers for the cause of God. Our many hospitals and sanitariums are for but one purpose, to bring to the sick and unfortunate a knowledge of the love of God through medical ministry.

To ensure that these medical interests throughout the world might develop harmoniously and according to a given pattern, and that every medical effort might be closely integrated with and made an effective part of our world evangelistic programme, the General Conference has made provision for a staff of medical advisers.

The Medical Department of the General Conference is, to the best of its ability, striving for the highest degree of accomplishment and effectiveness of our world programme of medical ministry.



## A Brief Message

W. E. Read

BEFORE leaving the hospitable shores of South Africa, Mrs. Read and I wish to express our deep appreciation for all the many kindnesses and courtesies which have been extended to us during the five-month period we have been in the South African Union.

It has been a real joy to us to meet with so many of our workers and our believers and to contact so many centres of our work in this large and important field. In nearly every place, we have been able to make contact with our European, our Cape Field, and also our African church members. To one and all we say: "Thank you," "Dan-  
kie," "Enkosi," "Ngiya Bonga," "kea Leboha," as the case may be.

The days spent in Bible study and in review of the providences of God, will long be remembered by us as we now pass on to England for a brief visit, and then on to our home in Washington, our world headquarters. We shall long cherish recollections of the associations of these months. It has been good to meet so many old friends, those whom we have known for many years, and to see their courage and hope in the Lord. It has been a joy also to greet so many of our believers whom we have never seen before, but whom we have learned to love and esteem highly as the children of God.

In the days that are before us many perils lie in our pathway. We shall need to be on our guard continually that the enemy does not take advantage of

us. Our safeguard will be in intimate fellowship with our blessed Lord. More and more we must learn to know Him; more and more must we study His precious Word and seek day by day to feed upon the living Word of the everlasting God. In constant communion with Him, in abiding communion with Jesus, in a daily surrender of our hearts, our lives, our all to His service, will we find victory over sin and the peace of God in our hearts.

The promise of the Saviour to His disciples—"my peace I give unto you"—is just as real today as when the words were uttered. The truth had been declared centuries before by the evangelical prophet of ancient days, when he declared, "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee." This is a vital need today. We can rest assured that such surrender to God will mean everything to us in our Christian walk and experience. Thus yielded to the will of God, he will be able to use us to His glory, and in winning men and women to Himself through our humble ministry.

May we remember always that we are one in Christ Jesus. The truth of the living God enables men of different nationality, of different language and of different race to fellowship at the same footstool of the same blessed Master. Let us seek Him with the whole heart. By giving ourselves over to the divine will, the Christ of Calvary will "live in us to will and to do of His good pleasure." So may we be able to say with the Apostle Paul:

"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." Gal. 2: 20.



## General News Notes

WE are happy to announce the arrival of several new missionaries to augment the working force of the Southern African Division. We wish all of these new workers God's richest blessings as they take up work in their new fields of labour.

Elder and Mrs. R. M. Gardner arrived from the States the latter part of December 1949 and will locate at Port Elizabeth. Elder Gardner is the newly appointed secretary to the Missionary Volunteer and Education Departments of the Cape Conference.

Misses Mary Winkler and Charlette Mae Wallin arrived at the Cape at the time of the recent Cape Conference camp-meeting. Miss Winkler is con-

necting with Helderberg College, while Miss Wallin is on the staff of the newly organized Rhobeccon Preparatory School near Gwelo.

By the time this issue of the OUTLOOK is published, Miss M. V. Ford, of England, will have arrived at the Cape en route to Malamulo Mission in Nyasaland. Miss Ford is a nurse and will connect with the hospital at Malamulo Mission.

Miss Mahieux, from Belgium, has recently arrived in Elisabethville in the Belgian Congo to connect with the Congo Union office as a stenographer.

ELDER and Mrs. W. E. Read, who have spent several months visiting churches in the South African Union, returned to England on the 27th January on the *Durban Castle*. We greatly appreciate the splendid and untiring efforts of Elder Read during his visit among us and we wish him and Sister Read God's richest blessing as they return to their home in the States.

Dr. J. J. Bell, who has rendered many years of faithful service in South Africa, also sailed for England on the *Durban Castle* on January 27 for a much needed rest.

Another passenger on the boat was Miss Muriel Madgwick who is going to join her parents who are already in England on furlough.

A NEW school year at Helderberg College opened on February 1 and we believe the readers of the OUTLOOK will rejoice in the news that their enrollment this year is the largest that they have ever had. Let us pray that God's rich blessing may rest upon the teachers and students of our college during this new year.

D. A. WEBSTER.



## African Women's Institute at Musofu Mission

Tersha M. Robinson

[Some months back we published an article by Sister C. Robinson, in which she told of the Women's Institute held at Rusangu Mission. Lack of space made it impossible to include this portion of the article. We are sure our readers will enjoy the second instalment.—Ed.]

JUNE 20 found me at Walamba siding waiting for the lorry to take us the 20 mile journey to Musofu Mission. As I stood watching Brother Stephen Palvie pack the car, my mind went back 30 years to a former visit, when Brother Jewell met me and my little son with a machila and 20 or more carriers. They had a huge fire burning to keep the lions away, as we could not start on

our machila journey until daylight. It then took us several hours to do the 20 mile trip. But on this trip we travelled by car and arrived at the mission in about one hour. Brother and Sister Palvie made me very welcome. We commenced work at once on the Institute programme, and the meetings began that same evening. We were glad that Elder Bristow was there to open the Institute. This was really a new thing for the Musofu African mothers. Sisters Verna and Stembuku accompanied me to this institute, and again their help proved invaluable. We carried on the same strenuous programme, and the eagerness with which these mothers attended the services seemed even greater than at Rusangu. It was all so new and wonderful to them, and they were so appreciative and attentive. They asked me to put the studies on the blackboard so that they could copy them in their note books for use in their villages. This I did, and after each class or service they stayed behind with pencils and paper copying every text and note. Each day seemed better than the one before, and we all enjoyed every minute of the Institute. Again at the close we gave these mothers an opportunity to express themselves, and their testimonies were similar to those given at Rusangu Mission. As we listened to these testimonies, we felt repaid for the time we had been able to spend with them, and we felt happy that we had been of some help to them, and had brought some bright spots into their lives.

On the last day at Musofu we organized a Dorcas Society, and elected Sister Palvie to lead out, with the assistance of the African pastor's wife. Just before they left for their homes, many of the mothers came to thank me for the lessons they had learned, which they would try to put into practice in their home villages.

The African mothers are keen and eager to learn how to conduct a Christian home, and to train their children in the right way. May God bless the work for the African women throughout Africa.

Sister White says: "The restoration and uplifting of humanity begins in the home. The work of parents underlies every other." Hence the importance of training our African mothers.

My husband and I have said good-bye to our African mission work in the north. After over 40 years of service in the mission field we now leave the burden of the work to those who are younger, and we are happy that there are so many well-trained young men and women from Helderberg and else-

where who are giving such efficient and consecrated service throughout Africa. May God bless them all on their various stations.

We are now at the Cape establishing a home in which to spend a less active life, but our hearts are still young as far as interest in God's message is concerned, and our prayers will always be for our missionaries in the world-wide work.

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## Warrenton and Ganspan Efforts

E. C. Webster

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS believe that the Macedonian call is sounding on every hand, and realize that there is a mighty challenge to reap the whitening harvest. The Vaal-Harts Scheme seemed to be one district which was reaching out its hands for this last warning message. In willing response Elder S. J. Fourie and his band of workers, Brother and Sister P. P. van Eck, Miss W. Welman, and I entered the field.

Plans were laid for two efforts to be conducted some fifteen miles apart. Elder Fourie arranged to hold meetings in the Recreational Hall, Andalusia, while Brother Van Eck located in Warrenton where he hired a small hall.

The stage was set for the opening meeting in Andalusia the night of October 5, 1949. Two buses had been hired at the cost of £9 an evening to bring people to the hall from the various settlements. The one bus arrived without occupants while the other one was overcrowded. It was soon discovered that almost all the people came from a little settlement called Ganspan. The next evening two buses were sent to Ganspan but still there were people who had to turn back. We kept on for a few evenings and then decided that we would go to the people instead of bringing them to us. Every indication point-

ed to Ganspan. God was calling; we had to obey.

In the meantime Brother Van Eck, assisted by his wife and Miss Welman had launched out in Warrenton. The little hall was just opposite a church and many evenings the one speaker would hear the other one as he paused to take breath. The attendance was very small the first evening but gradually grew until there were forty and fifty, at times.

The attendance at Ganspan was exceptionally good from the beginning. The hall seated 175 and for the first few weeks the children had to sit on the edge of the platform and on the floor, as the other seats were occupied. There are only about 150 homes in Ganspan and so you can understand that a good percentage attended the meetings. When the Sabbath was presented it seemed as if the whole of Ganspan was in a revolution. The local elders of the community hurried from place to place trying in vain to stem the tide. Appeals were made for the arm of justice to fall upon us, but God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform, and instead of the work suffering as a result of the opposition, it was blessed.

In Warrenton and Ganspan strong sermons were delivered against the wolves which had come in among the sheep! However, in spite of all the opposition the Lord blessed His work in both places.

Many wonderful experiences could be recounted. One deacon of the church resigned his post when he understood the truth of this message. Today his wife is baptized and we hope that he will soon take his stand.

Four Apostolic families were brought to a knowledge of this truth largely through the work of a 13 year-old boy. He attended all the meetings, but his father and mother would have nothing to do with them. Through his perseverance the mother and father were brought to accept the truth of the Sabbath, and the other families were greatly influenced.

On the 8th of January it was our privilege to see 29 souls enter the remnant church as a result of the work in Warrenton and Ganspan. Elder Fourie conducted the baptism in the Kimberley church. It brought joy to our hearts to see the work of God established in that area. We trust that there will be a second baptism in the near future. Please remember to pray for the new believers. Let us also bear to the throne of grace Elder S. J. Fourie and Brother Basil Kriel as they continue to press the battle in that area.

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When you get all wrinkled with care and worry, it's time to get your faith lifted.—Wynn, in *Magazine Digest*.

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Prospect Department workers. Boxes hold 8,000 Sabbath Decision names.

## Investing for Eternity

E. D. Hanson

President, South African Union Conference

FOR four years drilling machines have been sinking boreholes on the open veld of the Free State. Millions of pounds have been poured into this seemingly gigantic waste of effort, and now millions more are being sought. Though there has not thus far been a penny return on this huge investment, thousands of men are not only willing, but eager to invest in stocks and shares to an amount that will total £200,000,000, because they believe the long-term gold returns will pay them high dividends.

We laud the faith and business acumen of these investors and operators, and look forward to sharing in the resultant prosperity that should affect every part of South Africa.

Christ used this wisdom of the children of the "mammon of unrighteousness" to teach a significant lesson. God's church should be just as far-sighted in its planning and investment as the business men of the world.

More than six years ago there was offered one of those long-term winning investments and projects that has stirred the imagination and zeal of our members around the world. No project launched by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, has so greatly stirred our membership or achieved such spectacular

results in bringing the message to the masses, as the Voice of Prophecy Bible Schools. Whole-hearted support for this God-inspired programme has come from every worker and layman who has sensed the unique and unlimited possibilities for investment in soul-winning which it offers. It is a long-term investment offering living dividends that will increase by geometric proportion if the investment capital is now made available.

Already dividends are being paid, but these could be greatly increased in 1950 if we would put more money and effort into mining and refining the gold that has been discovered. The shafts have been sunk, the mining gear is erected,

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## Beleggings vir die Ewigheid

E. D. Hanson

President, Suid-Afrikaanse Uniekonferensie

Vir vier jaar al is boormasjiene besig om diep gate te boor op die Vrystaatse veld. Miljoene ponde is reeds aan hierdie werk bestee wat vir ons lyk soos nuttelose verkwisting, en daar is nog miljoene ponde meer nodig. Alhoewel hierdie groot belegging van geld nog nie een pennie wins afgewerp het nie, is daar duisende mense wat nie net gewillig is nie, maar gretig, om aandeel in hierdie ondernemings te koop tot 'n bedrag van sowat tweehonderd miljoen pond, want hulle glo vas dat hulle beleggings uiteindelik groot diwidende sal uitbetaal.

Ons word getref deur die geloof en besigheidsvernuf van die manne aan die hoof van hierdie ondernemings, en ons verwag om onregstreeks self ook te baat ten gevolg van die voorspoed wat dit eindelijk vir die hele Suid-Afrika sal meebring.

Christus het verwys van die wysheid van die kinders van hierdie „mammon van die ongeregtigheid," om ons 'n baie belangrike les te leer. Gods kerk behoort net so versienend te wees in sy beleggings as wat die sakemanne van die wêreld is.

Meer as ses jaar gelede is daar vir ons 'n saak oopgestel vir een van hierdie langtermynbeleggings wat die verbeelding van ons gelowiges oor die hele wêreld aangryp het. Geen onderneming van die Sewende-dag Adventiste Denominasie het soveel belangstelling uitgelok, en sulke goeie vrugte afgewerp, as die werk van die Stem-van-Profesie Bybelskole om die boodskap aan die massas te bring nie. Elke werker en leek wat die moontlikhede van hierdie

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# This Is

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Director, Voice

God had revealed to the prophet Jeremiah certain events which were to take place in the progressive apostasy of Israel, and the pattern of God's plan for their salvation. As these events began to take place, the prophet exclaimed in agony of soul: "This is the day that we looked for." Lam. 2: 16.

If the realization of what the fulfilling prophecies meant to the future of God's ancient people so stirred the prophet Jeremiah, how much more should the people of God living on earth today be stirred by the unfolding of the prophetic scroll before our very eyes. We can truthfully say "that which we looked for has come to pass." We should proclaim with a loud voice, not our astonishment at what is coming upon the earth, nor that we knew it would come, but the invitation to men and women to find a hiding place in Christ Jesus.

With this realization, however, comes

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a great responsibility. The servant of the Lord, when in vision, heard believers saying: "We knew that the judgments of God were coming upon the earth, but we did not know that they would come so soon." Then she heard other voices with agonizing cries, say: "You knew! Why then did you not tell us? We did not know." On every side I heard similar words of reproach spoken."—*Testimonies*, vol. 9, page 28. We wonder how many of our believers would be in the band of those who failed to tell their neighbours of the coming disaster, if the storm should break upon the world today.

We know, from our past experience with the Voice of Prophecy Bible School, that there are untold multitudes who are anxious to know of the times in which we are living. They are raising their hands for help. Dare we sail on and thrust them aside like many did in the late war when lifeboats were filled to

overflowing after a ship explosion, leaving the poor strugglers to be drowned? God's lifeboat is still not full. The call is going to the highways and byways, and the Spirit of God is urging, almost compelling, people to come in before it is too late. Yet, on the authority of God's Word, we can say: "Still there is room."

The Voice of Prophecy, in the years of its operation here in Africa, has been trying to meet these many calls for help. We have partially met them, for we have sent out literally millions of Bible lessons and papers, in the six languages in which we operate, to the thousands upon thousands of people in Africa. Yet we could have done much more had the money been available. Up to the present we have registered nearly 225,000 students, and of these, many thousands have indicated their desire to keep the Sabbath, saying that they are convinced that the seventh day is the true Sabbath, while many more have gone further than this and have asked for baptism.

We can say with certainty that the grain is ripe, ready to be harvested. On one hand there will soon be a harvest of the grapes of sin which will be trodden in the winepress of God's wrath (Rev. 14: 19, 20), while on the other hand the wheat is to be gathered into His barns. From every evidence of our work here in Africa and throughout the world field, we know there are untold numbers who will soon be rejoicing in this third angel's message because of the marvellous work being done by the Voice of Prophecy broadcasts and Bible Schools throughout the world.

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## Dit is die Dag

E. L. Cardey

Direkteur, Stem-van-Profesie

God het aan die profeet Jeremia sekere gebeurtenisse geopenbaar in die progressiewe afval van Israel, en ook Gods plan vir hulle redding. Toe hierdie gebeurtenisse begin plaasvind, het die profeet in angs uitgeroep: „Dit is die dag wat ons verwag het.” Klaagl. 2: 16.

As die aanskouing van die vervulling van die profesieë aangaande die toekoms van Gods volk van ouds die profeet Jeremia so aangedaan het, hoeveel te meer behoort ons aangedaan te wees waar die vervulling van die profesieë voor ons oë geskied. Ons kan inderwaarheid sê, „wat ons verwag het, het gebeur.” Ons behoort met 'n luide stem te verkondig, nie ons verbasing oor wat op die aarde plaasvind, of dat ons



Year by year enrolments. 203,000 in six years.

gewet het dat dit sou gebeur nie, maar die uitnodiging aan manne en vroue om 'n veilige skuilplek in Christus te seek.

Maar hierdie besef bring 'n baie groot verantwoordelikheid. Die diensmaagd van die Here het in 'n gesig gelowiges hoor sê: „Ons het geweet dat die oordele van God die aarde sou tref, maar ons het nie geweet dat dit so gou sou kom nie.” Toe het sy ander stemme in angs hoor sê: „Julle het geweet! Waarom het julle ons nie vertel nie? Ons het nie geweet nie.” Aan alle kante het ek sulke verwyte gehoor.”—*Testimonies*, deel 9, bl. 28. Ons wonder hoeveel van ons gelowiges in daardie groep sal wees wat nagelaat het om hulle bure te vertel van die dreigende rampe en storms wat die wêreld sal tref?

Uit vorige ondervinding hier by die Stem-van-Profesie Bybelskool, weet ons dat daar ontelbare skares is wat graag wil weet in watter tye ons lewe. Hulle steek hulle hande op om hulp. Durf ons hulle verbyvaar, soos so baie maal gebeur het in die jongste oorlog toe die reddingsbote tot oorlopende toe vol was na 'n skip getorpedeer is en honderde in die water rondgespartel en verdrink het? Die reddingsboot van God is nog nie vol nie. Orals op die paaie en weë word die roepstem gehoor, en die Gees van God dring mense, ja, dwing hulle, om te kom voordat dit te laat is. Op gesag van Gods Woord kan ons sê: „Daar is nog plek.”

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## Investing for Eternity

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and the concentrators are ready. Shall we not reap the rewards of our investment?

I wish every member could spend a week in the Voice of Prophecy offices and read the inspiring and pleading letters that pour in. We would be so thrilled that we would cry with the prophet, "Here am I, send me." We would be filled with the urgency that drove Paul to cry, "Woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel."

All over our great union are men and women with outstretched hands some of whom have pleaded for help for as much as six months, nine months, yes, a year, and more — and still they wait. Are we going to wait until their arms grow heavy and their spirits droop, and the enemy of souls drags them into the slough of despond? No! a thousand times, No! Then let us rally to our God-given task, and with money and might bring these precious souls into the fullness of the blessed hope that so greatly cheers our own hearts.

May the offering on March 4, 1950 be the most liberal we have ever given to the Voice of Prophecy work. We trust our isolated members as well as those who regularly attend church, will be able this year to help with a liberal offering to sustain the good work the Voice of Prophecy is doing.

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## Beleggings vir die Ewigheid

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ondernemings gesien het, het sy volle ondersteuning daaraan toegesê. Dit is 'n langtermynbelegging wat diwidende in lewende siele uitbetaal, en wat steeds groter winste sal oplewer as daar nou genoeg kapitaal daarin gestee word.

Die resultate wat reeds gelewer is, sal grootliks vermeerder kan word as ons meer geld sou belê om die goud te ontgin wat reeds ontdek is. Die skagte is gegrawe, en al die nodige masjienerie is daar. Sal ons die winste van ons beleggings kan insamel?

Dit sou goed wees as al ons lede 'n week by die Stem-van-Profesie kon deurbring om die pleitbriewe te lees wat instroom. Dit sal ons so aangryp dat ons met die profeet van ouds sal uitroep, „Hier is ek, stuur my." Dieselfde drang sal by ons ontstaan soos by Paulus toe hy uitgeroep het, „Wee my as ek die evangelie nie verkondig nie."

Orals in ons groot union strek manne en vroue hulle hande uit om hulp, sommige vir ses maande, sommige vir nege maande, en sommige vir meer as 'n jaar al, en nog moet hulle wag. Sal ons wag

totdat hulle arms lam word en die sielevyand hulle weer terugsleep in die moeras van misnoedigheid? Nee, ons kan dit nooit toelaat nie! Laat ons die taak aanpak wat God aan ons opgedra het, deur te werk en te gee om hierdie dierbare siele in die volheid van die salige hoop te bevestig wat ons eie harte so blymaak.

Mag ons op 4 Maart 1950 die grootste offer bring wat ons nog ooit gegee het vir die werk van die Stem-van-Profesie. Ons wil vertrou dat ons afgesonderde lede, sowel as ons gereelde kerklede, hierdie jaar met 'n milde offer sal help om die werk van die Stem-van-Profesie aan die gang te hou.

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## This is the Day

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A European young man who is acting as a spiritual consultant in a large prison camp, says: "Many churches have tried to help these poor inmates but with little success. I have seen great miracles in this camp already, of people who were the greatest sinners, but who have given their hearts to the Lord, through the Voice of Prophecy." Later he wrote, saying he has a large class studying the lessons with him, and he has decided to keep the seventh-day Sabbath and unite with this people.

A native minister has just written to say that for thirteen years he has been teaching his people that Sunday is the Sabbath. Now he knows, since studying our lessons, that the seventh day is the Sabbath, and he says: "I, with my wife and children, have begun to keep the Sabbath. We desire to be baptized as soon as possible."

Thus we could quote from many letters. These thousands should be visited by real soul-winning workers or authorized lay workers.

We have come again to the yearly offering to be taken for the Voice of Prophecy Bible School work. Our needs were never greater than they are now, for the calls were never so many. We call upon our churches and people everywhere to make an extraordinary effort this year to help in this work. We feel we are not setting too high a goal when we ask that our churches give at least £1,000 on this special offering day. Think of the thousands of people who will be warned and brought to the knowledge of the truth through the use of £1,000, and what a privilege it is for each member to have an opportunity of helping in this very material way!

If you are in the boat of safety, will you not reach out a helping hand and lift in another struggling soul who is still in the slough of despond and in the

river of death, that he may also rejoice in this wonderful truth?

Make your offering through the church treasurer, or in isolated cases send it to your conference office, or you may send it direct to the Voice of Prophecy, P.O. Box 88, Cape Town, and credit will be given to your field. May Sabbath, March 4, be a red-letter day in giving for this God-appointed work of the Voice of Prophecy Bible School and radio work.

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## Dit is die Dag

(Vervolg van bladsy 5)

Die doel van die Stem-van-Profesie in hierdie land is om diegene te help wat om hulp roep. Gedeeltelik het ons daarin geslaag, want ons het letterlik miljoene lesse en stukke leesstof uitgestuur in die ses tale waarin ons werk, aan duisende en duisende mense in Afrika. Ons sou egter baie meer kon gedoen het as ons meer geld gehad het. Tot op datum het ons sowat 225,000 studente ingeskryf vir die lesse, en 'n hele paar duisend het ons meegedeel dat hulle die Sabbath gaan hou omdat hulle oortuig is dat die sewende dag die regte Sabbath is; baie, baie het reeds gevra om gedoopt te word.

Ons kan met alle sekerheid sê dat die graan ryp is, reg om geoes te word. Aan die eenkant is daar die druiwe-oes van die sonde wat in die parskuip van Gods toorn getrap sal word (Openb. 14: 19, 20), maar aan die anderkant is daar die graan-oes wat in Gods skure gebring moet word. Volgens die bewyse wat ons reeds het van ons werk in Afrika, weet ons dat daar talle en talle is wat hulle sal verbly in die boodskap van die derde engel ten gevolge van die werk van die Stem-van-Profesie Bybelskool.

'n Man wat geestelike werk doen by een van ons groot tronke, skryf: „Baie kerke het reeds geprobeer om hierdie ongelukkige mense te help, maar met min sukses. Hier het ek al groot wonderwerke gesien waar mense wat volslae sondaars was, hulle harte aan die Here oorgegee het ten gevolge van die werk van die Stem-van-Profesie." In 'n later brief het hy ons meegedeel dat daar 'n hele aantal is wat die lesse saam met hom studeer, en dat hy self besluit het om die Sabbath te hou en by ons aan te sluit.

So pas het ons 'n brief ontvang van 'n naturelle predikant wat sê dat hy vir dertien jaar reeds sy mense geleer het dat Sondag die Sabbath is. Maar nou, vandat hy ons lesse gestudeer het, weet hy dat die sewende dag die Sabbath is. Hy skryf: „Ek, met my vrou en kinders, hou nou die Sabbath. Ons wil graag so spoedig moontlik gedoopt wees."



Ons kan baie briewe in min of meer dieselfde trant aanhaal. Hierdie dui-sende belangstellendes behoort besoek te word deur ware sielewinners.

Ons staan weer voor die jaarlikse of-fergawe vir die werk van die Stem-van-Profesie Bybelskool. Ons behoeftes was nog nooit groter as vandag nie. Ons wil 'n beroep doen op al ons kerke en al ons gelowiges om hierdie keer buiten-gewoon mildelik by te dra om ons werk aan te help. Ons voel dat ons glad nie te veel vra nie wanneer ons ons kerke vra om tenminste 'n £1,000 te gee. Dink net aan die duisende wat gewaar-sku sal kan word, en watter geleentheid bied dit nie aan almal om op so 'n tas-bare wyse te help nie!

As u self reeds in die reddingsboot is, sal u nie u hand uitsteek om 'n arme, worstelende siel te help wat nog in die moeras van die dood is nie?

Gee u offergawe deur die tesourier van u kerk, of as u 'n afgesonderde lid is, stuur die geld aan u konferensiekan-toor, of u kan dit reguit aan die Stem-van-Profesie stuur, Posbus 88, Kaap-stad, en ons sal u eie veld daarvan verwittig. Mag Sabbat, 4 Maart, 'n heuglike dag wees wanneer daar 'n groot offergawe gebring sal word vir die werk van die Stem-van-Profesie Bybel-skool, en die radiowerk.



## Afskeidsboodskap

W. E. Read

WAAR ons die gasvrye Suid-Afrika verlaat, wil Mevrouw Read en ek graag ons opregte waardering uitspreek van die vriendelikheid en hofflikheid wat aan ons betoon is gedurende die vyf maande wat ons in die Suid-Afrikaanse Unie deurgebring het.

Dit was vir ons 'n voorreg om so baie van ons werkers en gelowiges te ont-moet, en so baie sentrums te besoek in hierdie groot en belangrike veld. Aan almal wil ons sê: „Baie Dankie!”

Die tyd wat ons saam deurgebring het in Bybelstudie, en om te vertel van Gods wonderbaarlike voorsienigheid, sal ons lank onthou. Ons gaan nou na Engeland vir 'n kort besoek, en dan sal ons teruggaan na ons tuiste in Washington, die hoofkwartiere van ons wêreldwerk. Dit was vir ons 'n genoeë om weer so baie van ons ou vriende te ontmoet en om te verneem hoe sterk hulle hoop in die Here is. Ook was dit vir ons goed om baie gelowiges te ont-moet wat ons nie voorheen geken het nie, maar wat ons leer liefkry het as kin-ders van die Here.

Vandag is daar baie gevare op ons pad. Ons sal moet wakkerloop dat die vyand van ons siele ons nie onverhoeds vang nie. Ons enigste veiligheid is ge-

durige gemeenskap met die Here. Ons strewe moet wees om die Here steeds beter te leer ken; ons moet Sy dier-bare Woord gedurig ondersoek sodat die lewende Woord van die ewige God ons daelike voedsel kan wees. Deur ge-durige gemeenskap met Hom, deur in Jesus te bly, en ons harte en ons diens aan Hom te wy, sal ons die oorwinning oor die sonde behaal, en die vrede van God sal in ons harte kom.

Die belofte van die Heiland aan Sy dissipels—„My vrede gee Ek julle”—is vandag nog net so van krag as toe dit die eerste maal gegee is. Eeue ge-lede het die profeet Jesaja gesê, „U sal 'n standvastige gesindheid in volle vrede bewaar, want dit vertrou op U.” Daar is groot behoefte aan hierdie gesindheid vandag. Ons kan daarvan seker wees dat sulke oorgawe aan God van die uiterste belang is in die Christelike lewe. Deur sulke oorgawe aan die wil van God sal Hy ons tot verheerliking van Sy Naam kan gebruik om deur nederige diens siele vir Hom te win.

Laat ons altyd onthou dat ons een is in Christus. Die waarheid van die lewende God bring mense van verskil-lende nasionaliteite en verskillende tale saam om gemeenskap met die Meester te hou. Laat ons Sy aangesig soek met ons hele hart. Deur oorgawe aan Sy goddelike wil sal ons die Christus van Golgota in staat stel om in ons „te werk na Sy welbehae.” Mag ons almal saam met die Apostel Paulus kan sê:

„Ek is met Christus gekruisig, en ek leef nie meer nie, maar Christus leef in my. En wat ek nou in die vlees lewe, leef ek deur die geloof in die Seun van God wat my liefgehad het en Homself vir my oorgegee het.” Galate 2: 20.



## Nuusbrokkies

'N HELE paar nuwe sendelinge het hier aangeland vir werk in die Suidelike Afrikaanse Divisie. Ons wil hierdie werkers alle heil en seën toewens in hulle nuwe arbeidsvelde.

Leraar en Mevrouw R. M. Gardner het uit die Verenigde State in Desember 1949 hier aangekom, en hulle staanplek is Port Elizabeth. Leraar Gardner sal dien as Stewers- en Opvoedingssekre-taris van die Kaapse Konferensie.

Mej. Mary Winkler en Charlette Wallin het in Januarie aangekom. Mej. Winkler gaan na Helderberg-kollege, en Mej. Wallin na die Rhobacon Voorbe-reidingskool naby Gwelo.

Mej. M. V. Ford is uit Engeland be-roep vir werk op Malamulo in Niassa-land. Sy is 'n verpleegster.

Mej. Mahieux het onlangs uit België hier aangekom. Sy sal 'n betrekking

as tikster aanvaar in die kantoor van die Kongo Unie.

LERAAR en Mevrouw W. E. Read wat 'n paar maande in Suid-Afrika deurge-bring het, het na Engeland vertrek op weg na die Verenigde State. Ons waar-deer die goeie werk van Leraar Read gedurende sy verblyf hier, en ons wens hulle die Here se seën toe op hulle reis terug.

DR. J. J. BELL wat baie jare van ge-troue diens in Suid-Afrika gedoen het, het op 27 Januarie aan boord die *Durban Castle* na Engeland vertrek vir 'n welverdiende rus.

Mej. Muriel Madgwick het met dieselfde boot vertrek om by haar ouers aan te sluit wat reeds in Engeland is.

DIE nuwe skooljaar by Helderberg-kollege het op 1 Februarie begin. Lesers van die OUTLOOK sal seker bly wees om te verneem dat die inskrywing hierdie jaar die grootste is wat hulle nog ooit gehad het. Laat ons bid vir die Here se seën op die onderwysers en die stu-dente gedurende die jaar.

D. A. WEBSTER.

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## Die Pogings te Warrenton en Ganspan

E. C. Webster

SEWENDE-DAG ADVENTISTE glo dat hulle die Macedoniese roepstem aan alle kante hoor, en hulle beseef dat dit vir hulle 'n aanroep is om die rypwordende oes in te samel. Die Vaalhartsneder-setting was een van die distrikte wat graag die laaste boodskap van waar-skuwing wou hoor. Leraar S. J. Fourie en sy groep werkers, naamlik Broeder en Suster P. P. van Eck, Mej. W. Welman, en ek, het antwoord gegee op die roepstem, en ons het die stryd daar aangeknop.

Daar is planne beraam vir twee po-gings sowat vyftien myl van mekaar. Leraar Fourie het gereë vir dienste op Andalusia, en Broeder Van Eck sou op Warrenton begin.

Die dienste het op 5 Oktober 1949 op Andalusia begin. Twee busse is ge-huur teen £9 per aand om die mense van die verskillende nedersettings na die saal te bring. Die een bus het leeg teruggekom, terwyl die ander tot oor-

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lopens toe vol was. Al gou het ons ontdek dat al die mense van die neder-setting Ganspan gekom het. Die volgende aand is albei die busse na Ganspan gestuur, maar hulle kon nie al die mense bring nie. Ons het vir 'n paar aande so aangehou, en toe het ons besluit om na die mense te gaan pleks van hulle na ons toe te laat aanry. Ganspan was dus die aangewese plek vir die dienste.

In tussen het Broeder Van Eck, bygestaan deur sy vrou en Mej. Welman, op Warrenton begin. Die saaltjie het regteenoor een van die groot kerke daar gestaan, en die spreker in die kerk en die een in die saal kon mekaar se stemme hoor. Die opkoms was aan die begin baie swak, maar later het dit aangegroei tot so tussen veertig en vyftig.

Die opkoms te Ganspan was uit die staanspoor goed. In die saal was daar sitplek vir sowat 175 mense. Vir die eerste paar weke moes die kinders op die verhoog en waar hulle ook maar kon, plek neem, want al die ander sitplekke was vol. As mens daaraan dink dat daar slegs 150 huise op Ganspan is, is dit duidelik dat die opkomste na die dienste baie goed was. Toe die Sabbatwaarheid aan die mense voorgestel is, was die hele Ganspan in beroering. Die teenstand was baie sterk; daar was selfs mense wat die hulp van die polisie wou inroep, maar God het op wonderbaarlike wyse vir ons gewerk.

Hulle het hulp uit Warrenton ontbied, en daar is sterk gepreek teen die wolwe wat onder die skape gekom het! Maar ten spyte van die teenstand op beide Warrenton en Ganspan, het die Here die werk op albei plekke gesien.

Ons kan van baie groot oorwinnings vertel. 'n Vooraanstaande lid van 'n sekere kerk, het sy pos bedank toe hy van die waarheid oortuig is. Sy vrou is reeds gedoop, en ons hoop dat hy eerlank ook die stap sal doen.

Vier Apostoliese gesinne het die waarheid aangeneem ten gevolge van die werk van 'n dertienjarige seun. Hy het

al die dienste bygewoon, maar sy vader en moeder wou niks met die dienste te doen hê nie. Die seun het egter volgehou, en deur hom het sy ouers die Sabbatwaarheid gehoor, en is ook die ander gesinne beïnvloed!

Op 8 Januarie het daar nege-en-twintig siele by die oorblyfselkerk aangesluit ten gevolge van die werk op Warrenton en Ganspan. Leraar Fourie het die doopdiens waargeneem in ons kerk op Kimberley. Ons is baie bly dat die werk in daardie distrik kon bevestig word. Ons hoop dat daar eerlank nog 'n doopdiens sal wees. Onthou om te bid vir die nuwe gelowiges. Laat ons dink aan Leraar Fourie en Broeder Basil Kriel waar hulle die werk voortset in daardie gebied.

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## Uit die Oos-Transvaal

Op 10 Desember 1949 het Broeder Hofni Joubert afskeid geneem van die Burgershall Sabbatskool. Ons as lede van hierdie Sabbatskool wil lanks hierdie weg ons dank aan hom betuig.

Hier op een van die afgeleë dele van Oos-Transvaal, naby die grens van die Krugerwildtuin, het hy gekom en vir ons die lig van die waarheid gebring. Ons naaste kerk is so ver dat die twee of drie huisgesinne wat in die distrik woon, maar selde 'n kerkdiens kon bywoon. In hulle harte het hy weer inspirasie en geesdrif gebring, en saam met ons nuwelinge wat hy in die waarheid gebring het, het ons 'n Sabbatskool gestig. Die lede woon so ver uitmekaar dat ons slegs een keer per maand 'n gesamentlike Sabbatskool kan hê, maar nogtans die lig van die waarheid is hier aangesteek — 'n lig in 'n deel waar die nag van onkunde nog baie donker is.

Hy het ons van Jesus geleer. Hy het vasberade voorgeloop op die spore van Jesus en vir ons die weg gewys.

Waar Broeder Joubert sy werk as onderwyser neergelê het, sy lewende aan die diens van die Here te sien, gaan ons bede met hom. Mag sy verblyf op Helderberg aangenaam wees, en mag die sien van die Here op hom en sy gesin rus.

F. VAN DEN HEEVER.

Namens die Burgershall Sabbatskool.

## Until the Day Break

ALLAMBY.—Elizabeth (born Bingle) was born on March 3, 1876, and passed away on the 10th of January, 1950, at the age of 73. Sister Allamby was a member of the Salt River church for forty-five years, having been baptized by the late Elder I. J. Hankins in September 1905. She passed away after a lengthy period of suffering which she bore with patience and fortitude. We laid her to rest at Woltemade in the hope of meeting her again when the Life Giver comes. She leaves to mourn two sons, two grand-children, and one daughter-in-law.

D. C. THEUNISSEN.

ROBINSON.—Asa Theron Robinson was born at Lower Brighton, New Brunswick, Canada, Aug. 2, 1850, and died at the St. Helena Sanitarium Nov. 8, 1949. With his passing, another link that binds us to the pioneer days of the Seventh-day Adventist Church has been broken. In February, 1871 he came to Cornish, N.H., to work in a Seventh-day Adventist home, and the following month he became a Seventh-day Adventist. In 1876, he married Loretta Viola Farnsworth, daughter of William Farnsworth of Washington, N.H. In 1884 Elder Robinson began his ministerial work. After working in New England for three years he was made president of that conference, and later went to South Africa as one of the pioneer missionaries. It was as general administrator of that field that he was able to secure from Cecil Rhodes 12,000 acres of land on which was established the Solusi Mission in 1894, the first mission station to be established by the church among heathen people.

In 1897 he went to Australia, where he laboured for almost six years. Returning to America because of his wife's poor health, Elder Robinson held various conference and institutional positions until 1923. Sister Robinson was our first lady Bible instructor. After her death in 1933, Elder Robinson has lived with his daughter, Gladys. Until recently Elder Robinson's desire has been to reach the age of 100 years; but in the last few weeks of his life he told his dear ones that he was ready to go whenever God saw best. He leaves one son Elder Dores E. Robinson, one daughter, Mrs W. G. Hoffman, 4 grand-children, and 5 great-grandchildren.