

Beware When All Men Speak Well of You

ROBERT H. PIERSON

IN recent years Seventh-day Adventists have entered a new era of favourable publicity and popularity. Consecrated and effective leaders have expanded and developed our Public Relations Department. These men, under God, have been successful in keeping the work of the Church before the public. Non-Adventist writers have taken up the cudgels on our behalf and the result has been thousands of inches of favourable publicity in many of the world's journals.

In the South African Union Lantern a few months back, Pastor P. J. van Eck wrote a very interesting article: "Adventists Featured in Periodicals." He told of the favourable publicity being received by Adventists in several lands. He mentioned especially an article appearing in *Die Huisgenoot*, a widely read Afrikaans magazine in which Pastor G. S. Stevenson's photo appeared with a seven hundred word article by him on the nearness of the end.

During the year-end meetings of the Division Council, Pastor F. Unger, the Public Relations Department secretary of the Southern African Division, was successful in getting many inches of favourable news stories in conservative Salisbury papers. Since then Pastor E. Logan, featuring old Bibles in his Sunday night evangelistic effort, received a great deal of prominently displayed publicity in the same daily papers. Dr. Jack Hay's photo appeared recently in a Johannesburg Sunday paper accompanying an article on the Kalahari desert by a free-lance writer. Some of Southern Africa's press is opening its columns to news from the Adventist Church.

A series of articles on Seventh-day-Adventists appeared nation-wide in America's largest newspapers. The impact was tremendous. One of these articles in a Louisville, Kentucky, newspaper later brought the conference a fine little hospital that is now filling a real need in the mountain country of eastern Kentucky. *Coronet* and *The Reader's Digest* have carried articles on our work which have been a real boon to the Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

In his book The Original Has This Signature, H. B. Powell pays tribute to Seventh-day Adventists' contribution "to the tremendous and dramatic advances made in modern public health and medicine". The religious monthly *Eternity*, at great sacrifice in reader subscriptions, published a series of articles acknowledging Seventh-day Adventists "as redeemed brethren and members of the body of Christ". It is wonderful the increased publicity the Church is receiving!

As a Church we are indeed enjoying a measure of temporal prosperity unprecedented in our history. We count our institutional investments far up into the millions of pounds. We have beautiful new medical and educational buildings serving well the cause of present truth. Those not of our faith commend our educational programme and prominent persons from all walks of life come to our sanitariums and hospitals in search of health and healing. The growth of our publishing work has been phenomenal. In North America alone our literature evangelists now sell over five million pounds of books and papers in one year. Tens of thousands are being baptized and joining our churches all over the world. It is a bright era in the history of the Church. It is a wonderful privilege to be associated with such a God-blessed and ever-expanding movement. We have been working and praying for this day for many years!

We should rejoice in the measure of repute that has come to us as a people because of our medical and educational work. The commendations for our zeal, and our liberality in support of a growing world-wide programme should encourage and inspire us. We would not want to return to the days when our membership was numbered in the low thousands and our income less than a tithed tithe of what it is today! We thank God for all that He has done and for the favourable light in which we bask today. BUT — can danger be in-

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A Friendly Chat With Your Division President

DEAR FELLOW-BELIEVERS IN THE LORD JESUS:

Living in a multiracial society as most of us in the Southern African Division do today it is well for us frequently to ask ourselves the question: "What is my attitude toward peoples of diverse race, colour, and culture?" There are those of our own faith among these ranks. There are thousands more outside the Church. As Seventh-day Adventist Christians, what should be our attitude toward those of different colour?

Some months ago the Division Committee gave careful and prayerful study to this important question and at the time (November 17, 1957), issued the following official statement:

"The Seventh-day Adventist Church is a world-wide movement called into being by a fervent belief in the sooncoming of Jesus Christ. This church believes that it is commissioned of God to proclaim His last message of salvation to judgment-bound men of every nation, kindred, tongue, and people. (Rev. 14: 6, 7.) This is the sole purpose and justification of its existence as a distinct religious body. Thus within the fellowship of this Advent movement people of diverse race, colour, speech, and culture find a unity and fraternity that transcend the tensions and differences that divide those not joined together in Christ.

"This unity, which so uniquely marks true followers of Christ, must never be weakened by the pressures and customs of society nor by the hatred and strife that often reigns in the world. In some areas where different races live together under conflicting political ideologies and philosophies there is increasing racial tension, suspicion, and hatred.

"The Advent message must be proclaimed in every land to people living under every kind of government and with every shade of social, economic, and political environment. We may rightly seek to adapt our methods and approach to the environment and social climate of each land in which we labour so that we may enjoy the maximum of liberty to preach the Gospel to all classes of society. But we cannot compromise Christian principles or standards. Seventh-day Adventists must never align themselves with any social or political aims contrary to Christian principles. Our endeavours to gain and maintain the goodwill of those outside our ranks can never be at the expense of that unity and love that should mark our fellowship with those of every race within the Advent brotherhood.

"We must never follow a course that implies the inferiority of any group as compared with others. Our aim should be to build bridges of love, sympathy, and understanding between all races within and without the church. As the divisive forces in the world intensify their efforts to disrupt society, the church should ever seek more strongly to bind together the hearts of its members of every race and clime.

"Though national custom or practice may erect rigid barriers between fellowbelievers of different races, the church must nevertheless witness to the oneness of the Body of Christ. The inner life and ideals of the church must not be determined by secular or political considerations. We recognize the ligitimate claims of government to loyalty and obedience, and strive to obey our Lord's command to render to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's. But before all else we must faithfully obey His command to render to God the things that are God's (Mark 12: 17).

"We believe fully the words of Holy Writ that in the circle of the Christian church 'there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female; for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.' (Gal. 3: 28.)

"At the same time we believe that in these difficult and dangerous times, when unholy passions so often darken the minds of men, we must not be unmindful of these words of Holy Writ: 'All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient.' (1 Cor. 6: 12.) Christ's apostles lived by this principle. They were wholly opposed to the social and economic evils of Rome. But they did not therefore devote their time and energy to open, militant, crusading directly against such evils. Rather, they sought by their fervent preaching and living of the gospel, to meet and overwhelm these evils. We must never forget the inspired example the apostles set for us.

"A grave responsibility rests upon the Seventh-day Adventist ministry in this matter of race relations. These spiritual leaders of the church must in this matter, as in all others, be guided by the spirit of the gospel and the mind of Christ. In turn they should seek to lead the church fully into 'the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace' (Eph. 4: 3), and thus fulfil the prayer of our Lord, that they all may be one (John 17: 21)."

I believe we could well sum up our proper Christian attitude in the words of Philippians 2: 5, as translated by J. B. Phillips: "Let Jesus Himself be your example as to what your attitude should be." Connect with these words the inspired counsel found on page 491 of *Ministry of Healing*: "Study carefully the divine-human character, and constantly inquire, *What would Jesus* do were He in my place?" This is to be the measurement of our duty." (Italics supplied.)

May God help us as sons and daughters of His to adopt the *Jesus-attitude* in our relationships with those whose race, colour, and culture differ from our own. We are one in Christ Jesus.

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(Continued from page 1) herent in a strong tide of public approval?

As the Church militant, let us move forward unitedly and with ever-increasing zeal advance the work of God to its destined glorious climax pictured by John in Revelation 7: 9. But as individuals, let us not fail to recognize that in increased popularity lies a grave danger. Jesus recognized this when He said, "Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets" (Luke 6: 26).

Jesus points out dangers resulting from too-close association with the world and from basking in the approbation of the world: "If ye were of the world, the world would love his own," the Saviour says. Then He proceeds to remind us that "because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you" (John 15: 19). In other scriptures we are reminded that a people following the straight and narrow path our Saviour trod will not find ready acceptance with the world. (See Luke 6: 22-25; 2 Cor. 6: 14-18; 1 John 4: 5, etc.)

The history of the Christian Church likewise impressed the same lesson upon us. The church was born amid opposition and persecution. First, Satan the dragon worked through pagan and later through papal Rome. While the real church struggled to establish itself, while its members "lived godly in Christ Jesus" they indeed suffered persecution. I have stood in the ruins of the old Colosseum in Rome where early Christians were thrown to wild beasts or burnt alive. Large audiences greeted their dying agonies with laughter and applause. Yet the harassed young church prospered and grew.

Satan soon discovered that he could not destroy God's people by persecution and martyrdom, so he "now endeavoured to gain by artifice what he had failed to secure by force. Persecution . . . (was) substituted by dangerous allurements of temporal prosperity and worldly honour."— Great Controversy, p. 42. (Ital. supplied.)

"Most of the Christians at last consented to lower their standard, and a union was formed between Christianity and paganism."—*Ibid.*, p. 42. (Italics supplied.)

Hand in hand with popular acclaim and prosperity apostasy strode into the ranks of the early church. A tarnished faith resulted and soon the true church lost its identity. The apostate church walked proudly into the palaces and mansions of her day. The true church "fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God" (Rev. 12:6). The evil one gained through popularity what he had been unable to accomplish through savage opposition.

The servant of the Lord reminds us that Satan works just as subtly today as he did in the early centuries of the church's history. "The spirit of the world is no more in harmony with the spirit of Christ today than in earlier times."—*Great Controversy*, p. 144.

History Could Repeat Itself!

"As they were increased, so they sinned against Me: therefore will I change their glory into shame" (Hosea 4:7).

The Scriptures describe the last church before the Saviour returns. It is not a flattering picture for us to contemplate. Let us read it again!

"Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked" (Rev. 3: 17).

There is a danger that the same spirit of compromise and seeking for popularity may come in to the experience of church members today that caused the downfall of the post-apostolic church, unless we are on our guard and live close to our Great Founder.

"There is a constant danger that professing Christians will come to think that in order to have influence with worldlings, they must to a certain extent conform to the world. But though such a course may appear to afford great advantages, it always ends in spiritual loss."— Prophets and Kings, p. 570.

"Let men become lifted up in pride, and the Lord will not sustain them and keep them from falling. Let a church become proud and boastful, not depending on God, not exalting His power, and that church will surely be left by the Lord, to be brought down to the ground. Let a people glory in wealth, intellect, knowledge, or in anything but Christ, and they will soon be brought to confusion."— Testimonies, vol. 8, p. 127.

"Against every subtle influence that seeks entrance by means of flattering inducements from the enemies of truth, God's people must strictly guard. . . . To the ingenious subterfuges and alluring inducements held out to tempt from allegiance, they must give no heed."— Prophets and Kings, p. 570.

"Especially today, while earth's history is closing, the Lord requires of His children a vigilance that knows no relaxation."—*Ibid.*, p. 571.

Meet Our Workers



MISS HELENE H. DEVOS comes to our Division from Ostend in Belgium. She was very young when she learned to know and love the Saviour and in His own way and time He led her to a fuller knowledge of His truth which she accepted in 1943 in spite of great opposition from her parents. After two years at our college at Collonges in France, she entered the Bible work and laboured at Ghent, Brussels, and Antwerp until she received a call to Southern Africa as supervisor of the Voice of Prophecy Bible School, or to give it its correct title, La Voix deL'Espérance, in Elisabethville, in the Congo. She has been in this appointment for the past six years and has had the privilege of seeing the work expand to include Bible lessons, not only in French, but also in Dutch and Kiswahili.

"The line of demarcation between His people and the world is ever to be kept unmistakably distinct."—*Ibid.*, p. 570.

With such inspired counsel ringing in our ears our path of duty and action is clear to us. The pathway to the kingdom is still "the straight and narrow" way (Matt. 7:13, 14). Today, as in Jesus' day, the multitudes will not find in it the popular appeal they love. Many will shun this way, choosing rather the "broad way" that leads to destruction.

We are a called-out people (Rev. 18: 4). We are destined by the God of heaven to be different. The apostle Peter calls us "a peculiar people" (1 Peter 2: 9). We must be careful how we become "peculiar". God does not call us to some weird mysticism, nor to a fanaticism that would bring reproach upon Him and upon His Church. We are not to be spiritual ascetics like Hindu holy men and Buddhist recluses. God is not calling us to become eccentric extremists! He wants us to be different without being queer!

"Be ye not unequally yoked together

with unbelievers" is the inspired command (2 Cor. 6: 14). In the selection of our life's companions, in our making of business alliances, in the selection of our close friends, we are to follow Paul's counsel given him by God. Likewise our social and recreational pursuits are not to be built around those not of our faith. Being "peculiar" includes such everyday activities as our reading, our diet, our dress, our conduct. We are to be *in* the world but not *of* the world.

God would never have us lay aside our identity as a called-out people part of a heaven-born movement — and become just another popular denomination. We have a special message! We are on a God-sent mission. We must never lose our sense of urgency! We must never be lulled to sleep with the world's hearty approbation or its lavish praise!

In saying this, may I say again I would not for a moment depreciate the wonderful work being done through our world-wide programme of Public Relations. As a denomination, let us secure every inch of space we can secure in every possible paper and magazine. Let us get every possible minute on radio and television. Let us humbly but effectively tell the world what God is doing in these thrilling last days of history.

But let us never forget as individuals, as church members, that we need to keep our eyes upon the Lord Jesus instead of upon the great amount of publicity coming our way. We must never forget, if we want to know what God's estimate of the remnant church is, and what He sees is our need as members today, we shall still find this in the Book of books, and in the red volumes of His inspired servant, and not in the popular magazines of our day!

May God help us as His people, to catch a new glimpse of Calvary and of our lovely Jesus! May nothing turn us aside from the one great compelling objective of our time — the perfecting of character that will stand in the judgment and prepare us for a place by His side when He comes. In Him there is grace and strength sufficient for our every need. His perfect robe of righteousness is yet proffered to all who will receive it. He has made every preparation for us to live a life of victory *for* Him now and an endless life of glory *with* Him in the very near future!

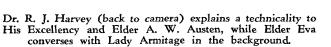
Opening of Malamulo Hospital Extensions

THE name *Malamulo*, like that of Solusi and other of our institutions, is a household word around our world field for its medical, leper, and educational work. Its medical work has been in existence since 1908 and many there are, both students and former workers who have passed through its doors to serve in other parts of the mission field. Brother and Sister S. M. Konigmacher, both trained nurses, were the first medical missionaries at Malamulo, and Dr. K. F. Birkenstock, its first doctor, arrived in 1926. The leper work was started after the arrival of the doctor.

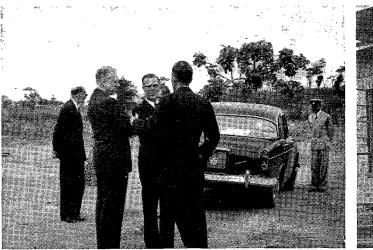
And today, over forty years later? Look for a moment at these statistics for 1959: 30,000 out-patient visits, excluding lepers; 200 major and 400 minor operations; 750 babies born in the maternity department; 60 students in training — surely a herculean programme for just two doctors and five nurses and their African assistants!

The present hospital administration building was completed in 1955 and opened by Lady Colby, the wife of the then Governor of Nyasaland, and this year in April, extensions to this building were opened by His Excellency, the Governor of Nyasaland, Sir Robert Armitage, K.C.M.G., M.B.E. These extentions include male, female, and maternity wards. At the opening ceremony there was also present Lady Armitage, Dr. P. R. Stephens of the Government Medical Services, Pastor W. Duncan Eva, secretary of the Southern African Division, Pastor A. W. Austen, president of the Nyasaland Union, and Dr. R. J. Harvey, medical director of Malamulo Hospital.

In his address, the Governor spoke of the balanced training he was gratifield to note Malamulo gave its students when training of the head, hand and the heart was undertaken, and the great commission of the Saviour to go and do good to all men was woven into Pastor Eva's talk. Dr. Stephens credited Malamulo with beginning the medical work in Nyasaland and said that this institution has always sought to bring the benefits of modern medical science to the people of the area. The name of Brother T. Kilroe-Smith was mentioned



Desire of Ages Presented. A. Bunyani making the presentation to His Excellency.



during the ceremonies, for he was the contractor and builder who had laboured so untiringly to complete this fine project. Later, the Malamulo Choir sang: "Bless This House", and light refreshments were served.

During the tour of inspection, Lady Armitage showed special interest in the modern facilities with which the new wards were equipped, and expressed her appreciation of the loving care being given to those who suffered.

The things the pioneers planned for and dreamed about are now being fulfilled!

Inyazura is Fifty Years of Age

IN July an important celebration was held at Inyazura Mission Station in Southern Rhodesia to mark its fiftieth anniversary. Among the guests were Pastor and Mrs. R. H. Pierson, Pastor and Mrs. E. A. Trumper, Pastor F. G. Reid, Pastor E. D. Mlalazi and Brother Mberi, both of whom were students under Pastor M. C. Sturdevant at Invazura fifty years ago, and many workers and church members of the Invazura Mission district. Telegrams of greeting and congratulations were received from many who had formerly served there, and such names as C. Robinson, W. C. Tarr, J. N. de Beer, F. B. Jewell and H. M. Sparrow, were mentioned in reports and addresses as those who had left an indelible mark upon the early development of the work there.

The Sabbath hours were filled with a feast of rich spiritual blessings. The Friday evening service was taken by Pastor Mlalazi, and during the Sabbath school programme, superintendented by Teacher Nhiwatiwa, an excellent missions offering of $\pounds 6-7-1\frac{1}{2}$ was received. Teacher Nhiwatiwa explained to the Sabbath school that £5 would purchase a Bible for a missionary to take with him to New Guinea, the field to receive the overflow offering this quarter, and any amount above that would purchase portions of the Bible for his converts. If less than £5 was received it would means that the missionary would take an incomplete Bible or only a part of the third angel's message would be preached in New Guinea. The members responded with willing hearts and readyopen purses.

The divine consecration service was taken by Elder Pierson, and Elder Reid's afternoon service brought the holy hours of the Sabbath to a close.

Finally, the programme rendered on Sunday morning by the Inyazura staff was a sketch which depicted the work done by the pioneers and also that being done today. First the story told of the entry of the work into Matabeleland when Invazura was founded: and finally the work of today when evangelistic efforts are being conducted in all districts by lavmen as well as workers. In 1912, Invazura had a church membership of 13; today, 3,456 baptized members fill its churches and companies. There are eighteen schools staffed by eighty teachers, and six pastors are serving the mission station and district. All six pastors have permanent homes with either iron or asbestos roofs, and in this same district there are nineteen churches with five more under construction.

As this programme and report came to its end, Brother and Sister John Dry presented a beautiful pulpit to the Inyazura church, and the writer made an appeal for all to accept as their aim and motto the words penned by the servant of the Lord in *Gospel Workers*, page 470: "Onward, ever onward! Angels of heaven will go before us to prepare the way. Our burdens for the regions beyond can never be laid down till the whole earth is lightened with the glory of the Lord."

J. D. HARCOMBE.

"For We Be Brethren"

Some years ago a prominent lady in Natal was asked what her greatest interest was. She answered "People." We are all interested in people, and I would like to tell you about some good people working at the Voice of Prophecy Bible School in Cape Town. I refer to our African workers, eight men, of whom we have just cause to be proud.

First, there is Brother Albert Mahote, the oldest of the eight, and a grandfather. We often call him "Madala" to show our respect. He is a gentle man, amiable and kind. He fetches the post twice a day, wraps books, prepares the out-going letters and wrappedup lessons for posting. During disturbances in Cape Town last March, agitators threatened to beat one of our African pastors and to burn down his home, but Brother Albert interceded and the rioters actually listened to him and went away.

Then, there is Brother Eric Mafuduka. He was a patient at the Brooklyn Chest Hospital for two years. There he learned about the Voice of Prophecy lessons and enrolled in the school. He was a diligent student, accepted the truth and when he was well enough he was baptized. He did part-time canvassing for a time and finally joined our staff. His father strongly opposed his becoming an Adventist, but Brother Eric stood firm. Recently the father suffered a severe heart attack. Pastor Newman visited him in hospital and this was greatly appreciated. A little later, Brother Eric was so happy to know that his father had asked for a Bible and had made his peace with God. A few days later the father died suddenly, but Eric fully expects to meet him again when Jesus comes.

TEMPERANCE DAY, OCTOBER 22

PROMOTION of true temperance is a church programme and should be supported by the entire church membership. That is why Sabbath, October 22, is designated TEMPERANCE DAY for observance in all our churches.

WHAT THE CHURCH CAN DO:

- 1. Endeavour to enlist the entire church membership as contributing members of the International Temperance Association. This will not only lend strength to the voice with which we speak, but it will provide funds for vigorous promotion in every field. In unity there is strength, and we need that strength.
- 2. Establish temperance organizations in our training schools on the pattern followed with great success overseas. Thus future workers will receive practical training through participation in temperance rallies, oratorical contests, and other means of influencing public opinion.
- 3. Arrange for temperance displays at agricultural shows, industrial fairs, or through a series of temperance rallies, using films like, "One in Twenty Thousand," "Cancer by the Carton," "Split Second" or others which we have obtained.
- 4. Make available to educators, civic leaders, editors, members of Parliament, libraries and other public places our excellent THINK magazine.
- 5. Give a liberal offering on October 22 to support the temperance cause.

JEAN CRIPPS, Editor, Think magazine.

Brother Theo Arosi keeps our garden looking neat and beautiful. During the disturbances he was not able to get to work but he made up the lost time by working overtime. He is not always able to resist the temptation of telling one of the other workers that "Mfundisi wants to see you" and thoroughly enjoys the little confusion that follows, because of course, "Mfundisi" knows nothing about it.

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Next comes Brother Absalom Stevens. He was a fisherman and lived for many years in South West Africa. His main work is correcting Sesotho test papers, although he is a Xhosa. He also helps in the print shop. Not long ago his little girl was admitted to hospital. She had pollo. But she made a wonderful recovery and Brother Absalom gives God all the praise.

Brother Isaac Ngqongqo is our Xhosa Bible instructor. He carries his work well and successfully. He is a great church worker, giving Bible studies in the evenings and visiting interested ones in hospital, out on the farms and as far afield as Stellenbosch. Every Sunday morning he conducts a preaching service in the Roeland Street prison. He said recently, "You ought to hear them sing ..., and pray, tool" Several years ago, Brother George

Several years ago, Brother George Mbedzi, a Venda man from the Northern Transvaal, translated the Bible lessons into the Venda language. This he did after work hours. Later, when the lessons were at last printed he became our Bible instructor. His is a fulltime work, but he still must work after hours. He now translates the Sabbath school lessons into Venda, cuts the stencils, runs off the copies and sends them to his students so that they can have "something more to study."

Our Zulu Bible instructor is Brother William Khuzwayo, A more hardworking, faithful man it would be difficult to find. He takes one week's holiday instead of three. He says he likes to be in front of his work.

Lastly, hut by no means the least, we come to Brother John Hlapane who heads our Sesotho work. He was a government school teacher. He was also a Voice of Prophecy student and accepted the truth. Because of this he fell into disfavour since he felt he could not conduct school sports on Sabbath alternoons. He taught Scripture as an Adventist. So it would not do and he was finally dismissed. But we needed just such a man, and he is with us today—an able man and a fine Christian.

It is interesting to see these African Bible instructors at work. They all can type, keep records, correct Bible lessons,

SOUTHERN AFRICAN DIVISION

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Statement of Tithe and Mission Offerings for 12 Months Ended December 31, 1959

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write countless letters and take great care of their students. They love their students and take a personal interest in them. They visit and study with many in the Cape Peninsula area and even after baptism they maintain their contacts with these converts to nurture and strengthen them in the faith. If you could hear these men pray and if you could watch their consistent Christian lives as we do, your hearts would be touched. They represent many hundreds of our African students all over this great continent. We solicit your prayers in their behalf.

> ALICE MACDONALD, Bible Instructor.

Child Evangelism

WE could tell by the look on their faces that the delegates to the Sabbath School Child Evangelism workshops, held recently in the Southern Rhodesia Field, really did not know what was expected of them when they first assembled. However, as the hours passed quickly it was almost as if a match had been struck and a fire lit which spread rapidly. On the closing day as the delegates packed their Sabbath school kits and prepared to leave, each face beamed with the pleasure and the joy that comes from "making" things. Each head contained many songs in its own language and the brains clicked busily as they remembered the stories and demonstrations they had watched and participated in.

This was true at each of the three workshops held at Hanke Mission Station, Sogwala, and Inyazura Mission Station. The enthusiasm manifested was exceedingly gratifying. At Hanke, in spite of very few delegates, much work was done. One delegate took home three kits of Sabbath school material. Several took two and they all promised to teach a company near their home church to use the extra material they had prepared.

Enthusiasm was exceptionally high at Sogwala. The delegates there worked from dawn until dark, attending evening meetings, and sang songs during the remaining hours. We almost wondered when they slept! Their industry was rewarded and we hope their activities in their home churches will be blessed. At Invazura we found ourselves working with a quiet, industrious group. Their singing was beautiful. From a distance the sound was like that of an organ and it was indeed inspiring. We left this last workshop with mixed feelings. We were tired and ready to go home and yet we were loath for our visit to end because the time spent in these workshops had been about the most soul-satisfying and rewarding that we had ever spent. We sincerely pray that the children of Africa may be richly blessed through the enthusiasm and work of these delegates. Proverbs 3, verse 27 has become our motto:

"Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it."

NELMA DRAKE, Solusi College, Sponsor of Sabbath School Child Evangelism.

Evangelism Pays

DANYELI HAMISI requested employment as a teacher, but since we had no budget to pay his salary we suggested that he engage in self-support work and personal evangelism. He agreed to this

Mrs. N. Drake (extreme right) with pastors, teachers, students and laymen at the Sogwala Child Evangelism Workshop.



Important Dates

 Temperance Day and Offering October 22
Reread the comments by the editor of *Think* magazine on page 5.
Education Day and

Offering October 29 These surely are the days when our children need the hedge of Christian education placed firmly about them. Let us give this our full support.

* Week of Prayer and Sacrifice November 12-19 This holy convocation is the most important in our church calendar. Let us begin now to search our own hearts and pray for the outpouring of the Spirit of God upon us.

and started holding meetings in the villages along the west lake shore between Fizi and Uvira in the Congo. Two months later he wrote to us, asking that someone be sent to visit his new converts. He said: "Since these people have never heard of Seventh-day Adventists before, I find it hard to explain all about our church and organization to them."

A few weeks later I was able to visit Danyeli and see the work he had done. I was overwhelmed. The welcome I received was like one given to an old friend, for these people were truly hungering for the message of light and truth. I held meetings in three places a few miles apart, and we had a blessed time together.

Three months after Danyeli started his work he had more than fifty in the hearers' class. With more volunteer missionaries like him, how soon the third angel's message would reach into the remote corners of our field and the work of the Lord be finished!

> I. E. SCHULTZ, President, South Ruanda Field.

Congo Camp Meeting

North Congo Field:

Most of our Field territory is in the northern hemisphere and so our dry season, or camp meeting season, as we prefer to call it, is during the first quarter of the year. Camp meeting time is soul-winning time. Throughout the North Congo Field a great deal of preparation, visitation, personal work and prayer precedes the opening of a camp meeting. Hundreds of prayers are offered to God also for good weather, for even during the dry season a tropical cloud-burst can spoil an otherwise lovely day. God answered our prayers for good weather this year at Nebasa, our most northerly mission station situated on the edge of the great Ituri Forest. Jubilant young people, and colourfully-dressed mothers with their babies, fitted into the patchwork picture of the sunlight and shadow of the forest and in this beautiful setting the Spirit of God worked upon the hearts of men and women.

During the Sabbath school, four hundred and fifty voices sang "Jesus is Coming Again" and the echoes resounded in the treetops and rang out across the valley until they were swallowed up in the mighty forest. During the divine service, Pastor Silas, our guest speaker from the North Ruanda Field, and a true evangelist, quickly and quietly led us all to the foot of the Cross,



Pastor Silas and Converts at Nebasa Camp Meeting.

the only place for true conversion. The battle engaged. Some hearts were torn with conflict. Others were healed and cleansed by the blood of Jesus, as men and women took their stand on the Lord's side. Twenty-six souls cut their ties with the wicked practices of the past to begin a new experience, hand in hand with Jesus.

On Sabbath afternoon, the "trophy" hour was a meeting to be remembered. After a stirring appeal for all present to go out and live and preach the Gospel as never before during 1960, we called on some lay members to bring their "trophies" to the front, the men and women whom they had won to the Lord. Magdalena, the first wife of a village headman, had won the other three wives of her husband besides five other souls. Asinati stood with twelve souls led to the Saviour since last camp meeting. There were others until thirtyfive stood, testifying that they were the fruits of lay evangelism.

Talla Mission Station:

During our camp meeting at this station, our faith was tested severely. The ever-present thunderstorm developed rapidly as Sabbath school came to a close. Pastor Mariko Sembagare and his workers had made great plans for this spiritual feast. Hundreds had been invited to attend and arrived for the meetings. The storm was approaching. One or two fearful ones ran for shelter, but the leaders decided to continue the meeting and through faith lean on the promises of the Lord. The opening exercises were curtailed and within a very short time, Pastor Silas, our guest speaker, had the congregation deciding for or against Christ. The dark clouds rolled and thundered above us. The wattle trees swayed and creaked; branches broke off and crashed to the ground; lightning flashed as the fury of the storm tried our faith. Pastor Silas moved down closer to the people and raised his voice above the storm and carried on with his appeal for the Lord Jesus. Mrs. Mariko Sembagare, a strong personal worker wherever she lives, moved among the crowd urging her visitors to take their stand. Some hesitated. Others stood to their feet in triumph and decision. Teachers pleaded with their unsaved students. The battle in the skies and the battle in the hearts of men and women continued, but finally sixteen victories were gained that day. Not until the last one had taken his stand and his name recorded, did the Lord allow the torrents of rain to fall. We are indeed thankful to the Lord for holding back the storm until these sixteen decisions were made for Him, and we are thankful also for the zeal and earnestness of our North Congo workers and lay members.

South Ruanda Field:

In these days when the Banyarwanda tribes are at enmity among themselves many people are hungering for peace of soul and they are seeking their Creator.

We held camp meetings at Nduga in July and the officiating pastors decided to preach many sermons on the prophecies and the three angels' messages. Bwana Manson Metcalf spoke at the first meeting on the Sabbath morning, closing his sermon by asking the people to repent and turn to Christ. At this meeting, 208 came forward to show their desire to become Christians. At the Sunday meeting, seventy-five more came to Christ, and at the last meeting on the Monday, forty-five surrendered. All together, 328 souls gave their hearts to the Lord Jesus. These people were adult men and women who were called by the great voice of the third angel. A very large number of them had been Roman Catholics.

There is another district called Mayaga, not far from Nduga, at which 250 new converts gave their hearts to the Saviour during the camp meeting season. And if we were to visit the Mutara district we would find a record of 185 souls who have recently surrendered to Christ. In the Bunyambiriri district, 200 more were converted. One subchief asked our pastor: "Why do so many people decide to go to the Adventist church in these troubled days? I desire to attend your meetings."

We need the great power of your prayers to help us finish the work which should be done now in this time of peace.

> Uzziel Rufuku. Eliya Nyagatema.

T. W. STAPLES, President, North Congo Field.

Graduate Nurses of Kanye Hospital, Bechuanaland. *L. to r.*— Rachael Mokgara, Minah Buthelezi (passed with merit), Philda Ndebele, and Sybil Mbuli (passed with merit),



THE TRUTH ABOUT VITAMINS

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MANY scientific volumes have been written about vitamins. The general population, however, is exposed more to sales propaganda than to facts. The truth about these vital food factors needs to be presented repeatedly. It is well known that a diet complete with everything but vitamins will speedily result in sickness and death. These vital factors are essential for the utilization of the food we eat and for the healthy functioning of the life processes.

Every natural food contains its own nutrients with its own quota of vitamins which are organic substances, and of minerals which are inorganic. The amount of vitamins required by the body is very small and so the amount present in foods is small. Because they come in such minute quantities, vitamins remained unknown until the intense research programme early in the present century discovered the first of them. Since then many have been isolated and identified and more are still being discovered. Their amazing role in all metabolic processes continues to unfold.

As long as a diet contains a proper balance of natural foods, the health is protected. However, when a deficiency is produced by a severely restricted diet or by foods that have been much processed and refined, then diseases appear indicative of the lack. It was not until such a lack appeared that vitamins were searched for and discovered. Deficiency diseases occur in vast populations of earth.

Refined flour, cereals and their products are now frequently "enriched". However, only a few of the vitamins and minerals lost in the milling are returned in useful amounts. These are usually thiamine, niacin, iron, and sometimes riboflavin. Thus, the "enriched" product is still much poorer than the natural grain from which it was made. Unless all the nutrients removed in the milling were known, it would indeed be impossible to "enrich", "restore", or "fortify" a refined product to its original value. Beneficial results are being reported from enrichment of refined foods in areas where better eating practices seemed too difficult to institute. However a more generous consumption of such normally vitamin-and-mineral-rich foods as unrefined cereals, legumes, vegetables (especially green leafy ones), fruits, and milk is recommended by all nutrition educations. The judicious use of wheat germ, rice polishings, food yeasts, or similar products, adds not only an abundance of the Bvitamins and minerals to the diet, but also protein at reasonable cost.

The Food and Drug Administration of the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare reminds us:

"Nutrition authorities agree that the best way to buy vitamins and minerals is in the packages provided by nature." (Food Facts vs. Food Fallacies, July, 1958.)

Whenever possible, these vital food factors should be obtained from the garden, orchard, field, or food market unless the doctor prescribes supplements for some specific reasons. Nor is it hard obtain them thus inexpensively. to Whole grains, legumes, vegetables (some leafly and a little milk (even skim milk) with a few culinary accessories to make palatable dishes, provides every known nutritional need. Add to this a selection of fruits and a few nuts or oily seeds and even a king could not dine more wholesomely. To such a feast vitamins come in their birthday suits. See!

Vitamin A is there robed in gold and green. Enough for a day's supply is furnished, for example, by one of the following highly coloured foods: a medium-sized carrot, a small sweet potato, a small serving of greens, half of a cantaloupe, six apricots, or two cups of tomato juice.

The B vitamins — thiamin, riboflavin, niacin, as well as the lesser publicized members such as pyriodixine (B6), pantothenic acid, biotin, choline, inositol, and others, are abundant in whole grains, legumes, nuts, and other seeds. The bran, germ, and polishings of grains are especially rich sources, as is also food yeast.

Vitamin C (ascorbic acid), so abundant in citrus fruits, is widely distributed in the plant kingdom. The National Research Council's generous recommended allowance of 75 mg. per day is supplied by six ounces or orange juice. But as much is found in the same weight of fresh cabbage. Cooked greens such as turnip, mustard, or kale are equally high is vitamin C while raw greens are twice as high. Cooked broccoli contains about one-third more of this vitamin than oranges. Potatoes, both Irish and sweet, rutabagas, tomatoes, sauerkraut, and many other vegetables and fruits also supply a good or fair amount. Even far northern climates produce natural supplies of vitamin C. Fresh vegetables, herbs, and berries provide a good supply in spring and summer. Even young leaves of shrubs and trees are used by the natives. Rose hips, berries dried on the bushes, and tea from the needles of evergreens can be used. The tropics are also provided with sources of this vitamin.

Widely differing diets can be wholly adequate as has been demonstrated by many people in many climates. In fact, those who deal with world food problems advocate that populations be taught to depend upon their own countries' resources whenever possible. In some places excellent native foods are not used for lack of an understanding of food values. It has been shown that many wild edible greens and fruits (even berries) excel cultivated ones in vitamin and mineral content. A dietary built around legumes as a protein staple and such grains as a country produces is rich in all the members of the B vitamins unless the grains are highly refined. With some leafy green vegetables or suitable fruits to provide Vitamin A and C (ascorbic acid), and a little milk, such a diet will be abundant in all the known vitamins.

In the light of the most recent scientific findings, no more up-to-date counsel can be given than was given over half a century ago:

"Let us make intelligent advancement in simplifying our diet. In the providence of God, every country produces articles of food containing the nourishment necessary for the upbuilding of the system. These may be made into healthful, appetizing dishes."—Counsels on Diet and Foods, p. 94.

"If we plan wisely, that which is most conducive to health can be secured in almost every land. The various preparations of rice, wheat, corn, and oats are sent abroad everywhere, also beans, peas, and lentils. These, with native or imported fruits, and the variety of vegetables that grow in each locality, give an opportunity to select a dietary that is complete without the use of flesh meats."—*Ministry of Healing*, p. 299.

WITH our first parents, intemperate desire resulted in the loss of Eden. Temperance in all things has more to do with our restoration to Eden than men realize.— *Counsels on Diet and Foods*, p. 43.



Caring for the Flock

A. L. DAVY, President, East Lake Field, Tanganyika

USUALLY the minister thinks of the "flock" as being his congregation, but I believe there is a narrower, but equally important meaning to attach to it. God commended Abraham because "he will command his children and his household . . . and they shall keep the way of the Lord" (Gen. 18: 19). If we are faithful in that which is least - in caring for the small flock - then surely God will be able to entrust to us larger duties, the care of many others.

"Parents are to blame." How often have I heard that thought expressed in different ways! We are continually reading how bad the teenagers are as compared with what they were a generation ago, and much of the blame is being laid on the parents.

What has happened to us, fathers and mothers? We have more education than our parents had. We have the advice of child psychologists, yet there is more crime among young people than ever before. Apparently then advice is useless unless it is put into practice in an intelligent way.

The figure of a shepherd is used in the Bible to express the utmost in kindness, sympathy, understanding, longsuffering, and love. Jesus is called the "Good Shepherd" who gives His life for His sheep. We, parents, are the undershepherds. Are we, too, ready to give our lives for these lambs? We may have one, or we may have a dozen, but all are given us by God to care for on His behalf. In His sight these lambs are so precious that He would have given His only begotten Son to save our "one sheep". What are we willing to do, or to give up, to keep our lambs safe from the many dangers that threaten them?

Within the sheepfold there is safety. The dangers are, nearly always, to be found outside the sheltering walls, away from the shepherd's care. Our lambs should find the home to be a shelter from storm and danger. But unfortunately, the lambs often do not care to stay at home. They prefer to find their pleasures elsewhere. And why should this be so? We have been counselled to make our homes a heaven on earth. If our homes were such, surely our children would be happiest while at home

with us. However, it requires a sacrifice to make such a home, and are we, as parents, prepared to make that sacrifice?

"Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home," wrote the poet. But this is only true when the mother, the shepherdess, is there. Without her presence, the home usually degenerates into a house where the other members eat and sleep. If the family is unfortunate enough to lose the mother, the children usually scatter. But if, on the other hand, the father dies, the mother can usually keep the home together and the children grow up within the shelter of the fold, and the gentle, courageous shepherdess, by precept and example, can teach them of the love of their heavenly Father.

In the Spirit of prophecy we are told that the mother, filling her place in the home, is in the sight of God, doing a work comparable with that of the minister in the pulpit. What would you think of a minister who engaged in various sidelines; a minister whose interests were so divided that he had little time for his flock, little time for preparation, little time for any of his ministerial duties because he was busy making extra money? Surely his flock would soon be scattered and his church empty. No, the minister has to keep his eye single, his interests bound up in his great task. And so should the mother, the shepherdess of the beautiful flock put under her charge by the Great Shepherd, bend all her energies towards preserving her lambs from all evil.

When the Master Shepherd comes to receive His own, may each mother be able to say: "Not one is missing". What bliss will be ours as we enter the pearly gates to enjoy the pleasures of heaven throughout eternity with our children by our side!

My Prayer

DEAR Lord, forgive my wayward ways When I have walked some other path Than that that's led by only Thee,

The upward way, the heavenly way.

Guide me, Dear Lord, in all my ways To live my life that all may see

That Jesus only lives in me,

That we may all, that soon glad day, Abide forever, Lord, with Thee.

VERA BERGMAN.

Kanye Medical Mission.

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From Hither and Yon

AMONG those who expressed sincere appreciation for the Leadership Training Course held recently at Bugema College are Pastor Dennis K. Bazarra of Uganda and Pastor Fares Muganda of Tanganyika. They both write to say that this has been the "most inspiring and profitable course" which they have ever been privileged to attend. During the time spent in the classroom those present were 'aken through the study of Finance, Evangelism, Departmental work, Denominational Organization, and Personal Relationships by Pastors S. G. Maxwell, M. E. Lind, C. T. J. Hyde, H. W. Stevenson, E. J. Gregg, and M. B. Musgrave. Brother Muganda concluded his letter by saying that "To Know how God has kept His Church through all the Christian eras, though persecution and false teachings have tried to overwhelm it, really strengthened our faith. I believe the same Hand will guide His remnant church through to the end."

On September 24 the Barberton Indian church will be dedicated, at which time a baptism will also take place.

MAKE SOUL WINNING OF FIRST IMPORTANCE

SINCE the beginning of the year, the Central Kivu Field in the Congo has recorded 2,270 decisions for Christ. During the Independence celebrations its wise president, Pastor Jonas Mbyirukira, made plans for his workers and his church members to be busily engaged in holding evangelistic campaigns, and he now reports that over a thousand decisions were made at that time. These people are now in the baptismal classes.

LITERATURE-EVANCELIST C. P. HUMAN heads the Cape Conference June publishing report with ± 567 worth of deliveries in 193 hours of work.

EVERY WORKER AND EVERY MEMBER IN SOUTHERN AFRICA A SOUL WINNER

PASTOR RODNEY E. DALE has been called to the presidency of the West Lake Field in

Sunset Calendar for October, 1960

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Cape Town	6.54	7.00	7.05	7.10
Johannesburg	6.14	6.16	6.18	5.22
East London	6.16	6.21	6.26	6.31
Port Elizabeth	6.26	6.32	6.37	6.42
Bloemfontein	6.21	6.25	6.28	6.32
Pietermaritzburg	6.05	6.10	6.13	6.17
Durban	6.02	6.06	6.10	6.14
Bulawayo	6.06	6.09	6.10	6.11
Lusaka	6.05	6.06	6.07	5.10
Salisbury	5.54	5.56	5.57	5.58
Gwelo	6.01	6.03	6.05	6.08
Blantyre	5.40	5.41	5.41	5.42
Elisabethville	6.08	6.08	6.08	6.07
Nairobi	6.25	6.24	6.21	6.20
Mombasa	6.15	6.14	6.12	6.10
Kisumu	6.35	6.32	6.29	6.28
Kampala	6.43	6.41	6.38	5.37
Dar-es-Salaam	6.18	6.1 8	6.16	6.15
Tabora	6.43	6.43	6.40	6.39

Tanganyika. He leaves the Tekerani Mission Station in southern Nyasaland to take up his new appointment. Pastor Arthur L. Davy, at present overeas on furlough, is the new president of the East Lake Field in Tanganyika. Brother Davy was formerly president of the West Ruanda Field in Ruanda-Urundi. These two brethren share with Pastors Simon Dea and Y. Lusingu the responsibility, under the Tanganyika Union, of the work in that large territory.

THE R. L. Osmunsons are back from their furlough, and Brother Osmunson is already on a Division-wide trip with Pastor E. L. Min-

Make Soul Winning First



SAVED TO SERVE. Students from the Congo Union.

chin from the General Conference Missionary Volunteer Department.

EVERY DEPARTMENT LAYING SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON SOUL WINNING

MRS. M. GUNDERSEN and Miss Bethel Wareham are to be congratulated on passing their examinations in tropical medicine in Brussels recently.

FROM South Nyasa, Pastor J. W. Haarhoff reports an attendance of 436 at his opening evangelistic meeting in the Soche Township in Blantyre, and this in spite of a large political meeting at the same time. On the second evening the congregation was even larger.

THE church membership of the Southern African Division at the close of the second quarter is 176,966. There were 2,204 new members added by baptism, and 103,654 are in probationary classes. This gives us a total of 280,620 adherents at June 30.

EVERY FIELD WITH A WELL-PLANNED EFFORT SCHEDULE

FROM our Church Development Department we have heard of this experience: "Sister Adams, a leading member of the Good Hope Conference church at Stellenbosch in South Africa, said after attending a fund-raising meeting: 'Truly this is the prophet Zechariah who has come to rouse us builders from our lethargy and discouragement. I feel I have not by any means done enough for the Lord, so now I want to pledge the rent I receive from a lodger in my house. I want to pay f4 every month for the church building fund.'."

Several very successful fund-raising meetings have been held in the South African Union, reports J. A. Birkenstock, Church Development secretary.

FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS

VERSES one to three of Psalm forty-six have been translated by James Moffatt, thus:

"God is a shelter and stronghold for us, we shall find Him very near; therefore we never fear, though hills sink deep in the sea.

Let billows roar and foam, let mountains shake under the storm; the Lord of Hosts is at our side, the God of Jacob is our fortress."

And verses ten and eleven of this same Psalm have been translated in the King James Version, thus:

"Be still, and know that I am God;

I will be exalted among the heathen,

I will be exalted in the earth.

The Lord of Hosts is with us;

The God of Jacob is our refuge."

This Psalm has been called "The Song of Holy Confidence" and of it, Luther said: "We sing this Psalm to the praise of God because God is with us and powerfully and miraculously preserves and defends His Church and His Word against all fanatical spirits, against the gates of hell, against the implacable hatred of the devil, and against all the assaults of the world, the flesh, and sin."

It is said that when the great Reformer and his companion, Philip Melanchthon, were facing times of trial and discouragement, the unflinching Luther would say: "Come, Philip, let us sing the Forty-sixth Psalm." And with his dying breath, John Wesley exclaimed: "The best of all is, God is with us".

May the "Song of Holy Confidence" strengthen our courage and faith in such a time as this.