



## Publishing and Home Missionary Conventions

Held at Claremont and Plumstead, April 27 to May 1, 1925



WORKERS WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTIONS

On Monday morning, the 27th of April, there was held in the Claremont church the first meeting of the Publishing and Home Missionary conventions arranged by the South African Union Conference. Brethren G. S. Joseph and J. W. Mace were appointed to act as chairmen. All of the meetings of these conventions were filled with interest and will, we trust, mark an advance step in the publishing and home missionary work in this field. A complete report is being prepared of all actions passed, and of most of the discussions, and this report will be distributed quite widely through-

out the field. We take this opportunity, however, of passing on to the OUTLOOK readers, some of whom may not be receiving these reports, a number of thoughts culled from the talks that were given.

Pastor W. A. Spicer in the opening address, "Facing a World Task," sounded a note of courage, which seemed to ring through all the meetings that followed. As a denomination, we are a missionary people, with all the world before us. With the light of the gospel message, there comes the responsibility of carrying the Truth to others; and despite the vastness of the work, God has ordained that there shall be a courage and

hope characterizing the proclamation of the Message that shall inspire the hearts of both workers and people alike. This work will some day be finished, and the battle will be won. When a warrior is certain of victory, courage enables him to fight the better, and so God in His mercy has set pictures of victory before us that our courage in Him may be strong. No matter what the vicissitudes, we may throw ourselves into the battle, knowing that the end is certain.

The activities of the denomination might properly be divided under four distinct headings: evangelistic,

publishing, educational, and medical. These constitute a four-square formation which must withstand the attacks of the enemy. The publishing work is expected to hold its side of the square; without it, one whole side would be gone, and the enemy would easily break in. The publishing department has been called of God to answer the great cry for help, and in its pursuance of this work God's angels are commissioned to co-operate with human agencies. The colporteurs are the evangelists of Jesus, carrying the Message into the homes of the people. Our colporteurs should go out with the love of Jesus in their hearts, with a sermon, a direct message, in every canvass they give. Who knows, but what this may be the only opportunity that some may have of hearing the Truth.

Those who keep nearest to the Lord, are most abundantly blessed. The colporteur should ever keep in mind that the end of his work is the salvation of souls, and that in carrying to others the same saving light which he himself has experienced, the Holy Spirit will be with him, and he will have wonderful success. All that our literature is accomplishing will never be known on earth; heaven only will reveal it to the full extent. Although the books that are sold may not be immediately read, yet many which are now lying on dusty shelves will some day be taken down, and the literature which is now apparently being wasted will then bear fruit. We must sow in order to reap. Big returns demand much sowing, and this applies to the spiritual as well as to the natural life. There may be Red Sea experiences before us, but God still opens the way.

At one of the devotional meetings, a helpful talk was given by Elder Wright on Zech. 4:6. "Not by might [margin, army], nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." This promise means as much to us today as it did to Zerubbabel back there. God can do a great deal more with a few men controlled by His Spirit than with a large company of men dealing with facts and figures. It is true we need the best plans possible, the best methods, and the highest efficiency; we need to stretch every nerve, to become just as efficient as we possibly can; but at the same time we should never allow these things to crowd out what we sometimes term the "prayer life." The Holy Spirit does not flow through methods or plans, but through men. He does not appoint plans, but men. The revival that we so much need comes only in answer to earnest prayer. Spiritual men are men of prayer; men of prayer are men of success.

The opening talk of the Home Missionary convention was given by Elder Spicer, on "Our Supreme Objective." The key-note selected for this study, was the statement of Christ in one of His parables, "To every man his work." If every one of our quarter of a million members could be set to work, considerably more would be accomplished than is being done at the present time. The leaven of activity is needed among us more than anything else; we need to rally to personal work. Frequently, the help given by the laity is more effectual than that of the ministers. People who would be armed against the visits of ministers, would quietly and without prejudice listen to the teaching of the laity. The timidity of our people must be overcome, for there are souls around us ready to be

told, and every church member should feel it is his God-given duty to carry the Message wherever he goes. A working church is never a weak church. Working for others enriches our own spiritual experiences. Our supreme objective is the whole gospel to the whole world by the whole church.

Taking for his text, "Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord," Elder Mace conducted a most interesting study on "Christian Business and Business Efficiency." God expects His workmen to get a clear vision of His work and their relationship to it. This vision should make them the best workmen in the world. Many helpful statements were read by Brother Mace on the need for efficiency in every department of the work of God. In worldly business, stress is laid on qualifying to the greatest degree of efficiency possible; in God's work no less is required. "Success is not due so much to what you have, but to what you *do* with what you have." God requires promptness no less than business men do; He requires the elimination of every attribute, every tendency, that would impair the efficiency of workmen in His cause. "Every business transaction is to be fragrant with the presence of God."—"Testimonies," Vol. 9, p. 21. "Remember that you will never reach a higher standard than you yourself set. Then set your mark high, and step by step, even though it be by painful effort, by self-denial and sacrifice, ascend the whole length of the ladder of progress."—"Christ's Object Lessons," p. 331.

HARVEST INGATHERING: The Harvest Ingathering campaign is the denomination's big missionary enterprise. If in one campaign our churches failed, a cut of 25% would be necessary in mission appropriations. But the campaign should be made a spiritual one, and every member should be enlisted for active service. Short, brisk campaigns should be advocated, and in doing this, the setting of definite goals in both hours and amounts would be of advantage. There has been a lack in "follow-up" work in the past, and more should be done in this line. It is recommended that follow-up slips be used, and that the names and addresses of those interested in the Truth be carefully recorded, and further literature be supplied.

Among other recommendations passed, are the following:

1. That our brethren be urged to support wholeheartedly the distribution of the *Signs of the Times*, and that this become a part of the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

2. That we endeavour to increase the circulation of the *Signs* by writing our missionaries throughout the field, asking for the names and addresses of educated natives, and that funds be solicited from our churches to pay for subscriptions for these. We recommend that the publishing house manager be asked to take the responsibility of securing these names, and of passing on to the local conferences a proportionate charge for the cost of these subscriptions.

3. That the Cape Conference be asked to take Robben Island into consideration in the *Signs* distribution campaign.

4. Whereas there is a need for a definite set of small books which our laymen can use in the Big Week

campaign, therefore we recommend that the following sets of the "World's Crisis Series" be used:

ENGLISH SET: "The Bible Made Plain, and "Twelve Great Signs of Our Lord's Return."

AFRIKAANS SET: "The Bible Made Plain" (Afrikaans), and "Twelve Great Signs of Our Lord's Return" (English).

5. Recognizing the need for greater efficiency in our colporteur work, we recommend that each conference hold at least two institutes each year, one for the Europeans, and one for the natives.

6. That the date of the Big Week campaign for 1925 be set as November 30-December 5, and that the goals for the various fields be as follows:

Cape Conference	£100	0	0
Natal-Transvaal	135	0	0
Orange River	50	0	0
North Transvaal Mission	15	0	0

Total for Union	£300	0	0
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7. That the funds raised during the coming Big Week campaign be allocated as follows:

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
Cape Conf.	Angola Hospital	£100 0 0
N. Tvl. Miss.	Angola Hospital	15 0 0
O. R. Conf.	Furniture and Medical Equipment, Angola Hospital	50 0 0
Natal-Tvl.	Central Hospital Belgian Congo	135 0 0
		<u>£300 0 0</u>

A. FLOYD TARR, *Secretary*.



## Round the Union After Ten Years

JUST a word to the brethren and sisters about my second view of the work in the Union of South Africa. I have now attended three camp-meetings. My heart has rejoiced, as I have seen the evidences of growth in each conference.

Ten years ago, the Durban meeting was a meeting for all of the Union. It was a blessed meeting that I have never forgotten; but last month I rejoiced at Johannesburg to see the evidences of growth in the Natal-Transvaal. The meeting seemed more than twice as large in numbers; and, aside from numbers, I could see that the brethren and sisters have been growing in the Truth. A body of believers is developing in the Natal-Transvaal Conference who know this Message, and have grown into it with all the fervour and strength and understanding of our brethren in any of the older fields.

Again, in the Free State we had a blessed meeting; this time held in a tent, which made it seem more like a camp-meeting. Splendidly, the brethren and sisters of the Free State, and of the regions of the Cape which belong to the Orange River Conference, are standing by the work, and my heart felt new courage.

The Cape Conference session has just closed at Cape Town, the largest meeting of all, but no stronger in blessings than the other two conferences. These con-

ference organizations which make up the Union Conference represent a vigorously growing work.

One of the most encouraging features was the sound of evangelistic activity that was heard in all of the planning in the Natal-Transvaal, the Orange River, and the Cape Conferences. A new time has brought new effort in evangelism for the winning of new souls in North America and other older fields. I see the same spirit is stirring the hearts of the people and the workers in South Africa. Pray for these efforts, brethren and sisters. We are told that when there is more praying in the churches, more souls will be added to the church by the efforts of the evangelists. We are all partners in this thing, and certainly the Spirit of the Lord is arousing new interests everywhere.

Ten years ago, I held a little meeting at Beaconsfield, where our work in South Africa began; but there was not a sign of outside interest anywhere. This time I go to Kimberley, where Brethren MacNeil, Hiten, and Hurlow have held an effort, and I find a big hall crowded to standing room only, and the door-keeper saying that nearly a hundred people were turned away.

One of the inspiring tokens here in the Cape Conference is to see the interest being aroused in evangelistic enterprises underway by some of the younger workers,—Brethren Hyatt, Staples, and Clifford; and I hear that Brethren Birkenstock and Raubenheimer are just beginning an effort at Worcester in the Dutch language. These things show aggressive evangelism in South Africa. The fruitage already appearing means that there is to be yet more rapid growth in members.

The European membership in South Africa has practically doubled since I was here before, and now comes this new move to win yet greater numbers; and way beyond, we hear those splendid words from the mission fields. They mean that the latter rain is surely falling in some of the darkest places on earth. With the African Division doubling its membership in four years, I am inclined to think this Division has led all the divisions of the world in rapid increase of membership. We should pray that the Holy Spirit's power may give permanency and stability with this rapid growth. As I have met native believers in some of the local meetings, I have rejoiced to see how many of those who were in the Truth ten years ago are still faithful to it.

Be of good cheer, brethren and sisters in Africa, and pray for yet larger showers of blessing.

W. A. SPICER.



## General News Notes

BROTHER AND SISTER H. S. BECKNER and family are spending a few days at the Cape, and expect to sail about the 17th for England, returning to America.



DOCTOR A. N. TONG, appointed by the General Conference for Angola, has left for London, where he will spend a few months taking post-graduate work. It is expected that Doctor Tong will sail direct from England to Lobito Bay.

ON May 4, Elders Spicer and Branson left Cape Town for a trip to the Nyasaland field, and Brethren Mace and French left on the same train to attend camp-meetings in North Rhodesia.

BROTHER G. W. SHONE passed through Cape Town last week en route to England.

ON the 11th inst., Elder Wright and family left the Cape for Port Elizabeth, where they expect to make their future home.

BROTHER WALKER, wife and two little girls left for Bechuanaland on the 11th inst. Brother Walker takes over the superintendency of the mission field in Bechuanaland Protectorate.

MRS. T. H. GEORGE, of Port Elizabeth, is visiting her daughter at the Cape.



## Proceedings of the Cape Conference Held at Cape Town, April 20-26, 1925

THE first meeting of the twenty-eighth session of the Cape Conference was called to order in the Cape Town church, Tuesday morning, April 21, 1925, with Elder J. F. Wright in the chair. The meeting promptly opened at a quarter past eleven. The chairman remarked that it would be very fitting to open this first meeting by singing that beautiful hymn, "Wake the Song of Joy and Gladness." After this, the delegates were led in earnest prayer by Elder J. W. MacNeil.

Next in order, was the seating of the delegates, and we were pleased to hear so many respond to their names at this first meeting. As the chairman looked over the large number assembled, he expressed himself as greatly pleased and encouraged to see so many present. It was heard stated by different ones that the conference started off with the best attendance of any held in years. A few moments were taken to heartily welcome all, and to urge that each should pray daily for the Spirit of God to rest upon the conference proceedings.

After the roll call, it was moved and supported that the chair, in counsel with the local committee and such Union, Division and General men present, should appoint the usual standing committees to serve for the conference session. The following report was rendered in due time:

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS: J. W. MacNeil, F. M. Robinson, W. C. Tarr, F. G. Clifford and A. F. Minter.

COMMITTEE ON PLANS: G. S. Joseph, J. W. Mace, T. M. French, A. F. Tarr, O. O. Fortner, A. Willard Staples and Mrs. A. P. Tarr.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND LICENSES: J. F. Wright, J. W. MacNeil and W. H. Branson.

PASTORAL COMMITTEE: J. W. MacNeil, W. A. Spicer, J. W. Mace, W. H. Branson and J. F. Wright.

COMMITTEE ON SEATING OF DELEGATES: W. L. Hyatt and O. O. Fortner.

### PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS

The delegates listened with interest to the chairman as he rendered his report, which revealed that the tithe had made a nice increase over the past year, and it was a joy to all to learn that this confer-

ence led the Union in its mission offerings for 1924 by giving 2/10 per week per member. The natives gave 3½d per week as against their goal of 3d per week per member. It was not overlooked that the Sabbath school had shared largely in the making of this splendid showing.

While giving his report, the chairman urged that plans for strong aggressive evangelistic work be considered for all departments of the conference during 1925, and that thorough work be done in organizing our churches for more effective missionary work.

The treasurer's report for both conference and tract society was listened to with interest. While this report showed that a nice gain had been made during the past year, yet we face the fact that the conference is still under a heavy load, and that in order to carry on the work so much needed, it will be necessary for all of our people to be faithful in rendering to God an HONEST TITHE and to be liberal in offerings. Then, prayers are needed to the end that God will help us to spend the money in a careful manner and in a way that will accomplish the most good.

### REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Early in the conference session the committee gave its report as follows:

PRESIDENT: J. F. Wright.

SECRETARY-TREASURER: P. W. Willmore.

SECRETARY-TREASURER OF THE TRACT SOCIETY: P. W. Willmore.

HOME MISSIONARY SECRETARY: J. F. Wright.

FIELD MISSIONARY SECRETARY: L. Vixie.

SABBATH SCHOOL SECRETARY: Miss S. Mocke.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S AND EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY: The Union Secretary.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: J. F. Wright, W. L. Hyatt, W. C. Tarr, O. O. Fortner, E. E. Ladd, E. W. H. Jeffrey and F. M. Robinson.

This report was unanimously adopted, and the heartfelt prayers and earnest co-operation of all are solicited in behalf of these officers during the year before them, as they seek to build up the work in the Cape Conference.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND LICENSES

The following credentials and licenses were granted for the ensuing year:

MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS: J. F. Wright and W. L. Hyatt.

MINISTERIAL LICENSES: A. W. Staples, Jr., F. G. Clifford, S. J. Stevenson and W. C. Tarr.

MISSIONARY CREDENTIALS: P. W. Willmore, Miss O. M. Willmore and L. Vixie.

COLPORTEUR CREDENTIALS: D. J. Kruger, D. D. Toerien, P. J. Raubenheimer, Mrs. H. Sunshine, Mrs. M. Steyl and D. C. Theunissen.

COLPORTEUR LICENSES: F. Human and I. H. Babbie.

The credentials and licenses for the native workers were referred to the local conference committee.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLANS

We herewith present the resolutions which were framed and presented to the conference by the committee on plans, the same being adopted and heartily endorsed:

EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE: WHEREAS, The Cape

Conference has experienced the rich blessings of the Lord in so marked a manner during the year which has just passed, and the efforts of the workers have resulted in a record number accepting the Message, therefore

*Resolved*, That we express our deep gratitude to God for these tokens of His love and divine grace, and that we hereby pledge ourselves anew at this time to a deeper and fuller consecration to His service.

(Elder Spicer requested that he might especially speak to this resolution, which he did as follows: "I wish to express my deep gratitude for the advancement of the work here in South Africa, and too, right here in the dear old Cape Conference. Since my last visit, ten years ago, progress has been made in all lines and I now learn that the membership has been doubled in this great Division during the last four years. Nothing like this has happened in any other of our world divisions. My courage is good and I feel that wonderful things will be accomplished during the next few years for God in this field, and that many Europeans, together with coloured and native people, will be brought to the light of present truth.")

**TO THE BEREAVED:** WHEREAS, The hand of death has moved among us since last we met, and several of our number have been laid to rest, therefore

*Resolved*, That we express to the bereaved and sorrowing ones our deep sympathy for them in the hour of sorrow and death.

**HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT:** WHEREAS, We read in the "Testimonies," that "the work of God on this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers," and further "in a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power, and who lightens the earth with his glory," and that "the world is to receive the light of truth through the evangelizing ministry of the Word in our books and periodicals," and

WHEREAS, Experience has taught us that much good can be accomplished by the systematic distribution of tracts, papers, and books, we

*Recommend*, (a) That a strong campaign be conducted by our church members in this conference with the new "Bible Truth Series" of tracts in English and Afrikaans.

(b) That special efforts be made by all of our members to increase the circulation of our missionary paper, the *Signs of the Times* by subscribing for clubs to be used for free distribution.

**BIG WEEK:** WHEREAS, The Big Week plan has come to be a great factor in the developing of the publishing work in needy fields so that £36,000 have been raised during the past few years for this purpose, and

WHEREAS, At the recent Fall Council of the General Conference, it was voted to make this a three-fold endeavour, including educational and medical enterprises with the publishing, with a goal of £27,000 to be raised during 1925, and

WHEREAS, The General Conference has voted to appropriate out of this fund £800 for the establishing of new schools, £500 for medical work in the Congo, £500 for a hospital in Angola and about £300 for the

equipment of the Sentinel Publishing Company, a d  
WHEREAS, The goal for the African Division has been set at £300 for these enterprises, therefore

*Resolved*, That we pledge our support and co-operation in the raising of our portion of this fund in the following manner:

(a) That our lay members be encouraged to devote at least six hours during Big Week to the sale of literature, applying the profits to the Extension Fund.

(b) That our colporteurs continue to share in the Big Week plan, giving the profits of the largest day's sales to this fund.

(c) That our conference workers join in the extension plan by selling literature during the Big Week, applying the entire profits to the fund in addition to giving one day's personal income.

(d) That in case of inability to devote time and effort to the sale of literature during the Big Week, lay members and conference workers make an offering to the Extension Fund equivalent to at least one day's income.

(e) That the Home Missionary department be responsible for the promotion of this campaign, with the active co-operation of the Publishing, Medical and Educational departments.

**SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:** WHEREAS, Our Sabbath schools have become one of the greatest factors in the promulgation of this Message in all the world, and

WHEREAS, The general, world policy of this department is to raise not less than 4/- per member on each thirteenth Sabbath, therefore

*Resolved*, That this conference fall into line with this plan and set this amount before each school as our goal.

**REGULAR MISSION OFFERINGS AND WEEK OF SACRIFICE:** WHEREAS, The Mission Board due to lack of funds is unable to meet the many calls for men and means to extend the work in the yet unentered territories, therefore

*Resolved*, That we endeavour to reach the goal set for our conference pertaining to the 2/6 per week, and further that we invite all of our people to contribute one week's income during 1925 to mission funds.

**HARVEST INGATHERING:** WHEREAS, The Harvest Ingathering campaign has not only wrought many blessings to our people, but has become a potent factor in the raising of mission funds, therefore

*Resolved*, That a special effort be put forth this year to solicit at least £3-0-0 per member during the Harvest Ingathering season.

In closing this report, we wish to state that we appreciated more than words can express the help given us by the General Conference in the presence of Elders Spicer and Mace. Their timely messages brought new faith, strength and courage to all. Together with these dear brethren, Elders Branson, French, Joseph, MacNeil and the chairman joined in carrying the spiritual work during the days of the conference and camp-meeting. It proved to be a spiritual feast to all, and thus closed one of the best and largest sessions ever held in the history of the Cape Conference.

J. F. WRIGHT, *Chairman*,

O. O. FORTNER, *Acting Secretary*.

## Notice

BROTHER J. J. P. WESSELS, of Rouxland, P. O. Hoogekraal, Via. Morgenson, Tvl., desires to get in touch with a housekeeping governess, Adventist, who will be expected to manage and teach four children, two girls and two boys, aged respectively eleven, eight, five and two years. Applicant must be able to teach up to the elementary. Anyone interested, please correspond direct with Brother Wessels.

## NATAL-TRANSVAAL CONFERENCE

B. M. HEALD, *President*                      A. E. NELSON, *Secy.-Treas.*  
OFFICE ADDRESS: 8 Stranack St., Maritzburg, Natal.

### REVENUE STATEMENT, EUROPEAN DEPARTMENT, 1924

#### INCOME

TITHE	£5181 4 4
EVANGELISTIC EFFORTS FUND	19 15 6
FREE LITERATURE APPROPRIATION	144 8 2
INTEREST INCOME	24 6 9

#### EXPENSES

##### LABOURERS

Labourers' Salary	£1958 5 2
Labourers' Expenses	530 5 0
Labourers' Rent Allowances	88 6 0
Evangelistic Efforts	19 15 6

##### APPRO. FROM TITHE

Tithe of Tithe	523 4 11
Sustentation	366 4 5

##### GENERAL

General Expense	107 16 1
Emergency Account	120 14 0
Hlobane Church	50 0 0
Literature Free Distribution	144 8 2
Depreciation	10 3 10
Rent	30 0 0
Profit for 12 months of 1924	1420 11 8
	<u>£5369 14 9</u>
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Surplus, Jan. 1st, 1924	226 4 7
Profit, 1924	1420 11 8

Total Surplus, December 31st, 1924	<u>£1646 16 3</u>
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### FOREIGN MISSIONS FUNDS—YEAR 1924 EUROPEAN DEPARTMENT

Sabbath School Offerings	£802 9 4
13th Sabbath School Offerings	278 8 4
Foreign Missions	253 18 5
Annual Offering	147 2 3
Harvest Ingathering	1293 9 9
Camp-Meeting	769 2 2
Big Week	23 9 7
	<u>£3567 19 10</u>

Per capita of Mission Offerings for Year 1924—2/3 per week.

### BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31ST, 1924 LIABILITIES

LOAN ACCOUNTS		£878 4 11
DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS		251 0 5
Johannesburg Church	£51 15 2	
Indian Mission, Durban	87 19 6	
Norwood Company	16 8 0	
Pretoria Church	92 7 1	
Sweetwaters Church	2 10 8	
	<u>251 0 5</u>	

TRUST FUNDS		942 16 0
Camp-Meeting Fund	8 9	
Conference Educational Fund	1 4 3	
Evangelistic Efforts Fund	349 12 6	
Estate H. W. Horning	56 10 2	
Indian Mission Funds	13 6 1	
Indian Literature Fund	7 6	
Native Ch. Bldg. Fund, Jo'burg	19 12 10	
Loan Redemption	200 0 0	
Medical Missionary Fund	200 0 0	
M. V. Literature Fund	4 3 9	
Poor Fund	3 10 6	
Swaziland Extension	3 15 6	
Tent Equipment Fund	52 10 2	
Vryheid Effort Fund	8 11 6	
Woodhouse Property Rents	29 2 6	
	<u>942 16 0</u>	

SUNDRY CREDITORS		97 8 4
African Division Conference S. D. A.	12 0 3	
Sundries	6 19 9	
N.-T. Tract Society	12 8 1	
South African Union Conf. S. D. A.	25 9 6	
African Division Outlook	40 10 9	
	<u>97 8 4</u>	

WORKING FUND—EXCESS OF ASSETS OVER LIABILITIES		1825 17 9
European Department Profit, 1924	1420 11 1	
Surplus, Jan. 1st, 1924	226 4 7	
	<u>1646 16 3</u>	
Surplus, European Department	1646 16 3	
Native Dept. Profit, 1924	£223 1 5	
Less Deficit Jan. 1, 1924	43 19 11	
	<u>179 1 6</u>	
Surplus, Native Department	179 1 6	
	<u>1825 17 9</u>	

£3995 7 5

#### ASSETS

CASH ON HAND	£816 5 11
CASH IN BANK	1098 11 2
PROPERTY AND OFFICE FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	91 14 9
LOANS TO CHURCHES	1581 15 11
Ermelo	829 0 4
Johannesburg Church	498 4 6
Maritzburg	178 12 0
Standerton	75 19 1
	<u>1581 14 11</u>

NATAL-TRANSVAAL TRACT SOCIETY	302 0 0
SUNDRY DEBTORS	104 19 8
European Department	79 9 2
Native Workers—Advance on Moving	8 10 0
Pretoria Effort—Advance	16 10 6
Sentinel Publishing Co.	10 0
	<u>104 19 8</u>

£3995 7 5

I have examined the records of the Natal-Transvaal Conference for the twelve months ending December 31st, 1924, and certify that in my opinion the foregoing Revenue Statements have been correctly prepared, and the accompanying Balance Sheet presents a true and correct showing of the affairs of the organization as at December 31st, 1924.

Maritzburg, Natal, (Signed) A. FLOYD TARR, Auditor.  
16th March, 1925.



## Potchefstroom

Dis vir ons 'n genot om aan die baie lesers van die *OUTLOOK* mee te deel, dat die werk hier nog aan die vooruitgang is.

Sabbat, 18 April, het ons die heilige Nagmaal gevier. Byna al die lede was teenwoordig.

Sondag, 19 April, sal lank onthou word deur diegene wat die voorreg gehad het om die verrigtinge van die dag by te woon. Die môre om tien uur het 'n aansienlike getal van ons bymekaar gekom aan die oewer van die pragtige, heldere stroom van die Mooi Rivier, waar die heilige Sakrament van die doop aan 'n paar kosbare siele toegedien was. Dis asof selfs die Natuur die toeneel toegejuig het. Twee nuwe tente, wat ons so vrvindelik geleen was deur een van ons dorpsgenote, was opgeslaan langs die fraai stroom water, en onder die gesing van die voëltjies het ons die diens geopen met die sing van lied 1 in die Afrikaanse Liedere boek.

'n Gevoel van die plegtigheid het van ons almal besit geneem en nie één het daar weggegaan sonder om sy of haar verbond met die Heiland te vernuut nie.

In die agtermiddag het ons ons gewone kerk besighedsvergadering gehou. Dit was aangenaam om te merk die eensgesindheid wat daar geheers het. Dit finansiële verslag wat voorgelees was deur die penningmeesteres, het 'n goeie vertoning gemaak. Dit het duidelik geword dat die kerkgeboutjie byna betaald is. Aan die begin van die vorige kwartaal was daar 'n bedrag van byna £400 nog op skuldig, en nou skuld ons nog maar 'n weinig oor die honderd pond. Dis 'n bewys dat daar 'n hartelike saamwerking was, want dis nie verkry deur geld of goed wat die gemeente besit nie, maar alleen deur om skouer aan skouer te staan as één man, en die seën van die Here daarop het dit moontlik gemaak—"Eendrag maak mag." So 'n hartelike saamwerking kan en sal die Here ook seën.

Onder ander dinge wat op die vergadering bespreek is, was die noodsaaklikheid om hier 'n kerkskool op te rig, want ons het oor die 40 kinders in die gemeente van skoolgaande ouderdom. 'n Resolusie was met 'n sterke geesdrif en eenparigheid gepasseer om hier so gou moontlik een kerkskool te open, en om die leier van ons konferensie te vra om uit te sien na 'n bekwame onderwyser vir ons. Die hele gemeente besef, dat hulle onder 'n grote verantwoordelikheid staan om hulle kinders op te lei onder die invloed van die teenwoordige waarheid.

Die rede waarom daar so 'n grote tekort is aan Afrikaans sprekende arbeiders, is omdat ons in Suid Afrika ver te kort skiet in ons besef, dat, as ons ooit verwag om die werk onder ons land genote te voltooi, ons dan die jong seuns en dogters in ons eie skole 'n opleiding moet laat kry. Ons moet mild en ruim bydra tot die studente ondersteunings fonds, waaruit waardige, dog arm, studente kan gehelp word om hulle studies by ons eie kweekskool te kan voltooi.

Net soos altyd, Uw broeder in Kristus,  
B. P. DE BEER.



## Position of Farm Manager

ANYONE needing a farm manager is invited to correspond with Brother F. J. Pretorius, P. O. Hlobane, Natal.

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### Notice

IN compliance with Article VII, Section I, of the Missions' Operating Policy of the African Division of the General Conference, the executive committee of the Zambesi Union Mission has designated June 22 to 27, 1925, Bulawayo, as the time and place of the regular biennial session of the constituency of the Zambesi Union Mission, for the purpose of electing members of the executive committee and transacting any other business that may properly come before the constituent members at that time.

W. E. STRAW, *Superintendent*,  
LLOYD E. BIGGS, *Secretary*.



### Carried Into the Sea

ONE day, last September, a member of our conference committee in America, who had learned something about me, which he supposed I also knew, said, "You are a great one to run off and leave us like this." "I am not going anywhere," was my reply, and it took much persuasion to make him believe that I was ignorant of any change of location. Since he had aroused my curiosity, he gave the additional information in a whisper, "It is a call!"

A day or two later the dam broke and the flood came. I was handed a large envelope containing a call for Mrs. Cadwallader and me to connect with the Malamulo mission in Nyasaland. Some of you know the feeling. Suffice it to say, the flood carried us along, until it brought us at last to the sea—the sea of natives in Nyasaland, waiting for the gospel.

My first impressions of Africa! They were in that bulky envelope. More came that night, when Mrs. Cadwallader and I went to the public library to study Africa. We learned more about the geography of Africa that night, than in all the rest of our lives. Nyasaland was growing favourably in our eyes. More impressions came the next day when I talked with two workers from Africa, one who had seen service at Malamulo mission. The study of missionary accounts of Africa also added to our first impressions. And most important were several talks with Professor Howell, who had been to Nyasaland. His description was accurate and pleasing, and helped us to realize to what a splendid field we were called. We resolved to let the medical examinations be the deciding factor. The physicians gave their permission.

We continued to learn about Africa and Nyasaland, and particularly Malamulo mission, and at last arrived to see for ourselves. The realization was as good as the expectation.

We arrived at Malamulo mission two days before Christmas, 1924. Brother and Sister Sharman travelled over from America with us. We were met by Elder Ellingworth at the station of Luchenza, twenty-eight miles from the mission. After giving our baggage to the carriers to take to our new home, we started

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in the automobile for a pleasant ride to the mission. We passed through tea, rubber and tobacco plantations, travelling up-hill and down, across streams, through open country and forest, by native settlements and stores, and all the time on good roads, even though it did rain during part of the journey. In due time we arrived at our destination. Our journey of 14,000 miles was over.

The country is scenic. The mission grounds are well laid out and beautiful gardens surround the buildings. We were shown to our new home, a comfortable, neat, simply furnished brick house, with cement floors. A hospitable welcome was given us at the home of Elder and Mrs. Ellingworth. Night came and we slept in our new home, on a "corn shuck" mattress. The next day was a busy one and just as interesting. After breakfast, we were shown around the mission. We walked through the gardens down by the little stream and were shown the plot that was to be our individual garden. We enjoyed seeing the various places of interest on the farm, and were delighted at the prospects of tropical fruits, as well as some that were familiar to us.

We saw the students drilling on the bwalo (campus) and visited the classrooms. About noon our baggage arrived and we unpacked and began housekeeping on a small scale, awaiting the arrival of our freight. Some time during the day we were informed that our first work would be language study. We have been busy with it ever since, with a few additional duties.

It was all so strange and new, this being with persons whose speech we could not understand, in a country where winter is summer and one drives on the left side of the road, and where many other things are so different from that to which we have been accustomed. But new things are interesting and we have had an interesting time becoming adapted.

We are glad to have a part in God's work. May some good be accomplished by our efforts here, is our prayer.  
 E. MILES CADWALLADER.

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### A Visit to Kongolo

ON March 7, Elder Boger and the writer left Elizabethville for a visit to our Kikamba mission, heretofore known as Kongolo mission.

We took train from Elizabethville on the evening of the 7th of March, travelled all night and arrived at Bukama, the railhead, at about four o'clock the next afternoon.

Bukama is situate on the southern bank of the

great Congo River. At the present time, there is a wooden bridge across the river over which the train travels to and fro carrying railroad material for the purpose of extending the line still further north. Thus far the rails have been laid for about 125 kilometres in a direction slightly north-west of Bukama, towards our Songa mission.

The Government is now very busy building a steel bridge across the river, and we understand, that in June, 1925, the way will be open for passengers to travel by rail for 150 kilometres beyond Bukama.

All these extensions and improvements simply go to prove that God is preparing the way for His Message to go to all the world speedily.

After stopping over at Bukama from Monday night until Tuesday night, we started down the river on the "Louis Cousin" on Wednesday morning, the 10th of March.

There are thousands of natives at Bukama and the surrounding villages. These natives are in dark heathenism and they are calling for teachers to come and tell them of the love of Jesus.

As we sailed down the river for many days and passed village after village, we were made sad as we realized that there is no one to tell them about that blessed hope and glorious appearing of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The "Louis Cousin" has fairly comfortable accommodation for about twenty-two European passengers, and the windows and doors of the cabins are fortunately well screened with mosquito netting.

After five days and four nights on the river, we arrived at Kongolo at 8 p. m. on Sunday, the 14th of March. The following morning, we jumped on our bicycles and rode eighteen miles west of the river, where the Kikamba mission is located.

On our arrival there, we found Brother and Sister Ferguson and daughter very well. Brother and Sister Ferguson have done good, faithful work on the mission, and God is blessing their efforts. They have a temporary school building made of poles, mud and grass. Twenty-three boys and girls work for the mission from early morning until midday, then from 2 o'clock to 5 o'clock they go to school where they learn to read the Bible, write, sing, and work out simple arithmetic problems. A boy by the name of Jabez, from our Katanga mission school is the head teacher, and is doing very well. When he left Elizabethville, he knew but little Swahili, but now he interprets from English to Swahili without any hesitancy.

The natives in the vicinity of this mission wish to turn over a new leaf in their lives and so they are calling for teachers to show them the way. After our educational institute on the Katanga mission in May, we hope to send two teachers to the Kikamba mission field for out-school work. How we wish it were possible to send five times as many; but *where are the funds, and where are the workers?* I trust that the readers of the OUTLOOK will consider this question and that their hearts will be touched to give more liberally than ever before to the good cause of missions.

After spending two weeks with Brother and Sister Ferguson, we had to leave in order to catch a boat at Kongolo on the 1st of April. We arrived home on the evening of the 7th of April.

D. A. WEBSTER.