



The African Division OUTLOOK

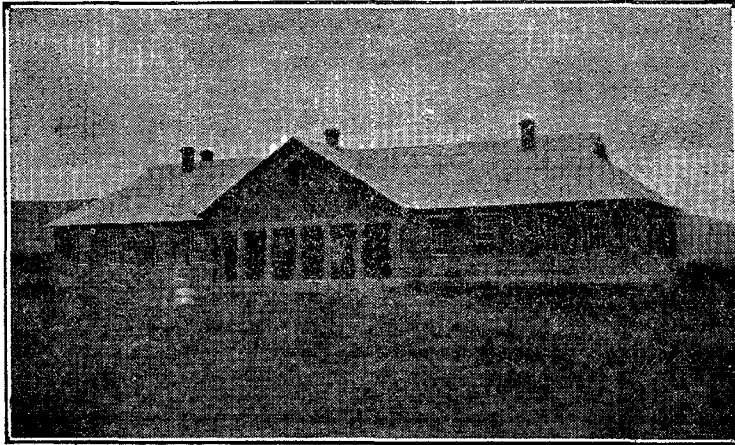


"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields: for they are white already to harvest."

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The Students' Movement

THAT which attracts the attention of one who visits Spion Kop after several months' absence is the splendid new school house. His curiosity is not satisfied until he has walked over to the building and examined the inside. Immediately he says, "What a pity that the classes must recite in such unfinished rooms!" On asking "Why not finish the work and give the students necessary comforts?" he is told that the faculty and school board are most anxious to complete the building, and have thought of all kinds of plans to obtain the funds for this work, but up to the present have not been successful. What looks worse than an unfinished building?

Another feature that particularly strikes one when visiting the school is the interest that the scholars have in their work. Every one there loves Spion Kop, and is most keenly enthusiastic over the development and progress of our school. The students, finding that the board is unable to complete the school house have asked the privilege of being given the responsibility of raising funds necessary to finish off the work. They have started what is known as the "Students'

Movement." Through the OUTLOOK they are letting you into the secret of their plans, and I am sure that every reader will be interested and will be glad to help them make their "movement" a big success.

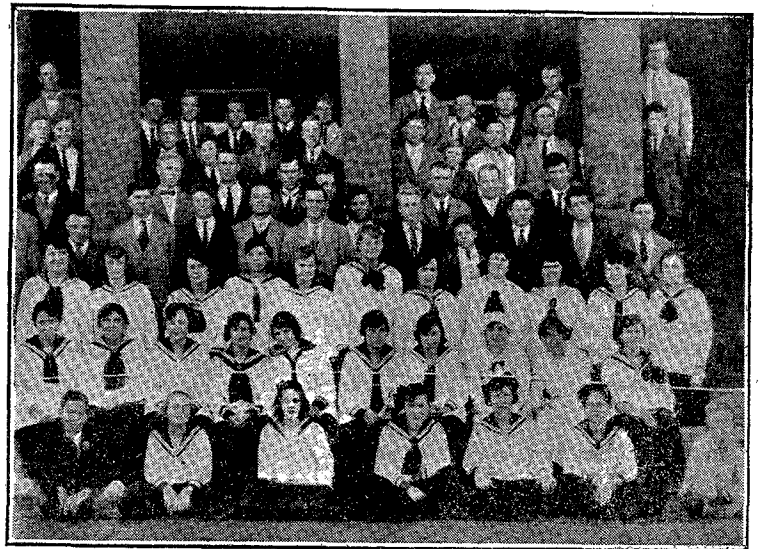
W. B. COMMUN.



The New School Building

THE accompanying picture is the front view of our new school building. It is not only large and roomy but is also comfortable and very well suited for its purpose. If you look at the picture closely you will observe that it is still in a very unfinished state, not having been plastered.

It consists of the large chapel, eight class rooms, two offices and the hall ways. Seven of these rooms were floored, partly plastered, and three of them ceiled just before school opened. These we are using for our class recitations, library and office. I can assure you they are far from what we would call completed. Although we are very much in need of all



the rooms, we have been unable to finish the other four because of shortage of means. Thus they remain unoccupied; while some classes have to be conducted in a room about one hundred yards from the main building.

You may be surprised to know that nine-tenths of the work done on our school building thus far was executed by the teachers and students of the school. We have an abundance of labourers—but sad to say—a scarcity of funds. As a band of young people our aim is centered upon the task of completing this "Pride of Spion Kop."

We enter into this "Student Movement" full of courage, for we sincerely believe and know that we shall receive the hearty co-operation of all our brethren and sisters in the field, to aid us in speedily preparing our school to be better fitted to do more effective work.

In behalf of my fellow students I send greetings to all who may read this. May God help us to move unitely and to give of our means to help this school,—the fountain and source of the future workers of South Africa.

JOHN H. RAUBENHEIMER.



Pioneer Days at Spion Kop

THE many visitors to Spion Kop cannot but realise that our school equipment is still in an incomplete condition; but go back with me to the early part of 1919, and visit us then.

There is neither a girls' nor a boys' dormitory. The sod hut, ever a historical landmark at the school, is the sleeping quarters for the young ladies, one end room serving as the principal's home and office. Two tents are occupied in connection with this establishment, one by Mrs. Bowen and her daughter, the other by four of the young ladies. Where do the young men sleep? you naturally ask; and they point out to you a row of tents beyond the dining hall.

(The dining hall serves as chapel and school room.) The dining room is partitioned into two apartments, and during school session three or four classes hold recitations in it at the same time. Often our appetites are sharpened by the savoury odours wafted to us from the kitchen.) Visit us at the table and you find the school family seated in the serving room.

Later in the year the girls move from the sod house to what is now the boys' dormitory, while the boys vacate the tents, and make use of the sod hut.)

Of the first year's experiences only those who were here can tell you. (The sod house roof was not quite leak proof when it rained, neither did the tents always withstand the gales.)

1920 however opened with better prospects. The young ladies were able to occupy their own dormitory,

so the young men moved into theirs.) School could thus be operated under better conditions, for the girls' and boys' parlours were used as class rooms. To these the student passed from that part of the dining room which was the general assembly room and chapel. The serving room with the remainder of the dining room was our dining quarters, and classes were also held in this part of the dining room.)

As we look back on those two years of school we can say that surely we have been blessed and prospered. With the assurance of more than human help in the past, we have confidence that the hand which has guided us thus far will lead us triumphantly through the unknown future, if we continue to follow its direction.

EMILIE JEFFREY.



Spion Kop News Notes

Within the past few weeks three of the students have passed out of the doors of our institution to become active in some branch of God's work. Ovid Bredenkamp has joined the workers at the Solusi Mission. Percy Billes, who has been with the school from its very beginning, has left us to take up work at the Rusangu Mission. The last one to leave was Miss Dorothy Bulgin, who has gone to take charge of the church school at Maritzburg.

While we miss these students, we are nevertheless glad that the school can send out young people to strengthen the forces of our vast field. We assure these new workers that we have confidence in them and that they shall still have our hearty co-operation and our prayers. We hope that other young people will come in to fill the vacancies that have been left.

The latest to join the school family are Mr. and Mrs. Mason and their two children from Nyasaland, and Mr. Lee from the Free State. Mr. Lee and Mr. Mason are taking studies in the special course.

The mealie crop has been harvested and threshed. On account of last summer's drought this year's yield was very much less than usual.

The one green spot on the farm now is the vegetable garden. The school has enjoyed a variety of garden produce. The kitchen has received radishes, lettuce, cabbage, spinach, carrots, beetroot, potatoes, beans and peas. Soon there will be a supply of onions. Our garden still is small, but we plan to extend it as soon as we can develop a constant water supply.



What We Did in Vacation

AGAIN the students of Spion Kop are aroused by the ringing of the rising bell, for from July 14th school began in earnest.

The majority of the students returned on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; and several trips were

made during those days by the two school cars.

The students have enjoyed the last few weeks of holiday-making. Many went home or visiting, some went out in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, and a few remained at the school. Several of the teachers also took part in the work.

On the first Friday evening in the meeting quite a number told of their experiences while out in the field; and surely the Lord has blessed their efforts, both by good financial returns and hearts full of courage. £165-17-6 is the amount collected so far. Only three of the persons collected less than £5; one gathered £20, two ranged between £15 and £19 and seven totaled above £5.

Plans are now being laid for work in Ladysmith and its district, and we hope to be able to report the results of our extended effort in a short time.

The school farm is looking rather dry and barren, except when you turn your steps to the vegetable garden where patches of green meet the eye. This is the dry season here—the mealies have been harvested and the ground awaits the coming of spring and the rain before it seeks cultivation again.

The weather has been rather cold, but the days are bright and sunny. The half year lies before us with every hope of success; so with courage we are determined to press onward and upward.

EMILY JEFFREY.

SO. AFRICAN UNION CONFERENCE
OFFICE ADDRESS: *Cape Sanitarium, Plumstead, C P.*

Mission Offerings Statement
South African Union Conference

At the Johannesburg meeting in January last it was voted by the African Division that the 1921 goal for Mission Offerings from our churches be set at 2/6 per week per member. Later it was also decided that in view of the financial condition of so many of our coloured brethren, and the difficulty of their attaining this amount, a special goal be set for them of 9d per week per member.

The statement following will show the actual receipts for the first half of the year, and how these compare with the goal thus set.

It will be seen that the highest average thus far secured is that of the Orange Free State Conference, which has just about reached one half of its goal. The remaining conferences have fallen somewhat below. There is therefore a considerable shortage on our mission funds thus reported, which if we are to attain our goal for 1921, must be made good during the next two quarters of the year. This can only be accomplished by the concerted action of all our mem-

bers; first, in increasing our donations to the regular Sabbath school and church funds each Sabbath, and second, by persistent individual efforts to solicit subscriptions in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

The responsibility rests upon us as individuals, and while the shortage as reported in the accompanying statement may seem almost irrecoverable, yet with the hearty co-operation of every one of our members, we can both make good the loss, and attain our goal for the remainder of the year.

A. FLOYD TARR.

Mission Offerings from the South African Union Conference for 6 Months, Ending 30th June, 1921

	MEM.	AMT. DUE.	AMT. RECD.	SHORT	AV. PER. MEM.
Cape Conf.					
White	304	988 0 0	312 4 6	675 15 6	9 5
Col.	89	89 15 6	26 18 4	62 17 2	2 8
N. T.	307	997 15 0	348 1 9	649 13 3	10 5
O. F. S.	125	406 5 0	201 7 3	204 17 9	14 8
S. A. U.	825	2481 15 6	888 11 10	1593 3 8	White 10 8 Col. 2 8

A. FLOYD TARR, *Treasurer.*



Honoured Workers

RESIDING in the territory of the South African Union Conference there are certain workers who have spent many years in the service of this message. Though the years these labourers have toiled, spending their strength in service. They have served in many capacities and various parts of the African field. Some have given a long term of service in our mission work in Central Africa.

At the meeting of the Union Conference Committee held in June it was unanimously voted to grant Honorary Ministerial Credentials to the following: I. J. Hankins, M. C., Sturdevant, J. C. Rogers, D. H. Groenewald, Hubertus Elffers.

Honorary Missionary Credentials are granted to Miss E. Edie.

It is an honour to have these tried servants as residents of the South African Union Conference.

B. E. BEDDOE.



For a Successful Finish

THREE months was allotted to the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, and fully one half of this time is in the past. The reports show that there has been much earnest effort put into this work, but if we are to raise £3,000, it will take a long pull, a strong pull, and a pull all together to accomplish it. But we are able to do it, and what is more, I believe that we shall reach our goal, through the blessing of the Lord.

This is the largest home missionary effort ever

launched by us in South Africa. Some think it is only a money gathering effort, but it is far more than that. It is a soul winning campaign. Everywhere we go we hear of people who are saying, "We did not know that your work was so great."

As I have thought of the work done by the Ingathering *Watchman* it has seemed to me to be taking a place in our work similar to the book of "Acts" in the days of the apostles. The gospels and the epistles gave the message for that time, but it was the book of Acts that told of what was being done, and it is the book to which we look when we want to see the working of the Holy Spirit. So at the present time, our various papers give the message, but it is the *Harvest Ingathering Watchman* that shows the acts of the believers of this generation, and the power of the Holy Spirit's working in all lands.

We have never before had so many papers for this work as we have this year even in the English, and when we add to this the thousands of Dutch, we have a large number to be scattered in all parts of this land, and to all peoples. But we cannot afford to waste a single paper. Every one should be used judiciously, for we shall need all we have before the campaign is over. If any church or conference has more papers than it can use, it would be well to let this be known, for I know that there are some churches, even now, who do not have the papers needed for a successful campaign.

As workers, let us pass the word of courage and good cheer all along the line, and let not one discouraged word be heard. We are doing the work of the Lord, and He is blessing the efforts of every faithful worker. The results of the effort are not ours, but His. So let us do our best and leave the results with Him, being assured that we shall win out in the end if faithful. September will soon be here, and let me urge that at the beginning of that month, we plan to make one strong effort to finish the campaign for his year. Faith, prayer, and earnest endeavour will accomplish it.

W. S. HYATT,

Union H. M. Sec'y.



What Home Missionary Work May Accomplish

"He that soweth, receiveth wages." For the encouragement of those who are striving in their own circle to scatter the seeds of truth, we gladly insert the following item.

News by private letter has just been received at "Rustica," Wynberg, that last Sabbath a company of fourteen people met at the home of Sister Rose Lavender, of Oudtshoorn, for study and prayer.

Little more than three years ago, Sister Rose, who is a nurse, was induced to take up the work of her profession at Oudtshoorn, and there make a home for her widowed mother. Mother Lavender, always an earnest Christian, had accepted the truths we profess, during a two years' residence at "Rustica," and was baptised.

Ever since they settled at Oudtshoorn, these two earnest believers have been busy, quietly and unassumingly scattering the light of truth. From their base they were supplied with papers such as the *Review and Herald*, *Signs of the Times*, *Watchman*, *Sentinel*, and *Wachter*. Of these they have made the very best use, taking them from one interested person to another. Furthermore, they have opened their little home to seekers after truth, and have grasped at every opportunity offered to teach, and by their earnest consistent lives to preach the message. They have acted as Home Missionaries. Their simple devotion, their ardent love for souls has guided them in the right way. Let those who read this behold the marvellous results, and thank the Lord for standing true to His promise. Then let them "go and do likewise."

H. ELFFERS.

ORANGE FREE STATE CONFERENCE

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

Troubled Yet Not Distressed

THERE has been much sickness in this conference during the past two months. Influenza has been rife, and has claimed its victims. We are glad to say, however, that none of our people have succumbed to the disease. Though a few cases were very near death's door, all are well on the way to recovery.

We are feeling the slump here perhaps more than in any other part of the Union, as the Free State depends wholly on the farming community which is the back-bone of this province. There is a considerable falling off in the tithe, and our canvassers find everywhere the cry of "hard times" and "no money." Farmers cannot dispose of their stock except at great sacrifice. I was told recently of a farmer who was forced to sell his sheep for which he had paid £2-10-0 each at four shillings each, the highest bid he could get on the auction sale; but his creditors were pressing him. Another man told me that he could have bought one thousand sheep for £100, but as he could get no grazing for them he let the chance go by. This is only two shillings each, when only a year ago farmers refused one pound in a number of cases for the wool of each sheep.

But our courage is good in the Lord. The financial condition and similar conditions all over the world speak to us in the plainest language to prepare for the coming of the Saviour. This old world with its burden of sin and sorrow is soon to pass away, but "he that doeth the will of God abideth forever." In this time of perplexity and danger, our only safety is in "lying low" at the feet of Jesus. We must be emptied of everything savouring of self—the root of all sin, that we may be filled with His fulness. Then only can we testify as did John, "Of His fullness have we all received, and grace for grace." Of Jesus the inspired record testifies that the Father gave not the Holy Spirit by measure unto Him. God is waiting to bestow the fullness of His Spirit upon us as He did upon Jesus; and He will do it just as soon as we are ready. How much longer shall we keep Him waiting? Alas! that so many put off the day too long, only at last to realise that they are too late, and to exclaim in anguish of heart, "The harvest is passed; the summer is ended; and we are not saved!" Let us make sure work for the kingdom. "Ye must step fast."

G. W. SHONE.

Cape Conference

Report of Tithes and Offerings for Quarter ending June 30, 1921.

Church	Tithe	S.S. Offs.	13th S. Off.	Weekly off.
Beaconsfield	60 13 10	23 2 1	9 13 0	8 0
Bonnievale Co.		3 1 0		
Cape Town	178 8 3	13 17 10	7 16 1	5 9 6
Cathcart	50 18 8	3 0 0	3 0 0	
Claremont	207 0 1	36 10 1	8 17 1	2 3 10
Conference	115 0 6	5 14 6	1 4 2	12 0
Content Co.		2 9 2	1 10 0	
East London	8 11 0	1 1 6		
Grahamstown	12 14 6	2 14 3	1 18 9	
Komgha Co.		2 4 0		
Kuruman	8 3 9			
Langkloof	9 5 7	1 17 0	8 6	
Longlands Co.		1 19 6		
Parow	14 0 3	2 15 9	14 1	
Port Elizabeth	36 19 9	3 11 6		
Rokeby Park	2 0 0			
Rustica	31 5 0	2 5 0	2 6 0	3 2 0
Salt River	25 0 2			
Taungs	33 15 9	9 4 6	1 17 3	
Uitenhage Col.	6 0 0			
Uitenhage W. Co.		17 0		
Queenstown	7 0 9	17 11		
Total	£307 2 5	117 2 7	39 4 11	11 15 4

A. FLOYD TARR,
Treasurer.

NATAL-TRANSVAAL CONFERENCE

Stranack Street, Maritzburg, Natal

One Comes, Another Goes

At the middle of July last, Brother A. A. Pitt and family of Johannesburg, arrived at Maritzburg to take over the secretary-treasurership of the Natal-Transvaal conference and tract society.

Brother Pitt is well known in our field. During the last seven years he has been a member of the Natal-Transvaal executive committee. The conference and tract society books have been audited by him for many years. Brother Pitt's counsel and sound judgment in connection with the administrative affairs of the conference have secured him the respect and confidence of the brethren throughout the field, and his past experience will now prove of great value. We are glad for men of promise in business lines to enter the Lord's work to be fitted for greater usefulness.

We wish Brother and Sister Pitt the blessing of God in their new sphere of labour and trust that their connection with the Maritzburg church will prove a blessing to them and to the church as a whole. Brother Pitt is filling the vacancy created by Brother T. J. Gibson, who has accepted a call to labour in the Zambesi Union.

For four and one half years Brother Gibson has ably filled the position of secretary-treasurer at the Maritzburg office. During that time there has been a

Orange Free State Conference

Report of Tithes and Offerings for Quarter ending June 30, 1921

Church	Tithe	S.S. Off.	13th S.O.	Home Mis.
Bloemfontein	63 16 0	20 3 4	13 15 8	2 17 6
Boschberg	75 10 7	4 15 0	1 18 0	
Frankfort	73 7 6	3 8 3	19 9	3 0 0
Dewetsdorp	13 4 0	5 1 0	3 0 9	
Paul Roux	9 4 0	6 8 5	1 10 7	10 0
Parijs	5 3 0	4 18 11		12 9
Reitz		5 3 2		
Pijpna				1 12 0
Conference	41 8 0	8 16 8	5 0	1 0 0
Totals	£281 13 1	£58 14 9	£21 9 10	£9 12 3

Harvest Ingathering, £5 0 0

D. A. WEBSTER,
Treasurer.

brotherly and friendly co-operation between the office and the field. Orders have been executed promptly. The work has grown and the conference and tract society operations have enlarged.

Brother and Sister Gibson and their family have been a great blessing to the Maritzburg church. Their help and active participation in the various endeavours of the church will be missed.

During the Division Conference session held at Johannesburg last January, an invitation was extended

to Brother and Sister Gibson to return to the mission work within the Zambesi Union, and they have accepted this call. Brother Gibson is leaving in August for Bulawayo, to be followed in September by Sister Gibson and Julia.

Our conference appreciates the faithful labours of Brother and Sister Gibson in connection with the work of the Natal-Transvaal conference and we wish them God's richest blessing in their new field of labour.

Pastor and Mrs. C. A. Paap landed at Durban Monday afternoon, July 18. They stayed a few days at Durban, and reached Maritzburg Thursday evening.

These workers are well and seem to be quite fit to put forth a strong effort at Pietermaritzburg. The city has been prepared for the occasion through the sale of books and papers. The city has been canvassed and recanvassed and we are as a people well known to the people. We anticipate an excellent attendance at the meetings. Brother Paap is planning to begin with the effort in August. We trust that our brethren and sisters throughout the field will remember this effort and the workers in their prayers before God.

J. J. BIRKENSTOCK.



The Indian Mission

THE work among the Indians of Durban is forward. Beginning on Sunday afternoon the 19th June at Sydenham, (a populous suburb of the city), our first step in the development of the Indian mission work was taken. It was a bright sunny day, and the afternoon was exceptionally warm for this time of the year, but the little band of willing helpers, both European and Indian, undertook the long steep journey on foot uncomplainingly.

(The edifice is neither commodious nor comfortable, but we are thankful) to God for direct answers to prayer in opening this door. (What was once a temple for the worship of Buddha, is now a meeting place for preaching the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ) including the last warning message of the world's greatest impending event.

(At our first meeting, there was an attendance of twenty. Considering the fierce opposition with which we have had to contend, we were greatly encouraged with the result of our effort. The two subsequent meetings which have been held, have been well attended,) and the interest manifested at all of the services convinces us that the Spirit of the Lord is with us, and that a harvest of souls may be gathered from this field.

(South Coast Junction with its large and ever increasing population of Indians is an ideal spot to plant the seed of truth, and on Sunday the 10th of July we

began meetings there in a room, which proved totally inadequate for the numbers which sought admission.) (The writer was the privileged speaker. As every word had to be interpreted into two dialects, Tamil and Telugu, the meeting lasted longer than was planned for, and left little time for the brethren to reach Sydenham in time for the afternoon service there, but with consecrated zeal and courage, the attempt was made, and all succeeded, with one exception.)

(Our attention is now called to another open door at Seaview, and soon we shall have to complete plans for entering there.)

Our greatest need in this branch of the work, as in all other branches, is labourers, and soon the work will have assumed proportions which will necessitate our applying for more helpers.

May the Lord of the Harvest send more reapers into this field to help gather in the ripening grain.

S. J. STEPHENSON.

ZAMBESI UNION MISSION

P. O. Box 573, Bulawayo, Rhodesia

Visiting Out Schools

SOLUSI Mission is now conducting out schools and evangelistic work in many of the surrounding districts, in some directions as far as one hundred miles. Just now we are sending one teacher 150 miles away. One district after another is being entered by our evangelists.

Recently Brother H. M. Sparrow and I made a trip with mules and cart travelling nearly 200 miles visiting out schools and conducting meetings. These meetings were greatly appreciated by the teachers, pupils, and native believers. The Spirit of God was present in all of our services, and several stood up expressing their desire to obey the truth.

At one place where the school has been opened but a short time, we visited the chief of the district who seemed pleased to see us. This was on Friday, and his people were bringing poles to build a hut for the Native Commissioner to stay in during his visit there. Brother Sparrow heard some of the natives say they would come the next day to build the hut. But the chief replied; "No, tomorrow is the Sabbath. You come Sunday."

The chief came with most of his people to our Sabbath meeting. Brother Sparrow spoke to them upon the nearness of the end, and the preparation that we are to make for Jesus' coming.

The teacher of this school told us of his experience in praying for rain at the time that the country was

suffering from drought. The people came to him and said, "We know that you have a great God. Why do you not pray to him to send us rain?" So on Sabbath morning thirty-seven people met with the teacher and prayed for rain. At one o'clock of the same day they had a heavy rain, so that water was standing in many places. The wife of the chief returned and said, "This is truly wonderful. You have a great God."

We could not help but notice the cleanliness of the people, also the dwellings of those who have received the gospel, in comparison with others. We are all of good courage in our work here.

F. BURTON JEWELL.

SOUTHERN UNION MISSION

Through the Basutoland Field

A SHORT time ago in company with Pastor J. R. Campbell, superintendent of the Basutoland Mission, I took a trip through that field. We began at Bloemfontein, where Brother Campbell has erected a good brick church for the native believers, and held a number of meetings with a good attendance. This large location with about 20,000 inhabitants certainly needs the "everlasting gospel" light, for it seems to be a modern Sodom.

Leaving there we visited the little company at Bethuie, where Brother John Ross is located. After stopping at Aliwal North, where another meeting was held, we were taken by Brother J. M. Vorster to his farm. There he has been doing good missionary work, and a company has been gathered out and organised into a church. Here six meetings were held, and three adults baptised. Several others took their stand for the truth; one a young woman who is meeting severe opposition and persecution because of her loyalty to God.

Our next stop was at the hospitable home of Brother and Sister G. W. S. Marais, near Amandel Siding, C. P. Thence we drove by hired cart through the Herschel district to Qibira and Musong. At each of these native centres we have organised churches, and they, as well as many from the outside, seemed interested and benefitted by the meetings held with them. At Musong a good school is taught by Kgeola Rampai in our own brick building. The place is situated in a small mountain valley and was reached by foot and horseback over mountain paths. Wherever we went, the believers did all in their power to make us comfortable and supply us food.

Passing through Bloemfontein again, we visited Emmanuel Mission in Basutoland. The director,

Brother F. Macdonald, still has considerable dispensary work to do, while Brother A. P. Tarr has charge of the school. Recently fifteen were baptised at this station, and at the five meetings we held while there the attendance and interest was good.

After a short visit to Bethlehem, O. F. S., I was obliged to pass by other parts of this field owing to pressure of duties elsewhere. This is not an easy mission field, but Pastor Campbell is carefully planning his work, and labouring hard to push it forward. The prospects seem bright for a steady growth, and more workers are urgently needed.

H. C. OLMSTEAD.



Progress in Basutoland

Soon after Pastor Armitage moved to Basutoland, he conducted a short effort at Chief Wessel's place near Maseru, to establish him and his wife more firmly in the truth, and to work up an interest in the neighbourhood. Chief Wessels, who is Chief Ledingoana's father-in-law, had accepted the Sabbath through the efforts of his son-in-law and Brother Macdonald.

Through the labours of Brother Armitage and Brother Molokomme others of the family were brought into the truth. But before the chief was baptised, his attention was called to a stone in the wall beside the door of his house, which had been built in to ward off evil spirits and sickness; it was pointed out to him that should the stone remain in its place, he would be serving two masters, and that every person who passed through his door would see the evidence of his double service. He saw the force of the argument, after that he had been shown that the Bible forbids such things, and removed the stone.

Immediately after his baptism, as he stood upon the river bank, he made a strong plea to the people, and especially to his old mother, to accept the truth. Although she has not publicly accepted the faith, she acknowledges the Sabbath by allowing no one to work in her gardens on the Sabbath day.

Chief Wessels was not ashamed of the stand he was taking in being baptised. He could not force the people to be present at the meetings which were held at his house, but he required all his people to be present at his baptism.

The chief is rejoicing in the message, and in a testimony he said, "How glad I am to know this wonderful truth, and how sad I am, that more do not know it."

His village is almost under the shadow of the Roman Catholic mission. Thousands of Basuto are turning to this religion through the influence of the paramount chief who is a Catholic. Just a short time ago a

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Catholic woman allowed her daughter to attend services at the French Protestant mission. The following Sunday the priest required her and her daughter to stand in a corner all day long before the people in the Catholic church.

Recently a woman went to the Catholic priest and complained that Elder Armitage had accused the Catholic Church of substituting Sunday for the Sabbath. He said, "Why, didn't you know that the Catholic Church changed the day?" Her faith in Rome has been shaken.

At the above mentioned baptismal service it providentially happened that a chief who has accepted the Sabbath in Johannesburg, was present. He had been baptised before receiving the Sabbath, by being immersed three times, and was unwilling to be baptised again. As he witnessed the baptism of Chief Wessels, he was convinced of his error and is now awaiting baptism. This chief lives half way between Emmanuel Mission and Maseru. We are thankful for this, for it gives us an opening in new territory. We believe that it is providential that we should have the help of three chiefs in this region of Basutoland.

J. R. CAMPBELL.



Our Big Week

WHAT IT MAY ACCOMPLISH

THE Big Week for the sale of our timely literature belongs to every Seventh-day Adventist, and should become a part of the experience of all. The world needs the message of our books, the Publishing Department needs the means, and *all* need the mental and spiritual stimulus which this campaign affords.

The colporteur may make this week the biggest of the year. Then, above all times, he should "attempt great things for God," and strive to improve his methods of work. The conference and mission workers may get renewed practical experience in this important branch of the Lord's work. This will make one a better worker regardless of what his regular work may be. After a full week in the canvassing field, he will better understand the present problems and blessings of our faithful colporteurs, thus stimulating his personal interest and arousing his sympathies in this department.

Every church member needs the experience and training of this Big Week, especially those who do but little missionary work. They will be led to seek God more earnestly; their faith will be strengthened, and their interest in the message will be increased. Some may discover that they can do efficient work in the canvassing field, either permanently or in missionary endeavour. Even the youth and children under proper supervision can unite in this good work, and may accomplish much good both for themselves and others.

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Order the Sentinel Early

AN IMPORTANT NOTICE

IN order to prepare the *Sentinel* and *Wachter* for mailing on time it is necessary to run the edition through the press, thirty days before the month for which it is dated. On the first of August, the September *Sentinels* are going through the press. At that time we always face the perplexing question of how many to print, and the only way we have of estimating the number is by the orders we have in hand then. We can count on our regular subscribers, and on our regular standing club orders, but there are always a number of orders that come in late, for which we make some allowance. The last two months, very heavy orders have arrived after we had made our estimate, which have not only exhausted the editions, but make it impossible to fill smaller orders for which provision was made. We regret this, as much as those who are disappointed, hence we wish to emphasise the necessity of having any large orders reach the office no later than the first of the month before they are wanted.

We have been pleased at the interest that has been taken in the new *Sentinel*, and trust that it may not only continue, but increase, for our paper is one of our principal means of carrying the truth to the homes in South Africa. SENTINEL PUBLISHING COMPANY.



We Need Shelf Room

OF the July *Afrikaanse Wachter*, which was the first issue of this new magazine, we printed in excess of orders received, fully expecting there would be a big demand for this paper. There are 500 copies left over, all full of splendid reading matter, and these papers should be in the homes of the people instead of on our shelves. Are there not church societies and individual members who will be willing to use these papers instead of allowing them to become dead stock? Order through your tract society.

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