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"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

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Now All Together

THE Field Week is now here. The whole success of the *Sentinel* and *De Wachter* as an evangelising agency during the coming year depends upon your co-operation. We earnestly urge every one to do all in his power to raise our subscription list. Our magazine may reach more homes with the message than can all our combined ministerial forces.

Among the special features for the coming year will be one issue devoted to the prophecies that deal with our time. One number will be a "Sabbath" special, and for November we shall have an "All Message" number. We plan during the coming year to give in a systematic, logical way all that a person would receive if he were to attend a series of meetings.

How glad you would be if you could get your neighbour to listen to a course of lectures on the message! This may not be possible, but perhaps you can, with the Lord's help, get that neighbour to read the *Sentinel* for a year.

You will meet objections; people will talk of hard times; you will find some who are unemployed and in distress. You can assure these poor people of your genuine sympathy and perhaps you can make them realise that, in their trouble, they will find a message of hope and comfort, in such articles as "What Manner of Love," on page 13.

Pray much. The man who made the world's record in the Harvest Ingathering work made it a practise to pray four times every day. Pray for a real burden for souls and you will get a broader vision than merely the obtaining of subscriptions.

We trust that intelligent and systematic plans may be laid in every church, and that the angels of God may go before us to prepare the people in their homes for the visits of our church members.

D. E. R.



How Housewives May Reach the Goal

WHEN field day was first instituted you can remember how we gathered in little groups, listened to an inspiring talk, studied our magazine for selling points,

set our goal as to how many subscriptions we would take and how many single copies we would sell. Then early the next morning, after a word of prayer, we set out for an energetic campaign. As we worked, we would keep counting the papers we carried on our arm, or the pages still to be filled in our subscription blank, like so many balls on an abacus, all the time saying to ourselves, "I'm one point nearer the goal; yes, I shall get there." If we did succeed in passing the goal we felt elated; if we failed we often were disappointed; and if we fell far below the mark, quite discouraged.

But that isn't the way we do now, is it? Of course to start out, without knowing our paper and having our selling-points well in hand would be foolish. So we attend to that early. But we realise that there is something more important. So we quietly seek the Lord in prayer. We plead with Him for a deeper appreciation of the message of truth He has given us for the world; for a larger sympathy, that we may be able to enter into the feelings and excuse the prejudices of those whom we shall meet; and, most important of all, for love, all that our small hearts can hold, of that wonderful love which brought Jesus so far to help us. We ask God to guide us to those whom we can best help, and to give us wisdom to speak words which will not only win subscribers, but which will leave an impression that will lead to careful reading of the magazine afterwards.

We do not stand at the door any more, and give a nervous and hurried canvass of the paper. We are not out selling things. Our mission is far more important than that. We greet the lady by name, and ask if we may speak with her a few minutes, stating that we thought it time to be getting acquainted with our neighbours. No well-bred lady in Africa, unless hurried, is likely to keep us standing at the door. If she hasn't time to see us, it is quite likely that she will not want to stand at the door while we canvass her. So we smile and tell her that it will be no trouble to call another day. After she has gone in, and we have stepped out of sight where we cannot

be watched from a front window, we put down her name and address in our note book, with the excuse she gave for not seeing us.

When invited inside we do not bring our magazine out of its folder at once, but engage in a few moments' conversation. Possibly we tell her where we live, or of some service we have attended in her own church or one in her neighbourhood. We may recall something the minister has said about the condition of the world, the decline of true religion, the need of the gospel of Jesus, or something else with which we can agree. Perhaps we speak of the soon coming of Christ, (nearly all church people believe in this, though their views as to how it is to be brought about differ widely) or of the new theology, higher criticism, spiritualism and its related cults, or of the importance of Bible study.

Then we tell her of the *Sentinel* magazine, which has been a great help to us, and which thousands of Christian people of various denominations are reading with ever growing interest. We rapidly scan the paper, commenting on the various departments, as for instance "What the World is Talking About." The editor reads thirty or more journals and papers each month, and gives us here a panoramic view of world news, condensing pages into paragraphs, and dealing only with items of vital interest. Not only are we told what men are saying in regard to the important events taking place about us; but wherever world conditions are mentioned which have been foretold in God's word, the Scripture references are given so that one may turn and read for himself those prophetic predictions which are being so wonderfully fulfilled today.

"We have reached a time, as the Reverend ——— said (in nearly every church we can find men who are sounding this or similar warnings) when the people must know for themselves whether the truth of God is being spoken to them from the desk. This implies an individual knowledge of the Bible. The chief purpose of the *Sentinel* is to deepen appreciation for the Bible as the inspired word of the Creator, and to encourage independent, daily study of its pages.

"The *Sentinel* will ever seek to uphold Jesus as the divine Son of God, our only Saviour, the law of Jehovah as the standard of righteousness, and the Holy Spirit as our guide and teacher. It will from time to time call attention to those Scriptures which show that our Lord's return is near, and which aid in the preparation necessary to meet Him."

If we find that our lady is interested in theosophy or spiritualism, we suggest that she will no doubt wish to receive all the light that God's Word has to shed upon these important subjects. If she is a Jewess, we mention the fact that "higher criticism

is tearing to pieces the Old Testament as well as the New. The *Sentinel* upholds the whole Bible, and shows the importance of teaching the ten commandments and observing the seventh day Sabbath." If she is a Catholic lady, we note the fact that her church stands firmly against higher criticism and spiritualism, two danger points toward which the Protestant churches seem to be drifting. The *Sentinel* will strengthen her arguments against these evils so destructive to the fundamentals of the Christian church."

We do not become restless if our neighbour takes a few minutes to chat, but try as far as possible to hold the conversation to the important topics under consideration. We do not wish her to think of us as an agent, but as a friend and neighbour, so that the way will be open for us to call again, or for her to call upon us.

Sometimes we find those who are sick, or weary or discouraged, and God comes very near while we seek Him together in prayer.

Sometimes we meet those who wish to argue. The time was when we should have considered an hour spent in refuting their arguments with our superior Bible knowledge as of equal importance in our missionary campaign with a sermon delivered from the desk. But we have learned better. We know now that though they acknowledge themselves beaten, they will always regard us as "opponents," and we have learned by sad experience that battering people's brains (theologically) against the wall makes soreheads rather than converts.

We do not try to answer the questions they ask, for we could not do it satisfactorily in the short time we have. But we treat these questions with respect. We tell them that we find others perplexed in regard to these same difficulties, and that God's Word has a satisfactory answer for every one of these important questions. "During the coming year these various questions will be considered in the *Sentinel*. Not that we shall try to answer them ourselves, for how could any one know that our views are correct. But the Bible answers will be pointed out and the references given, so that you can turn and read them for yourself." We jot down a few of her questions, promising to send them to the editor, (and we do it).

"The *Sentinel* is published by the Sabbatarians?" a lady questions. "It is published by them but not especially for them. People of every denomination read the magazine, and find it helpful to a better understanding of the Bible, although we never attempt to interpret the Book. We believe the Bible is its own interpreter, if we will but study it carefully, comparing Scripture with Scripture.

"We also believe that the literature of every de-

THE SUPPLEMENT

THE General Conference Committee in Africa issues this supplement to the AFRICAN DIVISION OUTLOOK the first of each month. Its purpose is to stimulate missionary activity on the part of our church members. Much of the matter used in these supplements is taken from the *Church Officers' Gazette*. While the programme is merely suggestive, all church elders or leaders are urged to make the first Sabbath service in each month a Home Missionary Service, using the material furnished in THE SUPPLEMENT. Church pastors are requested to co-operate either by carrying out this programme or working this matter into the sermon as from time to time it may seem best.

HOME MISSIONARY FIELD WEEK

Suggestive Programme for the First Sabbath Home Missionary Service

(To be held December 3)

OPENING SONG: Christ in Song, No. 679.

Scripture Reading: John 15: 1-13.

Prayer.

Song: Christ in Song, No. 542.

Readings (Have more than one to read): "Meeting a Present Need," "Present-Day Printing Facilities," "An Interesting Experience," "Missionary Pebbles."

Special Music: "Scatter the *Sentinel* Everywhere You Go."

Reading: "Home Missionary Field Week."

Lay plans for field work for all.

Closing Song: Christ in Song, No. 566.

Meeting a Present Need

1. WHAT part will the publishing houses play in the loud cry?

"In a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power and who lightens the earth with his glory."—*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. VII, p. 140.

2. What instrumentalities has God provided for the proclamation of the gospel?

"The publishing houses, the presses, are instrumentalities in God's hand to send out to every tongue and nation the precious light of truth."—*Id.*, Vol. IV, p. 595.

3. What have our publishing houses become in the world?

"Our houses of publication have become a power in the world. A great change has taken place. With our increased facilities to make the clear light shine forth to those who are in darkness, it is not now so hard as it once was to see and accept the truth."—*Id.*, p. 593.

4. What agency is at our command at this time?

"The agency of the printing press, with its manifold facilities, is at our command. Bibles, and publications in many languages, setting forth the truth for this time, are at our hand, and can be swiftly carried to every part of the world."—*Id.*, Vol. IX, p. 122.

5. How is the world to receive the light of truth?

"The great and wonderful work of the last gospel message is to be carried on now as it has never been before. The world is to receive the light of truth through an evangelising ministry of the word in our books and periodicals. Our publications are to show that the end of all things is at hand."—*Id.*, p. 61.

6. How should our message-filled literature be scattered?

"This is a work that should be done. The end is near. Already much time has been lost, when these books should have been in circulation. Sell them far and near. Scatter them like the leaves of autumn." *Id.*, p. 72.

7. What methods are especially suggested in literature circulation?

"Let the workers go from house to house, opening the Bible to the people, circulating the publications, telling others of the light that has blessed their own souls. Let literature be distributed judiciously, on the trains, in the street, on the great ships that ply the sea, and through the mails."—*Id.*, p. 123.

THE Hoe Double Octuple Press is said to be the largest in the world. Its length is 48 feet, and height 19½ feet. It is capable of making 300 revolutions per minute, and using 18 tons, or 216 miles, of paper 3 feet wide during one short hour. Its production per hour is 300,000 eight-page folded newspapers. This will illustrate present-day printing facilities and their possibilities in quickly announcing God's last message to a lost world.

No, the above-named press is not yet directly used in giving the message, but we have many smaller presses installed, and plans are well under way for installing many others for this specific purpose.

One of our publishing houses (the Review and Herald) turned out two of our large subscription books every minute, eight hours a day, for every working day of the year just past (1920); or putting it another way, for every minute of every eight-hour working day, that office averaged 2 board-bound books, 2 paper-bound books, 5 tracts, 10 copies of the *Review*, 8 of the *Youth's Instructor*, 2 of *Liberty*, 1 of *Life and Health*, 1 of the *Sabbath School Worker*, 1 of *Educator*, 44 of *Present Truth*, or 76 pieces.

This is only one of the three large publishing houses in America, to say nothing of the many smaller ones scattered over the world. Surely it does not require any great stretch of imagination to see the relation of the present-day printing facilities to the work in hand.

During 1920 our three large publishing houses in America produced and sold literature to the amount of over £800,000 at retail value. It is quite probable that when all reports are compiled for the past year, our denominational sales will have passed the £1,200,000 mark. Truly these are the facilities the Lord will use in a special way in giving the loud cry of the third angel's message.

W. W. EASTMAN.

An Interesting Experiment

PROF. B. H. PHIPPS, principal of Bethel Academy, writes:

"About a month ago a young man in northern Wisconsin, who had been raised in the Lutheran faith, called on one of his friends who was boarding at the home of a Seventh-day Adventist lady. While at this home, he asked the lady for some reading matter, as having just lost his position he had some extra time to indulge in reading and was anxious to get hold of interesting books. The lady replied that all she had to offer was reading matter of a religious nature, and suggested that this might not suit him. But he replied that he would be glad to read anything she had, and so he was furnished with a copy of one of our church papers. He became very interested in the articles in the paper, and during the next two or three days spent considerable time in studying the Bible on the subjects presented in the paper.

"Not long after this, the young man made a visit to his sister's home. This sister had recently purchased a copy of 'Bible Readings' from a student colporteur, and this book appealed to the young man and led him to continue Bible study. Before leaving his sister's home, he decided to keep the Sabbath, and made up his mind that he would endeavour to find the student who had sold the book. The sister knew that the colporteur was a student in an Adventist school near a certain town, and upon diligent inquiry he found his way to our school at Bethel. He has been with us now nearly two weeks, and has taken his stand for the truth, and is very much interested in the Bible class. He is planning to enter the work as a canvasser next summer."

Missionary Pebbles

THERE are occasionally small missionary deeds which produce tangible results, and seemingly, are providentially revealed as assurances that all may know there will be success in the performance of all good works, even though there are no immediate evidences of it.

Some of these revealed results of the smallest efforts remind us of the constant enlargement of a pebble-produced wave in a large body of water. It is said that a pebble-produced wave never ceases expanding until it reaches the shores in all directions from the place of its creation.

We should not overlook the fact that a missionary deed, though it be a mere pebble on the sea of humanity, produces its influencing waves that end only upon the shores of the sea of glass.

Recently a brother sent *Present Truth* for a year to a family who had kept him overnight without charge. Today, as the result of this subscription, this family of four adults are in the truth, and are systematically placing *Present Truth* in all the homes in their community. For a few pence outlay, as conscience money for hospitality, there are four working members giving the message to hundreds. Who cannot cast missionary pebbles in the great sea of humanity and be assured their expanding waves will continue until the end of time?—*Selected.*

Home Missionary Field Week

EXECUTIVE committees in Africa have voted to set Dec. 3 to 10 as Home Missionary Field Week, one week set apart in a special sense for missionary work. It is a FIELD WEEK. During this week every believer in Africa is invited to spend as much time as possible in the FIELD. Where is the field and what is to be done?

The field is your neighbourhood. It may comprehend much more territory than that. You can decide that better than any one else. If you are a member of a nearby church the church officers will probably plan your territory with you. Certainly every one of us has a place to work. In "Christ's Object Lessons" we have that definite statement: "Not more surely is the place prepared for us in the heavenly mansions than is the special place designated on earth where we are to work for God."

Now what are we to do? We should do what we can. It may be to give a Bible study, give away a paper, hand out a tract, lend a book. It may be to sell books or papers. It may be some other Christian service. But it is SOMETHING. God gives "to EVERY man HIS work." Perhaps you can spend ten hours this week soliciting subscriptions for the *Sentinel* or *De Wachter*. It may be you can devote two days selling small books. Do something. Everyone. Do not fail.

A young soldier of the Lord was canvassing in Ohio for "The Great Controversy." One night he stayed with a farmer. He sang with the family around the organ that evening, but did not exhibit his book until morning, when they readily gave him an order. He went on his way rejoicing. He delivered the book, and left his address, suggesting that he would be glad to answer any questions relating to its contents. Some time after, the colporteur received a letter from the farmer's wife. She had been reading the book, and "God's Law Immutible" was her first chapter. She was strongly convicted that she was keeping the wrong day. "Is it possible," she wrote, "that I have been breaking God's law all these years and didn't know I was guilty?" The young man told her he was keeping the Sabbath, and endeavoured to encourage her in her new-found light. It was not long before she and her daughter began keeping the Sabbath. The daughter spent a few years in one of our schools, and is now teaching. Yes, large books have done much effective work in the winning of souls.

At a convention in Toledo, Ohio, the following story was re-

lated. It was of a woman living in the Maine woods. One day this woman received a copy of the *Signs of the Times*. Immediately she recognised that it was a Seventh-day Adventist publication. With a knowing smile she said, "Some Adventist is sending me this paper, and thinks to convert me. I will not read it." The paper came regularly each week, and she put it away with but a passing glance. After quite a number of papers had accumulated, the woman thought the ceiling of her upstairs needed papering. What should she use? Her eyes brightened as she thought of the *Signs*. She used them, and was glad they were at a more comfortable distance. This woman fell sick one day, and for a quiet place for her rest, chose the upstairs room. As she lay day after day upon her bed looking at the low ceiling covered with *Signs*, she became interested in the titles. As her interest grew, she read more and more. Later she became a Seventh-day Adventist.

What the *Signs* has done in thousands of instances the *Sentinel* can do. The *Sentinel* is our paper in Africa. It is adapted to this country. Let us speed it on its mission. It will accomplish its work.

A large number of people have been led to accept the third angel's message through reading tracts. Tracts are small, but God delights in using small and simple things in touching people's hearts. A little girl in Michigan gave out tracts in her neighbourhood. As the woman in one home answered the little girl's knock at the door, she said to the lady, "Which day do you keep, and why?" "Sunday, of course," the woman remarked. "Well, here is a little tract. I want you to read it," the little missionary smilingly said. The woman read, and cast her lot with God's commandment-keeping people.

Several years ago, one of our ministers, now labouring in Ohio, was stopping at a hotel. At that time he knew practically nothing about the peculiar teachings of Adventists. Lying on the floor of the lobby was a tract, doubtless left in the room by one of our lay workers. The man picked it up and became interested. Upon learning that our people published it, he telephoned to our minister living in the town, and arranged for a visit. As the result of this and of Bible studies, the man accepted the faith and is now a valuable worker in God's cause. The Lord bids us, "Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days." "In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good." Eccl. 11: 1, 6.

Scatter the SENTINEL Everywhere You Go

(Sing to music of "Brighten the Corner Where You Are")

1. All around you there are men and women gone astray;
Through the dark, forlorn and lost, they roam;
It's the Sent'nel that will point them to the good old way,—
JESUS,—the only right way home!

CHORUS:

- Scatter its pages everywhere,
Scatter its pages everywhere,
They will deck with many stars the crown that you shall wear;
Scatter its pages everywhere!
2. Do you wait while opportunities unused slip by?
You must work for souls with all your might;
Any one can warn them that the coming King is nigh—
The Sent'nel brings them hope and light!
 3. Through the mails and at your threshold and upon the train,
Sow the seed as God the way controls;
You will surely find its fruit in Heaven's garnered grain;
More Sentinels will win more souls!

nomination is strong on some particular Bible truth. The editor seeks to gather the best points from each, and to bring them into this little magazine for the mutual help of all.

"You are sure to find in its pages some things which will be new to you, but we do not ask you to accept our word for these. All we ask is that you look into the Bible to see if the views we present are true. And, if, after careful study, our teaching does not harmonise with your understanding of the Word, we should be glad to hear from you.

"I know from what you have already told me that you want the magazine for at least the coming year. The subscription price is only five shillings, a mere trifle when we consider costs today. You can readily see that at this price it is no money-making enterprise. In fact, up to the present time it has been subsidised. But whether it pays financially or not, we wish to place it in every home; for its message comes direct from God's Word, and is fitted to the needs of the hour."

When we leave the house we slip around the corner and jot down in our note book any items gleaned from the conversation we have just had which may be a guide to us when we go to call again.

Perhaps we do not reach our goal; but if, after faithful study, and prayerful preparation, we have thrown our best energies into the work, we may be assured we have reached the goal the Master has set for us; for He, not we, accomplished the work.

As we hasten about the necessary and beautiful tasks that are always waiting to be done at home, it seems that our arms have received strength, our fingers added skill, and our hearts a new song, for a great and wonderful love springs up within us. With a look of scorn we lay our fancy work and other vanities away on the shelf. Strange, that in the face of such great issues, trifles like these could so recently have absorbed our spare moments.

We whisper a prayer, "Dear Lord, we are willing to go anywhere, even to the ends of the earth for Thee." And a gentle, loving voice answers; "My child, you are at the ends of the earth now. When you have finished that pile of washing and ironing, and have baked the bread and put the home in order, then, the first day you are free, run down to the cottage just beyond the last house where you called today. I have many children in this place who must hear the message. I know that I can count on you."

E. M. ROBINSON.



"He who is false to present duty breaks a thread in the loom, and will find the flaw when he may have forgotten its cause."

With the Business Man

TELL a man what the *Sentinel* stands for. Show him a few of its attractive features, and ask him to give it a try for one year. If he likes it, he will be the gainer, and may continue it. If he does not like it, no doubt his family will. He is under no obligation to renew unless he so desires.

Do not fail to read the paper you carry, so you will really know how to describe it. Tell him it is only 5/- a year. No one has objected to this price in my experience. Before going out in the morning fill up your receipt stubs to prevent keeping a man waiting.

The paper is well liked. One of my old subscribers asked me to date his subscription from July as he did not want to miss a single copy. Another renewed and gave me £5-5-0 to the Ingathering Fund. People who read our papers are friendly, and appreciate them more as they know them better.

J. C. ROGERS.



The Week of Prayer

THE date set for the 1921 Week of Prayer is December 10-17. Arrangements will be made no doubt for our workers to visit as many churches as possible during this week and assist in the special services that will be held. We trust that every church in Africa will plan for daily meetings, at which time the prepared readings will be heard. If some are so far away from a church as to make it impossible to attend, we would suggest that such persons hold daily meetings in their homes where this is possible. Seventh-day Adventists should faithfully observe this special prayer season.

It was when Zion travailed that she brought forth her children. It is when the church of God unitedly seeks His face that the promised blessings come to her. And who can say that a season of special prayer was ever more needed than just now? Wonderful things are transpiring today. The representatives of the nations of the world are at Washington saying, We will not learn war any more, that now we shall have "peace and safety." We wish they might succeed, but instead "sudden destruction" is coming. It comes "suddenly." Is the church of God ready? I fear not. Surely then it is time to seek the Lord and especially to plead with Him to prepare us for the finishing of the work He has given us to do.

Our mission fields in all the world are in jeopardy. Because of the awful financial crisis, the income of the General Conference Mission treasury has been greatly reduced. The mission board does not know what to do. They are now looking to the "Annual Offering" which is to be taken upon the last Sabbath of the Week of Prayer (December 17) to relieve the

situation. This ought to be the largest offering ever taken among our people. It will all go to the work of our world-wide mission programme.

Let us therefore, brethren, begin now to plan not only for the spiritual blessing which will come to us during this week, but also to make a real sacrifice in giving to the cause of God. If any are isolated they should send their offering in to their church or conference treasurer.

May God make this Week of Prayer a great blessing to all our people is our earnest prayer.

W. H. BRANSON.



The Week of Prayer

WE are now nearing the time for our annual Week of Prayer. This is a time when all put aside their cares of the world for a short time and give consideration to heavenly things. This is a time when we take inventory of our stock in the heavenly courts. "Wherefore the rather brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall." 2 Peter 1:10. God's promise is that if we will give diligence to make our calling and election sure, we shall not fall.

At the close of this Week of Prayer an opportunity is given to contribute to help in the great work of spreading the message to all parts of the field. I suppose there in danger of our making excuses, that because times are close and money scarce, we will be unable to do very much this year. But brethren, the work is just as needy as when money was plentiful, only a little more so. In fact, the great unentered fields are still before us and calls are coming for us to enter. This year we were unable to answer the calls because of the lack of funds. We were obliged to cut our appropriations until we were hardly able to operate the areas already entered. But the gospel of the kingdom must be carried into all the world for a witness unto all nations and then shall the end come. "Our God shall come and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before Him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about Him. He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that He may judge His people. Gather My saints together unto Me: *those who have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice.*" Ps. 50:3-5.

When Jesus comes to gather His people those only are gathered who have made a covenant by sacrifice. Sacrifice is the spirit of heaven. And all who enter those courts will be actuated by that spirit. If everyone does his best and is willing to sacrifice, I am sure sufficient funds will come into the treasury to carry forward the work to its completion.

W. E. STRAW.

SO. AFRICAN UNION CONFERENCE

OFFICE ADDRESS: *Cape Sanitarium, Plumstead, C.P.*

Items

NONE of our people should forget Field Week, December 4-10. This is the week when we are going to give the *Sentinel* and *De Wachter* subscription list a lift. All of our workers are planning to help. Conference offices are closing so the officers can join the forces. The *Sentinel* offices will close for one day for the effort. Now let every believer in Africa make Field Week a Big Week.

WEEK OF PRAYER

Once again we call attention to the Week of Prayer season—December 10-17. We need to pray for a larger infilling of the Holy Spirit; that the cause may go forward in all the world; and that God may greatly prosper His work in South Africa. The annual offering will be taken Sabbath, December 17. The largest mission offering in the history of our work in Africa should come in on this day.

CAPE SANITARIUM

Our people in many parts of Africa were cheered by the report of the arrival of Dr. Reith at the Cape Sanitarium. The doctor has taken up his work in the institution, and a number of patients are coming in. We are confident that God will cause His favour to shine upon the Sanitarium as we follow His plans. It is probable that the Nurses' Training Course will be resumed at an early date. Definite announcement will be made in due time.

EDUCATIONAL AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENTS

Pastor O. K. Butler is responding to an invitation to take charge of the Bible Department at the College. He is arranging his affairs so as to be at Spion Kop soon. The Union Conference Committee has appointed Brother F. E. Thompson to the secretaryship of the Educational and Missionary Volunteer Departments of the Union. Pastor Butler has been carrying this work to the present. In the future correspondence for either of these departments in the Union should be addressed to F. E. Thompson, Cape Sanitarium, Plumstead, Cape.

B. E. BEDDOE.

ORANGE FREE STATE CONFERENCE

OFFICE: *106 Kellner St., Bloemfontein, O.F.S.*

Conference Notes

AFTER waiting nine months for the promised workers, our hearts are cheered by the arrival of Pastor W. L. Hyatt and family, also Miss Evert. Miss Emma Webster and Miss Susie van Rensburg are also

uniting with the company of workers here in Bloemfontein.

Pastor Hyatt is organising his force of workers to begin a vigorous campaign in this city, first by scattering the printed page. For this purpose we have ordered a large number of *Present Truth*, which ought to arrive shortly. After having thoroughly worked the place with these, he plans to start a public effort. We are hoping for great things as the result, not from a human point of view, but because we believe we are in the time of the "latter rain" when the Lord has promised to do great things for His people. Joel 2: 21, 23.

Let all the believers in this conference earnestly pray that the Lord will specially bless the work in Bloemfontein at this time, so that every honest soul may have the opportunity to hear the message, and a large number be added to the church of such as will be saved.

Brethren P. A. Venter, Sr., and T. J. van Rensburg are planning to tour the north-eastern districts of the O. F. S. with a small wagon, going from farm to farm to give the message to the farmers. These brethren are moving in the right direction, and we hope their example will be followed by others in the near future. This will solve the problem of giving the message to the farming population of this country through the living preacher.

The executive committee of the O. F. S. Conference, in harmony with the plans of the Union Conference, have voted to hold the next conference session January 23-29. The meetings will be held in the "Memorial" Church, Kellner Street, Bloemfontein. Official announcement and full particulars will appear in a later issue of the *OUTLOOK*.

G. W. SHONE.

NATAL-TRANSVAAL CONFERENCE

Stranack Street, Maritzburg, Natal

Pretoria

Our friends of the *OUTLOOK* will be interested to know a little of the last days of Pastor W. L. Hyatt's stay with us. He and his wife with Miss Evert have been working here for some time and we are very sorry to lose them.

Their last Sabbath with us is a day that will long be remembered. Pastor Hyatt spoke to us of the necessity of continuing in the good way in which we have started and closely following our Lord. Prov. 4: 25-27. The last text he used was the Mizpah text. He said if we never all meet again in this world he trusted we should all meet before the great white throne. In response all the members rose as an ex-

pression of their determination to be faithful, looking forward to that glad day. It was a most solemn time.

On Sunday evening, after the lecture in the Masonic Hall, Pastor D. F. Tarr presented Pastor Hyatt with a clock on behalf of the members and friends of the Pretoria church, as a small memento of our love and esteem.

They left for Bloemfontein on Monday, October 17th. Nearly the whole church was at the station to give them a good send off, and wish them "God speed." They have left many sore hearts behind.

The work is still onward here, five others having taken their stand since Pastor Hyatt left. We are very pleased to have Pastor Tarr working with us, and we are all of good courage.

(Miss) MONA WEARNE.



Maritzburg

ON August 14, twelve weeks ago, our work opened in this city in a large hall. Though not the most desirable place for our meetings, yet it was the only place obtainable.

Two weeks ago the tent was pitched in a central position as could be secured, and our meetings were transferred to this place. It was hoped that the attendance would increase when the tent was pitched, but such has not been the case, as in fact it has decreased very considerably. The weather has also militated against our meetings, as we have had six wet Sundays in succession, and in tent meetings Sunday night is the chief meeting night of the week.

This is quite the wrong season of the year for tent meetings in Natal, or at least in this section of it where rain falls every day.

Quite a number of individuals have attended the meetings regularly since we opened and are much interested. Some of these have begun the observance of the Sabbath. We trust they will be led by God to see all the truth as it is presented and to faithfully walk in the same.

Our lecture on "Shall we Slay to Eat?" was the one which drew the largest attendance, and created much interest. The display in the hall on two large tables of tastefully prepared health dishes attracted much attention, and since then a number of people assure us they have discarded flesh foods entirely as an article of diet. Our ladies in the Pietermaritzburg church certainly did the cause of health reform great justice in the splendid effort they put forth on this occasion.

The *Natal Witness* gave us a report of two columns on the subject matter of this lecture. This same paper, the leading one here, with a circulation of over

10,000 copies daily has given us reports on all our Sunday evening lectures from one to two columns in length. These reports prepared by us, have called forth much correspondence in the paper, and this has given us an opportunity to present more truth on the same subjects.

We have systematically distributed *Present Truth* from door to door throughout the city ever since we began our work, and have placed many thousands of pages of reading matter in the homes of the people.

Several of those who were regular attendants of the Spiritist church and believers in the ism when we came to Maritzburg, have forsaken that delusion since we lectured on "Are the Dead Alive?"

Our staff of four is busy, and many doors are open to us. We labour in confidence, trusting God will give an increase to our sowing of His Word.

My wife and I wish to thank the many friends in Africa who have written and extended to us such a warm welcome back to the shores of your continent. We trust our second term of labour in Africa will be as fruitful and blessed of God, or even more so than our first, and that our labours will "not be in vain in the Lord."

C. A. PAAP.



SOUTH AFRICAN TRAINING SCHOOL

Box 124, Ladysmith, Natal

Spion Kop Notes

DURING the third week before the close of school, a final drive was made in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. The territory worked this time was nearer home than most of that which had been previously worked. A motor party, consisting of Sister Bender, Brother Cooks, Martha Snijman, and Ashley Renou, worked some of the neighbouring towns and also farms along the road. In three days they collected £25 and came home with an enthusiasm which bids fair for the future. John Raubenheimer solicited among the farmers to the south and east of the school during the same period and received £16. Eugene Jewell also spent one day among the farmers and helped to swell the total which now stands at £260. Surely God has blessed the Spion Kop church in its efforts to raise funds to support His cause.

Recently the Domestic Science Class, under the able direction of Mrs. Bender, entertained twelve visitors who were invited from Ladysmith and near by farms to spend the day at the school. The class prepared a good vegetarian dinner which all seemed to enjoy. After the dinner the class rendered a programme on "The Dignity of Labour."

Mrs. Dahl of Johannesburg spent two weeks with her daughter Olive. Olive is accompanying Doris Watkins to her home in Beira, where they are to spend the vacation.

This year witnesses the first graduation at the South African Training School. Those who are accorded the honour of being the charter graduates are Irene Honey and Emilie Jeffrey. The class exercises will be held on Sunday evening, November 20th.

On Tuesday evening, November 8th, the music students gave a recital in the chapel. They did credit to the efforts of their teachers.

During the last two weeks we have enjoyed an abundance of rain and prospects for the farm and garden are good. Most of the land that is to be planted is already plowed, and Brother Tarr has started his boys at planting.

School closes on Monday, November 21st., and in a few days the homes of many OUTLOOK readers will be made glad by the return of members who for months have been absent from the home circle.

VIVIAN COOKS.

ZAMBESI UNION MISSION

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Nyasaland East African Camp-meeting

THE annual camp-meeting of the Nyasaland-East African Mission Field recently closed. In many ways this was a very remarkable meeting. It was attended by more than a thousand native believers, besides a number not of our faith, and was marked with deep spirituality throughout.

The meetings were held in a beautiful grove on the Malamulo Mission campus and the people camped in tents made of poles and grass. Many of these people walked more than one hundred miles, carrying a sufficient supply of food for the journey and the time of the meeting, besides bed mats, pots, and small children.

Between seventy-five and a hundred native teachers and evangelists were in attendance and we feel sure that they received new inspiration for their work the coming year.

The workers in the Nyasaland field have done faithful work. Elder and Mrs. G. A. Ellingworth have now spent seven years at the Malamulo main station and for a number of years have been in charge of the work there, and much of the present development of the work is due to their untiring efforts. Brother Ellingworth has recently been appointed superintendent of the Nyasaland Field, and Elder A. P. Pond, who with his wife is now located at the main station,

will take over the work of station superintendent. Brother and Sister W. L. Davy of Western Canada have recently been added to the main station force and they will take over the school work.

The past year has been marked with splendid success notwithstanding the fact that the field has been seriously handicapped because of the shortage of workers. The Matandani station at present has no European superintendent and the main station and out school work is greatly undermanned. With a proper force of workers in the field, unmeasurable results could be accomplished.

Forty new believers were baptised at the close of the camp-meeting, but this does not represent the year's work, as a number of large baptisms had already been held during the year. It should be borne in mind that in this field new believers are kept in the Bible class for a period of two years before they are baptised and taken into the church. This gives them quite a stable membership and apostates are reduced to a minimum.

There are now fifty-four out stations in this field, manned by native workers, and these have an aggregate attendance in their day schools of about two thousand students. These workers were asked to set individual goals for soul winning for the coming year, and these goals totaled between six and seven hundred. Surely this is splendid for a company of native workers.

The loyalty and fidelity of some of these workers is marvellous. One teacher told of being sent with another worker to a far-away district to open up school work in a new section. He said, "Two schools were opened with thirty-five and sixty pupils respectively. Shortly a famine arose in that country and we were unable to obtain food. Many days we had to hunt for wild honey in order to have something to eat. One day my companion teacher said to me, 'We must leave this place, or we will die of starvation.' But I said, 'No, the One who owns me will know what to do with me. Other people are living here and we can also.' So we remained a few weeks longer. Again my companion came and said, 'Now we must go.' I said, 'All right, you may go if you like, but I will stay, and if these people die I will die with them, but I cannot leave them. They must hear the gospel.' I took charge of both schools, going to and fro between them through the rains to keep them going. The people said, 'You will die doing this.' (This is a fever country.) But I said, 'That does not matter. God knows about me and I trust Him.' The schools grew until now the attendance is 166. I grew very weak before vacation time, but I am still alive and now I know that God was working for me."

On the last Sabbath of the meeting, a call was made

for those who were willing to consecrate their lives to the service of God to go anywhere He might send them to give the message, and almost everyone in that large audience arose. It was a very solemn meeting. After this meeting the head deacon of the main station church, who is also a teacher in the mission, handed Elder Ellingworth the following note:

"DEAR FATHER,

"Beginning with the first day of our camp-meeting until today my heart is troubled about this work and today I have chosen to give myself a sacrifice, even to leave all for this work's sake. I want to answer the question the Lord asks in Isaiah 6:8: 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' I am not satisfied with being just a hearer, I am ready to leave house, garden, mother, even children, that those afar off may hear the gospel.

"I am, Your helper,

Simon Kalilombe."

This well represents the spirit of both workers and people at this meeting. We feel sure that the gospel has found lodgment in good soil in Nyasaland and that this field will produce a great harvest for the kingdom of God. Those attending this meeting from outside the local field were Elder E. M. Howard, superintendent of the Zambesi Union Mission, and the writer.

W. H. BRANSON.



SOUTHERN UNION MISSION

Rand Mission Work

DOUBTLESS, the readers of the *OUTLOOK* will be glad to receive word concerning the progress of the native work on the Rand.

The Lord has manifestly blessed during the past ten months, and the faithful efforts of the native evangelists have been rewarded by quite a number of believers in the third angel's message.

About the middle of April, Pastor Olmstead baptised two believers, and on Sabbath, October 29, eight more souls followed their Lord in this sacred rite. Notwithstanding an almost incessant downpour of rain, a large number of brethren and sisters were present at the native church at Germiston last Sabbath, when at the morning service Pastor Olmstead gave an impressive discourse upon the "Needs of the New Born," comparing the growth of an infant born into a family, with that of a re-born son or daughter of God. Breath, food, and exercise, were shown to be the three essentials to both physical and spiritual growth. When the company arrived at the lake where the baptism took place, the rain came in abundance, but it was received as a sign that God was

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willing to pour out His Spirit upon the church in copious showers. After the ceremony, the company returned to the church, where after a brief address, the ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated.

All along the Rand there is a good interest among the natives in the truths of the message, and we confidently expect before the end of the current year a further goodly number to be baptised. We have abundantly proved that God is no respecter of persons, and that rich and poor alike rejoice in the knowledge of sins forgiven, and the present saving power of Jesus Christ. We are longing for the time when Jesus shall come to welcome His ransomed ones. At that glad gathering day, may there be many dark skinned blood-bought representatives from the Rand. The earnest prayers of the believers in Africa are solicited for the work and the workers in this mission.

A. V. WARD.



Sabbath Schools and Tract Societies

THERE are fourteen Sabbaths in this quarter. The *Quarterly* and other lesson helps provide only thirteen lessons, for we are handling lessons studied last quarter in America. There will be no difficulty at all if we use the first lesson in next quarter's lesson sheet for Sabbath, December 31.

It is most important that tract society secretaries issue all lessons in time for the Sabbath school members to begin the new quarter's daily study on December 24. Would it not be well to post all lesson helps a fortnight earlier than usual.

MRS. A. P. TARR.

Report of Literature Sales for October

Natal-Transvaal

NAME	BOOK	HRS	ORDS	VALUE	HELPS	TOTAL	DEL'D
D. C. Blignaut	B.R.	91	16	18 0 0	11 0	18 11 0	18 0 0
J. M. Baird	B.R.	100	52	65 6 0		65 6 0	28 12 6
A. Blennerhassett	B.R.	139	76	103 7 6	9 5 6	112 13 0	22 7 0
T. G. Crouch	P.G.	17	24	42 0 0		42 0 0	8 15 0
M. J. Dixie	B.R.	33	22	29 2 6		29 2 6	32 17 6
E. Enochson	D.R.	13	8	14 0 0		14 0 0	
F. C. Ernst	P.G.	23	21	26 17 6		26 17 6	1 10 0
S. J. Fourie	Misc.	42	6	8 0 0	12 0	8 12 0	9 17 6
E. Edie	S.D.	33	10	5 1 6	1 6	5 3 0	6 13 9
Mrs. D. Kaspersen	B.R.	14	2	2 10 0	6 6	2 16 6	7 17 6
Miss I. Kaspersen	B.R.	10	2	2 5 0		2 5 0	
Miss M. J. Kaspersen	B.R.	13	3	3 17 6		3 17 6	7 0 0
W. A. Kaspersen	B.R.	44	4	4 10 0		4 10 0	4 10 0
A. C. Le Butt	P.G.	41	1	1 2 6	2 0 0	3 2 6	68 0 0
R. Morton	P.G.	114	15	18 7 6	1 11 6	19 19 0	14 17 6
Mrs. M. Smith	P.G.	6	2	2 5 0		2 5 0	9 0 0
Mrs. H. C. Tickton	P.P.	50	16	22 10 0	9 4 0	31 14 0	24 16 6
W. Smith	B.R.	29	15	20 10 0		20 10 0	33 7 6
P. J. Vermaak	P.G.	113	91	119 0 0	5 6	119 5 6	33 11 6
Office Sales					16 17 6	16 17 6	
Value Helps Delivered							30 13 0
Magazine Sales				47 8 0		47 8 0	47 8 0
Agents, 19		925	386	556 0 6	40 15 0	596 15 6	409 16 9

Cape

Mrs. G. C. Jenks	P.P.F.	3					4 15 0
Mrs. de Beer	P.G.	24	28	32 15 0		32 15 0	
Mrs. J. Donaldson	P.P.F.	124	32	21 0 0	13 0	21 13 0	
D. J. Kruger	B.R.	26	2	2 5 0	1 4 6	3 9 6	2 5 0
Magazine Sales				38 17 0		38 17 0	38 17 0
Office Sales							
Large Books			32	24 10 0		24 10 0	24 10 0
Small Books			114	25 13 6		25 13 6	24 13 6
Agents, 4		177	208	145 0 6	1 17 6	146 18 0	96 0 6

Orange Free State

A. J. Wessels	P.G.	42	40	51 10 0		51 10 0	24 15 0
D. W. Jonker Jr.	B.B.	20	3	3 17 6		3 17 6	3 17 6
A. C. Le Butt	P.G.	52	22	27 5 0		27 5 0	7 7 6
Office Sales				4 19 8	2 8 9	7 8 5	7 8 5
Magazines				31 14 0		31 14 0	31 14 0
Agents, 3		114	65	119 6 2	2 8 9	121 14 11	75 2 5

Grand Total, All Agents 26 1216 659 820 7 2 45 1 3 865 8 5 580 19 8

Obituary

It has pleased the Lord to remove by death from our midst the little daughter of Brother and Sister Venter, being their only child. She was four years of age, and was taken away after six days' illness, suffering from measles. She fell asleep in Jesus Sunday morning, 30th October, and was conveyed to her resting place on Monday afternoon, where she will rest until the resurrection morning.

Brother and Sister Venter are two of the newly baptised members of the Ermelo church, and look forward to the blessed hope of meeting their child again when Jesus comes.

S. G. HITTEN.