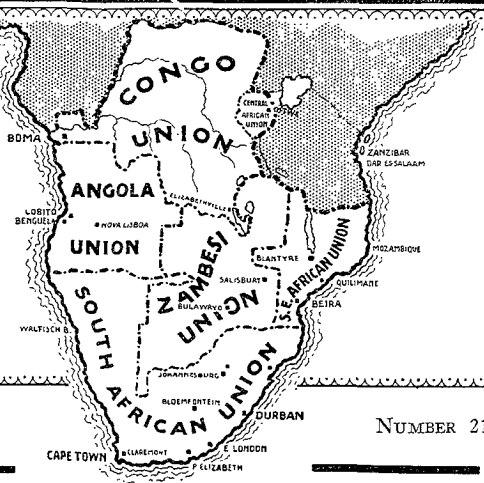


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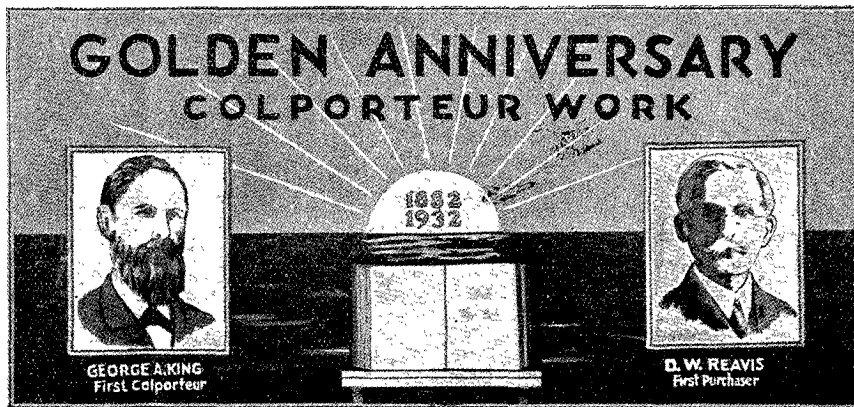
## GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY OF LITERATURE MINISTRY GOUE JAARFEES VAN DIE LEESSTOFBEDIENING

TESTIMONY, 1879

"Some things of grave importance have not been receiving due attention at our offices of publication. Men in responsible positions should have worked up plans whereby our books could be circulated, and not lie on shelves, falling dead from the press. Our people are behind the times, and are not following the opening providences of God. . . . The power of the press with all its advantages is in their hands. By judicious calculation they can extend the light in the sale of books and pamphlets. They can send them into thousands of families that now sit in the darkness of error."

GETUIENIS VAN DIE JAAR 1879

"Party dinge van die hoogste belang het nog nie die aandag van ons kantoor van uitgewers geniet nie. Die manne wat verantwoordelike plekke beklee, behoort reeds plan gemaak te hê waardeur ons boeke kon rondversprei word en nie soos lewenloos van die drukpers op die planke bly lê het nie. Ons mense is agter en volg nie die openings wat die voorsienigheid van die Here maak nie. Die mag van die drukpers met al sy voordele is in hul hande. Deur verstandige berekening kan hulle die lig versprei deur middel van die verkoop van boeke en pamflette. Hulle kan hul uitstuur na duisende gesinne wat nou in die duisternis van die dwaling verkeer."



ACTION, 1880

"Whereas, The Spirit of prophecy has spoken directly upon the value of systematic and efficient efforts to spread the truth by the circulation of our publications; therefore,

"Resolved, That we recommend the employment of judicious persons by our state conferences to act as colporteurs, who shall receive a licence from the State Conference Committees to labour in that capacity."

BESLUIT VAN DIE JAAR 1880

Aangesien die Gees van profesie direk gepraat het van die waarde van sistematiese en bekwame pogings om die waarheid te versprei deur middel van die omset van ons publikasies,

Besluit ons dat ons aanbeveel dat ons Staatkonferensies geskikte persone as kolporteurs sal aanstel, wat dan van die Staat Konferensie Komitees die verlof sal kry om in daardie kapasiteit te arbeid.

# Inception and Progress

F. E. POTTER

NINETEEN and three-quarter million pounds' worth of literature sold and distributed gratis in fifty years! Truly mighty results from humble efforts grow—to paraphrase an old adage.

If only it were possible to correctly translate this wonderful ministry into souls saved to the kingdom, what a glorious company it would portray. Just fifty years ago the value of our literature distributed—and, by the way, that was mostly gratis—totalled only £41,000. Forty-one thousand pounds in thirty years! Nineteen million seven hundred thousand in fifty years! What progress! How was it made possible? "Our publishing work was established by the direction of God and under His special supervision."—"Testimonies," Vol. VII, p. 138. That's the secret, dear believers. "God has ordained the canvassing work as a means of presenting before the people the light contained in our books."—"Colporteur Evangelist," page 5.

Through the Spirit of prophecy the decree went forth to "extend the light in the sale of books and periodicals." And with the going forth of the decree there was raised up the instrument to carry it into operation. Brother George A. King, inspired by the testimony of 1879, conceived the subscription book idea and in 1881 placed his proposition before the General Conference. It was finally accepted with some reluctance, and Brother King made a beginning in 1882, quickly disposing of the first five hundred copies of "Daniel and the Revelation."

Why was this ministry attended with such remarkable success from its inception? Because "The Lord Jesus standing by the side of the canvassers, walking with them, is the chief worker."—"Manual to Canvassers," p. 40.

Oh, that we would only let this precious assurance captivate our hearts and minds—what a mighty impetus the ministry of the printed page would then receive! Brother King's efforts inspired others and little by little was built up a colporteur force now totalling nearly thirty-one hundred men of divers races, operating in almost every clime under the sun, with literature in 152 different languages.

What a story! What inspiration! Truly "the Lord hath made bare His holy arm in the eyes of all the nations." But, dear believer, "not a fiftieth part is now being done to extend the truth that might be done by scattering publications, and bringing within the sound of the truth all that can be induced to come."—"Testimonies," Vol. II, p. 655.

In our hands is a weapon forged by the hand of the living God; a weapon acclaimed by our opponents as one of the very finest in the world's religious armoury; a weapon claiming priceless victories among every nation, kindred,

tongue and people; a weapon forged to withstand opposition, prejudice, hatred, trial and all the "fiery darts of the wicked." Oh, dear soldiers of the Cross, why stand with rusty blade?

"Let us arouse! The battle is waging. . . . Let us march under the blood-stained banner of Prince Emmanuel, and fight the good fight. . . . The precious hours of probation are closing. Let us make sure work for eternal life, that we may glorify our heavenly Father, and be the means of saving souls for whom Christ died."—"Review and Herald," March 13, 1888.

What a challenge to every Seventh-day Adventist in this Southern African Division—a challenge to you, my fellow-worker. To you, my brother church member. To all of us—young and old—brother or sister, European, coloured or native. A challenge in this mighty hour of the great controversy, when eternal night is drawing its folds swiftly over the final scene of earth's history. Will you not respond to the challenge by taking a greater and more sustained interest in the great literature ministry which is "the Lord's means of keeping the message for this time continually before the people."—"Colporteur Evangelist," p. 8.

Read the testimonies in this issue as to the value of our literature as a soul-winning agency, and then go humbly forth to the harvest and give the Lord an opportunity to use you to gather some sheaves by this ministry. "The need of the hour is an awakening of the laymen of all the Churches to a realisation of their latent energies and their pressing responsibility and the relating of that boundless power to the programme of the living Christ."—"Liberating the Forces of Christianity," pp. 53, 54.

Dear brother, dear sister, we are ambassadors, not stockholders, for God. We dare not permit the books and papers containing the precious truth to lie idle on the shelves in our publishing house and depositories. We are not to sit as guardians of God's message for this last day but we are to go into the highways and hedges" and "hold forth the Word of life." "We must carry the publications to the people, and urge them to accept."—"Colporteur Evangelist," p. 82.

May the Holy Spirit of God impress upon each of us the mighty saving power in our literature, and may He also give us wisdom, courage, and faith to use it henceforth to the fullest extent possible "while it is yet day: the night cometh when no man can work."



"PAPERS and books are the Lord's means of keeping the message for this time continually before the people."—"Colporteur Evangelist," p. 8.

# Striking Testimonies

## A Fruitful Ministry

"Every leader who fails to recognise the fruitfulness of literature is making a great mistake. It is only a short step from the time the literature is allowed to drop in a field that the drop will be reached in soul winning in that field. Let your literature work go down, and your soul winning will go down. Let your literature work go on regardless of conditions, and your soul winning will go on."

C. H. WATSON,  
President of General Conference.

## A Valuable Ministry

"The question of the circulation of our denominational literature is one of the most vital questions that can engage the attention of the denomination. The colporteur work ought to be regarded as one of the most valuable resources in the work today."

J. L. McELHANY,  
President Pacific Union Conference.

## An Effective Ministry

"The literature ministry is one of the most powerful, economical and fruitful means which the church of God can use in conveying the last message of warning to mankind. It is through this agency, we are told, that 'the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power, and who lightens the earth with his glory,' is to be largely achieved. If this be true, the question at once arises, *Are we helping this heaven-appointed messenger to do his sacred work?* We earnestly appeal to our laity to give this phase of our work favourable consideration and thus give more time to the work of such an effective ministry."

J. F. WRIGHT,  
President Southern African Division.

## A Mighty Ministry

"The literature ministry is an effectual and efficient ministry. It has received the approving seal of God's blessing in seeing souls saved and united in the church. Without the helping hand of the literature ministry, we would be far behind our present attainments. Knowing of its mighty power in soul saving ministry, we face the future with confidence."

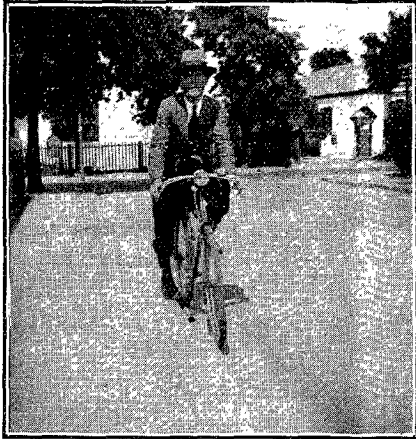
N. C. WILSON,  
President South African Union Conference.

## A Patient Ministry

"I believe in the literature ministry, and now is our time to sow the seed. A Mr. Dreyer who works on the public roads from Tete to Dedza (Nyasaland) stepped into my office and asked for some tracts on the second coming of Christ and I gave him some. He said, 'You know I bought "Steps to Christ" in Dutch, and also "The Coming King" from Mr. D. Groenewald, in Bloemfontein, in 1914 and I never used them until just lately, and now I am interested in the second coming of Christ.' This experience shows how the Spirit of

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# HOW WE SCATTER THE PRINTED PAGE HOE ONS DIE GEDRUKTE BLAD VERSPREI



D. D. Toerien

Brother Toerien is our "veteran" as service is counted. He has given over eleven years of faithful service, and placed the message in thousands of homes in the Peninsula and East London. Watchword: "Pressing On."

Broeder Toerien, ons oudste kolporteur sover diensjare betref, het elf jare van getroue diens en het die boodskap in duisende gesinne van die Kaapse Skiereiland en Oos Londen gebring. Leuse: "Voorwaarts."



W. G. Boardman

Brother Boardman, operating in Southern Rhodesia with motor-drawn caravan. Family accompanies, wife helping by selling "Bedtime Stories." Had some fine experiences among people on lonely gold mines and scattered ranches. Watchword: "Saved to Serve."

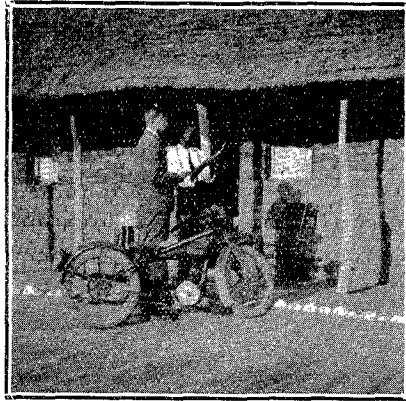
Broeder Boardman werk in Suid-Rhodesië met 'n motorkaravaan. Sy familie ry saam; sy vrou verkoop "Bedtime Stories." Hulle het heerlike ervarings onder mense op die afgeleë goudmyne en verspreide veeplase. Leuse: "Gered om te dien."

## To "Outlook" Readers Aan Lesers van die "Outlook"

MEET a few of the men of the literature ministry. We cannot introduce the whole family but they are all of the same cheerful, courageous disposition.

Pray continually for these self-supporting workers who are "pressing on" bravely and willingly in spite of trials and opposition.

WORD bekend met 'n paar manne van die Leesstofbediening. Ons kan hulle nie algar aan u voorstel nie. Maar algar het dieselfde opgeruimde, bemoedigende geaardheid. Bid tog sonder ophou vir hierdie werkers wat hulself ondersteun en moedig "voorwaarts" gaan, so gewillig, nie-teenstaande beproewings en teenstand.



E. W. Marter

Brother Marter, Zambesi Union Field Missionary Secretary, won several scholarships as a student-colporteur. Now giving strong leadership to the literature ministry in the Zambesi Union. Watchword: "Faithfulness and Courage."

Broeder Marter, sendingsekretaris van die Sambesi-Unie het alreeds as student verskeie beurse gewin. Hy gee nou deëlike leiding aan die leesstofbediening in die Sambesi-Unie. Leuse: "Getrouheid en Moed."



By Pony Cart



E. Stevenson

Brother Stevenson is operating in the forest fastnesses of Knysna, where he has to literally "hunt" his prospects among the hills and rocks. His patient ministry has already been blessed with fruitage. Watchword: "Reaching Forth."

Broeder Stevenson werk in die bosse van Knysna. Hy moet letterlik sy klante "opjaag, van elke berg en van elke heuwel" (Jer. 16:16), en hy sien al vrugte op sy werk. Leuse: "Strewe."



H. Grobler

Brother Grobler traverses the arid stretches of British Bechuanaland. Uses "mule-ford"—a buggy built on Ford back axle drawn by two mules. Has done some excellent work in spite of hardships and opposition. Watchword: "Patient Continuance."

Broeder Grobler trek deur die droë sandwêreld van Betsjoeanaland, met 'n ou Fordkar se agteras waarop hy 'n bakwaentjie gebou het, en twee muile. Hy doen baie goeie werk ondanks ontbering en teenstand. Leuse: "Geduldig Aanhou."

## Striking Testimonies

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God is causing people to search for truth."  
H. M. SPARROW,  
Supt. So. E. Afr. U. Mission Field.

### A Consolidating Ministry

"It is not only a great evangelising agency, but a great conserving and *consolidating* power amongst our scattered and often unsheltered believers. I could conceive of no greater calamity to the cause of God, than to be suddenly deprived of the literature ministry."

J. R. CAMPBELL,  
Supt. South African Mission Field.

### An Establishing Ministry

"Were there no literature ministry there would be very little successful evangelism. The vast proportion of those who become members in permanently good and regular standing are those who first became interested through our literature. The evangelist simply tips the scale."

W. H. HURLOW,  
Evangelist South African Conference.

### An Amazing Ministry

"I believe that some day when canvassing days are over and eternity is ushered in we shall learn with *amazement* what has been accomplished in soul winning through the literature work. Reports come in to the office time and again of persons who have learned of the truth through the work of our colporteur evangelists. During the past couple of weeks we have learned of several deeply interested, and of one who has definitely decided to accept the truth through the work of one of our colporteurs."

MISS P. E. WILLMORE,  
Secy. Religious Book Depository—  
South African Conference.

### A Potent Ministry

"I have said before and repeat at this time, that I believe that in the wall of every church we build, should be a tablet to the 'Unknown Canvasser,' for Heaven only knows how many of the folks who come into the truth, come as a result of the seed sown by the canvasser.

"We have just held our baptism in Mafeking. Among those going forward were a Brother and Sister Swanepoel. We may be credited with bringing them into the truth, but we found them well established through reading a book sold to them by a canvasser, Brother Van der Walt, on the Lichtenburg diamond diggings some years back. Brother Van der Walt may have felt that he saw no results, but here are two for his crown. The books were 'Great Controversy' and 'Bible Made Plain.'"

A. N. INGLE,  
Evangelist Rhodesia-Bechuana. Conf.

### An Influential Ministry

"The writer and his wife accepted this message twenty-two years ago as a result of reading 'Daniel and the Revelation.' Later Mrs. Pitt sold 'Bible Readings' for

the Home Circle' to our neighbours in her spare time and ten of those who bought the book have since accepted the message together with some members of their families.

"A native called at the office this week to buy some books. He told us that as a result of reading one of our books he had decided to keep the Sabbath, and had given up his employment as his employer had refused to let him have the Sabbath off.

"I say with conviction, and from personal experience, that our literature is one of the greatest instrumentalities God has placed in our hands for soul winning."

A. A. PITT,  
Secy.-Treas. So. Afr. Mission Field.

## With the Printed Page in the Eighties

D. F. TARR

MY association with the literature ministry has always been a very intimate and happy one. It was largely through reading a book lent to me by Brother Peter Wessels that I embraced this precious message. In 1888, after studying with Elder Boyd (who with Elder D. A. Robinson, arrived in South Africa shortly after my accepting the message), I entered the literature ministry and laboured for some time on the diamond fields, soliciting subscriptions for *Present Truth*. One of my subscribers—the wife of the ex-mayor of Beaconsfield—afterwards united with the church, together with her husband. At the same time R. S. Anthony and George Burleigh who had come from America with Elders Boyd and Robinson were pioneering our subscription book work farther south.

Later on proceeding to America for study at Battle Creek College the contact

with the literature ministry was still maintained, and during one of my summer vacations spent in Canada, over one hundred pounds' worth of "Bible Readings" were placed in the homes of the people.

After returning to South Africa I sold large numbers of such books as "The Coming King," "Heralds of the Morning," and "Christ's Object Lessons," in conjunction with my public evangelistic work. In more recent years quite a little time has been spent in introducing our Crisis books into the homes in various towns. A visit to one town is well remembered. I arrived there by train at four P.M. and immediately set to work canvassing. Before leaving at 3 P.M. the following day, I had sold one hundred books. (*One hundred books in less than twelve working hours!* F.E.P.) In Port Elizabeth over one thousand of these Crisis books were placed in the homes of the people.

Throughout the years I have taken a great interest in soliciting subscriptions for the *Signs of the Times*, formerly entitled *The Sentinel*, and have thoroughly enjoyed this work. In three of the large towns of the Union alone,—Johannesburg, Durban and East London—I secured altogether two thousand two hundred subscriptions.

The literature ministry has always appealed to me and even now, notwithstanding the mellowing influence of forty-six years of active service, it is still a refreshment to me to spend a little time in the ministry of the printed page.

Appreciating the soul-winning value of our literature, and realising the nearness of the end I would earnestly recall to the readers of the *OUTLOOK* the following important statement from the Spirit of prophecy: "Educate, educate, educate young men and women to sell the books which the Lord by His Holy Spirit has stirred His servants to write."—*Colporteur Evangelist*," p. 23.

## Camp-meetings in Northern Rhodesia and the Congo Union

J. F. WRIGHT

DURING the first week of July the writer left the Division office for a three-months' period to attend camp-meetings to the North, and now, upon returning to the office, it has been felt that a brief survey of these meetings would be appreciated by the readers of the *OUTLOOK*.

Upon reaching Bulawayo it was my privilege to join Elders Elliott and Boger. From this place we proceeded to Livingstone where we took our journey up the Zambesi River to the Katima Mulilo Mission. Brother G. L. Willmore and wife are in charge of this station. It was a pleasure to meet them and to share the kind hospitality of their home for a few days. Several hundreds of natives had gathered in for the camp-meeting, and we

had a real spiritual feast together over the week-end. On Sunday afternoon fifty-one dear souls were buried with their Lord in baptism. The prospects for the work around this mission are most encouraging. We left Brother Willmore and family of good courage as they, with their native teachers and evangelists, press on in the work together.

### Rusangu Mission

Our next appointment brought us to the Rusangu Mission in North Rhodesia. Over 1,500 natives had gathered in for the annual camp-meeting at this place. Then, too, several of our European brethren and sisters were present, and so special services were conducted for them aside

from the general meetings each day. Elder Mote and his co-workers had plans well in hand so that one of the best meetings ever experienced at this station was held at this time. Just over 190 persons were baptised on Sunday afternoon and received into church fellowship.

#### Chimpempe Mission

From Rusangu Elders Boger and Elliott and the writer travelled as far as N'Dola. At this place Elder Elliott left us for meetings at Elisabethville and the Songa Mission, while Brother Boger and I proceeded by motor transport to the Chimpempe Mission meeting in North East Rhodesia. Despite a delay of thirty-six hours due to motor-car trouble, we arrived safely at the mission and were given a very cordial welcome by Brother and Sister Mason as well as Brother Mason, Senior.

Our stay at this mission was most pleasant. The work is onward. Just over 400 attended the service, this being the largest number ever to gather at this station for an annual meeting. On Sunday morning forty-one were baptised. Chimpempe is beginning to wield a wide influence, and a splendid school is being conducted. The new church building is about completed, and we felt quite pleased with what we saw at this place.

#### Gitwe, Rwankeri and Ngoma Missions

After leaving Brother Boger upon our return to N'Dola I joined Elders Elliott and Bozarth at Bukama, Congo Belge. It took us about five days to reach Ruanda where the Gitwe, Rwankeri and Ngoma mission stations are located.

We arrived at Gitwe Friday afternoon, just an hour-and-a-half before the opening service of the camp-meeting. The week-end was filled with a large number of meetings. The attendance on the Sabbath was just over 5,000. This was the largest attendance ever experienced at this station. Surely it was an impressive scene Sabbath morning to witness the hundreds upon hundreds of people coming from the mountains, hills and valleys. The message has borne a wonderful fruitage in the vicinity of this mission during the last few years.

One item of interest was what we found in connection with the evangelical work being carried forward under the supervision of Gitwe. During the month of June and the first half of July of 1933, ninety-six series of meetings were conducted by the European, and native workers together with the Missionary Volunteers, with the result that over 300 people were converted and joined the Bible classes. Surely there is the "sound of a going" around this mission, and a great work is being done.

From Gitwe we went across country to the Ngoma Mission, a distance of about sixty miles. This mission was opened about eighteen months ago and is located on the east side of Lake Kivu. For situation it is a beauty spot and it is sur-

rounded on every side by a heavy population.

Inasmuch as this was the first camp-meeting, and also inasmuch as it had to be held during the mid-week, we wondered as to the attendance. Naturally we were surprised when we found over 1,200 people present at the first service. A splendid spirit prevailed during each of the six services conducted. Thus we felt very gratified concerning the first camp-meeting at Ngoma.

Elder Matter already has a splendid evangelical programme under way as well as six schools in operation. Dr. Sturges is carrying forward a large medical work. From 400 to 500 people come for treatment each week on injection days. At present Miss Matter is rendering good service in the hospital and dispensary.

Our next stop in Ruanda was at Rwankeri, 125 miles north of Gitwe. Here we found Brethren Monnier and Moolman carrying a very heavy load. Their evangelistic work has been bitterly opposed by other societies, but, in spite of this, the last few months have witnessed many hundreds turning to the truth.

Really, the writer has never witnessed a more inspiring sight than that which met our gaze on Sabbath morning as we stood in front of Brother Monnier's home. We could see the people coming from every direction. They came in small groups and large companies until over 6,000 people had assembled for the Sabbath school and after service. As they came from far and near their songs sounded forth over the hills and valleys and filled the air with melody and praise. It was a most impressive experience.

While Elder Elliott spoke to the older folk Sabbath morning, it was my privilege to talk to over 1,000 children. Never have I seen such a sight in all of my visits to the mission fields in Africa. Truly we felt greatly encouraged with what we found at these three missions in Ruanda, and we pray that the Lord will help the workers to know how to care for such a large ingathering of souls who now turn to the message under their ministry.

#### En Route to Stanleyville

In order to reach the Kirundu and Kikamba missions in the Congo we had to go by way of Stanleyville from Rwankeri. It was a wonderful trip to Stanleyville and we had fine roads the entire 600 miles. Never have I seen more native villages. O, if we could only have two mission stations located on the long stretch between Rwankeri and Stanleyville, the results would be amazing! We hope that ere long such mission stations can be located in this thickly-populated section of the eastern Congo.

#### Kirundu and Kikamba Missions

It took us nearly two days to travel by train, motor boat and motor lorry from Stanleyville to Kirundu where Brother and Sister Norcott are located. This is a beau-

tiful mission and it is situated where a splendid work can be accomplished.

We found Brother and Sister Norcott well and of good courage. The native people in this district are a very wild and warlike people and yet the gospel has had a wonderfully subduing spirit upon the hearts of many of them. The thing that impressed me most was the reverence which the people had for the house of the Lord. The meetings were deeply spiritual and we greatly enjoyed our brief stay at Kirundu.

Next, Elder Bozarth and I visited the Kikamba Mission (formerly Kongolo Mission). Here we met Elder R. P. Robinson who had come over from the Bikobo Hill station to take charge of the camp-meeting. Though the meeting was small, an earnest spirit prevailed. This mission at the present time is in charge of a native worker who is labouring hard to build up the work.

#### Meeting in the Sakania District

Following the Kikamba meeting Elder Bozarth returned home and I travelled south to Elisabethville. Here I met Brother Vail and accompanied him to the Sakania district for a meeting. While this meeting was not large, yet those who attended seemed to be hungering and thirsting for a deeper experience. The Lord blessed the study of His word and upon the last day of the meeting, twenty-four, who had spent the required time in the Bible classes, were baptised.

#### Total Camp-meeting Attendance Throughout the Division

In concluding this brief survey of our meetings in North Rhodesia and in the Congo, it may be of interest to remark that whereas approximately 35,000 people attended our meetings in all of the Division one year ago, 57,250 were in attendance this year. Surely such a large increase reveals that these meetings are filling a great need in the lives of the native people, and are being wonderfully blessed of God as a source of spiritual uplift to all who come under their influence. One union superintendent recently predicted that two years from now 100,000 people would be attending these annual gatherings. Whether this will be so or not we do not know, but we can be assured that the next two years will witness a very large increase over the present year's attendance.

We have greatly appreciated the visit of Elder Elliott. His ministry will long be remembered by both Europeans and natives and we know that he will always carry a warm spot in his heart for Africa.

Thus the 1933 camp-meeting season has been most splendid and helpful. Let us continue to pray that the spiritual work done at all of these meetings will bring forth much fruit for the kingdom.



"He that lives most in prayer, grows most in grace."—C. H. Spurgeon.

## Z. U. Mission

E. C. Boger ———— Superintendent

D. A. Webster ———— Secy.-Treas.

Box 573, Bulawayo, S. Rhodesia

### Visit to Isolated Believers in the Kuruman District

D. A. WEBSTER

It was the privilege of the writer to join Brother and Sister John van de Merwe at Mafeking on a visiting trip amongst our believers in the Vryburg and Kuruman districts during the last three weeks of June. I spent an afternoon and night at Mafeking where I also had the privilege of seeing Brother and Sister A. N. Ingle, Miss Fleming, and about twelve others, who had gathered at Brother Van de Merwe's house for the first Bible study after having had a series of evangelistic meetings in the supper room of the town hall. At this meeting Elder Ingle gave a study on the Bible as the word of God. At the close of the study opportunity was given to those present to tell us how they would prove to an unbeliever that the Bible was the word of God. After several had responded an old brother whose countenance fairly beamed with joy over the newly found faith, exclaimed, "The very change in my own life is sufficient proof that the Bible is the word of God."

The individual referred to above is an old man well marked by the effects of sin, but what a change! The hands that just a few months ago were working on the Sabbath day are now clasped in prayer to God. The lips that once were used in cursing and swearing are now uttering words of praise and thanksgiving. The body that was once used as the bar-keepers' sink is now cleansed from that which defiles, and is now regarded as the temple of God filled with the Holy Spirit. The mind and heart that were once beclouded with smoke are now clear and able to discern spiritual things.

The word of God is truly sharper than any two-edged sword for it takes out of an individual that which the sword cannot. Surely this three-fold message that is going to the world today is a wonderful message. It cleans us up and makes us fit subjects for the earth made new.

The day after my arrival Brother and Sister Van de Merwe and I set out on our trip to the Vryburg and Kuruman districts by motor. The first day we travelled about 150 miles and came to the home of old Sister Brandt who is eighty-two years of age. Here we also met Brother and Sister Blignaut and an unmarried daughter of Sister Brandt's.

We approached this home just after sunset and from outward appearance it

seemed that no one was at home and all seemed dark and cold. However, upon knocking at the door we were heartily welcomed by the inmates. The home was not a palace in appearance, with gorgeous furnishings, it was simple throughout, but it contained something of more value than fine furniture—yes, hearts overflowing with the love of God. Furniture being scarce, Brother and Sister Blignaut and Sister Brandt, Jr., sacrificed their warm beds for us, despite our protests.

The next day we all went by car to the home of Brother D. Brandt, four or five miles away, where all the brethren and sisters in this section had gathered for services. We were made sad to find Brother Brandt ill in bed. He had been in bed for over six weeks with a severe attack of appendicitis.

At the close of the first service we had a testimony meeting in which all took an earnest part. Brother Brandt, who was in bed, was the first to bear testimony. In tears he acknowledged his unfaithfulness in tithing. He said that the Lord had been taking away his stock and now he had touched his own body that he might recognise God's ownership. He said to Brother Van de Merwe and me, "Please tell my brethren and sisters wherever you go to be faithful in their tithes and offerings." Yes, brethren and sisters it pays to be honest with God.

In the afternoon all members present took part in the ordinances of the Lord's house.

After this meeting we returned to the home of Brother and Sister Brandt. After supper we all sat around a tin of coals to warm ourselves and we spent the time in singing hymns and speaking of the love of God and the soon coming of Jesus. Old Sister Brandt, aged eighty-two years, recited to us from memory a long beautiful poem that she had learned while at school. This dear old sister's mind is full of praise and thanksgiving to God for His love and care for her.

The next day we started for Kuruman where we arrived soon after midday only to find that Brother Barnard and his family had moved away from their former address so we had to travel another forty-five miles to his farm. He and his eight motherless children were overwhelmed with joy at our arrival. The mother of this home was taken away by the cruel hand of death just a little over three years ago. The youngest child was only seven months old at that time so those of us who are parents can well imagine the terrible experience our brother has passed through. Surely the Lord has sustained and blessed our brother during this trying experience. Daphne, the eldest daughter who is now eighteen years of age has gone a long way in taking the place of a mother in the home. Daphne has given her heart to the Lord and she is very anxious to attend Helderberg College. On my return to Bulawayo I presented this great need to some members of the Dorcas Society and

as a result the way has opened up whereby she can go to Helderberg next year. This means another great sacrifice on the part of Brother Barnard for, by releasing Daphne, it is almost like losing his right hand. However, Brother Barnard knows the value of a Christian education and knows that this step will bring a great blessing upon his home. Brethren and sisters, Brother Barnard and family need our prayers daily.

We arrived at this home on Friday afternoon and on Sabbath Brother and Sister Van Druten came over for the Sabbath service. Brother Barnard told us of a man who began to observe the Sabbath before he knew of any Seventh-day Adventists. We all felt that it would be good to meet this man so Brother Barnard sent his brother-in-law by cart a distance of twenty-five miles the evening after Sabbath and brought him to the Sunday service. Mr. G. J. Corcejes is the name of this man and he is very deaf. We spent a profitable hour or more with him while he told us how he received the light on the Sabbath question. He stated that he and a friend of his noticed the Sabbath question in the Scriptures and the more they prayed and studied the more clearly they could see that Sunday was not the Sabbath. He finally began to keep the Sabbath about ten years ago. He had not received light on other doctrinal points of the message but when Brother Van de Merwe pointed these out to him he readily accepted them. Brother Van de Merwe gave him a copy of "Bible Readings" in Dutch, which he gladly accepted for further study. This man, by the way, had just moved up to this section of the country with his sheep from Carnarvon where he had left his family to take care of the farm.

After a very profitable and pleasant week-end we had to move on. It was exceedingly hard for us to leave Brother Barnard and his family but we told him that soon the day is coming when we shall no longer need to say goodbye. We left Monday morning and arrived at Sister Van de Merwe's farm in the afternoon.

Here we had a preaching service each day and a Bible study each evening. We were sorry to find that Sister Van de Merwe was suffering from a bad ankle caused by an accident with cart and horses.

On Thursday morning we proceeded further into the desert along the Kuruman River (at least, where the river used to be) to visit Brother and Sister Le Roux and family eighty miles from the town of Kuruman. In spite of the drought stricken condition of the country we found this family of good courage in the Lord. These believers are as lights set on hills shedding the light of truth to all around. On Sabbath several of the nearby neighbours attended the services.

After visiting the family for a few days and encouraging them in the upward way

we started on the return trip to Mafeking via Kuruman and Vryburg, calling on Sister Gregory Willmore whom we found well and of good courage.

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**Natal Conventions**

F. G. CLIFFORD

It was a great encouragement to us when visiting the garden province churches recently, to find them of good courage and full of enthusiasm for the advancement of the message.

In Maritzburg seven services were conducted over the week-end, September 8-10. Our believers attended in large numbers and a very earnest spirit was manifest. Plans were laid to form good-sized literature, Christian help, and Bible workers' bands, which we believe will result in definite fruitage in the kingdom.

In Durban, seven services were held over the week-end, September 15-17, and a very lively interest was evinced in the topics presented. Bands were also formed and plans laid for aggressive efforts along Home Missionary lines. Brother Ingle, Sen., is planning to place our literature on the ships that enter Durban harbour. Who can tell the results of such a ministry as the printed page is carried to the ends of the earth?

In Maritzburg, Elder Howard, and in Durban, Elder Le Butt, are conducting large Bible workers' classes. Both of these brethren lent their earnest support and assistance to the services.



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# Aanvang en Vooruitgang

F. E. POTTER

NEGENTIEN en driekwart miljoen pond waarde aan leesstof in vyftig jaar verkoop, of verniet weggegee. Waarlik groot dinge het dikwels 'n klein begin.

Kon mens hierdie wonderlike bediening met moontlikheid omsit in aantal siele wat vir die Koninkryk gewin is, wat 'n heerlike geselskap sou dit uitmaak. Presies vyftig jaar gelede was die waarde van ons leesstof wat toe merendeels verniet weggegee is, ongeveer £41,000. Een-en-veertig duisend pond in dertig jare tyd. Negentien miljoen sewe honderd duisend pond in vyftig jare tyd! Wat 'n vooruitgang!

Hoe was dit moontlik? Ons uitgewerswerk is onder leiding van die Here en onder Sy *spesiale toesig gevestig*."—*Testimonies*," Vol. VII, bld. 138. Daar lê die geheim, geliefde gelowiges. "Die Here het die kolporteurswerk *bestel* as 'n middel om die lig wat ons boeke bevat, onder die mense te bring."—*Colporteur Evangelist*," bld. 5.

Deur die Gees van profesie het die bevel uitgegaan "om die lig te versprei deur die verkoop van boeke en tydskrifte." En met hierdie oproep is daar ook die middel verwerk om dit in werking te laat tree. Broeder George A. King, geïnspireer deur die getuïenis van 1879, het die gedagte gekry om 'n subskripsie boek uit te gee. Hierdie gedagte het hy in 1881 voor die Generale Konferensie gelê. Op die ou end is dit met seker aarseling aangeneem; en in 1882 het Broeder King 'n begin gemaak en al gou die eerste vyf honderd eksemplare van "Daniël en Openbaring" afgelewer.

Waarom het hierdie bediening van sy aanvang af so 'n wonderlike sukses gehad? Omdat "die Here Jesus by die kolporteurs staan, saam met hulle gaan as die *vernaamste werker*."—*Manual to Canvassers*," bld. 40.

O, as ons net wou toelaat dat hierdie waardevolle verskeuring ons harte en siele sôu gevange neem, wat 'n magtige stoot sou die bediening van die gedrukte blad dan ontvang! Die pogings van Broeder King het anders besiel, en stuk vir stuk is daar 'n kolporteursleër opgebou wat vandag amper drie duisend een honderd manne van verskillende rasse omvat, wat in amper elke klimaat onder die son arbeid, met 'n leesstof in 152 verskillende tale.

Wat 'n geskiedenis! Wat 'n inspirasie! Waarlik "die Here het Sy heilige arm ontbloot voor die oë van al die nasies." Maar, geliefde gelowige, "nie 'n vyftigste deel word nou gedaan om die waarheid te versprei wat gedaan kon word deur publikasies rond te gee en deur binne die geklank van die waarheid te bring algar wat beweeg *kan* word om te kom."

Ons het in ons hande 'n wapen wat deur die hand van die lewende God gesmee is, 'n wapen wat ons teenstanders verklaar as een van die beste in die godsdienstige tuighuis van die wêreld; 'n wapen wat onskat-

baar oorwinnings onder elke nasie, geslag, tong en volk behaal het, 'n wapen wat gesmee is om teenstand, vooroordeel, haat, beproewing en "al die vurige pyle van die Bose" te weerstaan. O, geliefde soldate van die Kruis, waarom staan julle met roestige swaard?

"Laat ons opwaak! Daar word oqrog gevoer. Laat ons marsjeer onder die bloedbevlekte banier van Prins Immanuel. Laat ons die goeie stryd stry. Die kosbaar ure van die genadetyd gaan verby. Laat ons *seker* werk vir die ewige lewe doen, sodat ons ons hemelse Vader mag verheerlik en die middel wees om siele te red vir wie Christus gesterf het."—*Review and Herald*, 13 Maart, 1888.

Wat 'n oproep vir elke Sewende-dag Adventis in hierdie Suidelike Afrikaanse Divisie—'n oproep aan u, my medewerker. Aan u, my broeder gemeentelid. Aan ons algar—jong en oud—broeder of suster, Europeaan, Kleurling of Naturel. 'n Oproep in hierdie gewigtige oomblik van die groot stryd, nou die *ewige* nag vinnig sy sluiers oor die laaste tonele van die geskiedenis van die aarde laat val. So *u* nie antwoord gee op hierdie oproep nie deur groter en meer blywendende belangstelling in die groot leesstofbediening wat tog "die middel van die Here is om die boodskap vir hierdie tyd *voortdurend* onder die aandag van die mense te bring."—*Colporteur Evangelist*," bld. 8.

Lees die getuïenis in die OUTLOOK aangaande die waarde van ons leesstof as 'n middel om siele te win, en gaan dan ootmoedig uit om te oes en gee die Here 'n kans om u te gebruik om 'n paar gerwe in te samel deur hierdie bediening. "Die behoefte van die uur is 'n ontwaking van die leke in al die gemeentes tot 'n besef van hul latente kragte en hul nadruklike verantwoordelikheid, en om daardie oneindige krag toe te pas op die program van die lewende Christus."—*Liberating the Forces of Christianity*," bld. 53, 54.

Geliefde broeder en suster, ons is gesante—nie aandeelhouders nie,—gesante van die Here. Ons durf nie toelaat dat die boeke en blaie wat die kosbaar waarheid bevat, verniet daar op die planke van ons uitgewershuse en boekdepôts bly lê nie. Ons moenie as bewaarders van die Boodskap van die Here vir hierdie laaste dag gaan sit nie, maar ons moet "uitgaan op die paaie en na die lanings" en "die woord van die lewe" bring. "Ons moet die publikasies na die mense *bring* en hulle *ding* om dit aan te neem."—*Colporteur Evangelist*," bld. 82.

Mag de Heilige Gees elkeen van ons 'n indruk gee van die groot reddende mag van ons leesstof, en mag Hy ons ook die verstand, moed en geloof gee om dit voortaan, soveel as maar moontlik is, te gebruik, "solank as dit dag is; die nag kom wanneer niemand kan werk nie."

## Opmerklike Getuïenisse

### 'n Vrugbaar Bediening

"Elke leier wat in gebreke bly om die vrugbaarheid van die leesstof in te sien, maak 'n groot fout. Dis maar 'n korte stap van die oomblik dat die leesstof in 'n veld begin te val, of die vermindering word ook gesien in die toebring van siele in daardie veld. Laat jul arbeid met leesstof na benede gaan en jul toebring van siele sal afkom. Laat jul arbeid met leesstof toeneem wat ook die omstandighede mag wees, en julle sal siele toebring."

C. H. WATSON,

President van die Generale Konferensie.

### 'n Waardevolle Bediening

"Die vraag van die verspreiding van die leesstof van ons genootskap is een van die belangrikste vraagstukke wat die aandag van ons genootskap kan besig hou. Die kolporteurswerk moet ons beskou as een van die mees waardevolle bronne in ons werk vandag."

J. L. McELHANEY,

President, Pacific Unie Konferensie.

### 'n Doeltreffende Bediening

"Die leesstofbediening is een van die kragtigste, mees ekonomiese en vrugbaarste middele wat die gemeente van die Here kan gebruik om die laaste waarskuwingsboodskap aan die mense te bring. Deur hierdie middel, so is aan ons meegedeel, sal die werk van daardie ander engel wat van die hemel afkom met groot mag en wat die aarde verlig met sy heerlikheid, groteliks gedaan word. As dit so is, dan volg dadelik die vraag: 'Help ons hierdie boodskapper van die hemel om sy heilige werk te doen?' Ons doen 'n ernstige beroep op al ons gemeentelede om hierdie deel van ons werk gunstig te oorweeg, en meer tyd te wil gee aan die werk van so 'n *doeltreffende bediening*."

### 'n Magtige Bediening

"Die leesstofbediening is 'n doeltreffende en bekwame bediening. Daarop rus die goedkeurende seël van die seën van die Here, want daardeur is siele gered, en het hulle by die gemeente aangesluit. Sonder die hulp van die leesstofbediening sou ons nie wees waar ons vandag is nie. Ons ken die magtige invloed van sy bediening in die redding van siele en gaan dus moedig die toekoms tegemoet."

N. C. WILSON,

President van die Suid-Afrikaanse Unie Konferensie.

### 'n Geduldige Bediening

"Ek glo in die leesstofbediening en nou is dit tyd om die saad uit te strooi. 'n Seker Menr. Dreyer wat op die publieke paaie van Tete na Dedza (Niassaland) werk, stap een dag my kantoor binne en vra vir traktate oor die Tweede Koms van Christus. Toe ek hom die traktate oorhandig sê hy: "In 1914 het ek "Schreden naar Christus" en "De Komende Koning" van Menr. Dawid Groenewald in Bloem-



fontein gekoop. Ek het daardie boekies nooit gelees nie tot onlangs, en nou begin ek belang te stel in die Tweede Koms van Christus.' Dit wys dat die Gees van die Here besig is om die mense tot ondersoek van die waarheid te bring."

H. M. SPARROW,  
*Supt. van die Suid-Oos Afrik. Sendingveld.*

### 'n Bindende Bediening

"Dis nie alleen 'n groot middel tot evangelisasie maar ook 'n groot bewarende en bindende krag onder ons verspreide gelowiges wat dikwels sonder predikant is. Ek kan geen groter ongeval vir die saak van die Here indenk nie as om plotseling ontbloot te word van die leesstofbediening."

J. R. CAMPBELL,  
*Supt. van die Suid-Afrik. Sendingveld.*

### 'n Bevestigende Bediening

"As daar geen leesstofbediening was nie, sou daar baie min suksesvolle evangelisasie wees nie. Die oorgrote meerderheid van die wat blywende en gereelde lede word, het eers deur ons leesstof belangstellend geword. Die evangelis laat die skaal net oorslaan."

W. H. HURLOW,  
*Evangelis van die Suid-Afrik. Konf.*

### 'n Verbasende Bediening

"Ek glo dat as eenmaal die dae van die kolportasie verby sal wees en die ewigheid begin, ons dan met verbasing sal uitvind hoe baie siele daar deur die leesstof gewin is. Telkens weer kry ons hier by die kantoor berig van persone wat die waarheid aangeneem het as gevolg van die arbeid van ons kolporteurs. In die laaste welke het ons gehoor van verskeie wat baie belangstellend is, en een het definitief besluit om die waarheid aan te neem as gevolg van die arbeid van een van ons kolporteurs."

MEJ. P. E. WILLMORE,  
*Sekr. van die Godsdienstige Boekdepôt van die Suid-Afrikaanse Konferensie.*

### 'n Kragtige Bediening

"Ek het tevore gesê en sê dit weer dat ons in die muur van elke kerk wat ons bou, 'n tablet behoort te sit aan 'die Onbekende Kolporteur,' want alleen die Hemel weet hoe baie mense die waarheid aanneem as gevolg van die saad wat die kolporteur uitstrooi."

Ons het hier in Mafeking doopdiens gehou. Onder die wat gedoop is, was Broeder en Suster Swanepoel. Ons het die eer gehad om hulle in die waarheid te bring, maar hulle was reeds bevestig deur die lees van 'n boek wat 'n kolporteur, Broeder Van der Walt, jare gelede op die diamantdelwery van Lichtenburg verkoop het. Broeder Van der Walt mag gemeen het dat hy geen vrugte op sy arbeid sien nie, maar hier is twee diamante in sy kroon. Die boeke was 'Groote Stryd' en 'Die Bybel Duidelik Verklaar.'"

A. N. INGLE,  
*Evangelis van die Rhodesië-Betsjoanaland Konferensie.*

### 'n Invloedryke Bediening

"As gevolg van de lees van 'Daniël en Openbaring' het skrywer en sy vrou twee-en-twintig jaar gelede hierdie boodskap aangeneem. Later het Mevr. Pitt 'Bybellesings' in ons buurt verkoop en tien van die wat die boek gekoop het, het sedert met party van hul familieleden die waarheid aangeneem."

"Hierdie week het 'n naturel by ons kantoor aangeklop om boeke te koop. Hy vertel toe dat hy besluit het om die Sabbat te hou as gevolg van die lees van een van ons boeke; hy moes sy betrekking opgee, want sy baas het geweier om hom Sabbat af te gee."

"Met oortuiging en uit persoonlike ervaring sê ek dat ons leesstof een van die grootste middele is wat die Here ons gegee het om siele te win."

A. A. PITT,  
*Sekr.-Tes. van die Suid-Afrik. Unie Sendingveld.*



## Met die Gedrukte Blad in die Tagtiges

D. F. TARR

My verbinding met die leesstofbediening was altyd nou en gelukkig. Groteliks deur die lees van 'n boek wat Broeder Pieter Wessels my geleen het, het ek hierde dierbaar waarheid aangeneem. In 1888 na 'n studie met Ouderling Boyd wat met Ouderling D. A. Robinson in Suid-Afrika geland het, kort nadat ek die waarheid aangeneem het, het ek die leesstofbediening aanvaar en op die diamantvelde gearbei en intekenaars vir *Present Truth* gewin. Een van hulle—die vrou van die vroeëre burgemeester van Beaconsfield—het saam met haar man by die gemeente aangesluit. In die tyd het R. S. Anthony en George Burleigh wat saam met Ouderlinge Boyd en Robinson uit Amerika gekom het, die

eerste met ons subskripsieboekwerk in hierdie veld begin.

Toe ek later Amerikatoe gaan om in Battle Creek Kollege vir prediker opgelei te word, het ek tog voeling gehou met die leesstofbediening en op een van my somervakansies in Kanada meer as een honderd pond aan "Bybellesings" onder die mense verkoop.

Toe ek na Suid-Afrika terugkeer, het ek heel wat boeke verkoop soos "De Komen-de Koning," "Heralds of the Morning," "Christ's Object Lessons," saam met my publieke werk as evangelis. In die laaste jare het ek heel wat van ons Krisisboekies in die verskillende dorpe verkoop. Ek ont-hou nog goed die besoek aan een dorp. Ek het daar om vier uur die middag aangekom en dadelik begin kolporteer. Eer die trein die volgende middag om drie uur wegtrek, het ek een honderd boekies verkoop. *Reken, een honderd boeke in minder as twaalf werkure!*—F.E.P.) In Port Elisabeth het ek meer as een duisend van hierdie Krisisboekies verkoop. In al die jare het ek baie belang gestel om subskripsies vir die *Tekens van die Tye, vroeër Die Wachter* te neem. Ek het hierdie werk altyd baie geniet. In drie van die groot stede van die Unie—Johannesburg, Durban en Oos-Londen—alleen, het ek alles te same twee duisend twee honderd subskripsies geneem.

Die leesstofbediening was altyd vir my aantreklik en selfs nou, niteenstaande die ryp invloed van ses-en-veertig diensjare, doen dit my goed om nou en dan uit te gaan in diens van die gedrukte blad.

Ek waardeer die siele-winnende waarde van ons leesstof en besef dat die end naby is, daarom wil ek met erns die aandag van ons lesers van die *OUTLOOK* vestig op die volgende belangrike woorde van die Gees van profesie: "Voed ons jong manne en vroue op en leer hulle om die boeke te verkoop wat die Here deur Sy Heilige Gees Sy diensknegte laat skryf het."—*"Kolporteur Evangelis,"* bld. 23.

## Kampvergaderings in die Sendingvelde van Noord-Rhodesie en die Kongo

J. F. WRIGHT

In die eerste week van Julie het skrywer vir drie maande die Divisie kantoor verlaat om die kampvergaderings in die Noorde te gaan bywoon. By sy terugkoms op die kantoor meen ons dat die lesers van die *OUTLOOK* seker 'n korte oorsig van hierdie vergaderings sal waardeer.

Te Boelawayo het ek Ouderlinge Elliott en Boger ontmoet en saam met hulle na Livingstone gereis waar ons die Sambesirivier opgevaar het tot by die sendingstasie Katima Moelilo waar Broeder en Suster G. W. Willmore is. Ons het 'n paar dae die gasvryheid van hul woning geniet. Verskeie honderde naturelle het ingekom vir die kampvergadering en die naweek het

ons 'n ware geestelike fees gehad. Sondagmiddag is daar een-en-veertig kosbare siele gedoop. Die vooruitsigte vir die sendingwerk rondom hierdie stasie is baie bemoedigend. Broeder en Suster Willmore is vol moed. Hulle staan met hul naturel onderwysers en evangeliste bymekaar om die werk vorentoe te druk.

### Roesangoe-Stasie

Daarna het ons Roesangoe in Noord-Rhodesië besoek. Meer as vyftien honderd naturelle het daar vir kampvergadering saamgekom. Verskeie van ons Europese broeders en susters was teenwoordig; ons het vir hulle spesiale dienste gehou, behalwe elke dag die algemene dienste.

Ouderling Mote en sy werkers het alles goed bestuur, sodat dit een van die beste vergaderings was. Sondagmiddag is daar meer as 190 persone gedoop en in die gemeente opgeneem.

#### Chimpempe-Stasie

Van Roesangoe het Ouderlinge Boger, Elliott en skrywer noordwaarts gereis tot N'dola. Hier het Ouderling Elliott ons verlaat om vergaderings te Elisabethville en Songastasie te gaan hou. Ouderling Boger en ek het met die motor Chimpempetoe gery en ondanks 'n oponthoud van ses-en-dertig uur met die kar het ons veilig by die sendingstasie aangekom waar ons hartelik deur Broeder en Suster Mason en hul ou vader verwelkom is.

Ons het 'n aangename tydjie daar deurgebring. Die werk is vorentoe. Meer as vier honderd natuurle het die dienste bygewoon—die grootste aantal wat ooit hier vir 'n jaarlikse diens opgekom het. Sondagmore is daar een-en-veertig gedoop. Chimpempe se invloed word groter en daar is 'n goeie skool. Hul nuwe kerkgebou is amper klaar. Ons was baie tevrede met wat ons op die stasie gesien het.

#### Gitwe, Rwankeri en Ngomastasies

By ons terugkeer na N-Dola het ek Broeder Boger agtergelaat en Ouderlinge Elliott en Bozarth te Boekama in Belgies Kongo ontmoet. Binne vyf dae was ons in Roecanda waar die Gitwe, Rwankeri en Ngomastasies is.

Vrydagmiddag, presies anderhalf uur voor die eerste diens van die kampvergadering sou begin, het ons op Gitwestasie aangekom. Die naweek het ons baie dienste gehou. Die opkoms Sabbatmore was vyf duisend; dis die grootste opkoms wat hulle ooit hier gehad het. Dit was indrukwekkend om Sabbatmore honderde natuurle oor die koppies te sien aankom. Die boodskap het in die laaste jare wonderlik vruggedra in die omgewing van Gitwe.

Wat veral van belang was, is die evangelisasiewerk wat onder toesig van die sendingstasie gedaan is. Gedurende Junie en Juliemaande het Europeane en Naturelle werkers saam met hul Sendingvrywilligers ses-en-negentig series vergaderinge gehou met die gevolg dat ag honderd persone bekeer is en die Bybelklasse bywoon. Daar is "n geruis van voetstappe" om hierdie stasie en hier word 'n groot werk gedaan.

Van Gitwe het ons sestig myle verder na Ngomastasie oorgesteek. Hierdie stasie lê aan die oostekant van die Meer Kivoe en is agtien maande gelede gestig. Dis 'n pragtige plek en aan al kante digbevolk.

Dit sou ons eerste kampvergadering wees en nogal midde in die week. Ons was dus benuud hoe die opkoms sou wees. Maar hoe verwonderd was ons toe daar by die eerste diens twaalf honderd mense opgekom het. Daar het 'n goeie gees geheers gedurende die orige ses dienste. Ons was baie tevrede oor die eerste kampvergadering te N'goma.

Ouderling Matter volg 'n goeie evangelistiese program en het alreeds ses skole

geopen. Dr. Sturges het 'n groot mediese werk. Elke week kom daar vier tot vyf honderd mense om ingespuut te word. Mej. Matter help in die hospitaal en die apteek.

Ons volgende plek in Roecanda was Rwankeri, 125 myl noor van Gitwe. Hier kry die Broeders Monnier en Moolman dit swaar. Hul evangeliewerk word bitter teëgestaan deur die ander genootskappe. Ondanks dit alles het honderde in die laaste maande die waarheid aangeneem. Nog nooit het skrywer 'n meer indrukwekkende gesig gesien nie as die Sabbatmore toe ons voor die woning van Broeder Monnier staan en ons sien hoe die mense van alle kante aankom, totdat daar meer as ses duisend van hulle die Sabbat-skool en preekdiens bygewoon het. Hulle het van heinde en ver gekom en hul gesang het die lug met melodie vervul. Dit het 'n diepe indruk op ons gemaak.

Terwyl Ouderling Elliott met die grootmense praat, het ek diensgehou vir meer as een duisend kinders. In al my besoeke aan sendingstasies in Afrika het ek nog nooit so iets gesien nie. Ons was baie bemoedig oor wat ons op hierdie drie sendingstasies in Roecanda gevind het. Mag die Here ons werkers help om te sorg vir die groot oes van siele wat onder hul arbeid die boodskap aanneem.

#### Op pad na Stanleyville

Om Kiroendoe en Kikambastasie in die Kongo te besoek moes ons van Rwankeri langs Stanleyville. Dis 'n wonderlike reis en die hele ses duisend myl lank het ons goeie paaie gehad. Nooit het ek meer natuurle dorpe gesien nie. Kon ons tog net twee sendingstasies hê op die lang pad van Rwankeri na Stanleyville, die resultate sou wonderlik wees. Ons hoop eerlank hierdie sendingstasie in hierdie digbevolkte deel van Oostelike-Kongo te stig.

#### Kiroendoe en Kikambastasies

Amper twee dae moes ons reis met die trein, motorboot en lorrie om van Stanleyville na Kiroendoe te kom, waar Broeder en Suster Norcott is. Dis 'n pragtige stasie en 'n goeie werk kan hier gedaan word. Broeder en Suster Norcott is gesond en vol moed. Die natuurle hier is baie wild en oorlogsugtig. Tog het die evangelie reeds baie harte verteder. Wat my opgeval het, was die eerbied wat die natuurle vir die huis van die Here gehad het. Die vergaderings was baie geestelik en ons het ons korte besoek aan Kiroendoe geniet.

Ouderling Bozarth en ek het toe Kikamba—vroëer die Kongolo-stasie besoek. Hier het ons Ouderling R. P. Robinson ontmoet wat spesiaal van Bikoobastasie oorgekom het om die kampvergadering te lei. Die vergadering was klein, maar daar het 'n ernstige gees geheers. Op die oomblik kyk 'n natuurwerker na die stasie en hy doen sy bes om die werk op te bou.

#### In die Sakania-distrik

Na die vergadering van Kikamba het Ouderling Bozarth huis toe gegaan en ek na Elisabethville teruggekeer. Daar het

ek Broeder Vail ontmoet en saam met hom in die Sakaniadistrik vergadering gaan hou. Hoewel die opkoms nie so groot was nie het die wat opgekom het, gewys dat hulle na 'n dieper ervaring verlang het. Die Here het die ondersoek van Sy Woord geseën en op die laaste dag is daar vier en twintig wat die vereiste tyd in die Bybelklasse deurgebring het, gedoop.

#### Totale Opkoms oor die hele Divisie

Dis van belang om op te merk dat waar die opkoms 'n jaar gelede ongeveer 35,000 mense oor die hele Divisie was, hierdie jaar die opkoms 57,250 siele bedra het. Hierdie groot vermeerdering wys dat hierdie vergaderings in 'n groot behoefte van die natuurle voorsien en dat hulle wonderlik geseën is van die Here as 'n bron van geestelike verheffing vir algar wat onder hul invloed kom. Een uniesuperintendent het voorspel dat daar binne twee jaar een honderd duisend mense hierdie jaarlikse vergaderings sou bywoon. Of dit so sal wees sal ons moet afwag; maar ons kan absoluut seker wees dat die volgende twee jare 'n groot vermeerdering oor hierdie jaar se opkoms sal sien.

Ons het die besoek van Ouderling Elliott baie waardeer. Europeane en Naturelle sal lank sy dienste onthou en ons weet dat hy Afrika 'n warme hart toedra.

Die kampvergaderings van 1933 was dus tot groot seën. Mag die geestelike werk nog baie vrugte afwerp vir die koninkryk van God, is ons gebed.



## Onder die Afgesonderde Gelowiges in Koeroemandistrik

D. A. WEBSTER

DIT was skrywer se voorreg om saam met Broeder en Suster Jan van die Merwe van Mafeking ons gelowiges in die distrikte van Vryburg en Koeroeman 'n besoek te bring. Dit was gedurende die laaste drie weke van Juniemaand.

Een namiddag en aand het ek in Mafeking deurgebring waar ek ook die voorreg gehad het om Broeder en Suster A. N. Ingle, Mej. Fleming en ongeveer twaalf ander persone te ontmoet. Hulle het in die huis van Broeder J. van de Merwe saamgekom vir 'n Bybelstudie, nadat hulle 'n aantal vergaderings in die eetsaal van die stadhuis bygewoon het. Na die studie het hulle geleentheid gekry om te sê hoe hulle vir 'n ongelowige sou duidelik maak dat die Bybel werklik die Woord van God was. Verskeie het toe 'n antwoord gegee, totdat 'n ou broeder opstaan en met 'n gesig waarop mens die blydschap oor die nuwe geloof kon lees, uitgeroep het: "Die verandering wat in my eie lewe gekom het, is voldoende bewys dat die Bybel werklik die Woord van God is."

Hierdie ou man het die kentekens van die sonde gedra. Maar wat 'n verandering! Die hande wat 'n paar maande gelede nog op die Sabbat gearbei het, word nou in gebed gevou. Die lippe wat gewoond was om te vloek en te raas, uiter

nou woorde van lof en dank aan die Here. Die liggaam wat aan die drank verslaaf was, is nou van al die onreinheid gereinig en word beskou as die tempel van God, vol van die Heilige Gees. Die verstand wat eertyds deur tabakrook beneweld was, is nou helder en in staat om geestelike dinge te onderskei.

Die Woord van God is inderdaad skerper as 'n tweesnydende swaard (Hebr. 4:12); want dit neem uit die persoon weg wat geen swaard kan uitsny nie. Waarlik hierdie drievoudige boodskap wat in ons dae oor die wêreld gaan, is 'n wonderlike boodskap. Dit reinig ons en maak ons klaar vir die nuwe aarde.

Die dag na my aankoms het Broeder en Suster J. van de Merwe en ek met die motor die distrikte van Vryburg en Koeroeman ingery. Die eerste dag het ons 150 myl gery en by ou Suster Brandt aangekom. Sy is 82 jaar oud. Haar ongetroude dogter en Broeder en Suster Blignaut het ons ook daar ontmoet. Dit was sonder toe ons by die huis kom, en dit het gelyk of geen mens by die huis was nie, so koud en donker het alles gelyk. Maar toe ons aanklop, het die bewoners ons hartelik ontvang. Die huis was geen paleis nie, dit was maar alles eenvoudig, maar daar binne was baie meer as pragtige meubels; daar was harte oorlopende van die liefde van God. Die meubels was skaars, maar ondanks ons protes het Broeder en Suster Blignaut en jonge Suster Brandt hul warm bedde vir ons opgegee.

Die volgende dag het ons algar met die motor vier of vyf myl verder gery tot by die woning van Broeder D. Brand waar al die broeders en susters uit hierdie buurt saamgekom het om godsdiensoefening te hou. Ons was baie jammer om Broeder Brandt in die bed te vind. Die laaste ses weke ly hy aan 'n hewige aanval van blindedermonsteking.

Na die diens het ons 'n getuiedenisdiens gehou. Algar het deelgeneem. Vanuit sy bed het Broeder Brandt die eerste getuiedenis afgelê. Met trane in sy oë het hy sy *ontrouheid in die betaal van tiende* erken; die Here het sy ve weggeeneem en hom nou in sy liggaam aangetas, totdat hy die reg van die Here sou erken. "Waar julle gaan," was sy woorde, "sê tog vir my broeders en susters om getrou te wees in hul tiendes en offerandes." Dit betaal, broeders en susters, om eerlik teenoor die Here te wees.

In die namiddag het ons nagmaal gehou. Daarna het ons weer na die woning van Broeder en Suster Brandt teruggekeer en na die aandete het ons algar om die vuur gaan sit en die aand deurgebring met liedere sing en gepraat oor die liefde van God en die spoedige wederkoms van die Here. Die 82 jarige Suster Brandt het toe nog 'n gedig uit haar kinderjare opgesê. Haar gemoed was vol lof en dank aan die Here vir Sy liefde en troue sorg oor haar.

Die volgende dag het ons Koeroemantoe gery, maar Broeder Barnard word nie meer daar nie, dus moes ons vyf-en-veertig myle verder na sy plaas, waar hy en sy ag

moederlose kinders ons met vreugde ontvang het. Drie jaar gelede is die moeder van die gesin dood, toe was die jongste kind net sewe maande. Dit was 'n vreeslike ervaring vir ons broeder. Maar die Here het hom ondersteun en geseën. Die oudste dogter Daphne is nou agtien en neem al mooi die plek van die moeder in. Sy het haar hart aan die Here gegee en wil graag Helderbergtoe kom. Toe ek weer op Boelowayo kom, het ek met die susters van ons Dorkasvereniging gepraat met die gevolg dat Daphne volgende jaar Helderbergtoe kan gaan. Dit beteken weer 'n opoffering vir Broeder Barnard, want Daphne is sy reghand. Maar hy ken die waarde van die Christelike Opvoeding, en weet dus dat hierdie stap 'n groot seën vir sy huis beteken. Hulle het behoefte aan ons gebede.

Ons het daar Vrydagmiddag aangekom en Broeder en Suster Van Druten het vir Sabbatdienste oorgekom. Broeder Barnard het ons vertel van 'n man wat Sabbat begin hou het, voor hy ooit van 'n Sewende-dag Adventis gehoor het. Broeder Barnard het dus sy swaar met die kar gestuur om die man te gaan haal. Hy bly vyf-en-twintig myl verderop. Sy naam is Menr. G. J. Corcejes en hy is baie doof. Ons het 'n aangename uur met hom deurgebring. Hy het ons vertel hoe hy en 'n vriend van hom eendag die Sabbatvraagstuk in die Bybel opmerk. Hoe meer hulle dit ondersoek en daarvoor bid, hoe meer hulle uitvind dat Sondag nie die regte dag was nie. Tien jaar gelede het hy die Sabbat begin hou. Verder lig oor ander leerpunte het hy nie gekry nie, en hy was so bly toe Broeder J. van de Merwe hulle vir hom duidelik maak en hom "Bybellesings" vir verder studie afstaan. Hy het net van Carnavondistrik met sy skape getrek. Sy familie bly nog op die plaas.

Ons moes verder, al het dit swaar gegaan om afskeid te neem van Broeder Barnard en familie. Maar die dag kom, waarop ons nie meer afskeid hoef te neem nie. Maandagnore het ons weggegaan en die namiddag het ons op die plaas van Suster Van de Merwe aangekom. Daar het ons elke dag diens gehou en elke aand 'n Bybelstudie gegee. Ongelukkig het Suster Van de Merwe aan haar enkel seer gekry, die gevolg van 'n ongeval met die kar en perde.

Donderdagmore het ons verder die wootyn in getrek, al langs die droë loop van die Koeroemanrivier. Tagtig myl van Koeroeman het ons Broeder en Suster Le Roux gekry. Ondanks die verskriklike droogte was hulle vol moed in die Here, en op Sabbat het verskeie bure die dienste bygewoon,—wel 'n bewys dat hierdie gelowiges hul lig laat skyn.

Na 'n paar dae van aanmoediging op die pad van die hemel het ons hierdie familie weer verlaat en via Koeroeman en Vryburg na Mafeking teruggekeer, nadat ons nog Suster Gregory Willmore besoek het. Hierdie suster was gesond en vol moed in die Here.

## Konvensies in Natal

F. G. CLIFFORD

DIT het ons baie bemoedig om by ons besoek aan die gemeentes in die Tuinkolonie hulle so vol moed en vol entoesiasme vir die vordering van die boodskap te vind.

In Maritzburg het ons in die naweek van 8 tot 10 September sewe dienste gehou. Ons gelowiges het in groot getalle opgekom en daar was 'n ernstige gees onder hulle. Daar is planne gelê om groepe te vorm vir leesstof, Christelike hulp en Bybelwerk. Dit sal ongetwyfeld bepaalde vrugte vir die koninkryk afwerp.

In Durban het ons gedurende die naweek van 15 tot 17 September ook sewe dienste gehou, en daar was 'n lewendige belangstelling in al die onderwerpe. Hulle het ook groepe gevorm en planne gelê vir aggressiewe pogings in die Buurtending. Broeder Ingle Senr. is van plan om elke skip wat die hawe van Durban binne loop, met ons leesstof te besoek. Wie sal sê wat die gevolge gaan wees as ons leesstof gedra word tot aan die eindes van die aarde?

In Maritzburg hou Ouderling Howard, en in Durban Ouderling Le Butt groot Bybelwerkersklasse. Albei die broeders het die dienste met hul hulp ondersteun.

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wens algar wat Afrikaanse Bybels bestel het, te verseker dat hulle nie vergeet is nie. Elke order is sorgvuldig geboek en sodra daar 'n nuwe voorraad Bybels kom, sal elke order onmiddellik uitgevoer word. Ons het netnou berig ontvang dat die Britse en Buitenlandse Bybelgenootskap weens die vertraging van die druk van die tweede uitgaaf van die Afrikaanse Bybel nie in staat sal wees om die honderde bestellings wat wag, voor eind November uit te voer nie.

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## Angola News Notes

Elder C. W. Curtis recently made a short trip to the Belgian Congo to study his problems with Elder Wright while he was visiting the Congo Union.

Brother Cadwallader, of the Zambesi Union, is with us at present assisting in the native teachers' institute at the union training school where his help is very much appreciated.

Sister E. A. Buckley who is on coastal furlough, is visiting her home in Durban, having found it necessary to leave a few months before Brother Buckley because of the serious illness of their little girl who has had malaria badly in recent months.

Miss Ruby Visser has been spending a month with Miss Miller who is associated with the Swiss mission. She spent the time studying the Umbunda language and reports a pleasant as well as a profitable visit.

Elder Curtis and Brother Peter Stevenson have recently returned from a trip to Loanda, the capital of Angola. They report a satisfactory visit there both as regards their interviews with the Government and their Harvest Ingathering work.

We were glad to have Doctor Tonge with us through the greater part of our camp-meeting season, his help was very much appreciated by the people of Angola, who treasure many pleasant memories of the doctor and his family while they were labouring in this union.

Recently there have been some additions to our mission families. On June 12, a daughter was born to Brother and Sister E. A. Buckley, on August 8, a son to Brother and Sister O. I. Fields, and on August 22, a daughter to Brother and Sister J. Gnutzmann. We welcome these new arrivals.

Brother and Sister J. D. Baker have been having an unusual amount of fever this year. We trust that Doctor Parsons will be able to give them the much needed help while visiting the Luz Mission.

## Appreciation

D. A. WEBSTER

DURING the past few months the attention of the readers of the OUTLOOK has been centred upon the South African Union Conference. We in the Zambesi Union have watched with great interest the growth of the South African Union Harvest Ingathering tower and we do rejoice with you in the wonderful success that has attended your campaign. We in the north appreciate the untiring efforts put forth from year to year in the raising of funds for holding the ropes in the mission fields.

The success this year in the face of economic conditions is a proof to us that the Lord is behind this movement and that when He says we must go forward we are not to sit down and say it is impossible. We believe that the Holy Spirit has gone before our brethren and sisters in South Africa and has touched the hearts of the people to give liberally for the support of this cause.

Now that the Harvest Ingathering campaign in South Africa is in the past, no doubt the attention of all the readers of the OUTLOOK will be directed toward the northern fields. As far as the Zambesi Union is concerned, I wish to assure you that we have taken hold of the campaign in a strong way and we are confident of reaching our goal of £550.

Our hearts here in the office have been greatly cheered by the co-operation that we have received from our churches and isolated believers throughout the Zambesi Union. At the time of writing (Oct. 4), the total amount collected in the Zambesi Union stands at £466, and this total is divided up amongst the various local fields as follows:

FIELD	AMT. RAISED	GOAL
Rhod.-Bech. Conf.	£290	£300
N. Rhodesia M. F.	111	90
S. Rhodesia M. F.	40	105
Bechuanaland M. F.	25	50
Totals	£466	£550

You will notice from the above figures that the Northern Rhodesia Mission Field has gone over its goal by £21. We rejoice with the Northern Rhodesia field in their accomplishment. We still have two weeks during which to raise the rest of our goal of £550 and believe that this will be accomplished before the campaign closes.

The reports that come in to us from the various parts of the field indicate that all of our brethren and sisters who have gone out this year have really enjoyed it. The experience has brought a blessing both to the solicitors and to those who were solicited. We firmly believe that as a result of our campaign this year some precious souls will be saved in the kingdom of heaven. Our solicitors have gone from door to door not merely with the burden for collecting the means but with a burden for the souls of those who are in darkness. In many cases those solicited

have not given towards the support of this cause but a very good impression has been left behind by the solicitors. A number of our brethren and sisters have told me that at the start certain individuals were very indignant at our soliciting, but at the time of leaving these individuals had calmed down and taken a different view of our work. Surely the Spirit of the Lord has worked upon the hearts of the people, and if our solicitors will always determine to leave a good impression behind it makes it so much easier the following year for those who go out in Harvest Ingathering.

In the Bulawayo church practically one hundred per cent of our membership had a definite part in the campaign and we have reasons to believe that this has been the case in our other European churches. To all of these members we express our hearty appreciation.

A short time ago it was my privilege to visit the isolated believers in the Kuruman section, which is practically a desert, and it was evident that the people in that section were in very bad circumstances. We therefore wondered at first whether there would be any use in our sending Harvest Ingathering papers to this section. However, we felt that it was not for us to say where we should not send the papers and so we sent along a few to each of the isolated believers in this section. I was very much surprised a few weeks ago to receive a letter from one of our believers there stating that he had been out in the Harvest Ingathering campaign amongst his neighbouring farmers and collected something over £3. We were happily surprised to receive this good report and it indicates how the Spirit of the Lord impresses the people to give in spite of their financial circumstances.

In conclusion, I wish to assure our brethren and sisters in South Africa that while we look to the South African Union Conference for the raising of the largest portion of the Harvest Ingathering funds in this Division, we believe in doing our own honest part in helping to keep the missionaries at their posts in every part of the field.

[Since the receipt of this article a telegram has been received stating that the goal of £550 has been exceeded by £15 and the members are still at work. We rejoice in this good word.—EDITOR.]

## Apprentice Wanted

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST youth to become apprenticed to the painting trade. Apply: W. Sates, Drury Lane, Maritzburg, Natal.

## Situation Wanted

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST woman experienced in needlework and cooking seeks position as housekeeper. Willing to do anything. Apply: J. C. M., "The Pines," Lady Grey, C. P.