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The New Signs and Publishing House Plans for Its Promotion

J. F. WRIGHT



You will be pleased with the *Signs* in its new dress. For some time we have been giving earnest study to ways and means whereby we might make the paper more effective. We have felt it ought to enjoy a much larger circulation.

So recently, some very definite steps have been taken by the Division Committee and the Sentinel Board, which we feel will make the *Signs* a greater factor in disseminating the truth.

Beginning with the December issue the paper will be enlarged to sixteen pages, and will be printed in two colours. It will deal with both the religious and health phase of our work. A similar plan is being followed with great success by the Southern Asia Division in the production of their paper entitled, *The Oriental Watchman and the Herald of Health*. A recent letter from Elder N. C. Wilson informs us that their magazine is taking very well with the public. We believe the change we are making in the *Signs* for this Division is, also, a step in the right direction.

Elder L. L. Moffitt, the new editor, is throwing his heart and soul into the work of making the *Signs* a live journal. He is being supported in this additional undertaking in a strong way both by the Division Committee and the Sentinel Board.

To assist in building up a much larger circulation of our new *Signs* and health magazine throughout the field, the publishing house has employed Brother Jack Stockil as circulation manager as from November 10, 1935. Brother Stockil is very enthusiastic regarding the matter of a larger circulation for the *Signs*, and the board members are ready to co-operate with him to the limit of their ability as he assumes his new responsibility. He will add

his strength to the efforts of our churches and conference workers in obtaining a larger circulation of our paper. We hope it will not be long until 20,000 copies of the *Signs of the Times and Herald of Health* will be sent out each month from the Sentinel Publishing Company. This is not an impossible task.

We trust, therefore, that during *Signs Week*, everyone will get under the load, and do his best to enable the paper to become a more active and influential agency in spreading the truth far and near. Your co-operation and effort in this matter will be deeply appreciated.

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or section of the town where you can work regularly soliciting subscriptions or selling the current month's issue to those who do not subscribe. Systematic distribution is the most productive type of work.

Offer it to your friends as they call on you or as you call on them.

Offer the paper either as a subscription or in individual issues each month, to the tradesmen who come to your door.

Have a rack or table close to the door where these papers are readily accessible.

Call at your local library and ask the librarian if the paper would not bring added value to the library.

Above all, take a live interest in the paper yourself.

Take an interest in your neighbour's salvation. Then see that the paper with its life-giving message in some way or other finds an entrance into their homes.

The Signs of the Times is our South African Field Evangelist. Not one of the workers will feel offended, I am sure, when I say it should be the most active and the most aggressive evangelist we have. It presents the message to the people in their homes. It unfolds the truth to them in their leisurely moments and cannot be offended or very readily cast aside; even if it should be disregarded in one particular place, it is apt to find its way to someone else. Such an evangelist deserves the support of every member, and its possibilities if due advantage is taken of it are immeasurable.

The Wide Possibilities for Increasing the Signs Circulation

A. FLOYD TARR



ONLY as we add together the possible individual efforts of our entire membership in circulating the *Signs* and *Tekens* are we afforded an idea of the vast possibilities that lie before us in increasing the circulation of this good paper. Multiply the number of members in South Africa by the number of subscriptions which each member could take by calling on every neighbour and friend, as well as the papers that could be sold out of hand each month, and you have a rough idea of the possibilities as far as the laymembers are concerned. When you add to this the result of the workers' endeavours, the total, if *possibilities* are to be our basis, will be a colossal figure. And why, after all, should not the possibilities in God's service become realities?

The past circulation should not be considered a measurement of future possibilities — no more than as members we would wish our past inactivity to be an index of all future service. We often speak of scattering the truth like the leaves of Autumn, but how large a share have we had thus far in such a programme? Presumably we must be the trees, for that is where the leaves come from. On stormy days the leaves fall thick and fast. We are living in stormy times and the leaves of truth should be falling rapidly. No tree should stand aloof and refuse to share in the scattering.

Here are some of the ways by which we can do our share with the *Signs*:

First, do your utmost during *Signs Week* to secure subscriptions, then ask your church missionary secretary for a street

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Every Conference Worker Leading Out in *Signs* Week and Supporting the *Signs* Throughout the Year

A. N. INGLE

At every testimony meeting held, where folks are asked to tell how they came into the truth, there is a large proportion present who will state that they first came to a knowledge of the truth through reading, and later took their stand when they heard the spoken word. I am always happy to know that the people attending evangelistic meetings have already had the opportunity of reading some of our books or papers. For this reason, as workers in this cause, with the desire to give this message to the people in every way possible I feel that we should gladly do all that we can to increase the circulation of the *Signs* and *Tekens*.

To this end we are planning for every conference worker to lead out in the strongest possible way during the *Signs* campaign, November 30 to December 7. We are encouraging our workers to set substantial goals for subscriptions, and to give every possible encouragement by precept and example to our entire membership to make the 1935 *Signs* Week the best in our history.

In addition to this we are asking all of our workers, as a regular part of their work, to canvass the territory in which they are working for *Signs* and *Tekens* subscriptions. We are also asking as many as possible to endeavour to sell these papers on the streets and from door to door. I feel there is a large field of potential sales that has not yet been exploited as it should have been, and therefore, do earnestly ask all workers to do all they possibly can to encourage church members to do street selling of these papers.

Further, the conference is asking all of their workers, for the first four years of their association with the conference, to accept 5/- per month of their wages in our missionary paper, these to be sold for their own account. If our church membership would devote an equal amount of their means and time to the distribution of our papers, what a tremendous impetus it would give to the *Signs* and *Tekens* circulation. Fellow workers, our new paper promises to be one that we can be proud of. Let us each do our share in making it a success.

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The New *Signs*

A New Opportunity for Magazine Workers

L. A. VIXIE

MAGAZINE workers and missionary-minded believers, there is a new opportunity for you in the new *Signs*! There is no criticism to make of the old *Signs*, for many

are on the road to the kingdom because of it. But the new *Signs* will sell more readily because of its added attractions. Both the outside and the interior make-up of the magazine will make it attractive and more appealing to the eye. Instead of eight pages, there will be sixteen. There will be articles appealing to the busy business man, appropriate helpful articles for the home-maker, the youth and the children, and excellent articles on various phases of health. It will truly be an all-round paper.

We are making a special call for recruits for the magazine ministry. The possibilities are attractive both from a remunerative and a missionary point of view. The

CHURCH LEADERS

Important!

Supplies of the Signs of the Times and Herald of Health, Die Tekens van die Tye en Gesondheidsbode, and illustrated promotion pamphlet containing two suggestive canvasses will be sent to all churches in time for distribution to members on Sabbath, November 23, 1935.

Leaders are earnestly requested to see that each member is supplied with a copy of either *Signs* or *Tekens* and a promotion pamphlet to take home with him so that he may study the contents of the paper and become familiar with the suggestive canvass before the campaign opens on November 30.

Signs is increasing in interest and value as a missionary paper. We need now to put it in every home possible. The *Signs* saves souls.

In one of our coast towns where an effort had not been conducted for some time, I was introduced to a new convert in our church. I asked him who brought him into the truth. His prompt reply was that some unknown person had sent him the *Signs* and, after reading it for some time, he was convinced of the truth and accepted it.

Truly "the *Signs* is an instrumentality to do a specific work in disseminating light in this day of God's preparation."—"Testimonies," Vol. IV, page 589.

I urge our magazine workers to do their utmost in taking subscriptions as well as in selling from door to door. And those who are longing to do some special service for the Master have an unlimited opportunity to do so with the *Signs of the Times* and *Herald of Health*.

The Rally Call to Every Church and Layman for *Signs* Week

W. H. HURLOW



On August 24 of this year, Seventh-day Adventists all over the world united in a day of earnest prayer with fasting. The object of this special devotion was that we might petition our heavenly Father that He should continue to hold a restraining hand over the affairs of this world, curbing yet a little while longer the warlike propensities of the nations. In other words, *that the coming of our Lord might be still further delayed*. Believers in the advent message, how could we pray thus? What justification have we for seeking to put off that time of trouble, when we know that it will usher in the day of victory and triumph of truth; bring an end to the sadness, suffering, iniquity and shame of this tragic world, and introduce the reign of righteousness peace, and joy in the Lord. It cannot be that we do not long for the home of the Father, nor that we fear to meet the Saviour.

One justification only can we find for our supplication. It is that we might finish our task. We have loved ones who are outside the fold, acquaintances and neighbours who are ignorant of the awful calamities awaiting this world in the very near future. Their ignorance and maybe their unpreparedness lies at our door. Certainly it should weigh as a heavy responsibility upon our hearts. In the times of peace and ease we neglected many of our heaven-sent opportunities. Now, in the "hours of setting sun we must do the work which centuries might have done." A sense of this responsibility and an earnest pledge to be faithful to our task, can be our only justification for our prayers of August 24 last. What shall we say if we now neglect our sacred commission, if we fail to come to the help of the Lord. "Be not deceived, God is not mocked."

In the new *Signs* campaign we have another opportunity to bring to the people of this land the warning message for this time. It offers occasion for that personal touch which is the ideal in soul-saving effort. Surely not one of the faithful will be found wanting at this time. The growing seriousness of the times, the lateness of the hour, and our earnest appeal to our Heavenly Father for an extension of time, should be the unfailing rally call to all the faithful in Israel.

**SELL SIGNS AND
SAVE SOULS**

Effective Methods for Signs Workers

F. E. POTTER



THE most effective way of accomplishing any task is for one to put his whole heart into it. That is the first essential to success in any undertaking.

The next thing is to think success, talk success, act success. This will put you in a frame of mind that will inspire others

with confidence in you and your mission.

Get a good working knowledge of the issue of the *Signs* or *Tekens* you are going to use as a sample. The more familiar you are with the subject matter in it the more points you will have with which to attract and hold interest in those you solicit.

Plan your work for the *Signs* Week. How much time are you going to give to solicitation—and, by the way, do not try to reckon out how much time you can spare! Spare time is never half as effective or successful as that which is given at a sacrifice.

Whatever period of daily time is given to the work—consecrate it, and get God's blessing on it. Then use it, wisely and intensively. Before proceeding forth to solicit each day see you have your order book, pen or indelible pencil, some change, and several clean Signs.

Do not waste time in social talk, or use it in trying to give Bible Studies. The *Signs* will be able to do the latter more effectively, for, if you can get it into a home it will make twelve visits and give more truth than you could.

Do not be drawn into an argument under any consideration whatever.

Do not skip homes because you may have a "feeling" that they will be unproductive. Work on the principle that every home is to have a chance of learning the truth.

After having explained the object of your visit and given a lucid description of the *Signs* (or *Tekens*) suggest in a natural and confident manner that the person place their name on your subscription list for 1936. Show no timidity or hesitancy at this point, but be businesslike, friendly, and in earnest.

Finally—pray hard, work hard, and trust in God.

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The Advance of the Message in Northern Rhodesia

R. M. MOTE

In harmony with the Divine command, the workers and laity of the Northern Rhodesia Mission Field are gradually and surely carrying the gospel of salvation to every one of its sixty-seven tribes.

We rejoice, this year, in the fact that our camp-meeting attendance has increased more than thirty-three per cent over last year. This year, one out of every eighty-two persons in Northern Rhodesia attended our camp-meetings, and one out of every hundred and twenty persons is now a Sabbath keeper.

Furthermore, never have we witnessed such a harvest of souls, never have we seen such a large number of baptisms. This year over seven hundred souls renounced sin and were buried with our Lord in baptism. Thus we see that God has abundantly blessed the seed sown by the early

too became lay-evangelists. Time after time they pleaded for help. Our native pastor was sent on regular visits. A nearby European mission hired a native evangelist to break up the work of these Sabbath preachers. Meetings were held, false accusations were made. These brought forth an intense interest in Bible study. Our believers were strengthened thereby and the opposing evangelist who had promised to bring all the Sabbath keepers with him into his church handed in his resignation and left the country.

The opposing European missionary was not so easily discouraged. He talked with the old chief of the village and gained his consent to open a school. With hired labour he built a beautiful up-to-date Kimberly-brick school house. A teacher was sent and the opening of the school announced. The bells rang, and the teacher went to the chief, the European missionary urged the young folk to attend, but they answered, "We are Seventh-day Adventists and we will not go to your school. You just want us to join your church."

At Sekute, eleven were baptised as the result of the work of a crippled boy who became a lay-preacher.

At Rusangu we heard the story of our lay-preacher Jethro. For years he has been a faithful witness near the Zambesi Valley. For three years he toiled faithfully for God without a visit from any of our European missionaries. During this time a missionary from another society visited his church and gave him Bible studies for four days, urging that he and his people come to their mission.

Jethro could not be easily persuaded. He said, "If you show me from the Bible the answer to my questions I will join your church. The European missionary returned home discouraged, but with an admiration for the faith of an African Seventh-day Adventist.

A certain minister of another society called one of our promising lay-brethren to his home to study the Bible on the Sabbath question. Our lay-brother met the appointment and was given a seat on the side porch. Questions were asked, traditions were not accepted, these led to a Bible study given by our lay-brother; but before it closed the minister excused himself and entered the house. After a half hour had elapsed the wife of the minister came out to our brother and said, "You had better go as the Reverend _____ has had to go to town on business and will not be present."

Thus mingled with our six thousand Sabbath keepers God has faithful leaders who will do what we cannot. "Therefore said He unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray we therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth labourers into His harvest." Luke 10: 2.

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"FEARLESS minds climb soonest into crowns."—Shakespeare.

CAPE FIELD

Camp-meeting

AT "RIVERSIDE"

JANUARY 3-5

A number of requests have reached us to have camp-meeting during the Railway excursion period, in order that our isolated members might avail themselves of the cheaper Railway fares. We have therefore passed on a request to the South African Union Conference to arrange for our camp-meeting to convene at the Good Hope Training School, Athlone, from January 3-5. Those desiring to reserve accommodation or make enquiries should do so in good time. Send in your requests to:

PASTOR L. BILLES,
Harewood,
Ravensworth Road,
Claremont, Cape.

pioneers and now we are reaping the golden harvest.

Calls are coming daily. From the Ka-sempa province and the Feira district we hear the Macedonian calls. The Paramount chief of Barotseland swings open the doors to the hearts of 375,000 people. They are begging and pleading for the Light of Truth but we must say, "wait."

The Laity and the Message

At Dimbwe Mission we held a unique camp-meeting, for here were gathered a group of over 600 souls, of which 100 were baptised and a church of over 200 was organised. This was all the work of our lay-membership, without European supervision.

Several years ago a young man bought a book in Chitonga on the Sabbath. He read it and accepted the truth. Soon he had gathered a company of young Sabbath keepers. Two of the number attended Rusangu Mission for a few years and they

Some Parents Suppose

SOME parents suppose that they can send their children to schools where God says, "It is no longer safe," and that their children will remain Christians.

Some parents suppose that promiscuous association will not injure the character of their children.

Some parents suppose that the wrong kind of reading and text books will not lead their children away.

Some parents suppose that infidel, atheistic, and evolutionary sentiments and teaching five days of the week, can be counteracted in the lives of their children by one hour and fifteen minutes spent in the Sabbath school once a week.

Some parents suppose that their children will be able to distinguish and choose judiciously between right and wrong, forgetting that this power to distinguish and to choose rightly is a product of Christian education itself.

Some parents suppose that God will work a miracle to care for their children when they fail or refuse to place them where He has said they should be.

Some parents suppose that God did not quite understand economic conditions in 1935, when He said, "It is no longer safe," and "Gather the children out from those schools where worldly influences prevail."

Some parents suppose that it will be safe to send their children to schools of the world till the finishing year, providing they then put them in the academy for the finishing touches.

Some parents suppose, or let us say, hope, that the inexorable law which says, "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap," will not prove true in the case of their children.

Some parents suppose that their judgment in regard to school matters is as good as, if not better than, God's plain instructions regarding this matter.

The odds are against the boys and girls growing up today. They should be granted every privilege and opportunity possible for making good. We run a fearful risk when we refuse or neglect to follow God's way for our children. While our schools are not perfect and never will be till human nature is changed, yet Christian Seventh-day Adventist schools have been ordained of God for the salvation of our young people, and they should be patronised 100 per cent.

"In planning for the education of their children outside the home, parents should realise that it is no longer safe to send them to the public school, and should endeavour to send them to schools where they will obtain an education based on a Scriptural foundation."—*Counsels to Teachers*, page 205.—C. D. Striplin in *Pacific Union Recorder*, Aug. 1935.

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VERKOOP TEKENS EN RED SIELE

Graduation at Helderberg

G. E. SHANKEL

A LARGE number of visitors, friends and relatives of the graduates assembled at Helderberg during the week-end November 1-3 to attend the exercises of the splendid class of 1935. Twelve students completed the Normal Course and five the Theological, making by far the largest finishing class in the history of the college and bringing the total number of graduates near to the 150 mark. Of this large group one may easily number on his fingers those who have not remained true and faithful, thus demonstrating the holding influence of our college.

Class Night

The class night exercise on Thursday evening, October 31, was marked by a beauty and simplicity. The aim of the class "Faithful unto Death" furnished the central theme around which the programme was built. Inspiring examples were related of those who had been faithful unto death in ages past. A touching tribute was paid to Freya Boekhout, the deceased member of the class, by Belle Hegter, one of her classmates. At the conclusion of a well-delivered programme in which each member of the class took part, numerous bouquets and other floral designs were presented to the girls.

Consecration Service

On Friday evening, November 1, a special consecration service was held. Elder Moffitt delivered a most fitting short sermon after which the members of the class arose and gave their personal testimony of consecration.

Class Sermon

The sermon on the last Sabbath of school was also devoted to the class. Elder Le Butt, the father of one of the graduates, Leslie Le Butt, addressed the class most earnestly on the ideals of service.

Commencement

The concluding exercise of the year took place Sunday evening. Elder Wright spoke to the class in a heart-felt way on the responsibility facing the graduates. He compared two men of great power named Julius Caesar and the apostle Paul and contrasted worldly ambition and Christian devotion. At the conclusion of this outstanding address the Principal conferred the diplomas and Mrs. Shankel, the class sponsor, presented to each member a small booklet, the gift of the Staff.

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A Pleasing Comment

J. F. WRIGHT

WE are always pleased to receive constructive criticism and helpful comments relative to any phase of our work. Especially is this true when it comes from those not connected with our work. In the *Cape Times* issue of October 28, we note the following tribute paid to Helderberg

College in bringing out its college annual for 1935, entitled the "Silver Leaf." Thinking the comment might be of interest to the readers of the Outlook, we are passing it on as it appeared in the newspaper.

"THE SILVER LEAF"

"School and college magazines usually leave me frigid. They are always admirable productions, considering the extreme inexperience of their editors and contributors, but their promise is usually more outstanding than their achievement; and fifty or sixty pages of promise are rather hard to read through.

"The Helderberg College near Somerset West, however, has hit upon a new and excellent way of producing a college magazine.

"This year's 'Silver Leaf' contains scarcely any reading matter at all apart from a few words explaining college activities.

"The bulk of the magazine is occupied with beautiful pictures of Peninsula scenes, very well reproduced, and photographs of the leading members of the college.

"The result was that even a hardened professional like myself was compelled by interest to look through the whole magazine, and enjoyed it. So often it is only charity that compels me to look through such publications.

"The editorial committee has been wise in its choice of policy.

"The Man on the Spot."

Editorial Staff.

We, too, feel the annual this year is a splendid production, and trust its circulation through the field will tend to inspire even greater confidence in the school and the vital place it holds in the onward march of our work here in the Southern African Division.

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Die Nuwe Signs en Tekens en die Planne van die Uit- gewers om dit te Bevorder

J. F. WRIGHT

U SAL opgeneome wees met die Signs en Tekens in hul nuwe dos. Vir geruime tyd al het ons oor planne gedink waardeur ons ons blad meer aantreklik kan maak. Ons het gevoel dat dit 'n wyer sirkulasie behoort te hé. Daarom het die Divisie Komitee en die Sentinel Raad stapte geneem wat die Signs en Tekens doeltreffender sal maak in die verspreiding van die waarheid.

Met die Desember uitgawe sal die blad tot sesien bladsye vergroot en in twee kleure gedruk word. Dit sal beide die geestelike fase en gesondheidsfase van ons werk behandel. In die Suidelike Asië Divisie word dieselfde plan met groot sukses gevolg in verband met die blad, *The Oriental Watchman and the Herald of Health*. In 'n onlangse brief skryf Leraar N. C. Wilson dat hul blad baie gewild is onder die publiek. Ons glo dat die verandering wat ons maak in die Signs en

Tekens van hierdie Divisie, 'n stap in die regte rigting sal wees.

Leraar L. L. Moffitt, die redakteur, span al sy kragte in om die *Signs* en *Tekens* 'n lewendige blad te maak, en hierin ontvang hy alle steun van die Divisie Komitee en die Sentinel Raad.

Om te help met die uitbreiding van die sirkulasie van die nuwe *Signs* en *Tekens* het die uitgewers mnr. J. H. Stockil aangestel as sirkulasiebestuurder vanaf 10 November 1935. Broeder Stockil is baie entoesiasties in verband met die uitbreiding van die sirkulasie van die *Signs* en *Tekens*, en die raadslede sal hom hul volle ondersteuning gee. Hy sal saamwerk met ons kerke en konferensiewerkers om die sirkulasie van ons blad te vermeerder. Ons hoop dat ons eerlank 20,000 eksemplare van die nuwe *Signs* en *Tekens* in sirkulasie sal hé. Dit is nie onmoontlik nie.

Ons vertrou dus dat almal gedurende *Signs Week* hul skouer aan die wiel sal sit en hul bes sal doen om die blad 'n kragtiger middel te maak om die waarheid wyd en syd te versprei. Ons sal u pogings en samewerking in hierdie oopsig baie op prys stel.

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Groot Moontlikhede vir die Uitbreiding van die *Signs* en *Tekens* Sirkulasie

A. FLOYD TARR

SLEGS as ons die individuele pogings van al ons kerklede tesame in ag neem kan ons 'n idee vorm van die groot moontlikhede wat daar bestaan vir die uitbreiding van die sirkulasie van ons goeie blad. Vermenigvuldig die getal lede in Suid-Afrika met die getal subskripsies wat dit moontlik is vir elke lid om te neem as hy sy bure en vriende besoek, en die getal blaarie wat elke maand uit die hand kan verkoop word, en dan sal u meer of min 'n idee kan vorm van die moontlikhede wat daar bestaan wat ons leke betref. As u nog hierby tel wat die werkers sal uitrig, dan sal die totaal 'n ontsaglike syfer behaal—d.w.s. as ons moontlikhede as grondslag van ons berekenings neem. En waarom sal moontlikhede nie werklikhede kan word in die werk van die Here nie?

Ons moenie die sirkulasie van die verlede neem as maatstaf vir die toekoms nie—net so min as ons, as lede, ons nalatigheid van die verlede graag sal wil neem as maatstaf van alle diens in die toekoms. Ons sê dikwels dat die waarheid soos herfsblare moet versprei word, maar wat het ons tot dusver in hierdie oopsig gedoen? Die idee is natuurlik dat ons die bome sal wees, want dit is waar die blare vandaan kom. Op stormagtige dae val die blare met hope af. Ons beleef vandag stormagtige dae en die blare van waarheid behoort vinnig te val. Geen boom moet opstaan en weier om blare af te skud nie.

Hier volg nou 'n paar wenke hoe om ons deel te do en in verband met die *Signs* en *Tekens*.

Doen u bes gedurende *Signs Week* om intekenaars te werf, en vra daarna u sendingsekretaris om 'n straat of deel van die dorp waar u gereeld kan werk om intekenaars te werf of eksemplare te verkoop aan diegene wat nie ingeteken het nie. Stel smalmatige distribusie van die blaarie sal die meeste vrugte afwerp.

Gee eksemplare aan u vriende as hulle u besoek of as u hulle besoek.

Werf intekenaars onder die sakemanne wat by u aanklop of probeer om enkele nummers aan hulle te verkoop.

Hou die blaarie byderhand in 'n rak of op 'n tafel.

Besoek u biblioteek en vra om die blad daar te laat.

Stel, bo alles, self belang in die blad.

Alle Konferensiewerkers Neem Deel aan *Signs Week*

A. N. INGLE

Op elke getuienisdiens waar persone gevra word hoe hulle in die waarheid gekom het is daar altyd 'n taamlike aantal teenwoordig wat getuig dat hul eerste kennis van die waarheid opgedoen was deur lees, en dat hulle later die waarheid aangeneem het onder die prediking van die Woord. Ek is altyd bly om te weet dat die persone wat ons evangelistiese dienste bywoon alreeds 'n kans gehad het om van ons boeke en blaarie te lees. Om hierdie rede moet ons, as werkers wat begerig is om op alle moontlike maniere die waarheid aan die mense te bring, alles in ons vermoë doen om die sirkulasie van die *Signs* en *Tekens* uit te brei.

Met hierdie doel voor oë maak ons planne waardeur elke konferensiewerker die *Signs* veldtog vanaf 30 November tot 7 Desember kragtiglik kan ondersteun. Ons moedig ons werkers aan om vir hulself doelwitte te stel in die werveling van intekenaars, en om ook deur woord en daad die kerklede aan te moedig om die *Signs Week* van 1935 die beste in ons geskiedenis te maak.

Boonop nog, vra ons ons werkers om intekenaars te werf vir die *Signs* en *Tekens* in die terrein waar hulle werkzaam is. Dan vra ons ook dat soveel as moontlik sal trag om hierdie blaarie op straat, en van huis tot huis te verkoop. Ek voel dat daar in hierdie verband groot moontlikhede is om ons blaarie te verkoop—iets wat nog nooit eintlik onderneem was soos dit behoort te wees nie—en daarom versoek ek alle werkers ernstig om alles te doen om die kerklede te beweeg om die blaarie op straat te verkoop.

Verder het die konferensie ook al sy werkers versoek om van ons sendingblaarie ter waarde van vyf sielings per maand te neem as deel van hul salaris, en dan die blaarie vir hul eie rekening te verkoop. As die kerklede 'n dergelike bedrag en van hul tyd sal bestee om ons blaarie te versprei, watter groot stoot vorentoe sal dit die sirkulasie van die *Signs* en *Tekens* gee! Medewerkers, daar bestaan alle rede om te glo dat ons nuwe blad van 'n gehalte sal wees dat ons daarop kan trots wees; laat ons dan ons deel doel om dit 'n sukses te maak.

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'n Beroep op Elke Kerk en en Elke Leek om Saam te Staan Gedurende *Signs* Week

W. H. HURLOW

OP 24 Augustus van hierdie jaar het Sewende-dag Adventiste oor die hele wêreld gevas en gebid. Daar was spesial gebid dat ons hemelse Vader Sy hand oor die wêreld sal uitstrek om die oorloë enstrydlustigheid van die volke nog 'n rukkie

Gevra!

TYDSKRIF-WERKERS. Skryf aan: Sirkulasiebestuurder, Posbus 6, Claremont, Kaap.

langer in bedwang te hou. Met ander woorde dat die koms van ons Heiland nog verder sal uitgestel word. Geagte gelowiges in die Adventboodskap, hoe kan ons so bid? Watter rede het ons om te vra dat die dag van benoudheid sal afgestel word wanneer ons weet dat dit die dag van die oorwinning van die waarheid sal inlei, en 'n einde sal maak aan droefheid, lyding, sonde, en die koninkryk van geregtigheid, vrede, en vreugde in die Here sal meebring? Dit kan tog nie wees dat ons nie verlang na die Vaderhuis of dat ons bang is om die Here te ontmoet nie.

Ons kan net een regverdiging vind vir ons dag van gebed, n.l. dat ons tyd mag gegun word om ons werk klaar te maak. Daar is van ons dierbares wat nie gered is nie, en daar is bekendes en bure wat niets weet van die vreeslike onheile wat die wereld in die nabye toekoms sal tref nie. Dit mag miskien ons skuld wees dat hulle onkundig en onvoorberei is. Dit is tog seker 'n verantwoordelikheid wat ons behoort te besef. In die dae van rus en vrede het ons ons plig versuim. En nou dat die son byna onder is moet ons die werk doen wat ons gedurende die jare moes gedoen het. 'n Besef van hierdie verantwoordelikheid en 'n ernstige belofte om getrou aan ons taakte wees kan die enigste regverdiging wees vir ons gebede op 24 Augustus. Wat sal ons sê as ons nou nog ontrou is aan ons heilige opdrag, en as ons nalaat om tot die hulp van die Here te kom? „Dwaal nie; God laat Hom nie bespot nie.”

In die nuwe *Signs* en *Tekens* veldtog het ons weer 'n geleentheid om aan die mense van hierdie land die waarskuwende boodskap vir hierdie dae te gee. Dit bied geleentheid aan vir daardie persoonlike aanraking wat so nodig is om siele te win. Daar sal seker nie een wees wat sy plig sal versuim nie. Die erns van ons dae, die kortheid van die tyd, en ons gebede vir 'n verlenging van tyd behoort al die getroues in Israel te laat saamstaan.



Doeltreffende Metodes vir *Signs* en *Tekens* Werkers

F. E. POTTER

DIE doeltreffendste manier om 'n werk klaar te kry is om dit met hart en siel aan te pak. Dit is 'n onontbeerlike vereiste vir die sukses van enige onderneming.

Die volgende stap is om oor sukses te dink, van sukses te praat, en te handel met die oog op sukses. Dit sal u in daardie gemoedstemming bring wat andere sal besiel met vertroue in u onderneming.

Bring self goed op hoogte van die inhoud van die *Signs* en *Tekens* wat u as monster gaan gebruik. Hoe beter u die inhoud ken, hoe meer punte sal u kan aanvoer om die belangstelling van die mense op te wek.

Maak behoorlike planne vir *Signs* Week. Hoeveel tyd gaan u bestee aan die werving van intekenaars? en terloops wil ek net sê moenie probeer om uit te reken hoeveel

tyd u kan spaar nie! Mens kan nooit net soveel uitrig in spaar tyd as in tyd wat mens opoffer nie.

Watter deel van die dag u ookal afstaan, sonder dit af, vra die Here se se daarop, en maak dan die beste gebruik daarvan. Voordat u vir die dag uitgaan moet u sorg dat u 'n kwitansie boekie, 'n pen of inkpotlood, genoeg kleingeld, en 'n hoeveelheid skoon *Signs* saamneem.

Moenie tyd verkwis deur te gesels of Bybelstudies te gee nie. Die *Signs* sal die waarheid beter kan verkondig as u dit kan doen, want as u 'n persoon kan beweeg om in te teken sal hy die blad twaalfmaal

nie dat ons fout vind met die ou *Signs* nie, want baie het daardeur tot bekering gekom; maar die nuwe *Signs* sal baie makliker kan verkoop word omdat dit aantrekliker is. Die omslag sowel as die bladsye is baie mooi en aantreklik, en in plaas van agt sal die blad nou sestien bladsye bevat. Daar sal goeie artikels wees vir die besige sakeman; artikels vir die huis, jongmense en kinders, asook uitstekende artikels oor gesondheid. Dit sal 'n veel-sydige blad wees.

Ons vra nou om rekrute om die blad te verkoop. Daar bestaan groot moontlikhede vir die blad uit 'n geldelike sowel as 'n sending oogpunt beskou. Die *Signs* neem toe in waarde as 'n baanbrekerblad, en nou moet ons dit na elke woning laat gaan. Die *Signs* en *Tekens* red siele.

In een van ons kusdorpies waar daar vir 'n lang tyd nie 'n poging gehou was nie, het hulle my aan 'n nuwe bekeerling voorgestel. Ek het hom gevra hoe hy in die waarheid gekom het, en hy het aan my gesê dat iemand die *Signs* aan hom gestuur het, en dat hy die waarheid aangeneem het na hy die blad vir 'n tyd gelees het.

Waarlik „die *Signs* is 'n doeltreffende middel in die groot veld om die lig te versprei in hierdie dae van die Here se voorbereiding.”—„*Testimonies*,” Deel IV, bls. 598.

Ek maak 'n dringende beroep op ons tydskrif-werkers om alles in hul vermoë te doen om intekenaars te werf, sowel as om die blaaisie by die huise te verkoop. Diegene wat verlang om iets spesiaal vir die Meester te doen het nou 'n uitstekende kans in verband met die *Signs of the Times* and *Herald of Health*, en *Die Tekens van die Tye en Gesondheidsbode*.



Drie Vrae Beantwoord

Die redakteur van die OUTLOOK het drie vrae aangaande die betaling van tiendes ontyng. Lesers van die OUTLOOK sal ongetwyfeld belang stel in die antwoorde op hierdie vrae:

Die eerste vraag is:

„*“Dit is goed vir 'n mens om 'n deel van wat die Here aan hom toevertrou aan die Here terug te gee, maar ek sou graag wil weet waar Jesus ooit in Sy prediking oor tiendes gepraat het.”*

In die eerste plek sê die vraer dat „dit goed is vir 'n mens om 'n deel van wat die Here aan hom toevertrou aan die Here terug te gee.” As dit goed is om „'n deel” aan die Here te gee, dan is dit goed om 'n tiende deel van ons besittings te gee. En as dit goed is om 'n tiende te gee, dan kan dit nie sleg of nadelig wees nie. As die leser ernstig nagedink het toe hy hierdie verklaring gemaak het, sou hy die antwoord op sy derde vraag gevind het. Die betaling van tiendes is of goed, of sleg; dit kan nie beide goed en sleg wees vir 'n mens nie.

Uit baie oogpunte beskou is die betaling van tiendes goed vir 'n mens, maar dit sal voldoende wees om daarop te wys dat

kry en dit sal meer materiaal bevat as wat u kan gee.

Moet onder geen omstandighede in 'n argument gewikkeld raak nie.

Moet ook nie huise verbygaan omdat u 'n voorgevoel het dat niemand daar sal inteken nie. Gaan van die beginsel uit dat elke huis 'n geleentheid moet kry om die waarheid te hoor.

Na u die doel van u besoek aan die persoon verduidelik het en 'n goeie beskrywing gegee het van die *Signs of Tekens*, stel dan voor om sy naam op u intekenaars lys vir 1936 te skrywe. Moenie op hierdie tydstip bang of huiwerig wees nie, maar wees saaklik, vriendelik, en ernstig.

En eindelik, bid vuriglik, werk hard en vertrou op die Here.



Die Nuwe *Signs* en *Tekens* 'n Nuwe Kans vir Tydskrif- wers

L. A. VIXIE

In verband met die nuwe *Signs* is daar 'n nuwe kans vir tydskrif-werkers en gelowiges wat sendingwerk wil doen. Dis

Christus Self die betaling van tiendes goedgekeur het. Die verslag hiervan vind ons in Matt. 23:23. Jesus het aan die skrifgeleerde en Fariseërs gesê, „Julle gee tiendes van kruisement en anys en koljander. . . Hierdie dinge behoort julle te doen.“ Die woord „behoort“ dui aan dat Jesus die betaling van tiendes beskou as die plig selfs van godsdienstige werkers. Daar bestaan geen twyfel dat Jesus die betaling van tiendes goedgekeur het nie.

Die tweede vraag is:

„Ek is 'n ou man en ek het 'n vrou en drie kinders om te onderhou. Hoe kan ek uit die bietjie wat ek verdien tiendes gee en nog my gesin onderhou?“

Alvorens ons op hierdie vraag ingaan wil ons duidelik maak dat die tiendestelsel nie 'n instelling van 'n mens of 'n groep mense is nie, God het dit beveel. Dit blyk duidelik uit die Skrifte. Ons lees in Levitikus 27:32-34, „Wat aangaan al die tiendes. . . Dit is die geboorie van die Here.“

Die geboorie wat God aan Sy kinders gee is nooit swaar of skadelik nie, as ons hulle gehoorsaam sal dit ons altyd tot seën strek. Nou kom die vraag: „Hoe kan dit my tot seën strek as ek 'n deel van my geld — een tiende — afstaan wanneer ek dit nodig het om my gesin te onderhou?“ Die antwoord hierop is as volg: Ek kan meer uitrig met nege tiendes van my inkomste waarop die seën van God rus as met tien tiendes waarop Sy vloek rus.

Die Here het uitdruklik belowe om diegene wat hul tiendes betaal, te seën. Die belofte is opgeteken in Maleági 3:10-12, en lui as volg:

„Bring al die tiendes na die skathuis, sodat daar spyse in My huis kan wees; en beproef My tog hierin, sê die Here van die leërskare, of Ek vir julle nie die vensters van die hemel sal oopmaak en op julle 'n oorvloedige seën sal uitstort nie.

„Ek sal ook die sprinkane van julle afweer, sodat hy die opbrings van julle grond nie sal verwoes nie; ook die wynstok op die land sal vir julle nie onvrugbaar wees nie, sê die Here van die leërskare.

„En al die nasies sal julle gelukkig prys, omdat julle die land van welbehae sal wees, sê die Here van die leërskare.“

Die Woord van God verklaar ook duidelik dat daar 'n vloek rus op diegene wat die tiende, wat aan God behoort, terughou. Die profeet verklaar in Maleági 3:8, 9:

„Kan 'n mens God beroof? Want julle beroof My, en julle sê: Hoe het ons U dan beroof? In die tiendes en die offergawe. Met die vloek is julle belaai, en tog beroof julle My, julle, die hele nasie.“

Die betaling van ons tiende is 'n geloofsaak. Dit verg geloof om te glo dat ons met die nege tiendes beter in ons behoeftes sal kan voorsien as met die tien tiendes. Nogtans het God die seën belowe, en diegene wat die Here op Sy woord neem en getrou Sy bevele gehoorsaam, vind dat Hy getrou is aan Sy woord, dat Hy nie 'n leunaar is nie.

Die derde vraag is:

„Wie is die grootste sondaar in die oog van die Here, die man wat die Here beroof deur nie sy tiendes te betaal nie, of die man wat wel sy tiendes betaal en gevolek nie in die behoeftes van sy gesin kan voorsien nie, en dus slechter as 'n heiden is?“

Die vraer konstateer dat beide die man wat nie sy tiende betaal nie en die een wat nie vir sy huisgenote sorg nie sondaars is. Maar sy vraag is: „Wie is die grootste sondaar?“ Ek twyfel of ons enige baat daarby kan vind om 'n onderskeid te maak op grond van die graad van skuldigheid en sondigheid in die twee gevalle.

'n Christen moet sy tiende betaal m.a.w. aan God teruggee wat aan Hom behoort, en ook sy gesin onderhou. Die Here stel nie 'n persoon vry van die betaling van sy tiende omdat sy inkomste klein of sy gesin groot is nie. Die rede lê voor die hand: Die Here vergoed aan ons wat ons verloor deur die betaling van die tiende deur Sy seën te laat rus op die nege tiendes. Die getuienis van die getroue kinders van God wat hul tiendes betaal is dat hulle sodanig geseënd is dat hulle hul gesinne kan onderhou selfs met klein inkomstes.

Die Here eis nie meer in proporsie van 'n persoon wat 'n klein inkomste het as van iemand wat meer ontvang nie. Die persoon wat £1 per week kry, betaal aan die Here een tiende — niks meer nie — presies soos die persoon wat £10 per week ontvang.

Diegene wat die uitnodiging aangeneem het: „Beproef my tog hierin, sê die Here van die leërskare,“ het gevind dat gehoorzaamheid, geloof en getrouwheid ver bo hul verwagting beloon was. Laat ons die Woord van God aanneem, en gelowig en getrou sy goddelike wil gehoorsaam.



Wat Noordelike Rhodesië Doen

LERAAR W. H. ANDERSON stuur van Katimo Mulilo Sendingstasie af die volgende interessante rapport van die werk in Barotseland:

„Ons het uitstekende dienste gehad al langs die rivier. Alles tesame het tweeduizend vyf honderd die dienste bygewoon, die diens te Katimo Mulilo ingeslote. As hulle daarin slaag om almal voor die einde van die jaar te bereik wat gereed is om gedoop te word, sal die getal wat hierdie jaar in Noordelike Rhodesië gedoop is op oor die agthonderd te staan kom.“

„Die omvang van ons werk in Noordelike Rhodesië kan as volg weergegee word: Een naturel uit elke 100 van skoolgaande ouerdom in Noordelike Rhodesië is in 'n Adventiste skool. Een persoon uit elke tagtig van die hele bevolking het vanjaar ons kampdiens bygewoon, en een uit elke honderd-en-twintig nou nou die Sabbat. Dit is wat tot stand gebring is gedurende die afgelope dertig jaar. Die werk in Barotseland kan binne vyf jaar verdubbel word as al die openinge kan te baat geneem word.“

„Net voor ons van Nalolo af weg is, het die koningin ons gesê dat wat sy nou verlang is dat ons haar gebied sal vul met ons boodskap en dat sy al haar invloed sal gebruik om hierdie doel te bereik. Ons behoort sulke versoekte te baat te neem en werk te begin in hierdie nuwe plekke. Een stam van omtrent vyfduisend het al hul indoenas — sewe in getal — na ons gestuur; hulle het ons vertel dat hulle gehoor het van die wederkoms van Christus en dat hulle nie gereed was daarvoor nie. Hulle het gepleit dat ons iemand moet stuur om hulle te help om hulself voor te berei daarvoor. Hulle behoort gehelp te word.“

„Daar is hongersnood al langs die rivier vanjaar. Die sprinkane het verlede jaar alles opgeëet, en duisende mense het niks anders om van te lewe nie as wortels en bolle wat hulle in die bosse uitgrawe. Ek voel baie jammer vir hulle. Ten spye van die ellende waarin hulle verkeer, het hulle op Sitoti vyf stuks grootvee sowel as hoenders, skape, bokke en ander dinge gegee as hulle kampdiens offergawe.“

„Hulle het konvensies gehad om die onderwysers te help in hulle werk. Hulle vertel my dat hulle nog nooit, sedert die tyd toe ek nog hier was, werkersvergaderings gehad het waarop hulle sulke goede onderrig ontvang het in Bybel leerstellings en die manier om siele te win as hierdie jaar nie.“

„By die afsluiting van die Liumba Hill konvensie, het die werkers besluit om as doel aan te neem, agthonderd en vyftig nuwe lede in die hoordersklasse gedurende die volgende jaar. As hulle dit kan doen sal dit die grootste stap voorwaarts wees wat hulle nog ooit geneem het.“

A. E. N.



Ons Skole in die Unie

MILTON ROBISON

HOEWEL toestande nie altyd van die beste is nie en daar plek is vir verbetering, hoef ons nie skaam te wees oor die werk wat daar in ons kerkskole gedoen word nie. Dit is die oortuiging waartoe die Opvoedingssekretaris van die Divisie gekom het op sy laaste inspeksie toer.

Die kerkskole is goed toegerus, en almal is onder toesig van gekwalifiseerde onderwysers. Die werk wat daar gedoen word is oor die algemeen van 'n hoë gehalte.

Dit is met genoë dat ons verneem het dat die Randse kerkskool baie goed gedoen het in 'n toets wat aan 6,000 kinders op die Rand gegee was. Al die standerds in die kerkskool het net so goed gedoen of nog 'n hoër peil bereik as die groep van 6,000. Na wat ons in die ander kerkskole gesien het is ons seker dat hulle ook net so goed sou gedoen het.

Die Opleidingskool te Spioenkop is vol nuwe lewe, en beide onderwysers en studente is gretig om vooruit te gaan. Die geboue word gerepareer en daar bestaan 'n plan om die hostel van die meisie te her-

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Helderberg College News

ELDER EDWARDS and Mr. Van Eck will both leave on November 11, to visit the churches in the interest of the college. They hope to visit a large number of homes during the next month or so.

At the closing chapel exercise suitable tokens of appreciation were presented to the teachers who are leaving at this time. The recipients were E. W. Tarr, C. H. Bell, Mrs. Garne and Mrs. E. W. Marter.

MR. BELL is remaining for a few weeks to complete the electrical work in the new buildings before proceeding overseas via the East Coast. Brother E. W. Tarr and family sailed on the 5th on their way to Walla Walla College.

SUMMER school started on November 7 with eight students in attendance. Besides these some fifteen or more students have stayed to work during the summer. Miss Hyatt, Mr. W. F. Tarr and Mr. Marais are carrying the burden of the summer school work.

MRS. GARNE has moved to the Strand where she will spend several months. We are sorry that it will not be possible for her to be with us next year. Her work in the Dressmaking Department has been highly appreciated. The exhibit by the sewing classes at the end of school showed work of superior quality.

THE Choral Recital given on the evening of November 2 was an enjoyable one. The first part of the programme consisted of sacred numbers, the latter part secular. The school orchestra furnished two numbers and Raymond Chilton favoured with a violin solo. One original number was the 95th Psalm set to music by local musical talent and sung by a double mixed quartet.

General News

MR. AND MRS. VICTOR NORCOTT and child left Cape Town on the R. M. S. "Winchester," November 12, for Durban, en route to the Belgian Congo where they will resume mission work.

NOVEMBER 5 a party of workers left on the S. S. "Ubena" for overseas. Among the party were Pastor and Mrs. Milton Robison and Jeanette; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Tarr and Neal; and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Marter. The two last-named couples are en route to America for further training. A report from Walvis Bay indicates that all are well, and only two of the group thus far had been indisposed owing to sea weather.



South African Conference Session and Camp-meeting

THE second session of the South African Conference of Seventh-day Adventists is called to convene on the Agricultural Showgrounds, Port Elizabeth, Cape, Jan. 15-17, 1936. The first meeting will be held at 9:00 A. M.

Officers will be elected for the ensuing term, and such other business transacted as may properly come before the conference.

Immediately following this business session, the camp-meeting will take place, Jan. 17-25. The opening meeting will be held Friday night, Jan. 17; song service 7:30; opening sermon 8:00.

This camp-meeting of eight days' duration will be entirely devoted to spiritual meetings.

A. N. INGLE, President,
P. W. WILLMORE, Sec'y.



Suid-Afrikaanse Konferensiesitting en Kampdienste

Die tweede sitting van die Suid-Afrikaanse Konferensie sal plaasvind op die tentoonstellingsgronde, Port Elizabeth, van 15 tot 17 Januarie 1936. Die eerste vergadering sal om 9:00 v. m. gehou word.

Die beampies vir die volgende termyn sal geskryf word, en enige ander sake in verband met die konferensie wat mag voorgebring word sal aangehandel word.

Onmiddellik na die besigheidsvergaderinge sal die kampdienste begin — vanaf 17 tot 25 Januarie. Die openingsdiens sal op Vrydagavond 17 Januarie plaasvind; Sangdiens 7:30 n.m. en die preek om 8:00 n.m.

Die kampdienste, wat agt dae sal aanhou, sal almal geestelike dienste wees.

A. N. INGLE, President
P. W. WILLMORE, Sekr.

Ons Skole in die Unie

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bou. Daar het 'n goeie getal ingeskrywe en Leraar Hansen sê dat die vooruitsigte vir aanstaande jaar uitstekend is.

Op die sendingstasies Bethel, Cancele, en Emmanuel bestaan daar goedgeorganiseerde skole met bekwame onderwysers. Broeder en Suster Sharman op Bethel het die werk aangepak, vol geesdrif en moed. Daar het alreeds groot verandering gekom, en die aantal studente het grootliks vermoeier. Ons kleinste kerkskool is op Cancele, waar Mej. Doreen de Beer smorens in die sendingskool les gee, en smiddae vir haar broertjie. Hy werk hard en hoop om hierdie jaar Standerd V deur te kom. Op Emmanuel het ons byna die doel van ons besoek vergeet, want die vrugte bome was in volle bloei, veral die kersiebome was pragtig. Hulle verwag 'n goeie oes hierdie jaar. Die Buckleys is vol moed en die skool maak goeie vordering.

Ons statskole het met baie moeilikhede te kampe, soos byvoorbeeld gebrek aan uitrusting, boeke, leie, lessenaars, en klas-kamers. Ten spyte hiervan is die onderwysers getrou en word daar goeie vordering gemaak.

Die seën van die Here was kenbaar in al die skole, en die inspekteur was beemoedig om die goeie gees te sien wat daar heers.

Obituary

BLAINE.—It came as a great shock on Sabbath, November 2, when word was received of the sudden death of Sister Yvonne Blaine at her parents' home at Lilani Hot Springs, Greytown.

Sister Yvonne had been in poor health for about two weeks previous, but she was up and around on the Friday, and went to town with her father. She complained of not feeling well and after saying "Good-night" went to bed early.

The next morning at about seven o'clock she appeared to be sleeping and at nine o'clock, when called, was found to have passed into the sleep of death. It came as a great shock to her own family.

Her body was taken to Durban for burial and on Monday afternoon in the presence of a large gathering of friends at the Durban church, Elder Clifford conducted the funeral services.

Sister Yvonne is buried alongside her brother and grandmother in the Stella Wood Cemetery. She leaves her parents, two brothers, and a sister.

Sister Yvonne had endeared herself to a large number of people throughout the Union and the mission field, having attended both Spion Kop and Helderberg she was known by a large student body.

Our hearts go out in sympathy to those who are bereaved, but we look forward with faith and confidence to meeting Sister Yvonne in the first resurrection.

A. N. INGLE.