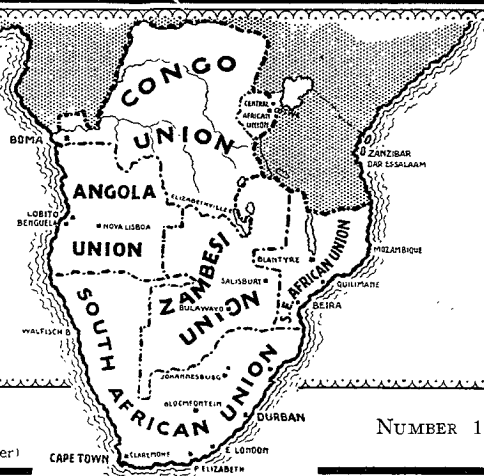


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“With All Thy Heart”

F. E. POTTER

*“Twas not in the day of battle that we
threw away the sword,
But in the lonely hours of watching at
the river by the ford.”*

ANCIENT Biblical history hands down the record of an experience in the life of Israel which, in view of present-day conditions, it would be advantageous for God's remnant people to study and heed.

It was during a time of crisis when men brave and true were needed to do service for the cause of God. Gideon was commissioned to sound a rally call to Israel and twenty-two thousand warriors responded. They made a brave show as Gideon lined them up on the eve of battle. No doubt they all joined together in song, in gleeful anticipation of victory. In vision they could see the cause of God triumphant, and themselves returning from battle covered with honour and glory—and the spoils of war. That event was but a *vision*, however, to twenty-one thousand seven hundred of them. Only a bare three hundred wanted victory badly enough to brave the hardships and dangers of actual battle—the rest beat an ignominious retreat on home.

A withering comment on the sincerity and valour of Israel in those days, is it not? Right down through the ages to this very day the one great fault in Israel has been half-heartedness—a fear of going all out for God. That unfortunate trait of character among His chosen people has wrecked more divine plans, blighted more promising lives, and caused more sorrow and bloodshed than all the enemies of God added together ever did.

Present-day Israel is, figuratively speaking, lined up for the final battle in the great controversy. A sorting out, such as Gideon's army was subjected to, will surely be made before we enter the conflict. Then, the “fearful and afraid,” and those that “boweth down upon their knees” will beat a hasty retreat back whence they came. Only those whose whole soul is aflame for God, whose whole heart is in the battle, whose every faculty and talent

is consecrated to His cause—will go through to final and glorious triumph.

Now is the time to prepare for that victory. *This* is the hour to practise whole-heartedness.



Our reaction to the final conflict will be determined very largely by our attitude toward the less dangerous avenues of service to which God calls us now. Every time we show half-heartedness in service, we are more firmly establishing that destructive trait in our characters. If we cannot master fear, or pride, or selfishness in times of comparative peace what can we expect but disaster when we are brought face to face with the final struggle in all its stark realism. The soldier does not suddenly acquire a spirit of bravery and endurance on the eve of battle, but in the steady discipline and training of the barracks and parade ground. Those who cannot run with the footmen will never be able to contend with horsemen. Those who are wearied in time of peace will stand no chance when called to battle in the swellings of Jordan. Those who cannot face the “servant girl” now will never be ready to face prison or death for their Lord.

So, as we face another Harvest Ingathering campaign, let us embrace it as an opportunity to “deny self.” God is challenging His people in this Division to extend His kingdom on earth by entering the new territory He has opened up before us to the north. We need more funds to do this—our present income will not suffice. The Harvest Ingathering campaign offers an opportunity of securing these funds. Let us engage in it with our whole heart and cultivate those traits of character so needful to success in Christian living, and which God has designed shall be worked out in us through service under the guidance of His Spirit.

God grant that *every* true Seventh-day Adventist may rally to this call to Israel today.

What Ingathering Means to the Cause in the Southern African Division

J. F. WRIGHT



WITH great rapidity the days and the weeks have flown by—hence it seems but yesterday since the close of our 1934 Harvest Ingathering endeavour. And now we are face to face with the Ingathering work for 1935.

Thus it is time for us to give our attention once more to this phase of the great missionary programme entrusted to us. As we do so I wish to point out afresh what it has meant, as well as what it continues to mean to the up-building and the onward progress of our work throughout the Southern African Division.

During the last few years the funds raised through the channel of the Ingathering have proved a mighty factor in the maintenance of our mission work. Really, brethren and sisters, I do not know what we would have done without the help which has come to the Division treasury through this concerted effort annually on the part of both workers and laity. Of this I am sure, that if it had not been for the Ingathering our cause of missions would have been most seriously crippled. On the other hand, however, due to the faithfulness of all, we have been able to furnish the "sinews of war," thus making it possible for our work to move steadily forward, even though it has often been confronted by seemingly insurmountable difficulties. Thus we greatly rejoice in what the Ingathering has enabled us to achieve in carrying successfully the heavy responsibilities which have devolved upon this Division.

Now we come to the 1935 campaign. What do we face? Several things! Of these we can but briefly write. We face a treasury which is inadequate to cope with all the demands made upon it. O that we had a few extra thousand pounds with which to advance our work into certain sections of new, unentered territory!

At the present writing the brethren in the South African Union report a favourable opening for us to start a new medical centre in Zululand. In addition to what the union has in sight relative to the needed funds, there is yet needed another four or five hundred pounds to help make possible the starting of this new station.

Next we would mention the opening of our work in Portuguese East. It seems now that final plans are being effected which will assure us our first mission site in that territory. The brethren have some funds in hand, but additional funds will be required to place our work in that section of the field on a strong footing.

Aside from the needs of Zululand and Portuguese East, in every union field we have new work confronting us which is beyond our power to compass. These calls press in hard upon us. Even during the time of our next Division Committee meeting which convenes July 5-8 we will be compelled to give most serious consideration to some of the urgent calls that have recently been lodged with us. How we will answer them I do not know, but this I do know, that if the work be of God, He will somehow provide the needed funds.

So at this time I want to appeal to both our workers and lay members to rally and prepare for the largest and most successful Harvest Ingathering we have as yet known in Southern Africa. We need a large overflow. How splendid and cheering it would be if we could have a £2,000 overflow this time! During 1934 the overflow was almost £1,500 above the Division goal of £5,000; therefore it seems that a £2,000 overflow would not be too great a stretch of faith this time. Under the blessing of God it is a possibility.

Well, I have confidence to believe that all of our union and local fields will press valiantly into the battle for 1935. There is no doubt in my mind but that there will be a mighty response to the Ingathering endeavour this year. Therefore let us do all we can to make the £2,000 overflow a reality, because such an overflow will greatly aid in the onward march of our ever-expanding work.

And now as we make this appeal we desire to take this privilege of thanking every worker and every lay member in advance for the part each will take in the 1935 campaign. May God grant it to be the best we have ever experienced in Africa is my fervent prayer.

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Ingathering — Our Opportunity of Hastening Christ's Coming

A. FLOYD TARR



HARVEST Ingathering assuredly hastens the coming of the Lord. And it does it in three outstanding ways:

1. It directs the "wealth of the Gentiles" from its accustomed channels into soul-saving service of the highest order.

2. It sets before the public in a striking way the work and message of the Advent people. By the personal visit of the solicitor and by the magazine left in the home or office, life-long prejudices are broken down and an interest awakened in spiritual things on

the part of those who might not be reached in any other way.

3. It arouses to action the latent forces of the widely scattered body of believers, and concentrates that action for a period of weeks upon one grand objective, the winning of souls (a) by securing funds to support the work, and (b) by the direct effect of the personal visit and the paper's influence upon those solicited. This universal contact between the church of God and the millions of unwarned (for literally millions are brought within its influence during the campaign) affords the church a comprehensive vision of the task still confronting it, and serves to eliminate from its programme much that appears as non-essential when viewed in the light of its god-given task.

Each one of these objectives would of itself amply warrant an enthusiastic response to the Harvest Ingathering appeal. Taken together, they constitute a thrice-unanswerable argument why every Seventh-day Adventist should give unstintingly of his time and energy in personal Harvest Ingathering solicitation. And if this is done, added impetus will, in the same threefold way, be given to that work which prepares the way for our Saviour to come.

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System in Church Ingathering

W. H. HURLOW



"NOW IS THE TIME FOR ALL GOOD MEN"—not to "come to the aid of the party," as the old slogan goes, but to formulate plans and organise systematically for the 1935 Harvest Ingathering campaign. System and organised effort are to be seen in all the

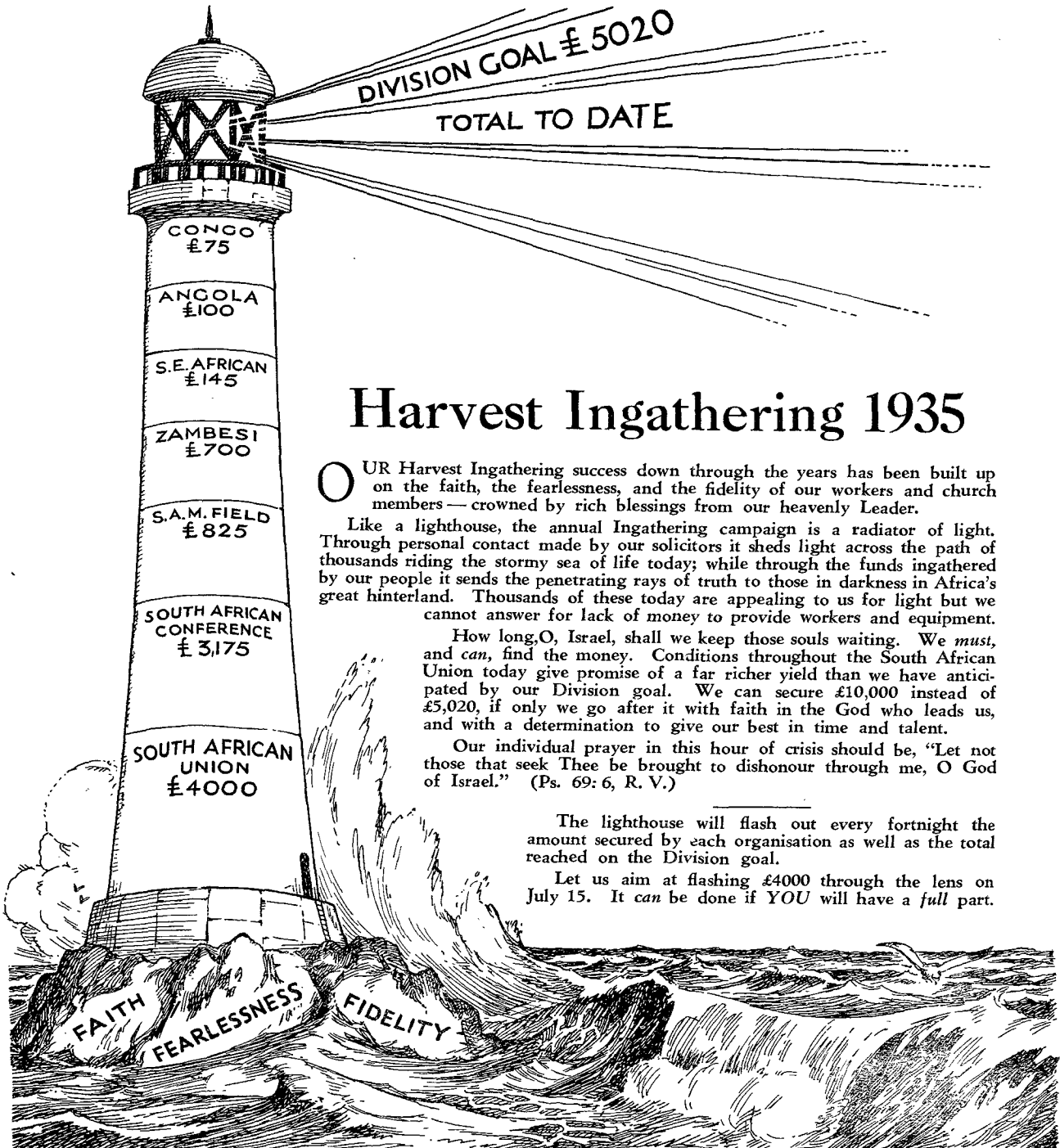
works of God.

Church missionary leaders should, well before the campaign, call their church boards together and be able to present for consideration a well outlined plan for the campaign. In this plan the territory allotted to the church should be divided into easily-identified districts. It is a decided help if maps are obtained and cut into the districts portioned and pasted on cards giving the fullest possible instructions regarding boundaries. The church membership should be divided into bands under leaders chosen from among those who have proved themselves not only to be good solicitors but good leaders having the confidence of the members. Well ahead of the campaign meet with those chosen to be band leaders and urge that they make themselves well acquainted with the district allotted to their band. Help them plan for the enlistment of every member of their band and the working of every street in their district.

Band leaders should plan at least one meeting with their bands before the opening of the campaign for study of the promotion material and helps supplied by the conference, and to lay final plans for the working of their district. It is their duty to see that every member of their band is supplied with the materials necessary for his work. Every week during the campaign they should meet with their bands

for prayer and mutual encouragement. At this time they should make themselves acquainted with the progress of their district; encouraging those members who are slow, and finding new ground for those who need it. Encourage reporting in harmony with the plans of the church missionary leader. The church missionary leader should meet regularly with the band leaders that he may be able to keep in touch with the

work in the whole of the territory. It is well, toward the middle of the campaign, to form a special band of successful solicitors and, with these enthusiasts, assist bands where the going is hard and slow. The aim throughout the campaign should be to reach the goal in sufficient time to put on a spurt the last week for an overflow.



Harvest Ingathering 1935

OUR Harvest Ingathering success down through the years has been built up on the faith, the fearlessness, and the fidelity of our workers and church members — crowned by rich blessings from our heavenly Leader.

Like a lighthouse, the annual Ingathering campaign is a radiator of light. Through personal contact made by our solicitors it sheds light across the path of thousands riding the stormy sea of life today; while through the funds ingathered by our people it sends the penetrating rays of truth to those in darkness in Africa's great hinterland. Thousands of these today are appealing to us for light but we cannot answer for lack of money to provide workers and equipment.

How long, O, Israel, shall we keep those souls waiting. We *must*, and *can*, find the money. Conditions throughout the South African Union today give promise of a far richer yield than we have anticipated by our Division goal. We can secure £10,000 instead of £5,020, if only we go after it with faith in the God who leads us, and with a determination to give our best in time and talent.

Our individual prayer in this hour of crisis should be, "Let not those that seek Thee be brought to dishonour through me, O God of Israel." (Ps. 69: 6, R. V.)

The lighthouse will flash out every fortnight the amount secured by each organisation as well as the total reached on the Division goal.

Let us aim at flashing £4000 through the lens on July 15. It *can* be done if *YOU* will have a *full* part.

Harvest Ingathering at the College

G. E. SHANKEL



THE one campaign of the year that has a big appeal to the students is the Harvest Ingathering. The very name seem to engender enthusiasm. There are always a number of volunteers who cannot be sent because of lack of facilities, and the disappointment of such is great indeed.

Some students say they would rather do this work than eat and they give proof of it too, for there are always those who request to stay out several days, even though it means extra effort to catch up school work.

This campaign fills a vital need in the life of the student. It furnishes laboratory work in the science of soul winning. It provides a practical outlet for all the theory that has been assimilated which if not put into action creates a state of mental and spiritual debility. We are glad then for the soul-warming experience when we can get out of our mountain refuge and rub shoulders with our fellow men. The students are well received too. A colporteur of another religious society working in this district tells us how the people asked him if he was from Helderberg. The answer being "No," they refuse to buy anything.

The college of necessity has to conduct its campaign out of the ordinary for not more than two days of school may be lost. Records are kept from previous years as to who worked each town, the amount received and all important donors. Every detail of the campaign is mapped in advance covering a two-day effort. Complete instruction is given to all who are going and then by 7:00 A.M. the cars are on the road. They arrive back about eight o'clock in the evening. The next day the same thing is repeated and perhaps two-thirds of the goal is reached. After that, special parties go out at odd times, perhaps for two or three days, the aim being to reach

the goal in two weeks. We find it much more successful to carry the campaign on the crest of the wave of enthusiasm than to drag it along painfully through the backwash of inertia.

How to Make Individual Ingathering a Success

F. G. CLIFFORD

1. *Consecration.*—The prerequisite for any service for God is consecration to the task. Ingathering is no exception to this rule. Make an offering to God of all your talent and ability to meet and mingle with others. Seek for a deeper Christian experience that will be revealed in your very presence, manner, and speech.

2. *Getting the Burden.*—Study the imperative and immediate needs of the cause of God; look upon the vast fields ready to harvest; visualise the grave dangers and hinderances that will confront the work if there is delay; ask God to help you to carry your share of the burden of warning and winning a world for Christ ere He appear.

3. *Setting a Goal.*—Ingathering is no easy task. The non-goalers soon become non-goers. Decide, before you start, how much you will gather. You will soon realise the immense value of such a procedure after you have started.

4. *Application.*—With consecrated powers, with the burden of souls on your heart, and with the goal in mind, press on to success and victory. Refuse to listen to the thousand and one calls that would turn you aside from the task in hand. The reward is not for those who begin, but for those who complete the race.

Ingathering in Country Villages

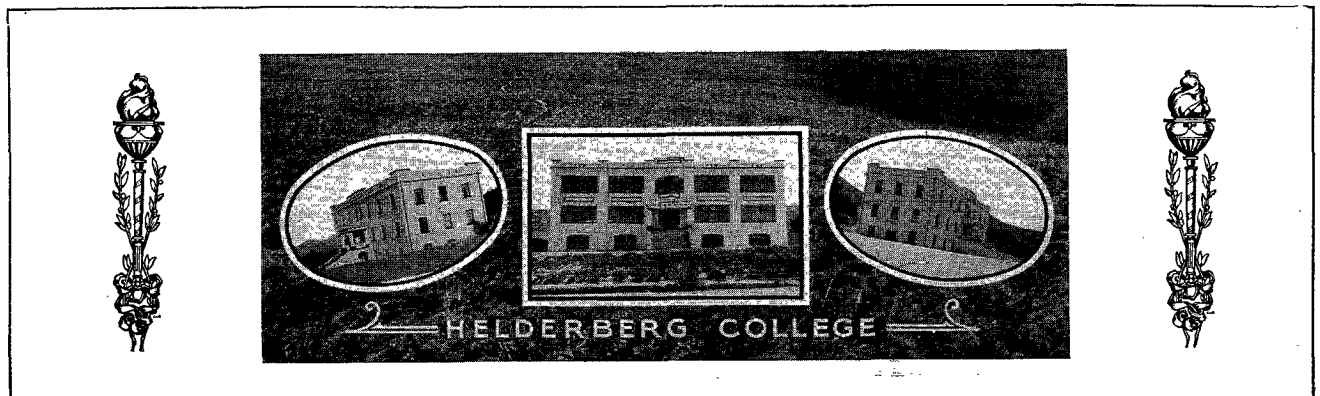
J. RAUBENHEIMER

OUR blessed Saviour ever had a kindly regard for the humble little villages in Palestine. He loved to visit these quiet haunts of men and bless them with His gracious message and ministry of healing. It was Bethlehem the "little among the thousands of Judah" that was graced by "The Light of the World."

Today there are in this great land many

villages, little among the thousands of Africa, that must be visited by the light of truth. It will not, perhaps, be possible to do this by the ordained ministry, but it can be done by means of the Harvest Ingathering ministry—that army of men, women, and children who devote themselves about this time each year to active service for God.

These faithful "ministers" can "let their light so shine" in these out-of-the-way places that the honest in heart may learn the "good tidings of great joy" and have born in their hearts "a Saviour which is Christ the Lord." Our members, therefore, should make *special* efforts to reach all villages within reasonable distance of their homes and give the dwellers there an opportunity of answering, in a practical manner, the appeal we are making on behalf of the Lord's work. I have always enjoyed the work of Ingathering in small villages and have found the people generally friendly and responsive. I called once on a country storekeeper who had previously given to our Appeal. On this occasion, however, as soon as he saw the magazine in my hand he exclaimed, "Yes, I used to give, but . . . no more now." I told him that his past gifts had been greatly appreciated and that I was anxious to show him what his self-sacrifice had helped to accomplish. Quietly he listened as I briefly pointed out, by illustrations and statements, the progress of our work during the year past. As I finished, I noticed a sparkle in his eyes and felt that his heart had again been touched. Silently he reached to a draw of his desk and withdrew his cheque book and began writing. While he was filling in the cheque I offered a silent prayer to our heavenly Leader. As he was about to hand me the cheque which, I noticed, was made out for only half-a-guinea, he hesitated and said, "I really had decided not to give anything this year, but your cause is a noble one." With that remark he withdrew the cheque, destroyed it, and filled in another for two guineas. He then suggested that we might pray together and closed the office door while we both lifted our hearts in thanksgiving to our heavenly Father. Yes—I firmly believe there is a great work to be done in the villages of Africa by the Harvest Ingathering ministry.



Angola Looks Up

R. B. PARSONS, M.D.

ANGOLA presents to us a population of over three million natives. These natives are scattered throughout that country and suffer from almost every kind of tropical disease. In some areas they are well cared for by the government medical officers, but a large percentage of them seek medical help from the doctors and nurses of our mission stations. Many times it is a hundred miles or more to the government doctor and if a native should travel that distance he would not be assured a kind and sympathetic treatment when he arrived. It is only natural then that the medical missionary finds plenty of work to do.

We are glad that there are medical workers on three of our five missions in Angola. But we are faced with a serious problem in supplying even a graduate nurse to the other two stations both of which are in areas isolated from medical help. These stations are relatively new, and one of them was established only during the past year. That one is among a tribe untouched by missions and steeped in heathen customs and superstitions. The wall of prejudice has already been broken a little but how much more quickly could the confidence of the natives be gained if only a trained medical worker might be sent among them to help their bodies as well as their souls.

To enlarge a work along any line always demands an increase in funds to carry on that work. The Harvest Ingathering serves as a means to increase our funds to carry on our work. As we all know the work to be done far exceeds our present capabilities. The faithful efforts of our believers in the Southern African Division in the Harvest Ingathering of last year gave substantial support to our work and particularly to our medical work. This support enabled us to maintain our medical work without any reduction. We are glad of, and indeed most thankful for the results obtained in 1934 in the Harvest Ingathering, but the new calls upon us should constitute an urge to all Seventh-day Adventists to make special efforts in 1935 to bring in a larger overflow than in 1934. We must advance—never retard. The personal efforts which will be required to exceed our goal will be spent in God's service, so let each one determine that he will be faithful in doing his part.



Harvest Ingathering Service Battalions

A. W. STAPLES

THE service battalions of South Africa, drilling for "preparedness" and active service, are a sermon to Seventh-day Adventists. Leaders and governments are looking to the young blood of the nation for the success of their projects and the future national safety.

Even so, we look upon every Seventh-day Adventist Missionary Volunteer Society as a spiritual service battalion of the remnant church. Every Missionary Volunteer service and activity is our "drill" for "preparedness" and "active service." Mr. Pirow's service battalions are not made up of conscripts, but of volunteers. Even so, we are not Missionary Conscripts but Volunteers, constrained to loving, loyal service by the love of Christ. Our training watchword is "preparedness," our goal "active service." Yes, active service for a heavenly kingdom and King Jesus!

Listen! The Harvest Ingathering bugle calls every youthful Missionary Volunteer battalion and volunteer into active service NOW. Last year our battalions went over their goal of £425—raising £650. Shall we not go into action for £700 this year? Success or failure in the 1935 campaign depends upon you.

Ponder the call of the youthful Isaiah and his true volunteer response; "Here am I, send me."



Ingathering is a Pleasure

A. C. LE BUTT

It may come as a surprise to some to learn that there is any pleasure at all in soliciting in the Harvest Ingathering campaign, and yet if we stop to consider for a moment the wonderful possibilities God has placed within our reach we will find that there are real pleasures to those who take part in this line of service.

Let us consider some of the pleasure to be gained out of the Ingathering.

Firstly, If we have the love of this truth at heart, and really long for the return of our blessed Lord, and believe of a surety that when "this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; then shall the end come" it will be a real pleasure to us to assist in the spreading of this message through the medium of the Ingathering, and so hasten that glad day.

Secondly, Have you ever considered the trials and privations under which our missionaries both medical and evangelistic have to labour? Have you noticed their self-sacrificing and willing spirit? If you have, then it will come as a privilege, a joy, and a pleasure to do something to lighten their burdens. You can help do this by your part in soliciting funds with which to provide the equipment and accommodation they need to perform their work more effectively and under more pleasant conditions.

Thirdly, There comes a real joy and pleasant satisfaction in service willingly and faithfully rendered.

Those who have laboured in past campaigns will, I am sure, witness to the fact that pleasure is to be found in Ingathering. Those who have allowed fear to hold them back from such service in the past have, I am also sure, felt in their hearts a sense

of discomfort, unhappiness and embarrassment. To those dear believers I would say—Come out into the harvest field this year and taste the joys to be found in service for God.



Soliciting Among Farmers

S. G. HITEN

"AND the Lord said unto the servant, 'Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.'" Luke 14:23.

The above scripture, inviting people to the wedding feast from the highways and hedges, can surely be applied to the solicitor in the Harvest Ingathering work who labours among the farming community. It is true that he visits them during the campaign for the purpose of securing donations toward our funds, yet it should not be forgotten that his work also aims, indirectly, at the saving of souls.

I feel that, as a people, we have only just begun the work that can be done among the farmers in this union. There are thousands of homes awaiting our visits who are very sympathetic to our appeal for funds with which to meet the needs in the mission fields. Wisdom is needed in presenting the needs of the cause, and greater stress should be laid on the medical aspect of our work. Such an appeal made earnestly and prayerfully will, in almost every case, bring good results and will create opportunities for presenting our wonderful message. We must, however, always answer fearlessly any direct question regarding our identity—and feel proud of the part we are privileged to have in the proclamation of the gospel.

I feel that more can be done in rural solicitation by nearly all our churches, and more especially by companies and isolated members in or near rural areas. Solicitation work, generally, is more pleasant and productive in these areas than in towns and cities and I cannot recall ever having been refused a donation in answer to an appeal.

The people are almost always at home, generally receive us in a friendly spirit, and appreciate our visits.

Shall we not then launch out this year in a more concerted effort to reach the large rural population with our Harvest Ingathering Appeal and, in this way, indirectly help in taking the "wedding invitation" to those in the highways and hedges?



"EVERY act of self-sacrifice for the good of others strengthens the spirit of beneficence in the giver's heart, allying him more closely to the Redeemer of the world."



"THE only way to grow in grace is to engage, to the extent of our ability, in helping and blessing those who need the help we can give them."

Van Ganser Harte

F. E. POTTER



IN die Bybelgeskiedenis van die ou dae is daar 'n voorval in die lewe van Israel wat 'n les bevat vir die volk van God vandag.

Dit was gedurende 'n kritieke tyd toe manne van durf en daad nodig was om te veg vir die saak van God. Gideon het bevel

ontvang om Israel bymekaar te roep en twee-en-twintigduisend manskappe het gekom. Hulle het 'n indrukwekkende vertoning gemaak toe Gideon hulle in slagorde opstel net voor die geveg. Almal het ongetwyfeld hartlik saam gesing asof hulle alreeds die oorwinning behaal het. In verbeelding kon hulle sien hoe die saak van God seëvier en hoe hulle in triomf van die slagveld af terugkeer, belaaï met buit. In die geval van een-en-twintigduisend sewehonderd van hulle het dit egter nooit verder as die verbeelding gekom nie. Net driehonderd het die oorwinning sterk genoeg begeer om die ontberings en gevare van die oorlog te trotseer—die res het lafhartig geretireer.

Dit sê bepaald nie veel vir die manmoedigheid en heldhaftigheid van Israel in daardie dae nie. Dwaasdeur die eeue, tot vandag toe, was die een groot fout van Israel halfhartigheid—onwilligheid om alles vir God op te offer. Hierdie betreurenswaardige karaktertrek onder Sy uitverkore volk het meer goddelike planne laat misluk, meer veelbelovende lewens bederwe, en meer verdriet en bloedvergieting veroorsaak as al die vyande van God tesame ooit gedoen het.

Die Israel van vandag is, in figuurlike sin, in slagorde opgestel vir die laaste geveg in die Grote Stryd. Daar sal ongetwyfeld 'n uitskakeling wees, soos in die leer van Gideon, voor die stryd begin. Dan sal die wat „bang is en bewe,” en die wat „op hulle knieë vooroor buig” gou retireer na die plek waar hulle vandaan gekom het. Alleen diegene wat hart en siel vir God is, wat die stryd met alle krag aanpak, wat elke talent en vermoë aan Sy saak wy, sal die uiteindelijke heerlike oorwinning behaal.

Nou is die tyd om voor te berei vir daardie oorwinning. Vandag moet ons leer om dit van ganser harte te doen. Ons optrede in die laaste stryd hang grotendeels af van ons reaksie tot die minder gevaarlike werk waartoe God ons vandag roep. Elke keer wat ons ons plig halfhartig doen, skiet daardie verderflike karaktertrek dieper wortel. As ons nie die oorwinning kan behaal oor vreesagtigheid en hoogmoed en selfsug wanneer daar betreklike vrede is nie, kan ons niks anders as 'n rampspoedige neerlaag verwag as ons voor die eindstryd met al sy verskrikkinge te staan kom nie. 'n Soldaat ontvang nie skielik uithouvermoë

en heldhaftigheid op die vooraand van die slag nie, maar in die dissipline en oefening wat voorafgaan. Diegene wat moeg word as hulle met die voetgangers loop, sal nooit met die perde kan wedywer nie. As hulle alleen vertrou in 'n land van vrede, hoe sal hulle dan maak as hulle moet veg in die verheffing van die Jordaan? Die wat nou bang is vir die „diensmeisie,” sal nooit gewillig wees om die gevangenis of die dood te verduur vir die Meester nie.

Waar ons dus weer voor 'n Oesinsamelingsveldtog staan, laat ons dit beskou as 'n geleentheid om „self te verloor.” God hou Sy volk in hierdie Divisie verantwoordelik om Sy koninkryk op die aarde uit te brei deur die streke in die noorde wat Hy vir ons oopgemaak het, binne te gaan. Ons het meer fondse nodig—ons inkomste is ontoereikend. Die Oesinsamelingsveldtog bied 'n geleentheid aan om hierdie fondse te verkry. Laat ons van ganser harte deelneem daaraan en dié karaktertrekke ontwikkel wat onontbeerlik is vir ons Christelike lewe, en wat God voornemens is om in ons te ontwikkel deur middel van diens onder die leiding van Sy Heilige Gees.

Mag die Here gee dat elke ware Sewendedag Adventis gehoor sal gee aan die roepstem tot Israel vandag.



Wat Insameling Beteken vir die Saak in Suidelike Afrika

J. F. WRIGHT

So vinnig het die dae en weke verbygevlie dat dit skyn of ons maar net gister ons 1934 Oesinsamelingsveldtog afgesluit het. En nou staan ons voor die insameling van 1935. Dit is dus tyd dat ons nog eens ons aandag wy aan hierdie deel van die sendingprogram wat aan ons toevertrou is. Ek wil opnuut u aandag vestig op wat die Oesinsameling beteken het en nog steeds beteken vir die opbouing en vooruitgang van ons werk in die Suidelike Afrikaanse Divisie.

Gedurende die laaste paar jaar het die fondse verkry deur Oesinsameling baie bygedra tot die instandhouding van ons sendingwerk. Werklik, broeders en susters, ek weet nie wat ons sou gedoen het sonder die bedrag wat jaarliks in die Divisiekas gestort is en wat verkry is deur die samewerking van ons werkers en leke nie. Een ding weet ek en dit is dat ons sendingwerk nie sou vooruitgegaan het, soos dit het, sonder die Oesinsamelingsfondse nie. Deur die getrouheid van almal, egter, was ons in staat om goeie vordering te maak selfs waar dit geskyn het asof die moeikhede onoorkoomlik is. Ons verbly ons dus daarvoor dat die Oesinsameling ons in staat gestel het om met sukses die werk van die Divisie voort te set.

Kortliks wil ek wys op die toestande op die vooraand van die 1935 veldtog. Onse fondse is ontoereikend vir die werk wat daar moet gedoen word. O, hoe wens ek dat ons nog 'n paar duisend pond gehad

het om werk te begin in sekere dele waar ons nog niks doen nie!

By hierdie skrywe rapporteer die broeders van die Suid-Afrikaanse Unie dat daar 'n opening is vir ons om 'n mediese stasie te stig in Soeloeland. Die Unie moet nog vier- of vyfhonderd pond hê om dit moontlik te maak om hierdie nuwe stasie te open.

Vervolgens moet ons melding maak van die opening van ons werk in Portugees Oos. Dit lyk of ons nou met sekerheid kan sê dat die grond vir ons eerste sendingstasie in daardie land toegeken is. Die broeders het 'n bedraggie vir daardie werk maar addisionele fondse is nodig om die werk in daardie deel van die veld op 'n vaste voet te kry.

Afgesien van die behoeftes in Soeloeland en Portugees Oos, staan ons in elke unie voor nuwe werk wat ver bokant ons mag is. By ons aanstaande Divisie-komiteesitting, van 5 tot 8 Julie, sal ons die dringende versoeke wat onlangs tot ons gekom het ons ernstige aandag moet skenk. Wat ons sal maak, weet ek nie maar dit weet ek, as die werk van God is, sal Hy op die een of ander manier die fondse verskaf.

Nou wil ek 'n beroep maak op beide werkers en leke om saam te staan en klaar te maak vir die grootste en suksesvolste Oesinsameling wat ons nog ooit in Suidelike Afrika gehad het. Ons het 'n groot surplus nodig. Hoe bemoedigend en heerlik sou dit wees as ons hierdie slag 'n surplus van £2,000 kon hê! In 1934 was dié surplus byna £1,500 en die Divisie-doel £5,000; dit kos dus nie te veel geloof om hierdie keer 'n surplus van £2,000 te verwag nie. Met Gods seën is dit moontlik.

Wel, ek is oortuig daarvan dat al ons unievelde en plaaslike velde heldhaftig die stryd van 1935 sal aanpak. Daar bestaan geen twyfel dat die Oesinsamelingsoproep byval sal vind hierdie jaar nie. Laat ons dus alles in ons vermoë doen om 'n surplus van £2,000 te bereik want so 'n bedrag sal ons help om ons werk grootliks uit te brei.

Waar ons hierdie versoek tot u rig, wil ons elke werker en kerklid by voorbaat bedank vir die deel wat elkeen gaan neem aan die 1935 veldtog. Mag die Here gee dat dit die beste sal wees wat ons nog ooit in Afrika gehad het, is my ernstige bede.



Insameling — Ons Kans om Christus se Koms te Verhaas

A. F. TARR

OESINSAMELING verhaas voorwaar die koms van die Here, en dit naamlik op drie belangrike maniere:

1. Dit stel die „skatte van die nasies,” wat gewoonlik vir ander doeleindes gebruik word, beskikbaar vir die redding van siele.

2. Dit bring die werk en die boodskap van die Adventbeweging op 'n treffende wyse onder die aandag van die publiek. Deur die persoonlike besoek van die sollicitant en die boekie wat agtergelaat word in die huis of kantoor, word vooroordeel

uit die weg geruim en die belangstelling in baie gevalle gaande gemaak in geestelike dinge, waar ons andersins nooit met die persone in aanraking sou gekom het nie.

3. Dit bring die verborge kragte van ons gelowiges uit en konsentreer daardie kragte vir 'n aantal weke op één groot doel, n.l. die redding van siele,

(a) deur fondse in te samel om die werk te ondersteun, en

(b) deur die effek wat die persoonlike besoek en die boekie het op diegene wat ons nader. Hierdie kontak tussen die kerk van God en die miljoene wat nog nie gewaarsku is nie (want letterlik miljoene kom in aanraking met ons werk gedurende die veldtog) gee die kerk 'n blik op die ont-saglike taak wat haar nog wag, en dien om baie dinge uit te skakel uit ons werk-saamhede wat van minder belang is in vergelyking met die taak wat God ons opgelê het.

Elkeen van hierdie doeleindes verdien ons hartlike medewerking in die Oesinsamelingsveldtog. Tesame vorm hulle 'n onomstootlike drievoudige bewysgrond dat elke Sewende-dag Adventis gulhartig sy tyd en energie aan persoonlike Oesinsamelingswerk behoort te wy. As ons dit doen, sal die werk wat die weg voorberei vir die koms van die Here, op dieselfde drievoudige manier 'n kragtige stoot voorwaarts kry.



Hoe om Persoonlike Insameling 'n Sukses te Maak

F. G. CLIFFORD

1. *Toewyding*.—Die noodsaaklike ver-eiste vir enige diens vir God is toewyding, en Oesinsameling is geen uitsondering op die reël nie. Wy u bekwaamheid om met andere om te gaan aan God toe. Trag

om so dig by die Here te lewe dat dit in teenwoordigheid, handelwyse, en spraak sal gesien word.

2. *Besef die Behoeftes*.—Bestudeer die dringende behoeftes van die saak van God; kyk uit op die wit oeslande; trag om die gevare en hindernisse te besef wat daar sal wees in die werk as dit verdraag word; vra die Here om u krag te gee om u deel by te dra om siele te waarsku, en te win vir Christus voordat Hy kom.

3. *Stel 'n Doel*.—Oesinsameling is nie maklike werk nie. Diegene wat geen doel het nie, gaan later ook nie meer uit nie. Stel vas hoeveel u gaan insamel voordat u begin. U sal gou die waarde hiervan besef nadat u begin het.

4. *Volharding*.—Met toegewyde kragte, met 'n las vir siele op u hart, en met 'n vaste doel, gaan voort tot sukses en oorwinning. Moenie na die duisende roepstemme luister wat trag om u uit die koers te bring nie. Die beloning is nie vir diegene wat die loopbaan begin nie, maar vir diegene wat volhard tot die einde.



Oesinsameling 1935

Die sukses wat ons in die verlede met die Oesinsameling gehad het, was die vrug van die geloof, onverskrokkenheid, en getrouheid van ons werkers en lede—en die ryke seën van ons hemelse Leidsman.

Soos 'n vuurtoring straal ons jaarlikse Oesinsamelingsveldtog lig uit. Deur die persoonlike besoeke van ons sollicitante skyn die lig oor die pad van duisende op die ruwe lewenssee; deur middel van die fondse wat ingesamel word, dring die strale van waarheid deur tot diegene wat in duisternis sit in die agterland van Afrika. Duisende van hulle smeek om lig maar ons kan hulle nie help nie omdat ons nie die geld het om werkers toe te rus en te stuur nie.

Hoe lank, o Israel, moet hierdie siele wag? Ons moet, ons kan die geld vind. Die toestande dwarsdeur die Unie van Suid-Afrika toon dat ons 'n ryker oes kan verwag as die Divisie tot doel gestel het. Ons kan £10,000 insamel in stede van £5,020, as ons maar net wil te werk gaan met geloof in die God wat ons lei, en vasberade is om ons beste te gee wat tyd en talent betref.

Ons gebed in hierdie krisis behoort te wees: „Laat deur my nie in die skande kom die wat U soek nie, o God van Israel.” Ps. 69: 7.

Die vuurtoring sal elke veertien dae die bedrag uitstraal wat die verskillende organisasies ingesamel het sowel as die totaal van die Diwisiedoel wat bereik is.

Laat ons dit ons ten doel stel om £4,000 op 15 Julie uit te straal. Dit kan gebeur as u u volle deel doen.



Sollisitasie onder die Boere

S. G. HITEN

„Toe sê die heer vir die slaaf: Gaan uit op die paaie en na die lanings en dwing hulle om in te kom, sodat my huis kan vol word.” Lukas 14: 23.

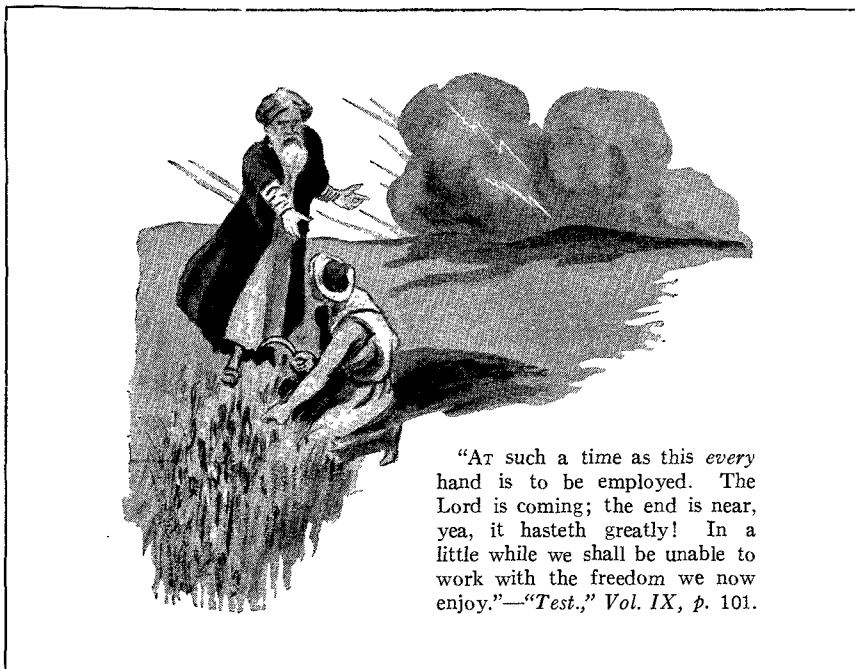
Die bo-aangehaalde skriftuur waarin die mense van die paaie en lanings uitgenooi word na die bruilofsfees, kan bepaald toegepas word op die sollicitant wat Oesinsamelingswerk doen op die plase. Weliswaar besoek hy hulle met die doel om bydraes tot ons fondse verkry, maar ons moenie vergeet dat sy indirekte doel is om siele te red nie.

Ek voel dat daar 'n groot werk vir ons voorlê onder die boere in hierdie unie. Daar is duisende gesinne wat simpatiek gesind is en gewillig is om by te dra tot ons sendingfondse. Takt is nodig waar ons wys op die behoeftes en ons moet meer nadruk lê op die mediese werk. As ons so 'n oproep ernstig en biddende maak, sal dit in byna elke geval slaag en dit sal die weg open om die waarheid te verkondig. Ons moet, egter, altyd reguit sê wie ons is as mense ons direk vra, want ons kan met reg trots voel op die deel wat ons te beurt val in die verkondiging van die evangelie.

Ek voel dat byna al ons kerke, en veral die groepies en afgeleë gelowiges wat op plase woon, baie meer kan doen aan insameling op die platteland. Oor die algemeen is die werk aangenamer en meer produktief op die plase as in die dorpe en stede. Ek kan my nie voorstaan dat ek ooit tevergeefs op 'n plaas aangeklop om 'n donasie nie.

Die mense is byna altyd tuis, ontvang ons gewoonlik op 'n vriendelike manier, en stel ons besoek op prys.

Sal ons nie hierdie jaar meer doelbewus saamwerk om die groot plattelandse bevolking met ons Oesinsamelingsoproep te bereik en sodoende indirek „die uitnodiging tot die maaltyd” na die paaie en lanings te neem nie?



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Helderberg News Notes

MARJORIE ROBISON is the latest student to enrol. Elder and Mrs. J. I. Robison paid two short visits recently.

WALTER STEVENSON and Charlie Steyl have withdrawn from school. We are sorry that this became necessary.

WE were sorry to have to convey to Douglas Seager news of his father's death. Douglas has remained at school.

MISS GWENNIE TARR has decided to remain with us until the end of the school year in November. She is carrying the Standard V and VI room.

A few hundred lorry loads of soil have been filled in at the bottom of the hill, raising the level of the road considerably and reducing the hill to a lower gradient.

UNION DAY was suitably observed at the college. The Spartan Club presented an interesting and instructive pageant of South African history. The outstanding periods of our history were vividly presented.

A NEW Savage washing machine has recently been installed as part of the laundry equipment. It is a combined washer and extractor and will facilitate the work of the laundry considerably.

THE last of the scaffolding has now been removed from the new dining room and kitchen. At present the domestic science room and the sewing room are being finished preparatory to these departments moving into their new quarters.

A GROUP of four girls walked to Sheik Joseph's tomb and back, a distance of sixteen miles, last Sunday. They are the first ones to win vocational honours in walking. They are Edna Shone, Sarah Cooks, Olive Shone and Beryl Purcell. They enjoyed the fun of camping out over night and cooking all food *en route*. This is a requirement for the vocational honour.

Wanted

HOUSEHOLD furniture made to order. We make anything from a kitchen chair to a bedroom suite. For your requirements write: M. Holesgrove, 16, Biccard Street, Turffontein, Johannesburg, Tvl.

Obituaries

WITH deep sympathy we learn of the cloud of sorrow resting over two of our Adventist homes in Ermelo.

ALKEMA.—Sister Alkema, a faithful sister in Israel, has laid to rest her husband and the father of the home. Our hearts go out in Christian feeling as our sister and her five children battle alone in the struggles of life. How cheering to have a heavenly Father who cares for His own.

LEE.—Sister Lee has also fallen asleep in the Lord. She rests from her labours, being confident of a glorious resurrection. Our sister accepted this truth six years ago and lived a life though in this world yet not of the world. Her beloved husband and children who mourn their loss have our prayers and deep sympathy in their sad loss.

As fellow Christians we can only say, "Hold on to Jesus' hand even though we do not understand, for soon we shall be united again where there will be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away."

J. H. RAUBENHEIMER.

OOSTHUIZEN.—Phillip James Oosthuizen passed away at his late residence, Emmanuel Street, Korsten, Port Elizabeth, in his 71st year. Our brother accepted the message under the labours of Pastor J. W. MacNeil and was baptised into the truth on February 18, 1923. During these years he was a faithful and staunch member of the Donkin Street Seventh-day Adventist church. Although partially paralysed through rheumatism, yet he bore up patiently, and with great Christian fortitude. His end came as a result of a fall, which confined him to his bed until his death.

Short services were held at the home, and also at the graveside, by the deacons of the church, Brethren S. H. Sampson and F. Coombs, when words of comfort and sympathy were spoken. Our prayers and sympathy go out to Sister Oosthuizen and her son in this the hour of their bereavement.

P. S. MARKS.

HAWLA.—Ethel Esther, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hawla, of Lansdowne, Cape, was born June 23, 1931, and passed away peacefully on May 28, 1935, after an illness lasting seven weeks.

Words of comfort were spoken to the bereaved by Elder A. E. Nelson, and then little Ethel was laid to rest in Plumstead Cemetery to await the call of the Life-giver.

J. N. KRUM.

Doodsberig

BREYTENBACH.—Suster Rachel Catharina Johanna Maria Breytenbach is op 12 Mei onslaap in die salige hoop van 'n spoedige opstanding. Sy was 59 jaar en 7 maande en laat 'n eggenoot, vier seuns en een dogter na om haar heengaan te betreur. Ongeveer twintig jaar geleden het ons afgestorwe suster die waarheid aangeneem onder vreeslike teenstand. Sy het die boodskap lief gehad en die waarheid in haar lewe geopenbaar. Ons hartlike meegevoel met Broeder Breytenbach en kinders.

J. J. BIRKENSTOCK.

Oesinsamelings-diensbataljons

A. W. STAPLES

DIE diensbataljons van Suid-Afrika wat oefen om „gereed” te wees, dien as 'n preek vir Sewende-dag Adventiste. Leiers en regerings reken op die jeug van die volk om die toekomstige heil van die land uit te werk.

Eweso beskou ons ook elke Sewende-dag Adventiste Strewersvereniging as 'n diensbataljon van die oorblyfsel kerk. Elke diens wat die strewers verrig dien as oefening vir „gereedheid” en „aktiewe diens.” Minister Pirow se diensbataljons bestaan nie uit opgekommandeerdes nie maar uit vrywilligers. En so bestaan ons ook nie uit dienspligtige lede nie, maar uit vrywilligers, deur die liefde van Christus gedwonge tot lojale diens. Ons wagwoord is „gereedheid,” en ons doel is „aktiewe diens.” Ja, aktiewe diens vir 'n hemelse koninkryk en vir Koning Jesus!

Luister! Die Oesinsamelingstrompet roep elke strewersbataljon en elke strewer NOU tot aktiewe diens. Verlede jaar het ons bataljons hul doel van £425 oortref — hulle het £650 ingesamel. Sal ons nie hierdie jaar probeer om £700 in te samel nie? Sukses of mislukking gedurende die 1935 veldtog hang van *jou* af.

Betrag die roeping van die jeudige Jesaja, en sy antwoord, „Hier is ek, stuur my.”



Kennisgewing

ONS maak huisraad volgens bestelling, van 'n kombuisstoel tot 'n volledige slaapkamer ameubelment. Skrywe aan: H. Holesgrove, 16 Biccardastraat, Turffontein, Johannesburg.



„ELKE teleurstelling moet ons dryf om swaarder te leun op die onfeilbare Arm; . . . elke worsteling met die versoeking moet ons 'n dieper afkeer van die sonde gee; elke wrede slag wat ons medemensse ons toedien moet ons nederiger maak en meer beslis om aan die wêreld goed te doen; elke sjieling wat ons verloor moet ons aanspoor om ons skatte in die hemel te verjaar.”—G. D. Watson, D. D.