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## FOCUS ON

**ALCOHOLISM IN SOUTH AFRICA**

by JEAN CRIPPS

SOUTH AFRICA has a population of 17 million including all races. Of the estimated 370,000 alcoholics of all races, 100,000 of them are white.

There are five times as many alcoholics as cancer sufferers, three times as many as tuberculosis victims, and 100 times as many as polio patients. "The figures suffice to show that the army of alcoholics is growing big enough to limit our chances of survival as a young industrial country."

These and many more facts were given to an audience of 73 educators, social workers, teachers, physicians and other individuals at the Rand Afrikaans University, Johannesburg, at the Third S.A. Symposium of Scientific Studies for the Prevention of Alcoholism, held from July 1-4, 1968.

Scientific knowledge and recent findings were exchanged by experts on specific phases of the alcohol problem. Prevention was stressed rather than rehabilitation, though this necessity was not overlooked. One afternoon was devoted to a field trip to two rehabilitation institutions. There the end results of alcoholism were seen in all their stark tragedy.

Ds. D. F. B. de Beer, Synodal minister for the Promotion of Public Morality, Dutch Reformed Church, Transvaal, chaired the Symposium. Pastor J. D. Runkel made an able and efficient secretary. Pastor Runkel is secretary of the S.A. Union Conference Temperance Department. On their shoulders rested the detailed planning and organization, and much of the credit for a most successful Symposium must go to them. Closely associated with

the conducting of these meetings was E. J. H. Steed, secretary of the General Conference Temperance Department, and B. E. Jacobs, secretary of the Trans-Africa Division Temperance Department.

Among the scholarly and thought-provoking papers read was one by Dr. M. H. Schaffner, medical secretary of the Trans-Africa Division.

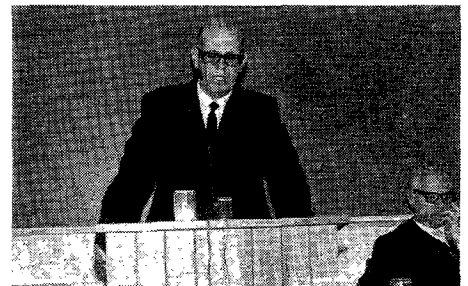
This vast problem of alcoholism, facing our country and the world, warrants the unqualified support of all our members. On this platform we can stand shoulder-to-shoulder with all churches and individuals who believe in pointing people to a better way of life and more healthful and productive living.

**Top: Pastor Ernest J. H. Steed talks to Mr. Etienne Louw, director of the S.A. National Council on Alcoholism.**

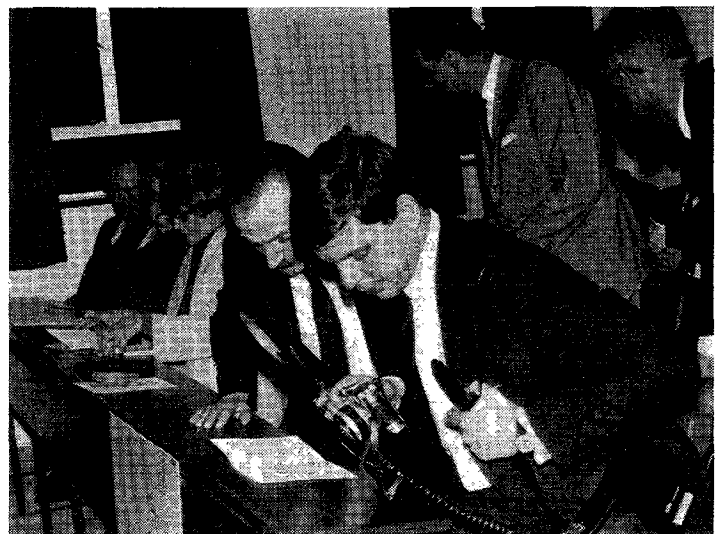
**Right: Ds. D. F. B. de Beer and Pastor James D. Runkel discuss a point. Ds. de Beer is the Synodal minister for the Promotion of Public Morality of the Dutch Reformed Church.**

**Lower right: Professor A. J. van Wyk, Professor of Psychiatry, University of Pretoria, and Deputy Commissioner of Mental Health and Senior Psychiatrist of Weskoppies Hospital, delivering a paper on "Psychiatric Aspects of the Alcohol Problem."**

**Bottom: Some members of the Press in action. The Symposium was comprehensively covered in four daily newspapers in Johannesburg, two in English and two in Afrikaans, each day of the meetings.**



**Professor E. H. Cluver (centre) former director of the S.A. Institute for Medical Research and former dean of the Witwatersrand Medical School, talking to Pastor Hugh Stevenson (left) and Dr. Marlowe H. Schaffner.**

**Cover Photograph:**

**A NEW WAY TO ADVERTISE! A Xhosa woman caught by the camera with one of our tracts tucked under her "hat."**

# GENERAL CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

## WRITES TO THE TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION BELIEVERS

June 16, 1968

Dear Fellow Believers Around the World:

Two years ago today thousands of God's people were together in Cobo Hall in Detroit, Michigan. On that day some of us took over burdens carried long and effectively by worthy predecessors. Your prayers and wonderful co-operation have sustained and strengthened us during the problem-filled intervening months. It has been a joy to serve you in the great challenge of finishing God's work in the earth and hastening the return of our Saviour.

Much has happened during these two years. The smouldering Middle East has burst into flames, posing a threat to world peace. The war in Vietnam has been escalated and thousands of servicemen and hapless civilians have died in the holocaust. In America block after block of the large cities have shuddered with rioting—fire bombing, shooting, and looting. These and other tragic events of our day tell us that *the end of all things is at hand!*

Brethren and sisters, *what are we doing about it?* Is it the same old business-and-pleasure-as-usual programme? Have the ominous events crowding in upon us failed to arouse us, failed to stir us to action? Dare we continue heedlessly on in our old Laodicean lukewarmness when God is seeking to revive and reform a people who will be ready for His Son's return in the near future?

Thousands of earnest Adventists around the world have been praying fervently that something would happen to the members of God's church—that we would be awakened to our true spiritual condition, that our eyes would be opened to our great need, and that this awakening would result in a great revival and the outpouring of the latter rain. Surely this is God's will. The stage is set. The hour is long overdue!

I wish I could sit down and talk with each one of you personally—to share with you a concern that I feel to the very depths of my being. This concern is that all of us might understand more clearly the solemnity of the hour in which we live. God is expecting something of each of us—

firstly, that our lives shall be put in order, and then that we play our part in sharing our faith with those about us. We are two years nearer eternity than when we were together in Detroit.

We say we want revival. How sincerely do we desire that revival? Enough to permit the Holy Spirit to begin the revival in our own lives? Are we willing to pay the price of full surrender, entire consecration, that will pave the way for revival? Brethren and sisters, something *must* happen to God's people—to you, to me! Something will happen—to you, to me—if we are willing to pay the price—full surrender to Him.

To the more than 60,000 denominationally employed workers and self-supporting workers around the world, I have a special word as we reach the half-way point in this quadrennium. God is expecting much of us as leaders. Our people are expecting much of us! We dare not fail God nor our fellow-believers who have confidence in us. We must be what we desire our members to *become*. We must be in the vanguard of the revival and reformation! There must be no credibility gap to separate us from the people whom God has called to serve in these closing, challenging hours of earth's history! Our living, our preaching, our service, must leave no room for doubt as to where we stand in the great controversy! Ours must be *revival leadership, latter-rain leadership*. It dare not be otherwise.

To the thousands of church officers serving God's church faithfully in many lands, I make a special appeal. God has laid upon you a solemn responsibility. Whether you are elder, a deacon, a deaconess, a church treasurer, a Sabbath-school superintendent or secretary, an MV leader, or any other officer, God is counting on you to be His witness, His mouth-piece. You are His man, His woman, in your local church. Perhaps He is expecting even more of you as a leader than He expects of those who sit under your ministry. Many eyes are upon you. What do they see—Jesus or the world? Does "the gospel according to you" ring true?

Fellow-workers and church officers, let us lead our people into a great fellowship of prayer—in our own



ROBERT H. PIERSON  
General  
Conference  
President

closets, in our offices, in our churches, in our institutions—wherever we may be. If two million workers and believers in the Advent hope are praying daily for revival and for a finished work, something is bound to happen. Something will happen!

Our Bible, the precious Word of God, must be a part of our daily experience with Him. It is so easy to let the daily paper, the weekly news magazine, the radio, the TV, and many other things crowd out the time we should spend with the Word. Only the Book that comes *from* God will lead us to God! In an age of moral relativism, when spiritual values are being eroded by unbelief, when emphasis is placed upon a theology of social change, God's people must be anchored to the Rock. Our only safety in a permissive age of doubt is in close contact with our Source of power through His Word.

So, brother, sister of mine, how is it with you? Does this half-way point in our current quadrennium find you two years better prepared to meet your Master? Has victory over sin become a reality in your life? Have the penetrating beams of revival flooded the chambers of your heart? Has the Lord used you to win some souls for Christ during these two years? Is your life a daily witness for Him?

Time is slipping by so rapidly! We dare not delay. *Revival, reformation, sacrifice, and evangelism are still the challenge of the hour.* God has heard the appeal of His people. God has blessed. Multiplied thousands are responding and moving into line. The next two years must be the best, the most power-filled years in the history of God's remnant church. My personal appeal to you—yes, *you* individually—is that through God's strength you will help to make it so!

Sincerely yours in Christian love,

# MALAMULO PUBLISHING HOUSE

## PROGRESS REPORT

by HERBERT D. INGERSOLL,  
*Manager*

THE MALAMULO Publishing House is rapidly becoming a well-equipped institution. Four years ago it was voted that the Malamulo Mission Press be upgraded to its present status, thus making it the 44th publishing house operated by the Church throughout the world field. Since that time considerable growth has been in evidence. Three extensions have been added to the original building which have increased the stockroom capacity, housed the newly added slug type-casting machine, and created a bindery room. Space has also been made available for a plate-making and dark room for the offset department. Then, a new storage room houses inflammable items such as petrol and oil, in order to protect machinery and paper in the main building.

The two front offices have been renovated and the entire front side of the building has been bricked, thus eliminating a great amount of the mud and dirt which was once carried inside causing much dust and damage to our machinery. A ceiling throughout the main building has also done much to eliminate dust that once sifted in under the roof causing us much trouble with our machines and stock.

During the four years under survey there has been added an Intertype machine and a new Davidson offset press, a good 11" x 15" Heidelberg Platen press, a Krause 42" Guillotine paper cutter, and a Cleveland "O" folder. The most recent item of equipment to be acquired is the 24" x 24" camera purchased from the Church of Christ. We have also received a donation of a good slug-cutting saw from the Adelpia Academy in Holly, Michigan, U.S.A.

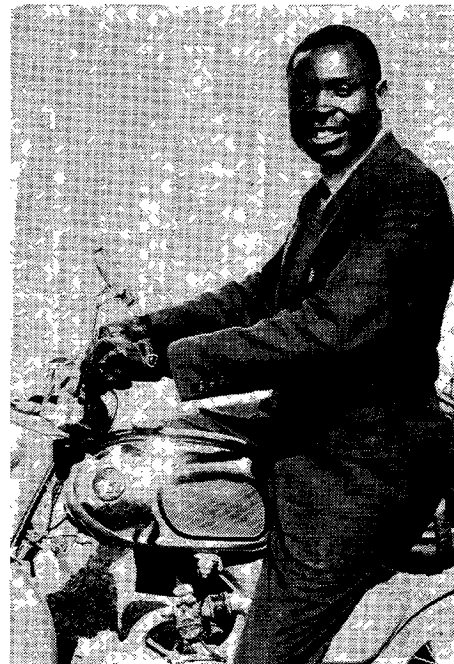
Gross sales have risen steadily as improvements to the plant have been effected. From £3,800 in 1963, these have reached £12,468 in 1967, and £8,690 for the first six months of 1968.

For the first five months of 1968 the publishing house's average was more than £1,515 per month. The first quarter of 1968 was greater in sales by £400 than for the entire year 1963. The second quarter of 1968 was greater in sales by just under £700 than for the year 1963. The first six months of 1968 passed gross sales for 1965 by £1,547.

Contributing to this growth is the steady hand and faithful service which Brother Don Cootz who arrived in February of 1967 has given to the

programme. Another factor has been the decrease of man hours lost because of sickness. Every worker at the publishing house undergoes a yearly physical check for malaria, bilharzia, anaemia, and hook and round worm, and is treated accordingly. It is estimated that absenteeism has been cut by two-thirds.

The morale among the workers is good and there is a fine team spirit which not only produces co-operation but a high spiritual tone. Recreational



N. B. Malenga, an ambassador of the printed page, who has been working successfully in the city of Blantyre. He has been able to place our books in the homes of several cabinet ministers and in this way is reaching a class of people who could probably not be reached in any other way.

Literature-Evangelists of the South East African Union.



equipment has been provided and during work breaks and at noon hours the men make full use of this provision for healthy exercise. Every man has been given a new uniform, an extra shirt, a raincoat and a warm jacket through the kindness of friends in the United States, and the African workers' homes have modern facilities.

The Malamulo Publishing House looks forward to further progress under the blessing and guidance of the Master we serve.





Left: Usherettes and counsellors assisting in the Five Day Plan.



Right: John G. Evert, organizing secretary of the Five-Day Plan, with part of the audience.

## BIG GUNS IN ACTION AT SOWETO

by JEAN CRIPPS

THE TEMPERANCE DEPARTMENT brought its big guns into action for the first all-African Five Day Plan to Stop Smoking to be held on this continent.

Pastor E. J. H. Steed was one of the main speakers. He heads our world Temperance Department with headquarters in Washington, U.S.A. Dr. M. H. Schaffner, a veteran participant in 15 Five Day Plans in Africa, was the other speaker, and supporting them was Pastor B. E. Jacobs, head of the Trans-Africa Division Temperance Department.

The organizing secretary, to whom much of the credit is due for a successful initial effort, was the Southern Union Temperance man, Pastor J. G. Evert. Months of intensive planning and effort went into careful preparation. People had to be contacted, ushers enlisted, a hall booked, and a thousand-and-one details ironed out. Even with every minor detail attended to no one could predict the outcome.

From June 24-28, every evening at 5.30 a car left the centre of Johannesburg, heading 15 miles due west to the African township of Soweto. Three-quarters of a million Africans legally live in this sprawling complex with another quarter-of-a-million in illegal residence.

On the Monday night 160 people, mostly men, filled the hall comfortably. From then on the attendance climbed steadily and the hall became uncomfortably packed. Soon it became necessary to discourage new people from coming.

Quite a few had discarded smoking by the end of the week. After the first lecture, lying on the floor was a cigarette butt about 2 ins. long. This proved something, as Africans smoke

their cigarettes down to the last fraction of an inch.

One high school teacher was determined he would never revert to this evil habit followed for many years.

The field president and lay members connected with the Plan were enthusiastic, and we are sure we shall hear further reports from the up-and-coming Southern Union and its wide-awake temperance secretary.

Interested audience.



## GREETINGS FROM "OLD" SOLUSI

by DANIEL WALTHER, Ph.D.,  
Principal

BEFORE COMING to Solusi I often heard references to "old" Solusi. Friends interested in us—and there are many—also wrote about "old" Solusi. Indeed, Solusi is old. In fact, it is the oldest Seventh-day Adventist mission station in the world. Our students everywhere in Denominational History classes have to learn the name of Matabeleland where "the first denominational work was begun among the heathen."

They may have a hard time to discover on the map of Africa where Matabeleland is. Yet, all have heard about Solusi, even though the place is seldom indicated on a map of Rhodesia, let alone of Africa.

True, Solusi is old.

But it is still young, younger than ever. There is a great deal of fiery enthusiasm under the old roof.

We are well advised not to dwell too much on the past, except to remember how the Lord has led us. Our eyes are to the future.

Greater opportunities are ahead for Solusi, as well as for our educational work in the Trans-Africa Division.

Yes, some conditions do not appear too encouraging, and sometimes the question occurs: Should we build at a time like the present? But then, when was the world ever completely safe and at peace? From the beginning, the world has existed in a crisis climate, and we have been urged to move right ahead, by faith.

*Library at Solusi:* For many years we had a dream: an independent library on Solusi campus to better serve our African youth in this area.

That dream came nearer realization when the world church community by a Thirteenth Sabbath Offering made this possible.

The brethren of the Board have now authorized such a building. It is a simple, yet functional and attractive, structure. The building is in harmony with the church motif known far and wide. And, most important, our African youth for whom Solusi exists, can look forward to using this most essential and efficient tool to increase their knowledge and heighten their inspiration for greater service.

Yes, Solusi is young!

The best days are ahead!

## NEW ASSISTANT TREASURER

Brother and Sister RONALD D. MARX and their two sons, David Glenn and Merwyn Keith. This missionary family has just returned from overseas and is the most recent addition to the Division family at headquarters. Brother Marx will be assuming full responsibility as Division assistant treasurer when Pastor John Stephenson leaves for overseas in November. Before proceeding overseas, Brother Marx was secretary-treasurer of the Tanzania Union. Mrs. Marx was formerly Miss Lenora Beardsell, elder daughter of Pastor and Mrs. S. W. Beardsell, veteran missionaries now at Solusi College.



## PICTURE ROLL EVANGELISM

MANY SABBATH-SCHOOL members of the Tanzania Union are out holding branch Sabbath-schools in their districts. Each one is armed with a picture roll which was kindly donated by friends in the United States. These picture rolls and their Bibles are the only equipment the members have for their Sabbath-school evangelism. This particular group conducted 12 branch Sabbath-schools and contacted 200 people with the Word of God on the day the accompanying photo was taken.

If our readers have any used picture rolls or memory verse cards, why not send them to the Division Sabbath School Department for distribution among the mission unions. Excellent work is being done with this equipment, and is being over and over again until completely worn out. Your help would be greatly appreciated.



## and There Around the Division



Left: Dr. Ralph Waddell, secretary of the General Conference Medical Department, who is visiting Trans-Africa from August 1 to September 30.

### MEDICAL NEWS

#### Malamulo Laboratory and X-Ray Technicians' Course

Laboratory technicians form a very important part of the team giving medical care in our hospitals. Some years ago a short laboratory course was offered at Malamulo and quite recently Dr. L. G. Rose has started one at Kendu Hospital in Kenya, East Africa. The most recent addition to this programme in the Trans-Africa Division is the course now starting at Malamulo Hospital, headed by Brother George Vandulek, a recent arrival from Washington, D.C., in the United States. This school opened in June of this year and offers a two-year course to not only Malamulo laboratory technicians but to any from other parts of the Division who may wish to enrol. It is housed in the new out-patient building which is in the process of being completed.

#### Heri Health School

Four and a half years have gone by since Brother and Sister Charles Stafford arrived from the United States to head the Heri Health School in Tanzania. Now they are going on furlough and during their absence Dr. and Mrs. Lester H. Lonergan of the School of Public Health of Loma Linda University will be at Heri. This is a "Welcome Back" to the Lonergans, for they have already served at Heri Health School.



Pastor and Mrs. J. T. Knopper with their sons, Reyer Jan, Peter Andreas, Eddy Jonathan, and young William Daniel in front. After serving for four years as the Publishing Department secretary of the Congo Union, Pastor Knopper has now returned from furlough to commence work as the Publishing Department Secretary of the Tanzania Union.

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## “Unto the Third and Fourth Generation” Through the Literature Ministry

by A. M. DU PLESSIS,  
Publishing Department Secretary  
S.A. Union Conference

IN 1871, Miss Mary Ann Edith Croker arrived in Cape Town aboard a sailing vessel from the island of St. Helena. She attended the Wale Street Baptist Church with her family and sang in the choir. One Sunday morning a Danish seaman, Serene Ingram Andrew Sutherland (born Sonderland), passed the church and heard Miss Croker singing with the choir. He immediately stepped into the church and fell in love with the singer. Without meeting her, Sutherland went back to England, resigned from the British Merchant Navy after 15 years of service, and returned to Cape Town. He attended the Baptist Church, met the young lady with the beautiful voice, later married her in

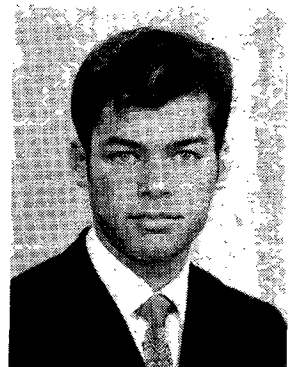
books. One of them, (unfortunately we do not know which one) canvassed the Sutherland family and sold them *Bible Readings for the Home Circle*. Through the study of *Bible Readings* the Sutherlands soon accepted the three angels' messages and were numbered amongst the first Seventh-day Adventists in Cape Town.

Two more children enriched the Sutherland home in 1891 and 1893, Josia and Helen. In order to be near Union College, which was established in 1893 the Sutherlands moved to Claremont where all the children attended school. After graduating, Kirsten, the eldest, took the nurses' course at the old sanitarium and worked there for a time. Later she

sociation for over 30 years and went on sustentation in July 1967. Daniel Gold, who was the first graduate from Good Hope Training School, is at present the president of the Good Hope Conference. Ralph Crystal, another son, worked for years at the Sentinel before emigrating to England.

Pastor and Sister Theunissen laboured in many cities in South Africa and were both active in the Lord's work until their death, he at the age of 83 and she at 80.

**Pamela du Preez, 2nd year Normal student, Good Hope College.**



**Roy du Preez, final year Theological student, Good Hope College.**



**THE D. C. THEUNISSEN FAMILY: From left to right: Ruby, Pastor D. C., Ralph Crystal, Mrs. D. C., Pearl and Gold.**

January 1887, and settled in Cape Town. They had three children, Kirsten, Ralph, and Adelene.

Not long after, the first Seventh-day Adventist missionaries, Pastor and Mrs. A. T. Robinson, Pastor and Mrs. Boyd, Carrie Mace, and colporteurs Anthony and Burleigh were met at the Cape Town docks by Pieter Wessels and his company. Within a short time the colporteurs were trudging the steep cobblestoned streets of Cape Town with their truth-filled

married Daniel Christian Theunissen, the first Coloured convert to the message who accepted the truth while working as a house servant for the Wessels family. He took a six-weeks' Bible course, entered the organized work and was later ordained, thus becoming the first Coloured Seventh-day Adventist minister in South Africa.

The Theunissens had five children. The eldest, Charles, worked as a printer at the Sentinel Publishing As-

Adelene Sutherland graduated from Union College in 1904 and began a life-long service in the Lord's work as school teacher, Bible instructor, and principal. She started the first church school for Coloured people at Salt River, Cape Town, in 1929, and was also the first principal of Good Hope Training School.

Helen (Nellie) married outside the truth, but two of her children graduated from Good Hope Training College and are workers today. The one, Ingram Frank du Preez, is registrar and normal director at Good Hope College, and Alwyn George is a district pastor.



At present one of Ingram's five sons, Roy du Preez, is busy on his final year in theology, and Alwyn's daughter, Pamela du Preez, is taking the normal course at Good Hope College.

The pioneering efforts of the D. C. Theunissens and Miss A. V. Sutherland laid the foundations for a strong work amongst the Coloured people in the Cape. The present labours of their descendants (Daniel Gold Theunissen and the two du Preez brothers) ensure the continuation of that tradition, which is extending to the "third and fourth generation" of that little family in Constitution Street, Cape Town.

The faithful member of the bookmen's army who sold *Bible Readings* to the Sutherland family back in 1887 never knew what the result would be of that ONE sale. In all, twenty-four direct members of the Sutherlands have been baptized into the Advent message, of which eight have been and some still are workers in the cause. Apart from these, hundreds, yes, even thousands of people have been influenced by the witness of this family for the Lord in South Africa for the past 80 years.

## BRANCH SABBATH SCHOOLS ARE EVANGELISM

by ELASTO BASANINYENZI,  
*Department Secretary, Congo Union*

IN THE CONGO three avenues open the way to establishing branch Sabbath-schools. As Voice of Prophecy lessons reach widespread areas of this country, interests are awakened which can and do result in the formation of branch Sabbath-schools. Then in the constant and ever increasing migration of rural folk to the urban areas, church members find themselves in "dark areas", and once again the branch Sabbath-school idea is implemented. Intrepid literature-evangelists, pioneering in hitherto unentered areas, faithfully sow the seed by branch Sabbath-school evangelism.

Pastor Brown Piwele, upon taking up work in a new territory, found a substantial interest which had been aroused by converts who had been baptized through the Voice of Prophecy Bible School. Almost immediately four branch Sabbath-schools were started with an enrolment of 140. To date twelve souls have been baptized.

Two prisoners in the large Lubumbashi central prison enrolled in the Voice of Prophecy Bible School. As the truth became revealed to them they organized a branch Sabbath-school of 21 members in the jail. While Sumalenge remained in the Lubumbashi prison, his companion, Kyebo, was transferred to another prison 130 kms away. Here in this "life-term" institution Kyebo has begun a branch Sabbath-school with 33 members.

Ngwesire, a refugee from a neighbouring country, found refuge in an isolated area in which we had no work. He began a branch Sabbath-school with sixty members. Some time later, Pastor Jonas Ruzirakuvuka, South Katanga director, baptized twenty souls in this new area.

Eliezar Kilefye, a missionary-minded literature-evangelist, moved into a new area. Not only did he sell literature, but as a result of his branch Sabbath-school of thirty members, six were later baptized.

Branch Sabbath-school evangelism is soul-winning evangelism. God is using and will continue to use humble instruments in this the grandest of endeavours.

## A MIRACULOUS ANSWER TO PRAYER

by C. D. MGUNI,  
*Pastor, Botswana*

SISTER M. RATSHOSA first accepted the message at Kanye in Botswana in 1922 and was baptized in 1923. Due to ill health she could not finish her academic course at Bethel Training College in South Africa, nor the nurses' training course she started at Kanye Hospital. Physical weakness dogged her most of her life, although there was a period of six years when she served as preceptress of the Kanye Nurses' Home. But becoming ill again she was finally relieved of her duties and accepted sustentation in 1964. What happened after that is related in her own words:

"I found myself becoming thinner and weaker without feeling any serious physical pain. I consulted Dr. C. J. Birkenstock who was medical superintendent of Kanye Hospital at that time. After his examination he told me I had cancer and that my condition was beyond treatment. He felt that if the illness had shown itself sooner he might have been able to operate and save my life. Now it was too late even to send me to a



Sister M. Ratshosa

specialist. But, said the doctor, I believe God can cure you if it is His will.

"A prayer circle was then started at the hospital by the doctor and the hospital chaplain and word was sent out to the neighbouring churches. All these good Christian people prayed for me that the Lord would heal me if it were His will. I spent much time in prayer myself, asking the Lord to forgive every sin and mistake, so that if He saw fit to heal me I could lead a better life for Him, but if not, then I would be ready to go to sleep in the hope of the resurrection when Jesus comes.

"It seemed better now for me to return to my home in Serowe. I was concerned about my mother who was dependent on me. She is over 80 and a widow, so I must care for her. As I placed my case entirely in the hands of the Saviour I felt comforted that He would care for my mother and me. I believed He would provide for her should I go to rest.

Now I am happy to tell all the readers of the OUTLOOK that the Lord who added 15 years to the life of King Hezekiah, heard and answered the prayers of His people for me. He miraculously healed me of that terrible cancer and I am back at Kanye Hospital serving Him and praising Him for His great goodness to me. I want also to thank all those who prayed for me."

## IMPORTANT DATES

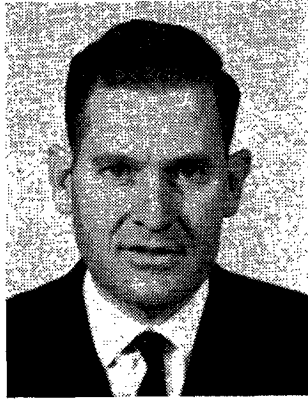
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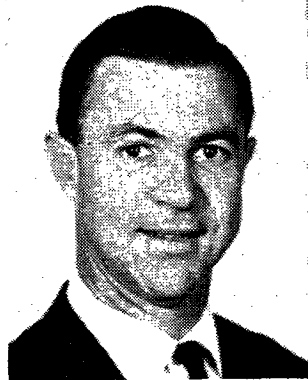
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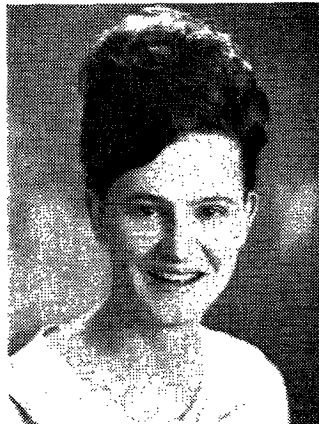
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Reporting on

# PEOPLE AND EVENTS

Ingathering is in full swing in all parts of South Africa and the Zambesi Union as well as other parts of the Division. Encouraging reports are coming to hand. The headquarters church, under the leadership of Pastor John B. Cooks, has gone £200 over its goal of £500 and expects to reach the £800 mark when the campaign closes. Pastor J. T. Mason reports very favourable response on the part of businessmen around the Stock Exchange area of Johannesburg. Many of them expressed their appreciation for the work of Seventh-day Adventists and some increased their contributions.

Pastor H. K. Mashigan, president of the West Lake Field in Tanzania, gives the cheering news that 2,000 attended the effort held at Mwanza. Pastor D. Dobias is conducting this campaign, assisted by Ikizu students.

Pastor D. K. Bazarra, president of the Uganda Field, recently completed a six-week evangelistic campaign in Masindi Town, Bunyoro District, a country bordering on the Congo and one of the oldest kingdoms in Africa. Eleven workers assisted in the effort and to date 60 are attending church regularly. Among these are Mr. Evan Kabagenda and family. He is the manager of a saw-mill and Mrs. Kabagenda is a government school teacher with a long service record. The town clerk of Masindi has made available a piece of land for a church building which will be built as soon as funds are available.

Brother Donald C. Swan, now works manager at the Sentinel Publishing Association has been appointed manager of the Africa Herald Publishing House in Kenya and will take up his new duties in September when Brother R. E. Gardner returns permanently to his homeland.

At a recent committee meeting it was voted that Pastor H. W. Stevenson be appointed as vice-president of the Zambesi Union, to be located in Zambia. The president of the Zambia Field is Pastor J. Muyebe. Among Pastor Stevenson's duties will be those of chairman of the boards of the Yuka and Mwami hospitals and Rusangu Secondary School.

Pastor Alvin E. Cook is conducting an evangelistic campaign and school of evangelism in Dar-es-Salaam, assisted by workers from the Tanzania and East African Unions.

A magnificent painting of Kilimanjaro has been prepared by Pastor Hugh Stevenson of the Transvaal Conference, who spent a number of years in service in East Africa. This 30 inch by 24 inch painting is to be presented to the General Conference to be hung in the long entrance passage of their office along with paintings from other world divisions. Each painting is to characterize the field it represents.

Back from furlough, Pastor and Mrs. Frank Unger are now at Solusi College, where Brother Unger will take over the responsibilities of business manager from Brother Roy Walin who with Mrs. Walin has served so effectively during the past six months. The Walins are now moving on to the Congo, their original place of labour, to assist in the accounting and auditing department of the union office.

With their term of service on the Division Committee coming to an end at the mid-year meeting, Pastors F. Boto-mani, J. Mbyiruku and A. S. Muunyu have been replaced by Pastors A. Ruhaya of the Congo Union, F. K. Nyasulu of the South-East Africa Union, and D. K. Mogegeh of the Zambesi Union. Pastors S. Otieno and E. Ntakiratimana have been appointed to the Solusi College Board.

## SERENITY

As birches are  
To the dark of a wood  
Is human need  
Of solitude.  
Not every tree,  
Nor every minute,  
But a day  
With quiet in it.  
—Ellis A. McDonald.

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## SUNSET CALENDAR

### SEPTEMBER 1968

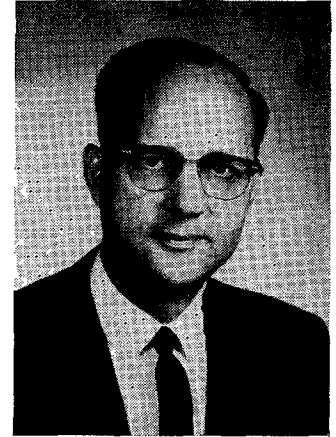
	6	13	20	27
Cape Town	6.31	6.36	6.40	6.46
Johannesburg	5.57	6.01	6.03	6.06
East London	5.53	5.58	6.02	6.07
Port Elizabeth	6.03	6.08	6.12	6.18
Bloemfontein	6.03	6.06	6.10	6.14
Pietermaritzburg	5.45	5.49	5.53	5.57
Durban	5.43	5.47	5.51	5.55
Windhoek	6.42	6.44	6.46	6.48
Bulawayo	5.57	5.59	6.00	6.02
Salisbury	5.47	5.49	5.50	5.51
Gwelo	5.50	5.53	5.54	5.55
Lusaka	5.56	5.58	6.01	6.07
Blantyre	5.34	5.35	5.35	5.37
Lubumbashi	6.07	6.07	6.06	6.06
Nairobi	6.33	6.32	6.29	6.27
Mombasa	6.20	6.19	6.16	6.15
Kisumu	6.43	6.41	6.39	6.37
Kampala	6.51	6.49	6.46	6.45
Dar-es-Salaam	6.21	6.20	6.19	6.18
Tabora	6.48	6.46	6.45	6.44

### OCTOBER 1968

	4	11	18	25
Cape Town	6.50	6.56	7.02	7.07
Johannesburg	6.09	6.13	6.16	6.20
East London	6.12	6.17	6.23	6.28
Port Elizabeth	6.22	6.28	6.34	6.39
Bloemfontein	6.17	6.21	6.26	6.30
Pietermaritzburg	6.01	6.05	6.10	6.15
Durban	5.59	6.04	6.08	6.13
Windhoek	6.51	6.54	6.56	7.00
Bulawayo	6.04	6.06	6.08	6.11
Salisbury	5.52	5.53	5.55	5.58
Gwelo	5.57	5.58	6.00	6.02
Lusaka	6.04	6.05	6.06	6.08
Blantyre	5.37	5.39	5.39	5.41
Lubumbashi	6.06	6.06	6.07	6.07
Nairobi	6.25	6.23	6.21	6.19
Mombasa	6.14	6.13	6.12	6.10
Kisumu	6.34	6.32	6.30	6.28
Kampala	6.43	6.40	6.38	6.36
Dar-es-Salaam	6.18	6.17	6.16	6.15
Tabora	6.43	6.41	6.41	6.38

# SHORT-CUTS

by MERLE L. MILLS,  
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HAVE YOU ever been in a hurry to get somewhere, taking what you thought was a short-cut but which turned out to be the longest way? So it is in life. Many are prone to be in a hurry to reach their destination or their objectives, and take what they think is a short-cut, but in the end it leads to ignominy, disgrace and failure.

Let us discuss a few of these short-cuts.

**1. Dishonesty.** This is a heavily travelled road. There are those who set their affections on money and material things. They believe that happiness comes through prosperity. To follow the road of honesty takes too long. It is confining and exacting. Some believe that one's aims and purposes can more quickly be achieved through dishonesty. This is done by filching, incurring bad debts, using unjust weights and measures, misrepresentation, embezzlement, and deceit. Such short-cuts at first may bring happiness and prosperity but will prove to be ephemeral for in the end they will lead to infamy, degradation and disparagement.

**2. Mixed Marriages.** Marriage is desirable and honourable. The Lord has placed His benediction upon it. But the road to a successful marriage requires that it be travelled with care and great caution. Patience and discrimination must be exercised. But some are not willing to wait and to evaluate all the factors involved. Consequently, they marry either a non-Christian or one not of their own faith. In casting such precaution to the winds one may succeed in getting a companion quicker than by following principle and caution. But such marriages, in all likelihood, will develop into bitterness, sorrow and disillusionment. The Lord said, "Be ye not unequally yoked together."

**3. Autocracy.** To persuade and reason with a person, in an attempt to have him conform to our wishes is a more tedious, protracted and delicate task than to follow the tactics

of blackmail, boycott, coercion, or force. Autocracy may be efficient and the quickest way of reaching one's objective but to follow such a short-cut leads to failure and tragedy. People may be bludgeoned and pressured into conformity, but such methods are barbaric and reprehensible, and in the end will produce disunity, dissension, and rebellion. To intimidate wife, husband, children or subordinates into conforming to one's way is to build on a foundation of sand which will eventually give way. Anyone can swing a club and threaten another with physical harm or retaliation. But it takes intelligence and diplomacy to get along with people and to win their confidence and support without having to resort to authoritarianism.

**4. Bodily Abuse.** To burn the candle at both ends by being intemperate in hours of labour, and to flout the laws of health and neglect the care of the body in order to quickly satisfy one's ambition is another short-cut. In the end, this road proves to be a long way round and often leads to disaster. Health is a precious asset. The loss of one's health generates sorrow, unhappiness and bitter disappointment. Bodily exercise and eating and drinking properly will require time and effort. It will seem like the more difficult road to travel but in the end it will bring one to a safe and happy destination.

**5. Heaven Now.** Many in this life are not willing to wait for heaven which has been promised the child of God. Such an ideal seems vague, ethereal, and far away. The temptation is to yield to a life of conviviality, intemperance, and sensual pleasure now. Many give themselves over to reckless abandon. Fearing that they may not succeed in reaching the more distant realm of happiness in the world to come, they yield to the philosophy of the Greeks: "Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we die." In the end such a life becomes mawkish, dull, and vain.

**6. Compromise.** This is a familiar and popular short-cut, travelled by many people. The prospect of quickly and safely reaching one's destination by this route overshadows the subtle and hidden dangers that it contains. To follow the high road of principle with its detours, tunnels, curves, valleys and mountains will confront one with hardship, discomfort and frustration. There will at times be opposition, ridicule, diminution of popularity, loss of friends, and a denial of earthly awards. Immediate relief from these temptations and vexations can be found through compromise, but where does such a road end? In misery, remorse, and grief.

We would do well to ponder the road we are travelling. The wise man has warned us that "there is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." Prov. 14:12. Friend of mine, in your eagerness and anxiety to achieve your goals in life, are you tempted to yield to the expediency of haste and recklessness? Are you following short-cuts that circumvent virtue and principle? Then pray with me, "Lord, slow me down. Grant me perception that I may see the end of the way I am now travelling. Give me patience and restraint in my desire to attain excellence. Impart to me wisdom and discretion to avoid all the common and popular short-cuts in life, which inevitably end in defeat and despair. Give me strength to stand for what is right, and to conduct my life in such a way as to bring honour and glory to Thy Holy Name."