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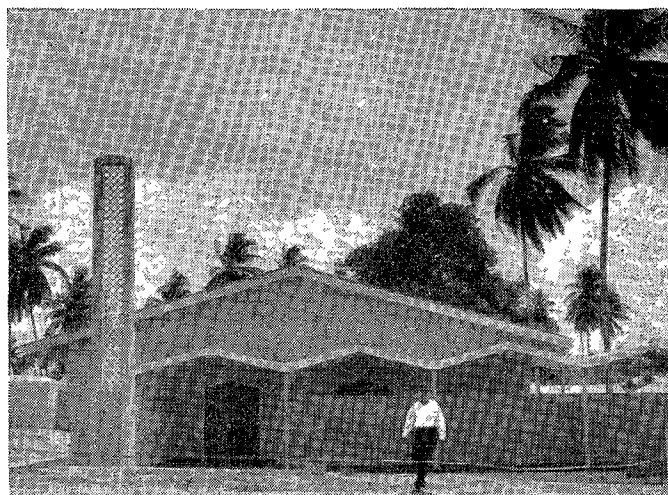
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Side and Front Views of the New Church.

Dar-es-Salaam Church Dedicated

WE are happy to report the dedication of the new church in Dar-es-Salaam, the capital city of the Tanganyika Republic. It is very appropriate that we have a witness in this very busy and rapidly growing seaport and administrative centre, where are seen the flags of the embassies of many nations, where Islam holds the majority of the coastal people, and where Africans from all parts of Tanganyika come to find employment and education, or to attend sessions of the parliament.

A cathedral would not have been representative of the church which expects the soon-return of Jesus, nor would a small, poorly appointed hall have given the correct impression of a world-wide, fast-growing church, but the building which was dedicated seats 500 (more, if necessary), looks like a church, and is so constructed that it is cool in the hot climate of the coast. At the rear of the

rostrum are two good-sized rooms for Sabbath-school classes or Dorcas meetings.

Years of steady labour prepared for this happy dedicatory service. Colporteurs have devoted years of faithful work here to placing hundreds of books and magazines in the homes of the people. Branch Sabbath-schools have been opened, a Voice of Prophecy effort was conducted, a city effort by a local Tanganyika Union team brought in some ninety converts, and then the most recent public campaign, conducted by E. E. Cleveland of the General Conference Ministerial Association, brought the membership of this Dar-es-

Salaam church to over 150. Thus this dedication was the capstone of plans, labours, prayers, and sacrifices. It was a high day in the history of the Tanganyika Union and one to make the hearts of union president F. G. Thomas and his workers rejoice.

The building was officially opened by Mr. P. Bomani, Minister of Finance for Tanganyika. "I am sure," he said, "this new church here and the services which go on in it will do much to assist man in his efforts to raise moral standards." The dedicatory service was preached by the writer during whose administration as a former president of the Tanganyika Union, plans were laid for this church building.

The anonymous overseas donor, whose gift, added to Division funds, made this

by C. T. J. HYDE, Secretary,
Church Development Department, Trans-
Africa Division

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HEART to HEART

*A Friendly Chat with
Your Division President*

Dear Fellow Believers in the Advent Message:

Polly was a very cheeky parrot. She loved to mimic. Portions of the conversation heard around her farmhouse home were repeated with gusto.

Farmer Henry had cattle that once in a while found ways and means of getting through their paddock fences, and on occasions they came foraging up on to the farmhouse lawn. At such times the farmer found his faithful collie, Shep, a real help.

"Sic'em, Shep! Sic'em Shep!" Henry would snap and away Shep would go to chase the cattle off the lawn.

One warm afternoon Shep was enjoying a siesta on the back stoep. Polly was nearby but she was wide awake.

"Sic'em Shep! Sic'em Shep!" Polly screamed at the top of her voice.

Old Shep responded instantly. Barking menacingly he set out after the cattle at top speed. Polly was delighted. This time, however, there were no cows. Perplexed the faithful canine returned to his place of rest on the stoep. He was soon sound asleep again.

"Sic'em Shep! Sic'em Shep!" Polly shrilled gleefully.

Shep was off the second time to chase the cattle. A second time he returned with disappointed air to continue his interrupted afternoon nap.

A third time Polly sent the dog on a fruitless errand.

Very pleased with herself. Polly screamed the fourth time—"Sic'em Shep! Sic'em Shep!"

With somewhat less enthusiasm Shep roused and loped across the lawn barking half-heartedly. But this time the old dog returned bent on revenge. Poor Polly came off second best. By the time Shep had completed his disciplinary procedure the raucus bird was very much subdued and featherless!

A few minutes later Mrs Henry discovered the chastened and naked parrot clinging to the back stoep bannister, lamenting "Polly talk too much! Polly talk too much!"

Yes, Polly talked too much all right and she came to grief.

Aren't many of us afflicted with the same malady that got Polly into difficulty? Don't WE talk too much also?

The apostle James wrote: "Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak" James 1:19. Someone has said it is significant that God gave each of us two ears and only one tongue. It surely is true that many people are literally talking themselves out of heaven because they could not control this little unruly member of their bodies.

It would be well for each of us to read frequently the timely counsel James has written for our admonition.

"We all make mistakes in all kinds of ways, but the man who can claim that he never says the wrong thing can consider himself perfect, for if he can control his tongue he can control every other part of his personality! Men control the movements of a large animal like the horse with a tiny bit placed in its mouth. And in the case of ships, for all their size and the momentum they have with a strong wind behind them, a very small rudder controls their course according to the helmsman's wishes. The human tongue is physically small, but what tremendous effects it can boast of! A whole forest can be set ablaze by a tiny spark of fire, and the tongue is as dangerous as any fire, with vast potentialities for evil. It can poison the whole body, it can make the whole of life a blazing hell.

Beasts, birds, reptiles and all kinds of sea-creatures can be, in fact are, tamed by man, but no one can tame the human tongue. It is evil and always liable to break out, and the poison it spreads is deadly. We use the tongue to bless our Father, God, and we use the same tongue to curse our fellowmen, who are all created in God's likeness. Blessing and cursing come out of the same mouth—surely, my brothers, this is the sort of thing that never ought to happen! James 3:2-10 (Phillips Translation).

If we were to stop and look back on each day's record of all that we have said I am certain we would not always be proud of what has been recorded. As an unknown poet has written:

If all that we say in a single day,
With never a word left out,
Were printed each night in clear black
and white,
'Twould prove queer reading no doubt.

And then, just suppose, ere our eyes we
could close,
We must read the whole record
through;
Then wouldn't we sigh, and wouldn't
we try
A great deal less talking to do?

And I more than half think that many
a kink
Would be smoother in life's tangled
thread,
If half that we say in a single day
Were left forever unsaid.

Author Unknown.

"Isn't it strange," I heard a person observe one time, "It takes a baby approximately two years to learn to talk, and sometimes sixty or more years to keep his mouth shut."

"Blessed is he who, having nothing to say, cannot be persuaded to say it."

"It is better for one to remain silent and let other people think him a fool than to open his mouth and thereby remove the doubt from their minds."

"Only words we have carefully weighed are likely to carry much weight when we say them."

"One way to save face is to keep the lower end of it closed."

There is a great deal of truth in those statements from unknown sources.

May God give us victory over these unruly tongues of ours,

Sincerely yours in Him,

TEN REASONS

Why Seventh-day Adventists Need the Sabbath School

G. R. NASH, *Secretary,*
General Conference Sabbath School Department

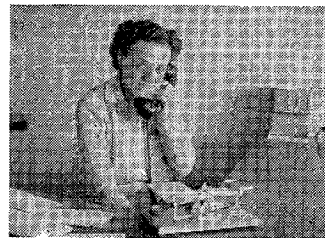
1. The Sabbath-school provides the most thoroughly organized and universally effective Bible study program in the denomination. Here is an opportunity for all, from the very young to the very old, to gather understanding from Him who is understanding.
2. The Sabbath-school is a marvellous institution for keeping children safe within the church's heart. In no other service are children taught with such directness the meaning of upright conduct and deepdown faith, calculated to keep them in the truth.
3. In this life our joy is often pain-surrounded, hence young and old need a time such as the Sabbath-school discussion provides when

those of like trials can talk their faith within range of sympathetic ears. If sometimes the way is lonely and long, those who are hard-pressed can thus find a new outlook in God's house.

4. In the Sabbath-school the believers hear weekly mission reports, which give perhaps our broadest and clearest view of the on-going message designed to gather a "called-out" people. In no other public meeting can one be exposed regularly to this world-wide reach of the gospel.
5. Approximately one half of all the mission funds that support our world work are raised through the Sabbath-school. In this service the believer can throw his financial strength behind a program that is vastly bigger and broader than his private interests could possibly be.
6. In the Sabbath-school the members are placed in an atmosphere of proper Sabbath observance. At all hazards, the Christian should keep inviolate the holy hours of the Sabbath-school and other church services. Then this day in which so many people toil can be kept in its apartness and in its beauty as God's holy day.
7. The Sabbath-school inspires each member to active service. Soul winning through branch Sabbath-schools, community Bible schools, and other evangelistic endeavours is promoted. Thus each member is encouraged to hasten the coming of Christ by personal witnessing.
8. The Sabbath-school helps develop the leadership qualities latent in many of God's people. Members who become strong leaders in the Sabbath-school often use their improved talents for building up the entire church program.
9. The Sabbath-school is a gathering together in Christ's name, there-

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Meet Our Workers



"SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST OFFICE here. Good Morning!" Several times each day telephone callers are greeted pleasantly in this manner by MRS. ZENOBIA HEATHORN, for she is the receptionist in our Division office. Her courteous attention to visitors and her tireless and willing assistance to us in dealing with our telegrams, trunk calls, requests for stationery, and an almost endless variety of other details, all add up to placing Mrs. Heathorn in that category of denominational workers headed CONSCRATED, EFFICIENT, COMPATIBLE, ADAPTABLE.

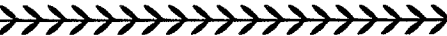
Nor does her service end as the closing bell reverberates through the office, for she and her husband are tireless church workers. Selling *Signs* and conducting TABSA Bible studies occupy many of their evening hours. Brother Heathorn is head deacon of the Salisbury church, and Sister Heathorn is a deaconess.

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church possible, can rejoice in that his investment is not for time only, but for eternity, for not only was the building dedicated, but all present re-dedicated their lives to the Lord's service.

We hope that this report will spur other congregations on to complete their buildings and bring them to the place where they can also be dedicated to the glory of the Lord's name and service. A recent letter tells us that the Tanganyika Union is to begin the building of a church in the town of Mwanza, a port on the southern coast of Lake Victoria. When this is dedicated it will be the third urban church to be dedicated in the Union. We pray that other unions will emulate this good example.



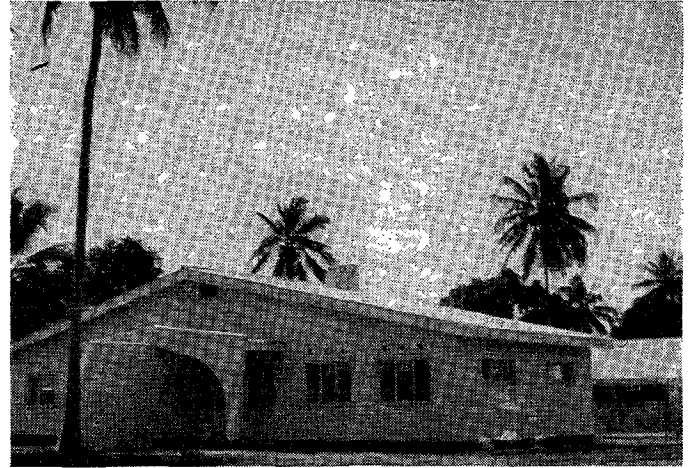
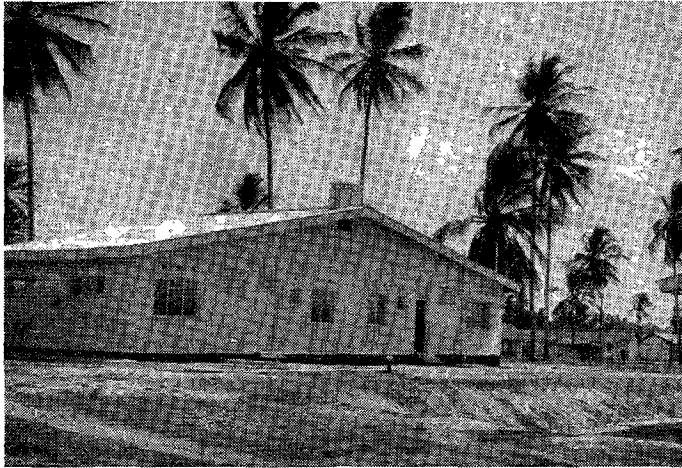
Outstanding Achievements of Helderberg Students

COMPETING against 360 other candidates three Helderberg students topped the roll for the most subjects passed in the November examinations of the Institute of Administration and Commerce.

Coenraad Haupt passed in seven subjects and Leslie Relihan and Thomas Staples in six each. In all, the eight Helderberg candidates taking the new three-year Business Course entered for 43 subjects and achieved 86 per cent passes.

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Back and Front Views of the New Workers' Homes Built Behind the New Church in Dar-es-Salaam.

Why Seventh-day Adventists Need the Sabbath School

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fore the members can claim the promise of His presence (Matt. 18:20). Such gatherings are more than ever necessary as we "see the day approaching" (Heb. 10:25).

10. Through attendance at Sabbath-school the church member develops a trust in God and an unbroken religious commitment which, as William Lyon Phelps put it, "should be the motor of life; the central heating plant of personality; the faith that gives joy to activity, hope to struggle, dignity to humility, zest to living."

intensive course. A spot check was made on the above nine smokers after one week; again two weeks after the course closed, another check was made and the result on that day was NO SMOKING.

Not every one of the nine was able to give up smoking right away; one gentleman who had smoked for forty-four years struggled for about ten days before he got into the "no smoking" category.

The motto "*I choose not to smoke*" was kept before the group and the aim for better health was constantly emphasized.

An employee of the Police Department who joined the course after the nine, stated that he could dig better in the garden and had enjoyed a wonderful week-end swimming with his family after he had reduced his consumption of cigarettes.

Another outstanding result was that of a railwayman interested in weight lifting. For the first two days of the course he struggled with "Lady Nicotine" but has had the "green light" ever since. He has found lifting weights much more pleasurable now than picking a cigarette from the pack. In fact, he purchased a Power Pack of Promises to help him resist a puff of the cigarette. For his first day's battle he reported four "puffs" but not a full cigarette. However, the Power Pack got the better of him and today he will not drink tea or eat meat. He intends building a healthy body.

There have been some interesting results spiritually. The individual who smoked 50 to 60 cigarettes daily, and gave up smoking from the word "go", said that the power of prayer gave him the mastery. A number of these new non-smokers have become interested in the message and are attending the evangelistic series.

STOP SMOKING SCHOOL

by RON THOMPSON

DURING the Sunday night meetings, entitled "Faith of our Protestant Fathers", held in the Advent Hall of the Bulawayo Church, the health message was presented under the heading "Wesley's Gospel of Health". After the sermon, comparative figures on death resulting from lung cancer were shown with black light. Then followed the films "One in 20,000" and "Time pulls the Trigger", showing the relationship between smoking and lung cancer. An appeal was made to the audience of 140 for those who wished to overcome smoking to meet in a side room. Eleven adults came forward and were introduced by the writer to Dr. Wayne McFarland's "10 Rules" on how to give up smoking.

Plans were made to meet in the Advent Hall every day for four days. These smokers gathered together each day to relate their experiences and receive instruction. Brother Peters addressed the smokers on the Monday evening, summarizing the article which appeared in the August issue of "Pageant" on the stop-smoking plan carried out in America. On the Tuesday the subject taken by the writer included excerpts from the Royal

College of Physicians' report entitled "Smoking and Health". At Prayer-meeting time on the Wednesday a third film "Cancer by the Carton" was shown to a group of about fifty, and three more joined the school. On the Thursday, the results of giving up smoking were discussed with the aid of black light.

Following are the results of the Stop Smoking School: At this writing full figures for nine of the smokers have been tabulated. Whereas the average consumption of cigarettes daily by the nine was 22, after the first day of the course, the average consumption of cigarettes was $1\frac{1}{2}$. Results after the second day was an average of $\frac{2}{3}$ of a cigarette; the third day $\frac{1}{3}$ of a cigarette and on the fourth day one-ninth of a cigarette. One smoker who usually consumed 50 to 60 cigarettes daily cut down to nil for each of the four days. On the first day of the course, 3 individuals out of the nine had reduced to no cigarettes smoked. On the second and third days 6 had reduced to "nil". On the fourth day 8 of the 9 had not smoked at all.

Of course the strength of the program is how the smokers fared after the

V.O.P. Enrolment Weeks — March 21 - April 4

Are Your Signs Showing?

MARVIN H. REEDER, *Associate Secretary, Bureau of Public Relations, General Conference*

SEVERAL years have passed since the first Seventh-day Adventist highway sign was erected. Since that first sign was mounted on its post of duty many churches across the nation and around the world have used this very effective means of making known their location.

It is encouraging to know that so many highway signs are now pointing the way to Seventh-day Adventist churches. However, there is one problem that many apparently have not taken into consideration—REPLACEMENT.

Everything in this old world wears out and must be replaced. Highway signs are no exception. How about the signs for your church? Do they need to be replaced? Life expectancy for these top-quality outdoor signs is about five years. When did someone from your church last check on the condition of your highway signs? They should bear a proud, bright witness.

If replacement is needed, may we suggest that you replace the smaller, 22 x 30 inch, signs wherever possible, with the larger, 35 x 48 inch, signs? Modern super highways and high-speed traffic demand that we erect large signs if we want them to be seen.

Many churches are still waiting to put up their first sign. If your church falls into this category, what better time than right now to mark the way to your church and let the community know that you exist?

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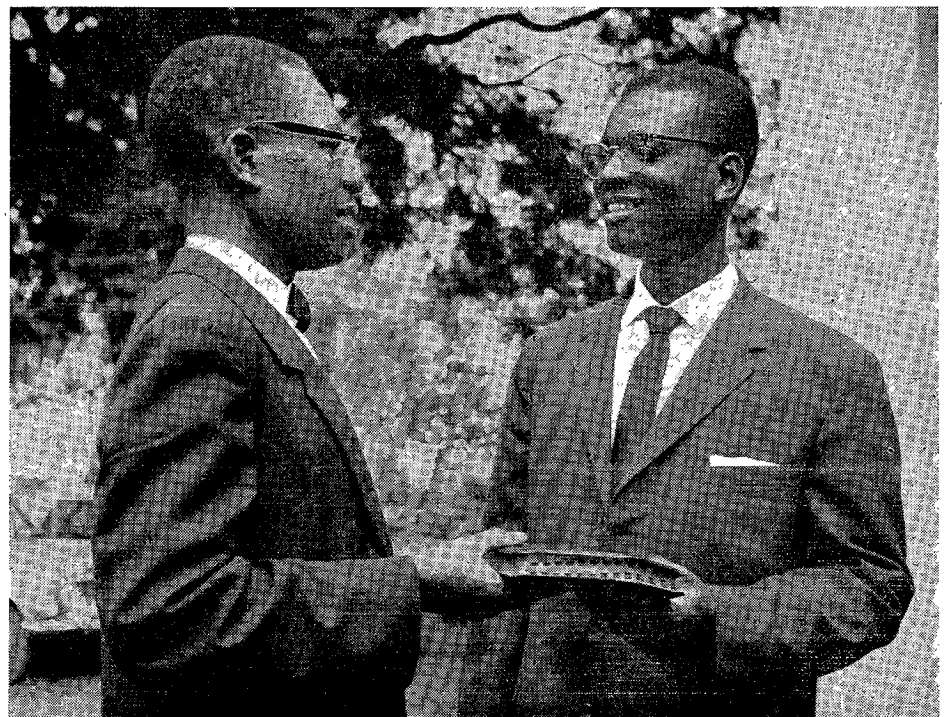


Dr. and Mrs. Karl Seligmann of M'wami Hospital and Leprosarium. Theirs has also been an active spiritual program.

Pastor and Mrs. J. H. Mambala. With many years of educational work to his credit, Brother Mambala is now secretary of the Nyasaland Union's Education Department.



"This is one of the happiest days in my experience!" says Pastor Y. Kamwendo, as he hands a Bible to his son, S. Gerald Kamwendo at his ordination. Brother Kamwendo Jr. is the pastor of the Malamulo church, and Bible teacher at the Malamulo Training Institute. A. J. Cholomali and H. J. Nchambalinga were also ordained at this time.

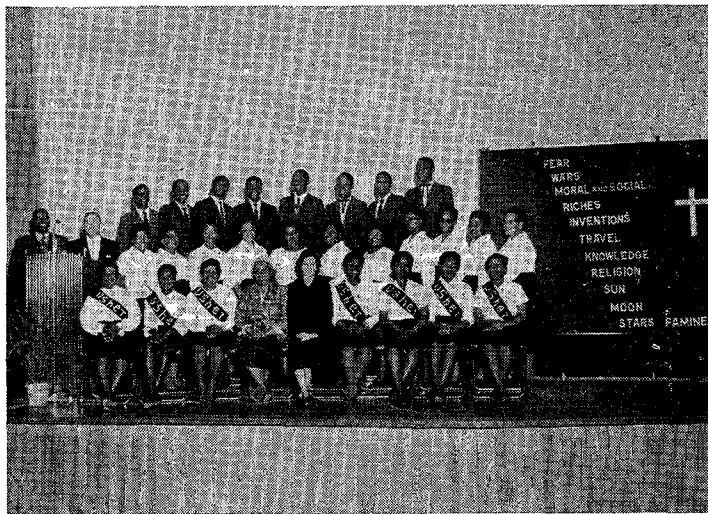


Around Our Unions

Evangelism in the Transvaal



The Kwa-Thema Bible Class, Springs, South Africa, resulting from an evangelistic campaign conducted by J. Neuhoff. Pastor and Mrs. Neuhoff can be seen at the right of the backrow.



Kwa-Thema Campaign Team: J. Neuhoff and Interpreter D. Masina (left), with the Kwa-Thema Choir, Usherettes, and (seated front centre) Mrs. M. Tsokodibane, Bible Instructor, and Mrs. J. Neuhoff.

tions were held, followed by lessons on child care, training and guidance based on Mrs. White's book *Child Guidance*. The fact was stressed that because a mother is the first to train her child, her work is the most important and has the most far-reaching effects on a child's life. These classes made a deep impression on the mothers as most of them had not realized how much influence they had on their children, or that they could mould them in the right or wrong way. Mr. Melvin Johnson then gave a Bible study each morning based on *Bible Readings for the Home Circle*. The period just before lunch was on foods—their different divisions and what they do in building the body. Mrs. Florence Ntimbwe demonstrated how to bake bread in a 4-gallon paraffin tin oven; also how to prepare some simple foods, how to entertain visitors, and how to keep the home looking neat and attractive.

Many questions relating to their studies—and some unrelated—were asked during the question hour after lunch. These questions revealed that they were thinking about their studies, and endeavouring to put them into practise. The dresser, Mr. Gideon Katondo, from the Ikizu Dispensary gave lectures on First Aid, simple home remedies, and parasites, while Mr. Bina had this period for the latter half of the week when he lectured on hygiene, mind cure, and other related subjects which he had studied at the Public Health and Tropical Medicine Field Station at Heri Hospital.

Mrs. Carol Bradfield conducted a sewing class for the latter part of the afternoon, teaching the simple but essential stitches for sewing, how to sew on buttons, and other fasteners, how to darn and mend, how to care for their husbands' suits, and to dress neatly.

Mrs. Alma Johnson and Mrs. Martha Martinsen, conducted a practical Sabbath-school workshop in the evenings. The women learned to make and colour pictures and devices, and how to use them in the children's department of the Sabbath-school.

A Mother's Meeting for Mothers Only

by JEAN THOMAS, Secretary,
Home Commission, Tanganyika Union

BECAUSE the need for mothers who have a true understanding of their mission is so great, a Women's Institute was held at Ikizu Training School in January. It was the first time women in the Tanganyika Union had been sent to attend an institute and we were interest-

ed to see what the end results would be. These women travelled from far and near, two being brave enough to come all the way from Suji Mission by bus, train and lake steamer, about 600 miles . . . and what a good missionary report they brought with them! We had planned a very full program and hoped that they would be able to assimilate all we had to give them! Of all the 25 who attended, there was only one who suffered a little from sleepiness and lack of concentration.

After worship in the mornings, classes on understanding the body and its func-

On Sabbath a good sermon was preached by Pastor Fred Thomas on the Christian home. In the afternoon we conducted a discussion on Sabbath activities. This discussion brought out an entirely new outlook on what to do with children on Sabbath, as they had always been so neglected.

The closing meeting was the following Sabbath afternoon when a special consecration service was held for the women. They expressed their desire and determination to go home to become

better mothers and wives so that they would help and not hinder the spread of the Gospel. They also expressed their gratitude for the privilege of attending this first Women's Institute and hoped

that more would be held in the future. We are convinced they have really learned many new things, and will return better prepared for their duties as wife and mother.

stand on alcoholic beverages and smoking and stated that he had given up smoking 15 years ago. In closing Mr. Richardson wished this useful contribution to the education of the country success and hoped it would grow rapidly.

Don't Rust Out—Wear Out

JEAN CRIPPS, *Reporting*

It was strange for Adventist ears to listen to an important person like Mr. M. E. Richardson, Regional Director of Education in Rhodesia, stating that he had found James and Ellen White fascinating. Quoting James White he said, "It is better to wear out than rust out". He agreed that this could hardly be beaten as a guide to life. Quoting Ellen White he said, "Once in a while have a pillow fight". Said Mr. Richardson, "All must have a funny bone somewhere. As soon as you lose a sense of humour in education you must recast your thinking. Seventh-day Adventists must appreciate the importance of this to children." Continuing Mr. Richardson quoted Rousseau, "Give me a child for the first seven years of his life and after that you can do what you will." The beginning years are the important ones!

Mr. Richardson was guest of honour, chosen to open the Division-operated church school at Highlands, Salisbury. It was the first occasion he had had the privilege of meeting Adventists, he stated. After 20 years of knowing that we kept "Sunday on Saturday", as he put it, he now had the opportunity of finding out

about our beliefs and work. He had browsed through our literature enough to become one of our ardent admirers. If all men lived up to our religious beliefs all tension would be reduced in the world overnight.

On this day, January 28, 1964, when all the schools in Salisbury were opening, Mr. Richardson had a two-fold reason for pleasure in being with us. Always on the first day of school problems kept his phone ringing. It was now ringing but he was glad to be somewhere else. This occasion also gave him pleasure as he now could consider himself a friend of Adventists as he had become acquainted with them. For months problems had disturbed him concerning the dismantling caused by the break up of the Federation but today he was doing something constructive—building for the future instead of working on pulling down.

The beauty of the building and the condition of the grounds, which had been accomplished at such short notice, caused him much pleasure. "It is a small school but an important one—a school with high principles," said he. In passing he mentioned that he had read about our

In his speech Pastor E. D. Hanson, who has been connected with education in this Division for 20 years, explained why we consider it essential to operate a school of this kind. For 88 years we have been building our educational system around the world. Education begins when a person is born. Education must be in the framework of religion. Here in Southern Africa we have one student in our schools for every two church members. This is one of the highest rates in the world within the denomination. The reason why we spend so much money on education is because it is the foundation of success and determines the future in developing strong, healthy, self-reliant, moral individuals. Our schools endeavour to co-operate with the educational authorities in the countries in which they operate. This co-operation, however, always falls within the framework of our religious beliefs and standards. This school will also contribute to the ideals of education in which we believe.

Miss Karen Cloete, a Helderberg graduate, is the new teacher, with Mrs J. B. Cooks, well-known in educational circles, as the counsellor. For many of the attractive touches we owe thanks to Pastor P. H. Coetzee who devoted much time and thought to making this a representative institution for our children to spend their first impressionable school years in. The planning and preparation of the grounds were his particular interests and do him and us much credit.

As this little barque with its precious cargo of students sails into 1964, we wish it smooth seas, fair winds and heaven's protection and blessing.

Mr. M. E. Richardson, Regional Director of Education, Southern Rhodesia, speaking at the opening of the Salisbury Church School.

Amongst the flowers and shrubs and trees the children will be able to trace the footprints of the Creator.

The Division twins meet a new friend. Monty and Marlene Coetzee meet Miss Karen Cloete, their teacher.



Tithe Brings Blessing

by T. W. KHONJE

My wife has been given a talent for sewing. She learned it during her school years in the domestic classes at Malamulo Training Institute. After school hours she began making little dresses by hand for small girls of her own age.

As the years went by we managed to save enough money to buy a treadle machine, which helped her to do more efficient work in making dresses for ladies.

She prepared a little tithe box in which to deposit every penny that belonged to God. At the end of every month she opened the box and handed the tithe to the church treasurer. The surprising thing was that she was never without work. After completing all that she had on hand, the same day or the next more people would come with material and she was always kept busy.

This time there was no Adventist school. Another society came and opened a school, which tried to induce the little company of believers to give up their faith. They remained firm however, and worshipped regularly in a small hut. The Lord of the Sabbath embraced this small company and many more members were won to the Lord.

In 1961 they came together and raised a good fund to put up a church building. This company now has 80 baptized members, 28 in baptismal classes, 22 in hearers classes, and about 33 who have decided to follow the Lord, making a total of 163.

Treasures by Trials

by ROBERT D. PIFER, *Director,*
Ruwenzori Mission, Uganda, E.A.

THE Ruwenzori Mission Station is located in a land of contrasts—from the lush rain forests of the mighty snow-capped Mountains of the Moon to the arid semi-desert stretches of the western arm of the Great Rift Valley; and from populous villages to teeming game parks. In this land where the Omukama rules from his majestic palace, and where the pygmies depend upon the forest for their food, the work of the Gospel is advancing steadily.

During the past year, however, this has also been a land where there have been conflicting ideologies, unrest, and some bloodshed. Such circumstances, have also had their effect on our membership as well as upon the public. Whole areas have been evacuated, and people have left the ruins of their houses, gardens and everything they once knew as home to settle in more peaceful places. Nevertheless our members from different tribes are found side by side in worship in the churches on the Sabbath.

During our camp-meetings this past year 119 precious believers were buried in baptism as a testimony of their faith. The total for the year is 201, bringing the mission membership to 1,737.

Churches are being organized and built at an unprecedented rate. We organized three new companies in 1963 with at least two more to follow this year. Six churches have accepted the Church Development plan to erect permanent buildings for worship. When these are finished, the mission will be able to count ten such buildings.

Of equal, if not greater import, is the liberality of the membership. During

Church Dedications in Northern Rhodesia

by I. E. SCHULTZ

DURING the year 1963, the Northern Rhodesia Field has dedicated nine church buildings and organized eight churches.

The Chipapa church was the result of an interesting experience. Its history was given by the church leader, P. S. Mulendema, during the dedicatory service.

In 1918 two families from Chipongwe Village left their homes seeking for a school. They were Mr. Kalambalala and Mr. Njaluka. They took the train southward to Monze, and there de-trained. The following morning they walked to Muchelemba School, now known as Rusangu Training School. But when they reached the mission they found it was holiday time for Muchelemba School.

They communed with their wives. "What must we do?" "We must go back," one replied. "No, let's wait until the school re-opens" said the other.

Finally they decided to return home. A year passed and in 1919, Mr. Abel Kalambalala revived the idea of going to school. He earnestly wished to learn how to write and read.

But he found another kind of education in addition to the three R's, the education of the soul.

During the six months of his being there, Mr. Kalambalala's heart was great-

ly stirred. He felt as if Jesus was coming soon—before his people had heard the saving message. He entreated Pastor J. V. Wilson the missionary in charge, to send a teacher to his home, and Mr. Joseph Mwemba was sent, accompanied by Brother Kalambalala himself.

A few months later Pastor Wilson moved to Lusaka, and was succeeded by Pastor N. C. Wilson, a mighty preacher.

In this area there were only four large villages surrounding the place where the school was to be located. To these nearby villages the message of the soon coming of Jesus was proclaimed.

Fathers and mothers came, and children gathered from all corners. When requested to bow down and pray, many would not close both their eyes but kept one eye open to see what was coming while prayer was offered. In June of 1925 four young girls were baptized. Brother Mulendemo asked his sister what happened to her heart after she came out from the watery grave. The sister replied, "I am just as I went in."

From that time on the work grew. In 1932 Government evacuated these villages. The people were scattered as sheep having no shepherd, and the Adventist school was closed. What a sad experience this was for this little group of believers. Ten years later these villagers requested the Government to be allowed to return.

this year of unrest, when one would expect a decrease in support, the tithe receipts from the mission actually increased by a phenomenal 21 per cent above 1962, and all voluntary offerings (buttressed by the 13th Sabbath Offering last quarter to which the members fervently contributed) swelled last year's total by 39.8 per cent. We might mention that the Uganda Field leads the East African Union in per capita tithe. By way of

comparison, during the peaceful years from 1956 to 1962 inclusive, when our membership exploded by some 60 per cent, the tithe managed just to hold its own with a 3 per cent gain.

We believe our people are fulfilling Rev. 3:18 by taking Jesus' counsel to buy His "gold". Let us all have "the faith that works by love to purify our souls" preparatory to His return.

and the Mau Mau Terror) and her sister Lois, these women had gathered to study how they might be more efficient leaders in their churches. They received instruction in sewing, cooking, healthful living, first aid, child and maternal care, and church leadership.

Grandmothers with greying hair, young mothers with infants tied on their backs, young girls and children shivering in the cold dampness of the 6,000 feet altitude gathered at 8 o'clock to begin the day with worship.

Following worship they dispersed for breakfast, some to their homes nearby, and those from a distance to the huts provided as sleeping quarters while at the institute. I went to the school office where the wind whistled through the opening between the tin roof and the mud and pole walls.

Meetings which proved extremely interesting resumed at nine and continued throughout the day with short periods for recreation and food. All instruction was translated into their own language. Question periods allowed opportunity for the presenting of problems related to the topic.

The sun set early and shortly afterward the rain began and continued all night. I slipped and slid over wet clay and grass in the darkness, down to the meeting house to join the women in their song service. So eager were they to learn as much as they could that the meetings stretched on into the night. The children and older women had already gone to bed, the babies were fast asleep on their mothers' backs. When we ended the meetings it was to return to our mats on the mud floors. I was fortunate to have brought a sleeping bag, but even then the floor pressed hard against the bones.

The last night I was there the meeting continued longer than usual in spite of the biting wind that swept through the meeting house. We tried to break its strength by turning a table on its end and bracing it against the doorless doorway.

One straggler remained after the meeting, requesting that I give her some quinine for her child who had malaria. Together with the leaders we dashed through the rain to my sleeping quarters and found some quinine I had brought along. For an hour the rain came down in torrents and great gusts of wind tore at the metal roofing. We huddled in the school office, trying to keep warm.

Ingathering Successes

by E. NYIRENDA, *Elder, Mpopoma Church*



BOB ROMO was the Harvest Ingathering promoter of Mpopoma Church. The Lord richly blessed him in his leadership. The church goal was £83.-0s.-0d, the total collected £95.-0.-0d. Brother Romo set the pace by collecting £20.-1s.-0d, and 350 Voice of Prophecy enrolments.

He tells of one of his experiences while out Ingathering. He came to a house where the owner thought brother Romo was collecting money for himself. This man ordered him to leave his house or he would call a policeman.

While they were still talking a police-

man was seen at a distance. The man called the policeman to arrest this man "who was going about robbing people." The policeman approached and saw a "120" pin, with these words "SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST" on Brother Romo's jacket. The policeman asked if he was a member of the church, and when he replied in the affirmative, the policeman said, "you are doing a very good work in helping the poor. Go ahead and do your good work."

Our good brother right there asked the policeman for a donation then turned to the man who had reported him. Both men gave something.

In this picture, Pastor R. R. Ndhlovu is awarding brother Romo his token on the Victory day.

A Missionary Nurse Remembers

by SHEILA ROBERTSON

Tears came to my eyes as the car pulled away from the school compound and passed down the road between two rows of women waving branches and singing, "God be with you till we meet again".

The occasion was a Women's Institute held at Gatumbi in Kikuyu, the land of the Mau Mau. The women were the faithful leaders in the many churches in the Kikuyu district.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Wangai Njoke, (the heroine of the book, *Njoke*

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Trials

THE trials that beset you, the sorrows
ye endure,

The manifold temptations that death
alone can cure—

What are they but His jewels, of right
celestial worth?

What are they but the ladder set up
to heaven, on earth?

—*Joseph of the Studium* (Ninth Century)
Quoted in *The Universal Prayer* by T.
Alexander Seed.



Five V.O.P. students baptized in Cape Town, as a result of the faithful follow-up work done by W. A. Turner (seen on the left). W. H. J. Badenhorst, director of the Correspondence Bible School is on the right.

A hot water bottle served to warm our hands. I had brought some canned soup so we heated that and this with some biscuits warmed us. The women made their way to their huts but the rain continued falling heavily till early morning.

Bright sunlight glistened on the wet grass as I packed and prepared to leave. Several of the women brought gifts of sugar cane, beans, potatoes, cabbage, corn—little tokens of their appreciation.

These faithful women know what hardship and suffering are. They have all been through the Mau Mau terror. One, Gakui, had suffered severe beating, had been hunted for months and threatened in efforts made to cause her to take the Mau Mau oath. Many had been repeatedly beaten by their husbands because of their love of Christ. Their only reply was, "We will love and serve Jesus till He comes."

These institutes are being held in a number of areas with good results. There is a great need for more work of this kind among the women of Africa. There is a need to train other African women like Mrs. Wangai and Lois for leadership in this work.

At Rest

BURTON.—Lenora Pierce Dalton Burton, beloved wife of Pastor I. B. Burton was called to rest from her labours on October 7, 1963, in the Branson Hospital, Willowdale, Ontario, Canada. The Burtons have a proud record of 21 years of faithful service in the Zambesi Union, which ended when they came to Canada in 1948. Their older son, Barry, continues to serve in Central Africa, and his brother Gordon is personnel manager of the Branson Hospital. We offer sincere sympathy to this precious family in their bereavement.

Sister Burton was born in Washington, D.C. in 1896 and at the tender age of 14 was conscious of an inward call to mission service in Africa. Graduating as a nurse from the New England Sanitarium in 1920 she was called to Africa in 1927, where she became the bride of Pastor I. B. Burton. Her labours of love now over, she was laid to rest in the presence of many believers and neighbours of

the Indian Reserve, where she was greatly beloved. The service was conducted by the writer, who was supported by Pastor L. L. Bock, president of the Ontario-Quebec Conference, Pastors A. B. Ferrier and H. Ward Hill, and the ministers of the local Anglican and United Churches. May God hasten the happy day of reunion in the presence of Jesus.

A. J. MUSTARD.

MOYA, James passed away on October 18 after being ill much of the preceding year. Pastor Moya entered the work in 1905, and after 38 years of faithful fruitful labour for his Lord, retired from active service in 1943. Since then his days continued to be filled with loving care of the flock of God and many of the church's activities.

He leaves to mourn his passing his daughter, Mrs. Evan Nkosingiphila, and his son, McFill Moya. His wife passed away several years ago.

We salute a valiant warrior of the Cross and remember Brother Moya for his godly life and strong leadership in the cause.



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From Hither and Yon

Our Division Radio Department secretary, C. T. J. Hyde, reminds us again to tune in to WRUL, broadcasting from New York on 17.760 megacycles, 16.89 metres for Africa, Sunday evenings at 21:00 hours. The voice of H. M. S. Richards is to be heard as well as the singing of the King's Heralds and Del Delker. If you are able to get this broadcast, Pastor Hyde would greatly appreciate having a report from you as to reception, etcetera.

Recent word from W. R. Vail, president of the Central African Union, informs us that their baptized membership for Burundi and Rwanda at December 31 stood at 60,085, an increase of 2,490 for the year. It would seem that despite their many problems, God's work goes forward unhindered.

On March 14, the Division president, Pastor R. H. Pierson, commenced a Reaping Effort in the Mavville church for the Coloured and Indian communities in Durban. These decision meetings will run for two weeks with meetings every evening and an intensive visitation program during the day. Assisting him are K. Landers, A. R. Grove, and Desmond Koopman of the Good Hope Conference, and H. P. Charles, D. T. Hammond, and R. C. David of the Indian Field.

R. A. Burns, Sabbath School Department secretary for the Zambesi Union, reports that they have 245 branch Sabbath-schools in operation at present. Sixty-six branch Sabbath-schools have been organized to full Sabbath-schools during the past two years.

Brother Kibonye Morepane, a student of the Malamulo Medical Training course, reports that his home Sabbath-school at Kanye in Bechuanaland, received its highest 13th Sabbath offering on December 28. The total was £35 (R70), which is outstandingly good for their membership. From all parts of the Trans-

Africa Division and from many overseas sources we are encouraged to believe that the 13th Sabbath offering given for African Housing on December 28 will possibly be the largest in the history of the denomination

A new addition to the staff of the Sentinel Publishing Association is E. W. Bradbury as the circulation manager. Pastor and Mrs. Bradbury returned to South Africa from East Africa recently and are now settled at the Cape.

An inter-union transfer takes the Daniel Gutekunst family from the Congo Union departments to head the Central African Seminary which will open its doors this year in Burundi.

Pastor Daniel Odula is the acting president of the Kenya Lake Field during the absence of F. E. Wilson on furlough. The Wilsons left Kendu Bay in January proceeding to the States. Also on furlough are the R. E. Cliffords from the Transvaal Conference and the T. W. Staples' from the North Congo Field. Pastor and Mrs. R. M. Reinhard, Division treasurer, left Salisbury on March 15 for Germany and the United States where their furlough will be spent.

Also leaving, but on permanent return, is Miss Annamae Vaughan matron of Malamulo Hospital, after 17½ years of service in Southern Africa. Her faithful and dedicated labours have been very greatly appreciated wherever she has been located.

The Wayne R. Vails and their three little children have returned to the Congo Union office from their furlough.

Little Debra-Lynn was born on January 7 to the Ernest Stevensons, jr., of the Sentinel Publishing Association.

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Sunset Calendar for April 1964

	3	10	17	24
Cape Town	6.36	6.27	6.18	6.10
Johannesburg	6.02	5.54	5.47	5.42
East London	5.58	5.50	5.41	5.34
Port Elizabeth	6.08	5.59	5.50	5.42
Bloemfontein	6.07	6.00	5.52	5.45
Pietermaritzburg	5.51	5.43	5.35	5.28
Durban	5.48	5.40	5.32	5.25
Lusaka	6.00	5.55	5.51	5.47
Bulawayo	6.00	5.55	5.49	5.44
Salisbury	5.58	5.53	5.48	5.44
Gwelo	5.55	5.50	5.44	5.39
Blantyre	5.37	5.32	5.27	5.24
Elisabethville	6.10	6.04	6.01	5.59
Nairobi	6.37	6.34	6.32	6.31
Mombasa	6.23	6.20	6.17	6.16
Kisumu	6.47	6.44	6.42	6.42
Kampala	6.54	6.52	6.50	6.49
Dar-es-Salaam	6.24	6.22	6.21	6.18
Tabora	6.50	6.47	6.47	6.44

From the Editor's Scrapbook

A Plea

Don't throw me on the floor, when I'm your guest; Don't soil the black, red, green, or blue, in which I'm dressed.
 Please don't compel me (You'd not think it right) To hold a window up some rainy night!

With paper knife don't carelessly my body hack: Don't fold me stiffly o'er and break my back;
 For me reserve the quiet cozy nook, More precious friend you've not, A WHOLESOME BOOK!

Advance! Advance! Advance!

J. N. HUNT, *Secretary,*
Publishing Department, Trans-Africa
Division

DURING Sister White's last illness she told how she heard a voice crying out in the night "Advance! Advance! Advance! Press the battle to the gates!" This indeed has been the watchword and motto for our literature evangelists and Publishing Dept. leaders throughout the Trans-Africa Division. During 1963 every Union achieved outstanding gains bringing the Division to a new all-time high in literature evangelism. In just one year our 376 literature evangelists won 2,569 souls, enrolled 2,950 in the Voice of Prophecy Bible courses, prayed in 28,895 homes, gave 28,483 Bible studies and delivered £135,458 worth of books and magazines which was £28,293 more than in 1962. The Congo Union in the face of very real problems and difficulties led the way with a 1,000% increase in deliveries. South African Union, Group II, and Nyasaland Union both doubled their deliveries for 1962. The Central African Union almost doubled, showing an 81% gain. The East African and Zambesi Unions achieved a 27% gain, the South African Union, Group I, 20%, and the Tanganyika Union 16%. The East African Union delivered more books, (58,135), and reported more Colporteur hours, (119,183), than any other Union in the Division.

Although we rejoice and praise God

for these bountiful blessings we must recognize how much more needs to be done. Actually during 1963 we reached only about one out of every one hundred homes in our Division, selling only one book for every 540 people. We ought to be contacting every home at least once each year and selling at least *ten times* more books than we are selling now. We have only one literature evangelist for every 900 adherents. We ought to have at least one colporteur for every 100 church members. So 1963 was only a small beginning for a greatly accelerated effort to literature-evangelize the Trans-Africa Division. We must continue to sound the cry "Advance! Advance! Advance! Press the battle to the gates!"

One of the Happiest Men in Africa!

You can see by the picture that Brother C. van der Mollen of Johannesburg is a radiantly happy man. He explains why in this personal testimony. "I have been in the colporteur work for just over one year. As I look back I can truly say it has brought me more happiness than all my thirty-five years of building, even though during that time I built six Se-

venth-day Adventist churches. I look forward with keen anticipation to another year in the literature ministry. I am going to encourage as many others as possible to take the step I took."

Wouldn't you like to have this same joy and happiness which comes in de-



dicating your entire time and talents to the Lords service? You can if you will. Contact your Conference Publishing Secretary and ask him how to get started. There are ten or more openings for full-time workers in every conference or field in the Trans-Africa Division. As is predicted in the Spirit of Prophecy, "In this closing work of the Gospel more than ever before the work is to enlist helpers from the common people. Both the youth and those older in years will be called from the field, from the vineyard and from the workshop and sent forth by the Master to give His message."—*Education*, pp. 269, 270. The Lord is calling today. It is an urgent eleventh hour call. And when you respond to this call you will be one of the happiest people in Africa.



These Five Literature-Evangelists Represent a Total of 90 years of Faithful Service. L. to R: D. H. Scholtz, Oranje-Natal Conference, 18 years; J. S. Le Roux, Publishing Department Secretary, SAU Conference, 21 years; P. J. P. Botha, Publishing Department Secretary, Cape Conference, 19 years; C. P. Human, Cape Conference, 14 years; and C. Opperman, Transvaal Conference, 18 years. It is this kind of service which brings honour to our Saviour and real strength to our work in South Africa.

The Literature Work is Onward