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# Outlook



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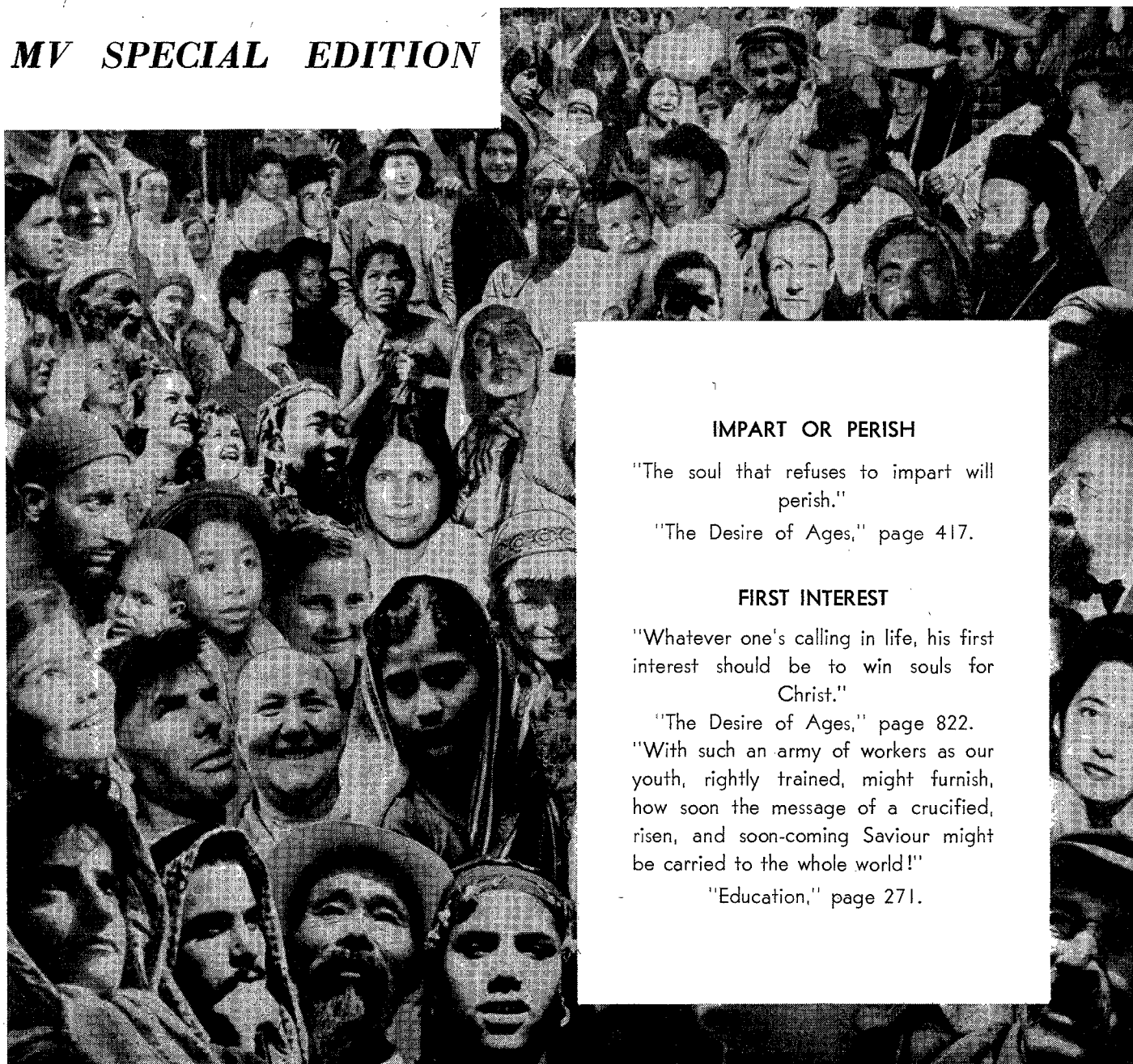
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## MV SPECIAL EDITION



### IMPART OR PERISH

"The soul that refuses to impart will perish."

"The Desire of Ages," page 417.

### FIRST INTEREST

"Whatever one's calling in life, his first interest should be to win souls for Christ."

"The Desire of Ages," page 822.

"With such an army of workers as our youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified, risen, and soon-coming Saviour might be carried to the whole world!"

"Education," page 271.



## HEART to HEART

*A Friendly Chat with  
Your Division President*

### Dear Believers in the Advent Message:

"That fellow's the laziest man I've ever seen," said Harry. "He's been sitting on that rock for two hours doing nothing."

"How do you know that?" asked Fred.

"Because I have been sitting here and watching him," Harry assured him.

The world has been full of fault-finders all down through the ages. Even before the world was created Lucifer found fault with the Son of God. In the garden of Eden Adam found fault with Eve. "The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree and I did eat." Eve passed the blame on to the serpent, "The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat."

The people found fault with Christ's disciples. When the Pharisees saw the twelve plucking and eating corn on the Sabbath they confronted the Master with these fault-finding words: "Behold thy disciples do that which is not lawful to do upon the Sabbath." Another time the scribes and Pharisees complained to Christ: "Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread."

Fault-finding has been a favourite pastime for many from time immemorial. Perhaps this has been true because it is such an easy thing to do. "Nothing is easier than fault-finding," the "Herald" says, "No talent, no self-denial, no brains, no character are required to set up in the grumbling business."

Unfortunately some of our own Seventh-day Adventist church members "set up in the grumbling business." All too often I hear it as I travel around among God's professed people. It usually commences with this apparently innocuous preface, "Brother Brown is a good man but—" Then follows a subtle recital of Brother Brown's shortcomings.

His way of doing things do not just square with the speaker's idea of how things should be done. He uses poor taste in the shirts or the ties he wears. His grammar is poor or he speaks with the wrong accent. He is too forward,

too backward, or too something else. In fact he is just all out of kilter with what the "saintly" fault-finder feels he should be.

Of course there is no thought of doing harm to Brother Brown! In fact the damnable information is usually passed on only for "Brother Brown's own good . . . perhaps you can help him overcome this weakness," the pious hypocrite suggests.

Why do people find fault with others? In the first place, as I have already stated, it is an easy thing to do. Another reason, psychologists tell us, is to bolster their own ego. By picking flaws in others somehow it seems to give the fault-finder a false sense of superiority. "Just look at him—how many mistakes he makes," the critic might just as well say. "Then just look at me—I never make the mistakes he makes! I am so much better than he is!" People find fault with others because they think it places themselves in a better light.

Actually most flaw-pickers are just like Harry in our opening story. The very fact of fault-finding reveals gross shortcomings in their own lives! Bolton Hall once wrote, "I looked upon my brother with the microscope of criticism, and said, 'How coarse my brother is!' I looked at him with the telescope of scorn, and I said, 'How small my brother is!' Then I looked in the mirror of truth, and said, 'How like me my brother is!'"

"Evil speaking is a twofold curse, falling more heavily upon the speaker than upon the hearer," the Lord's messenger reminds us. "He who scatters the seeds of dissension and strife [and fault-finding does just that!—R.H.P.] reaps in his own soul the deadly fruits. The very act of looking for evil in others develops evil in those who look. By dwelling upon the faults of others, we are changed into the same image."—"The Ministry of Healing," p. 492.

True sons and daughters of God "have no time for dwelling upon the faults of others. We cannot afford to live on the husks of others' faults or failings."—Ibid. "Never pull each other to pieces, my

brothers," the apostle says. James 4:11 (Phillips)

Then in this same epistle he adds: "Don't make complaints against each other in the meantime, my brothers—you may be the one at fault yourself." James 5:9 (Phillips). "Put all these things behind you," Paul admonishes us, ". . . No more evil thoughts or words about others." Col. 3:8 (Phillips).

"If we keep uppermost in our minds the unkind and unjust acts of others, we shall find it impossible to love them as Christ has loved us; but if our thoughts dwell upon the wondrous love and pity of Christ for us, the same spirit will flow out to others. We should love and respect one another, notwithstanding the faults and imperfections that we cannot help seeing. Humility and self-distrust should be cultivated, and a patient tenderness with the faults of others. This will kill all narrowing selfishness, and make us large-hearted and generous."—"Steps to Christ," p. 126.

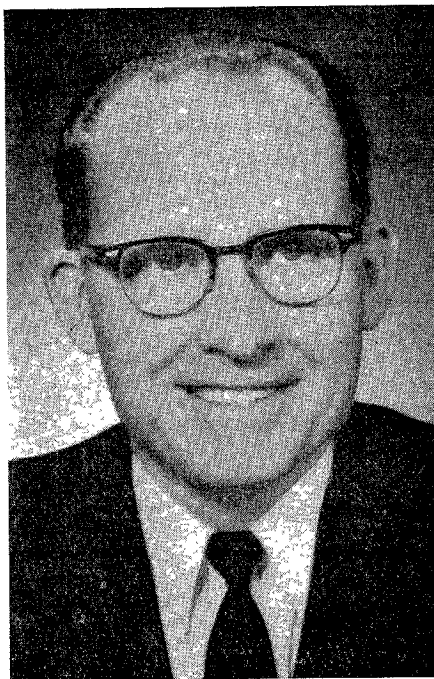
"In men whom men condemn as ill  
I find so much of goodness still;  
In men whom men pronounce divine  
I find so much of sin and blot,  
I hesitate to draw the line

Between the two, when God has not."  
Brethren, let us stamp out fault-finding from among us! The next time you are tempted to say "Brother Brown is a good man but—" bite your tongue and finish your sentence without the "but". Don't be a "but-ter"! Be one of God's true noblemen and rise above petty fault-finding! God help us!

Yours for getting out of the "but-ting business,"

# GOD BLESS AFRICA!

Lawrence Nelson



Lawrence M. Nelson, associate secretary, Young People's Missionary Volunteer Department, General Conference.

MV TARGET 18,000 has reached the heart of African youth. Never in history have Missionary Volunteers attempted so much. The hour has struck for action and God is bestowing victory.

In the world divisions we have a united goal of MV TARGET 30,000. This means that the Advent youth are working for 30,000 baptisms through youth evangelism. Reports indicate that by September 1 last year we had already achieved 20,000 towards our goal. For this we praise God.

It has been a wonderful privilege to spend the past several months in the Trans-Africa Division. Never shall I forget the wonderful hospitality; but of greater importance, within my heart, is a vision of African youth on the march for God.

Recently I stood on a bridge in Rwanda where some 10,000 bodies had recently floated by in a river of blood. When I realized that in this same section, beset by turmoil and strife, God's youth had made 10,000 converts for Christ, I found new faith in the ability of God's youth to finish the task quickly.

From Nairobi to the Cape of Good Hope, I continually learned of the thrilling stories of Advent youth who were preaching, visiting giving Bible studies, and praying for souls. The General Conference MV Department wishes to express its gratitude to the MV leadership throughout this great Division for successfully leading the Advent youth in this evangelistic program of MV TARGET 18,000.

The best news is that this is only the beginning. Already reports indicate that in the coming year greater achievements will be realized. We hear word of unions planning to double and triple their goal for 1965 and the same is true of reports coming in from around the world.

*Associate Secretary, Young People's Missionary Volunteer Department, General Conference*

It is the hope of the Missionary Volunteer leaders that by the coming General Conference session in 1966, the Advent youth will have baptized over 60,000. We are confident that the Trans-Africa Division will have the greatest share in the success of this MV TARGET program.

On the eve of my departure, I challenge the youth of the Trans-Africa Division to rally around your MV leaders and, through the Voice of Youth, Operation Fireside, Friendship Teams, and MV branch Sabbath-schools, may you assume soul-winning responsibilities as never before so that Jesus may come quickly. Ever remember "We receive only as we impart."

Thus, in sharing our wonderful Saviour and His blessed truth with others you will personally receive of the fullness of God.

The eyes of the world are upon you. We are counting on the youth of Africa to lead the church to victory through youth evangelism.

The youth of Trans-Africa salute a dedicated world youth leader. Your spiritual messages, practical counsel, humanity and extreme friendliness, will long be remembered by us.

# The Youth of Trans-Africa Are Living on Borrowed Time

by Robert H. Pierson.

The telegram contained distressing news: "Ruth critically ill. Cancer suspected. Surgery today. Come immediately if possible."

With sad hearts two brothers in a mid-western State of America read the message and laid plans for the long journey to Florida.

The days that followed were days of anxiety and hard driving. Thirty years ago the roads were not as good nor the cars as fast as they are today. Every mile brought a heartache. Could they make it in time?

As the two young men drove into the hospital grounds in Central Florida, they were prepared for any report—that is, almost any one but the miraculous one that greeted them! Instead of finding her at death's door as they expected, they found Ruth sitting up in bed visiting with friends in the room.

The story was another twentieth-century miracle. Man's extremity had indeed become God's opportunity. Surgeons confirmed the dreaded diagnosis. Cancer was found. There was no question about it. The malignant growth had made such headway that the doctors decided that effective removal was not possible.

After coming out from under the anaesthetic, the young woman learned her true condition and asked for the pastor of her church and the chaplain of the sanitarium to claim the promise of James 5:14, 15: "Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him."

While the ministers prayed, Ruth fell asleep. As she slept, the Lord worked. Complete healing came. The doctors marvelled. The brothers rejoiced.

This experience took place in 1929. The young lady whose life-span was calculated by the doctors in terms of days and weeks is still alive—a living testimony to the power of God. I know, for I saw her recently. She is my sister!

Because of the miraculous manner in which she was healed, Ruth feels—and rightly so—that she is living on borrowed time, a special God-given time. And she is!

My young friends, the truth is that every one of us is living on borrowed time! God's great prophetic timetable

marks well the mile posts of human history. One by one each has been passed. Long since we have passed the time when the Son of God, accompanied by the glorious angelic host, should have burst upon this world with exultant splendour.

*Today we are living on borrowed time!*

Study God's timetable for yourself. It never errs. Here it is:

- 606 B.C. — Zenith of Babylon's power.
- 538 B.C. — Medo-Persia overthrows Babylon.
- 457 B.C. — Decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem.
- 408 B.C. — Jerusalem rebuilt.
- 313 B.C. — Greeks defeat Medo-Persia (Arbela).
- 168 B.C. — Rome conquers Greece (Pydna).
- 4 B.C. — Birth of Christ.
- 27 A.D. — Baptism of Christ.
- 31 A.D. — Crucifixion of Christ.
- 34 A.D. — Gospel to the Gentiles.
- 538 A.D. — Rise of Papacy—Begins 1260-year prophecy.
- 1780 A.D. — Dark Day.
- 1798 A.D. — End of Papal supremacy and 1260 years.
- 1833 A.D. — Falling of the stars.
- 1844 A.D. — End of 2300 year prophecy. Begin Judgment.

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## God Expects:

"God expects personal service from everyone to whom He has entrusted a knowledge of the truth for this time. Not all can go as missionaries to foreign lands, but all can be home missionaries in their families and neighbourhoods." —*Testimonies*, vol. 9, p. 30.

## God Demands:

"God demands that every soul who knows the truth shall seek to win others to the love of the truth. If we are not willing to make special sacrifices in order to save souls that are ready to perish, how can we be counted worthy to enter into the city of God?" —*Testimonies*, vol. 9, p. 103.

## God Requires:

"God requires everyone to be a worker in His vineyard. You are to take up the work that has been placed in your charge, and do it faithfully." —*Christian Service*, p. 9.

Rev. 10:1, 2 — Rise of Advent Movement.

Rev. 14:7-16 — Proclamation of the Advent Message.

Rev. 22:11 — Completion of Judgment and Close of Probation.

I Thess. 4:13-18 — Second Advent.

Study this timetable well.

The signs of the coming of Jesus have long since been fulfilled. Long before now the stage was set. Jesus' return has been long delayed. Sixty-four years ago the Lord's messenger wrote, "It was not the will of God that the coming of Christ should be so long delayed, and His people should remain so many years in this world of sin and sorrow." Again in 1905 she wrote: "Had the purpose of God been carried out by His people in giving to the world the message of mercy, *Christ would, ere this, have come to the earth*, and the saints would have received their welcome into the city of God." —*The Great Controversy*, page 458.

Did you notice those words, young people? "*Christ would, ere this*, (long before 1965, even before 1905) *have come to the earth*." What clearer evidence could we ask for than this? *We are indeed living on borrowed time*.

What a challenge to the youth of Trans-Africa!

These days of borrowed time are indeed a challenge to our relationship with God. We need to cry out with David of old: "Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin." "Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow." "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me." Psalms 51:2, 7, 10.

We must be right with God. We must be living fully in harmony with His revealed will.

Then, after our own houses have been put in order we have the privilege and the responsibility of sharing our faith with all about us! We want to be in the kingdom ourselves and we want to take our friends and loved ones with us. Time is running out. What we do we must do quickly! Let us get ready to meet the Saviour ourselves and let us share our faith with those with whom we come in contact every day.

How are you spending your *borrowed time*?



The mayor of Livingstone, councillor Nahee, being welcomed by P. H. Coetzee to Camp Zambia. Also seen is the Honourable Under-Minister for the Southern Province of Zambia, Mr. M. M. Sakubita.

# Multi-racial Harmony

## P. H. Coetzee

*MV Department Secretary, Trans-Africa Division*

side the world's greatest and most beautiful Falls, was the venue for the meeting. Livingstone Teacher Training College buildings and campus were at our disposal, and a better setting it would be difficult to find.

The following people who live under 16 different flags met together for a week:

Africans . . . . .	114
Coloureds . . . . .	43
Asians . . . . .	4
Europeans . . . . .	114
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	275
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It had been anticipated that about 200 would attend so the number who came was beyond our expectations. There was perfect fellowship and harmony throughout, and waves of blessing continually came upon the campus.

The Mayor of Livingstone, Councillor Nahee, as well as Mr. D. G. Temple, Principal of Livingstone Training College and the Honourable Under-Minister for the Southern Province of Zambia, were strongly for Christian principles and wished this multi-racial meeting marked success.

Pastor Lawrence Nelson from the General Conference was the main guest speaker and daily gave an outstanding series of prophetic studies on Revelation. It was encouraging to note the spell-bound attention of the campers at the meetings and also the attendances at these thought-provoking lectures.

During the camp some outstanding programs were presented. The temperance effort took an unusual form, being a



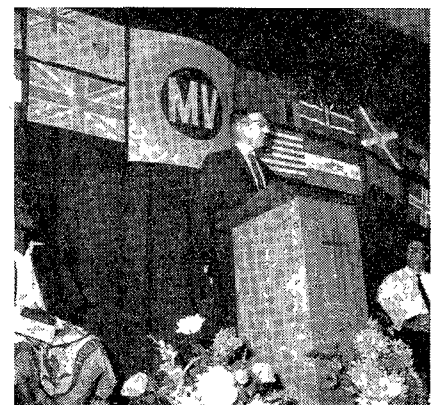
Escorting Mr. Sakubita and Mr. Nahee on an inspection tour of the camp is R. A. Burns (right) and P. H. Coetzee (left)



Pieter H. Coetzee.

For many years men of vision in our Trans-African Division have visualized the holding of a Division-wide, multi-racial congress for our youth. Due to excessive travelling problems and immigration regulations the realization of this project never materialized. But the Zambesi Union stepped out by faith and laid careful plans for a Master Guide convention. They invited youth participation from every union. All eight union MV leaders were present as well as some of the local MV Department secretaries.

Livingstone in Zambia, almost on the banks of the Zambesi River and along-



Mr. D. G. Temple, principal of Livingstone Training College standing under the flags of 16 nations represented by the 275 delegates.

play set in ancient Greece and a comparison was made between Christ and Alexander the Great.

"A Street in Bethlehem" was one of the highlights and Pastor Brian Pilmoor is to be congratulated on the professional decorations he provided.

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They came—from Mbeya, Dar-es-Salaam, Morogoro, Tabora, Heri, Suji, Utumbaru, Majita, and Ntusu. From October 28 to November 2 the eyes of the young people of the Tanzania Union turned towards Ikizu Training School where delegates and youth leaders met together to study God's plan for the youth to help in the completion of His work.

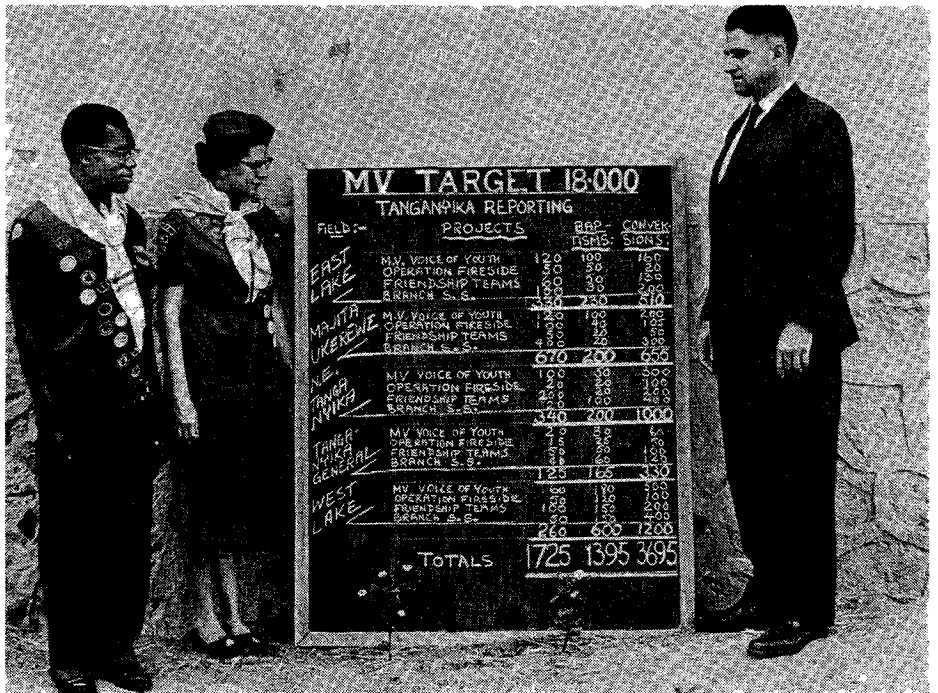
Pastor Lawrence Nelson from the General Conference preached; Pastor P. H. Coetzee from the Division exhorted and instructed; the local field leaders challenged; the music items of the Ikizu choir, the young men's quartette, the young ladies' group, and the many individual contributions, lifted the hearts of all heavenward.

The leaders and young people accepted the challenge, and under God have pledged themselves to conduct soul-winning projects which will result in 3,695 conversions and 1,395 baptisms.

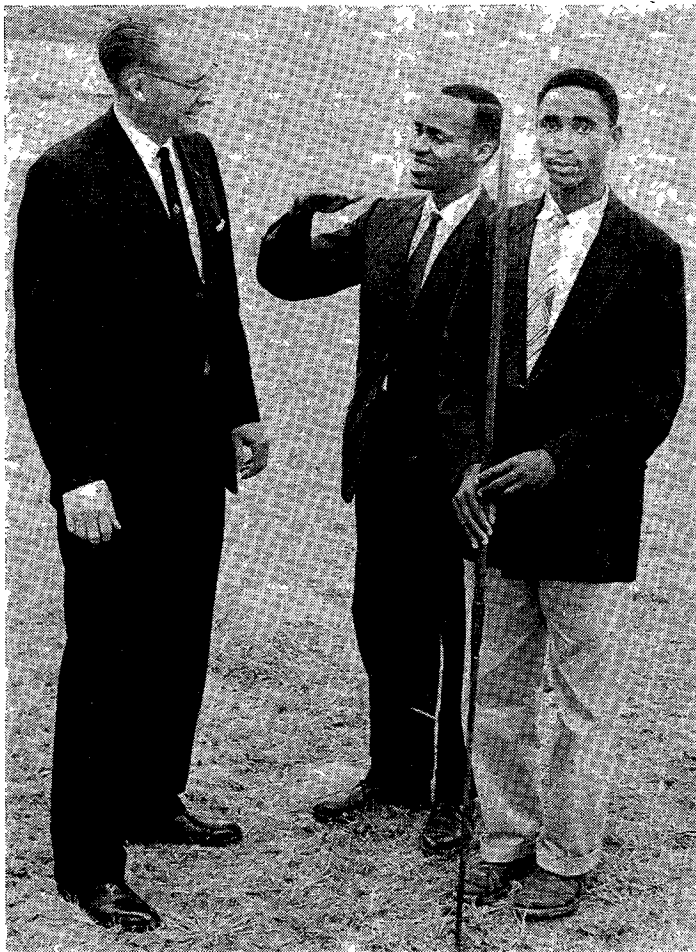
Pastor Coetzee conducted a stirring candle-lighting ceremony on the closing night and as all the delegates and young people accepted the challenge to be soul-winners they pledged loyalty to their aim: "Youth and Truth for the Hour."

# Tanzania MV Rally

by F. G. Thomas,  
President Tanzania Union



F. G. Thomas, Tanzania Union president, shows the MV TARGET chart to Master Guides Mrs. L. Pendleton and B. Elineema.



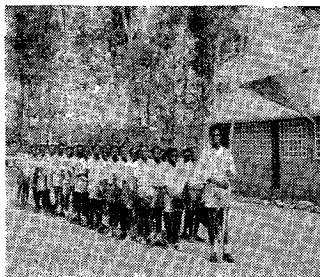
Gunter Schmidl recently arrived from Germany to take over the leadership of the MV Department of the Tanzania Union.



The Missionary Volunteers of Tanzania accepted the Masai Country as their un-entered mission field in 1964. J. A. Kisaka, district pastor, indicates the height of a Masai hut ceiling. John Nyaru, Missionary Volunteer to the Masai, is on the right. Masai men are usually 6 feet tall.

# Central African Union

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Youth from the Central African Seminary (Kivogi), coming to youth congress in Bujumbura, Burundi.



Addressing the youth leaders is the Junior Minister to the Ministry of the Interior at the first MV camp in East Africa in five years.



A clear-faced, vision-filled MV of West Rwanda, urging the youth to study their Bibles for their morning devotions.



J. G. Evert represents the miracle union where over 10,000 were won for Christ in 1964

Lake Field reported over 1,000 converts by youth in 1964.

Led by inspired and dedicated leaders the young people are doing great things. In one church the youth formed Friendship Teams and went to visit a back-slidden member who had married two wives. Constant and regular visits impressed him and today he is back in the church, minus the extra wife.

In one church the young people have carefully organized their method of holding youth efforts. Organization includes such details as arranging bicycle transport, delivering food to feed the preachers, and a rotation basis whereby one young man visits a group every Sabbath so that the various groups are not neglected. Over 30 souls have been baptized or have joined the baptismal classes during the last effort.

The young people in one of the hospitals have held two efforts this past

Derek Beardsell is MV leader in the East African Union. God has blessed his work.

year and to date have had 58 people decide to join the church.

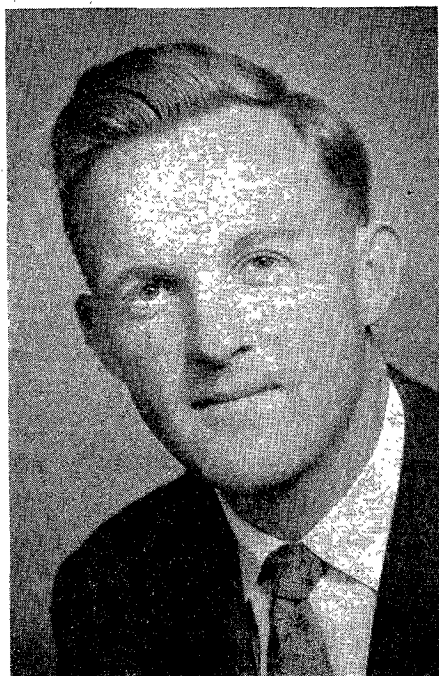
Derek Beardsell reports that their young people are on fire for God, and solicits an interest in our prayers for them.

PASTOR J. G. EVERT (top right) of the Central African Union is one of our earnest and dedicated youth leaders. For the wonderful results achieved in his union he asks no credit but humbly gives praise and glory to God.

At the beginning of 1964 this union accepted the challenging goal of 10,000 new converts and 5,000 baptisms. The youth responded and God used them. Ten thousand six hundred souls were won for Christ and 5,155 people were baptized.

In the face of ridicule, scorn, misrepresentation, and even death, they preached the gospel. Some young people were personally responsible for bringing in as many as 20 souls.

Pastor Evert thanks God for dedicated youth. The conditions in his union are unstable, and our leaders and youth there certainly need our prayers.



DEREK BEARDELL of the East African Union is brimming over with plans and energy. Their goal was surpassed by over 800 souls. The Kenya

# East African Union

# South African Union



J. Dirk Coetzee who is leading the youth in the conferences of South Africa in a mighty forward move.

Pastor J. D. Coetzee, youth leader in the South African Union for Group 1, gave some thrilling reports to the Secretaries' Council. For example, in the Transvaal Conference 360 people were baptized in 31 months.

TABSA is playing a great part in evangelism and the pastors are having difficulty in keeping up with the follow-up work. One girl of 14 years of age is giving studies and has had good audiences. When the father of one young MV came home too late his son stepped into the breach and gave the TABSA Bible study.

Pastor J. Rautenbach in the Cape Peninsula organized one of the churches into the Operation Fireside project. They went out sharing their faith, and then Pastor Rautenbach held a reaping effort. Twelve were baptized and they, in turn, are letting their light shine. The experiences of what our young people are doing to bring people to a knowledge of the truth could be multiplied many times over.

## Group I

Youth clubs in Pretoria, the Far East Rand, and Near East Rand, and in Bloemfontein have proved very effective. Seven were recently baptized on the Far East Rand. In Pretoria the leader has arranged for youth camps and this venture is also most successful.

### TO ALL YOUNG PEOPLE

"Take time and trouble to keep yourself spiritually fit. Bodily fitness has a certain value, but spiritual fitness is essential, both for this present life and for the life to come. There is no doubt about this at all, and Christians should remember it. It is because we realize the paramount importance of the spiritual that we labour and struggle. We place our whole confidence in the living God, the Saviour of all men, and particularly of those who believe in Him . . . . Don't let people look down on you because you are young; see that they look up to you because you are an example to them in your speech and behaviour, in your love and faith and sincerity." Paul to Timothy, in Timothy 4:7-12, Phillips.

## HELDERBERG MATRIC RESULTS

### 7 FIRST CLASS PASSES

In the November 1964 National Senior Certificate examinations Helderberg College students received 25 passes.

16 UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE

9 SENIOR CERTIFICATES

Subject distinctions were obtained in:

TYPEWRITING 6

PHYSICAL SCIENCE 3

PORTUGUESE 1

SHORTHAND 1

AGRICULTURE 1

## MULTI-RACIAL HARMONY

(Continued from page 5)

A group of Coloured people had come all the way from Cape Town and their evident enjoyment was a pleasure to behold. Besides providing many musical items, for which they are noted, they also put on a play "The Last Milestone," dealing with the Laodicean church. This was very effective. Under the leadership of Pastor George Beyers, the Good Hope Conference young people will put into effect the inspiration they received for TARGET 18,000.

The Master Guide camp was an unqualified success and the campers returned home with a feeling of fellowship and belonging to a great world-wide movement. Pastor R. A. Burns and his dedicated staff are to be congratulated on the success of this first multi-racial, inter-union venture.

## SIGNS / TEKENS

Did you know:

That in one year this magazine brings into the home—48 full-length topical or doctrinal articles; 12 articles for mother and home; 12 children's stories and puzzles, etc.; 12 medical articles; 50 medical questions answered; 30 devotional features and many poems; 12 pages of comment on current affairs; 12 pages of healthful recipes; 12 beautiful covers?

That this magazine will reach many who will never have the opportunity to hear a preacher?

That many will trace their first convictions to the reading of our literature?

That the circulation is now only 2.5 per church member?

Let us use our church magazine to greater advantage during 1965.





G. M. Ellstrom is new to our Division. We believe God will greatly bless his ministry for the youth of the Congo.

## *Through Trouble to Triumph* In the Congo Union

East and North Congo fields. Then two weeks after their return to Elisabethville those two fields were completely cut off, as were also certain parts of the South Congo Field. Contacts have been almost impossible since then.

A little news has come through from the East Congo and it is good. From outside sources they have gleaned further information. Through all these difficulties God has been good to His people. Stories of deliverance and protection are being multiplied. The lives of our people have been spared and our property has been unharmed, so we can fervently exclaim, "Praise the Lord!"

The MV TARGET goal of 3,000 has been surpassed by over 400. Both of the fields that suffered the most have gone beyond their goals and at their field sessions they set higher goals for 1965.

Pastors and members were imprisoned in our Masisi Field, but when they were freed and things had quietened down the youth organized special seasons of prayer in every church. Twenty-four people were

won into the church. After these prayer seasons the Ingathering was organized and about 200,000 francs was collected, our youth having a special part in this campaign.

Pastor Ellstrom stated that knowing God is with them the youth are of good courage. They are moving forward with confidence that God will do great things in 1965.

Pastor G. M. Ellstrom, Congo Union youth leader, told us that during the first half of the year visits were made to various parts of the Congo and great plans for soul-saving were laid in the



P. J. Salhany who is the youth leader in the South-East African Union. In Blantyre the strong Pathfinder Club members are all in uniform.

## *South-East African Union*

Pastor P. J. SALHANY of the South-East African Union gave us this good report:

"Our youth have caught a new vision of spiritual service under the inspiration of MV TARGET 18,000. Throughout the land the people are preaching, teaching, inviting, and helping people make decisions for Christ.

"The youth at Mombera Seminary are conducting thirty-six branch Sabbath-schools. A special community service project proved to be a blessing as the young people aided in sending a critically sick girl to a hospital and thus another village was open for a branch Sabbath-school.

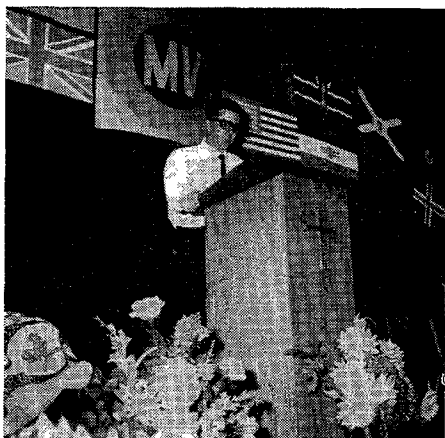
"In the central province of Malawi a 12-year old boy is conducting an evangelistic meeting and all the adults of the village are attending. M. N. Nkosi, MV field secretary, tells of the enthusiastic young people who go by cycle every Sabbath, rain or shine, to conduct MV branch Sabbath-schools.

"Throughout the union many active Friendship Teams invite hundreds to attend church and special evangelistic meetings, with the result that many backsliders have been reclaimed and new decisions for Christ have been made.

"The Spirit of God moves in mysterious ways and recently a youth stood up while his mother was baptized. A

few years before the father had refused the boy the privilege of attending Sabbath-school. Somehow the lad found a way of attending and as his faith strengthened he made his appeal to his father to give his heart to Christ. Sickness struck the father and at the end he accepted Jesus, and his wife did likewise.

"A youth shared his faith, and so can you. The Lord expects nothing less of you."



Raymond A. Burns, the organizer and director of Camp Zambia.

NEWS NOTES

# South African Union Group II

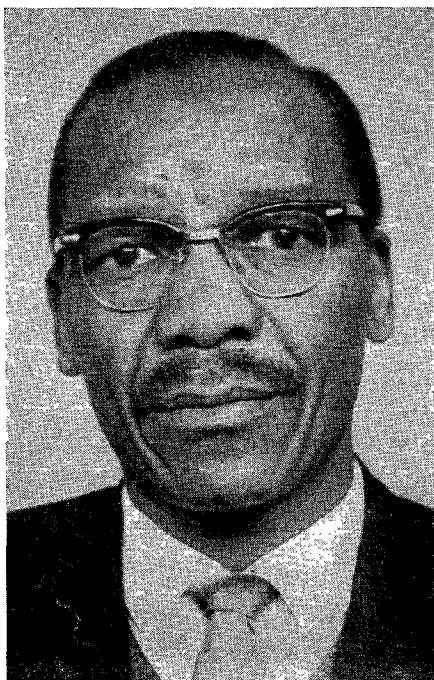
This union stepped out in faith and accepted a goal of 3,000 souls to be won by the young people during 1964. By the grace of God, Pastor D. M. Malotle, youth leader for Group II, was able to report 1,223 won by the end of October. Unless something untoward happens their goal will be surpassed.

The young people in Dube Township conducted a Voice of Youth effort during which the Lord blessed with 75 souls. Twenty-five of these were baptized during Pastor Nelson's visit.

Another outstanding event in this union occurred before MV TARGET 18,000 was introduced. During the Bethel Week of Prayer 400 souls were converted. Great days lie ahead for this vast union.

In a rally held at Port Elizabeth 1,800 youth attended and 42 were baptized. In this vicinity there are over 20 branch Sabbath-schools all conducted by young people.

Pastor D. M. Malotle is just bubbling over with experiences of this nature and goes into his work for 1965 filled with godly enthusiasm and zeal.



David M. Malotle is the first African pastor elected to lead our youth on union level. God has wonderfully blessed his ministry.

Goal for Target 18,000 for Division was 18,000 decisions for baptism in 1964. Number reached 21,500 decisions.

Pastor J. Handahu of the Zambia field told the Secretaries' Council that they had a goal of 600 converts and with the help of God, plan to double the goal in 1965.

We are sorry indeed that the wife of one of our union MV leaders is suffering from hepatitis. Let us pray for Pastor and Mrs. J. G. Evert who have done such outstanding work in the Central African Union. At present Mrs. Evert is receiving treatment in Durban.

Did you know? Forty per cent of the membership of the church consist of youth belonging to the MV Department. The cream of the church is found among these MVs—youth up to 30 years of age in the prime of life.

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Fifteen hundred youth attending the Port Elizabeth youth rally. Forty-two were baptized.

### Important Dates

March 20—April 3 VOP Enrolment Fortnight.

April 3 VOP Offering

# Dedication vs Apathy

At the Division MV Secretaries' Council, Pastor Lawrence Nelson from the General Conference laid strong emphasis in all his devotional talks on soul-winning activities. He made a powerful appeal to our leaders to get all young people actively engaged in some form of evangelism.

On many occasions Pastor Nelson dwelt on harnessing the boundless energy of our young married couples and those from their early twenties up to thirty in active evangelism. Young people like to be participants in meetings, leading out in song services, acting as secretaries and teachers and speakers. If this talent is not used then it will seep into other channels and be lost to the MV movement.

The Missionary Volunteer Department has a great responsibility for which it will have to give an account. May we not fail in the task committed to us in these last days.

In his lectures Pastor Lawrence Nelson used some very impressive statements. We quote here one of the many: This concerns a one-time Presbyterian student taking the ministerial course who became a confirmed communist. It was taken from Billy Graham's book, *The Holy Spirit*, and shows the dedication of a communist youth and is a challenge for Christian youth to reveal an equal or greater dedication to the cause of Christ.

"Recently there came to my attention a letter written by a man who started to become a Presbyterian minister. This man is now a communist. He was born and reared with us in Sharon, North Carolina, just south of Charlotte and my father brought this letter to me. Grady Wilson and I know this boy; he lives in Flint, Michigan. Here is what he wrote to his Presbyterian friend. Listen:

"What seems of first importance to you is to me either not desirable or impossible of realization, but there is one thing about which I am in dead earnest, that is the communist cause. It is my life, my business, my religion, my hobby, my sweetheart, my wife and mistress, my bread and meat. I work at it

in the daytime and dream of it at night. Its hold on me grows, not lessens, as time goes on. I'll be in it the rest of my life. It is my *alter ego*. When you think of me it is necessary to think of communism as well because I am inseparably bound to it. Therefore, I can't carry on a friendship, a love affair, or even a conversation without relation to this force which both drives and guides my life. I evaluate people, books, ideas, actions, according to how they effect the communist cause and by their attitude towards it. I have already been in jail because of my ideas, and if necessary, I am ready to go before a firing squad.

"Now what does this mean for us communists in a personal way? Well, it means this, we are in the forefront of the working class in its titanic struggle with the capitalist class. We take the heaviest and most direct blows. We have a high casualty rate. We are the ones who get

All over Trans-Africa young people are praying for power and zeal to finish the work of God in this generation.



stoned and hanged and lynched and tarred and feathered, jailed and slandered and ridiculed, fired from our jobs and in every way made as uncomfortable as possible. A certain percentage of us get killed or imprisoned. Even for those who escape these harsher ends of life it is not a bed of roses. A genuine communist

lives in virtual poverty. He turns back to the Communist party every penny he makes above what is absolutely necessary to keep him alive.

"We constantly look for places where the class struggle is the sharpest and exploit the situation to the limit of its possibilities. We lead strikes, we organize demonstrations, we speak on street corners, we fight the police, we go through trying experiences many times each year which the ordinary worker has to face only once or twice in a lifetime. And when we are not doing these more exciting things all our spare time is taken up with a dull routine of chores, the endless leg work, the errands which are inescapably connected with running a live organization. Communists don't have the time or the money for many movies, or concerts, or T-bone steaks or decent homes and new cars. We have been described as fanatics. We are. Our lives are dominated by one great, overshadowing factor, the struggle for communism."

Honestly, can our youth if they are truly dedicated to the cause we serve do less. If communists with no hereafter can be so dedicated how much the youth of the Advent Church with the promises of life after death should awake to a whole-hearted absorption in soul-winning.

*Messages to Young People* p. 199 "If the youth will consecrate mind and heart to the Lord's service, they may reach a

high standard of efficiency and usefulness. This is the standard that the Lord expects the youth to attain. To do less than this is to refuse to make the most of God-given opportunities. This will be looked upon as treason against God,—a failure to work for the good of humanity."

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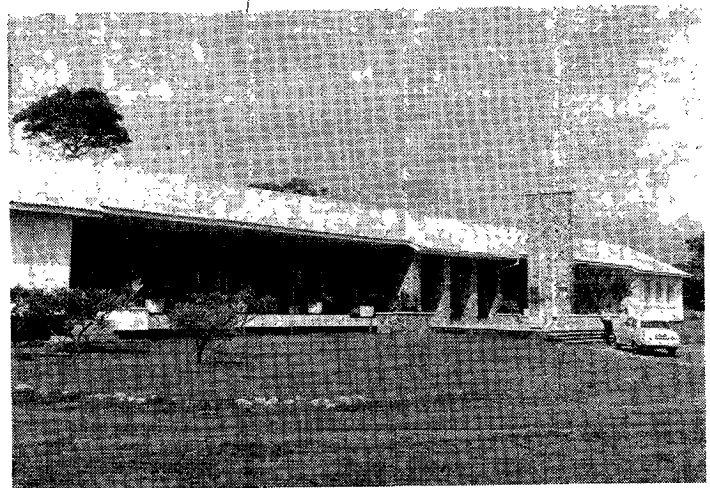
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**Sunset Calendar  
March 1965**

	5	12	19	26
Cape Town	7.18	7.10	7.00	6.52
Johannesburg	6.35	6.29	6.21	6.16
East London	6.40	6.32	6.22	6.14
Port Elizabeth	6.50	6.42	6.32	6.24
Bloemfontein	6.44	6.37	6.29	6.22
Pietermaritzburg	6.28	6.21	6.13	6.06
Durban	6.25	6.18	6.10	6.03
Bulawayo	6.32	6.24	6.14	6.07
Lusaka	6.30	6.22	6.12	6.06
Salisbury	6.25	6.20	6.09	6.03
Gwelo	6.26	6.19	6.08	6.01
Blantyre	6.01	5.58	5.52	5.50
Elisabethville	6.29	6.27	6.22	6.21
Nairobi	6.48	6.47	6.45	6.46
Mombasa	6.38	6.36	6.33	6.30
Kisumu	6.58	6.56	6.55	6.55
Kampala	7.05	7.05	7.03	7.02
Dar-es-Salaam	7.43	6.39	6.36	6.34
Tabora	7.08	7.04	7.02	7.02



Administrative building, David Livingstone Training College where the Master Guide Camp was held.

**NEWS NOTES**

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A recent survey revealed that our energetic youth are not interested primarily in recreation but in sharing their faith and working on some all-absorbing cause.

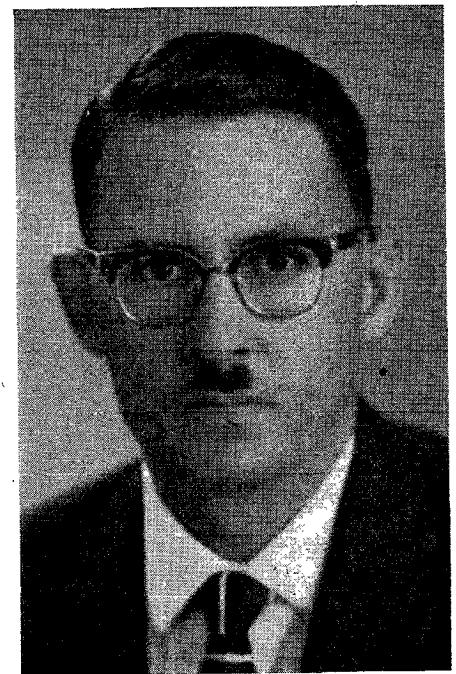
At the Division MV Secretaries' Council, conducted at Livingstone, December 31, 1964 - January 2, 1965, many far-reaching actions were taken. These must still be considered by the Division Committee, but the following departmental items will be of interest to readers of the OUTLOOK:

MV TARGET 18,000 will carry on until the time of the General Conference session in 1966. More plans were laid and the necessary materials made available to make 1965 the peak period for youth evangelism in this Division. The union leaders have taken as their aim, the goal of having every church and MV society throughout the Division participating in MV TARGET 18,000.

A recommendation from the General Conference MV Department was accepted that Master Guides who have not completed other MV classes may wear only the Master Guide insignia on their uniforms. Insignia for the other MV classes can be worn only when earned.

The MV TARGET goal for 1965 was set at 22,250 souls joining the baptismal classes.

The Council felt greatly concerned at the lowering of standards for the issuing of MV Honours and MV classwork. Very strong recommendations were made to



Ivan Piercey who has taken over the leadership of the youth work in the Zambesi Union from R. A. Burns.

the Division Committee to raise the standards to a much higher level so that young people receiving MV Honours or class pins meet every requirement in detail and thoroughly cover the prescribed work.

The General Conference Reading Committee for MV Book Clubs accepted the manuscript by Mrs. Jean Cripps as a senior selection for 1966. The book will be entitled *The Arrow by Day*, and every English-reading Missionary Volunteer in our Division will no doubt want to own this very interesting book.