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SOLOMON ISLANDS MISSION DISTRICT.

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Rev. J. F. GOLDIE	Roviana, British Solomon Islands.
Rev. J. R. METCALFE	Choiseul, via Gizo, British Solomon Islands.
Rev. A. H. CROPP	Buka Passage, Bougainville, Mandated Territory of New Guinea.
Rev. A. H. VOYCE	Kieta, Bougainville, Mandated Territory of New Guinea.
Rev. E. C. LEADLEY	Roviana, British Solomon Islands.
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Nurse EDNA WHITE	Gizo, British Solomon Islands.
Sister ADA LEE	Roviana, British Solomon Islands.
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Rev. BELSHAZZAR GINA	Roviana, British Solomon Islands.
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What of 1937?

Concerning many matters, in these days of fear and uncertainty, few, if any, can forecast with confidence what 1937 may bring forth. But concerning our Missionary Enterprise in the Western Solomons we do not hesitate to predict a wonderful and glorious New Year if the Home Church is sufficiently alive to its responsibilities and privileges.

The 1936 Synod reports and returns are not yet to hand, but numerous letters received from the Field during the year lead us to expect facts and figures that will stir our hearts and cause us to rejoice yet again in the great work to which we have been called.

In a stirring message to the recent M.W.M.U. Conference, the Chairman of our Solomon Islands District (Rev. J. F. Goldie) writes:—

"We ask you to join with us in thanks to God for the work accomplished during this year on the field. We would like to remind our friends at the Home base that although we glory in the success of our Educational Work, and thank God for the great privilege of Medical Service for our people, our chief glory is in the Cross of Christ. The great work of proclaiming His Glorious Gospel which is still the "Power of God unto Salvation to all who Believe," is our principal business—the focal point of all our efforts is to lead men to Christ, and when they accept Him as their Saviour, to build up and strengthen them in the Faith. God has wonderfully blessed our efforts. To Him be all the glory."

News from Bougainville is most inspirational. New areas have been pioneered and there is a growing and ever more insistent request for Christian Teachers. During the year eighteen Bougainville-Buka students have gone to our District Training Institution at Roviana for a further three year's training prior to tak-

ing the Gospel to their own people.

Distinctly encouraging news has also come from Roviana, Vella Lavella, and Choiseul where our work has been established for 34 years—a tiny span of time, yet in its compass what great things God hath wrought!

Sister Edna White has made a wonderful start in the great task of re-establishing our Medical Unit. Hugh Wheatley has completed his medical course at Suva and will return shortly to the Solomons as a Native Medical Practitioner under the direction of the Government. John Wesley Kere has gone to Fiji this year for the same course.

The estimated income from the Solomons for 1936 was £2,000. A radio is to hand from the Chairman stating that the income has reached £3,000—this from a people who 34 years ago were head-hunters!

With all this inspiration and encouragement—eloquent evidence of God's faithfulness and power—surely we shall be stirred to closer co-operation with our Master in winning the Western Solomons for His Kingdom.

Next to winning the people for Jesus Christ, and to greatly help that very task, we must make 1937 a beautiful year by sending a Sister to help Mrs. Voyce in Southern Bougainville, and by increased prayer and sacrifice give to the Board of Missions a mandate to Send Back the Doctor as soon as he is available in 1938.

During the year the Revs. John F. Goldie, E. C. Leadley and Belshazzar Gina will be with us in New Zealand and give us a fresh vision of our great task.

Let us by prayer and service and a real faith in God ensure that 1937 will be a great and wonderful year for the Solomons.

MARK NAARU—A Wonder Story.

By the Rev. A. H. VOYCE.

Mark Naaru is one of the ablest and keenest of the local teachers in Southern Bougainville. He was one of the first to be baptized into the Methodist Church there, and was also one of the first two natives of Siwai to be appointed as teachers to their own people. When we arrived in the district in 1926, we found that Mr. Cropp had brought Naaru to Buka along with a number of other lads, to await our arrival. He became our first cook boy, and during the years that he served us we always found him a conscientious worker.

He had a stormy childhood here in Siwai, in the days of change, when the occupation of the country was being carried out by the members of the Australian Forces who captured it from the Germans. The tale of the control of Siwai District (the Germans had done nothing prior to the occupation) is certainly not one that would conform with the present Administration's policy of "Peaceful penetration."

Naaru was born at Tonu, but shortly afterwards his parents removed to a place nearby called Arai. Shortly after his parents settled at the new site, the chief of the village commenced a period of



Mark Naaru, his house, and some of his people with Rev. A. H. Voyce.

Photo: by the Editor.

guerilla warfare with the surrounding villages and hamlets, and killed many of his enemies. They retaliated by calling a lot of other villages to their aid, but they failed in their desire to kill off any of these people and particularly their chief Kauma. Then some people went for the aid of the Government, and two Europeans, with a company of native police and a lot of followers, came with guns, burning the houses and destroying property.

Naaru, in telling the story, says, "they shot my two elder brothers; they killed my sister; my maternal grandmother and grandfather, and also my father were killed in the same raid; and my mother and I alone of all our relatives were left alive. My father, when he had been wounded with a broken arm, took me and hid me by carefully covering me over with the bark of a tree that was being prepared for the making of rope, and thus I escaped detection by the raiding party. Later my father was killed outright. But still our chief was not killed."

This chief, who later was baptized into the church as John Kauma, requested a Missionary Teacher from some Methodist Teachers who had just previously come and settled in the district, and David Pausu became the teacher there.

When the teacher arrived, Kauma asked him, "Do you understand the making of warfare?" He replied that he knew nothing about it, and straightway forbade the fighting, and his prohibitions were heeded by the people.

"From that time on," says Naaru, "I

began to follow the Lotu way, and when I came to years of discernment I began attending school. Later, we people of Tonu, believing the Lotu to be good, desired a minister, and when he came I became his cook."

In 1929, whilst still a very young lad, he was appointed a teacher, and has ever since served with fidelity and never wavered. In 1935, one day there came to Tonu a number of natives from the mountains of Kieta district. They said, "we have come for a teacher and are not going back without one." I had no one prepared to go like that at a day's notice, but Mark Naaru was down at the station that day, and he begged to be allowed to go and do this pioneering job, saying that he had long desired such a position. I raised every objection I reasonably could, but he met them all with logical suggestions, and at last I gave him permission to go. He went back that same day to his hill village to get a few things, and came next

morning to set out for his new appointment. The difficulties he met with in his initial journey would take too long to relate, but the story of how he stood up against the bitter prejudiced attack of a priest whom he met on the road, secured for him a ready welcome in the village where he has since remained to do good work in establishing our Lotu in that district.

At present he has been sent to the Teop area for a few months, to assist in the opening up of some new areas there. He is eager for this new job.

In relating his story, he said, "I believe that the reason I was not killed as a small child in the fighting when I lost all my relatives, is that I was preserved to help in God's work. It was by God's love that I was hidden that fateful day. Of course, I do not claim that these were then my thoughts, for I was a mere child, and only later came to know the Lotu, but I have since come to believe that in saving me He had a purpose for me in life. He has since helped me in times of difficulty, and I intend ever to serve Him as best I can."

Such is the story of the lone lad who ran after the General Secretary some quarter of a mile along the road as he was leaving Siwai, because he, Mark Naaru, was too emotionally overcome to say good-bye before the crowd, and who said with tears in his eyes, "Will we see you again out here some day, or is this really good-bye?" thus touching the heart of even a hardened General Secretary.

Pray for him and all such native workers!



A STUDY IN BLACK AND WHITE.
A South Bougainville chief and the Editor.

A.H. SCRIVEN

URGENT NOTICE.

Foreign Mission Accounts for 1936 definitely close on January 15th. Money received after that date will be too late to help this year's total.

Please help us by remitting all monies well before January 15th direct to The Treasurer, Foreign Mission Fund, Probert Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland, C.I.

The Rising Tide.

By Dr. JOHN R. MOTT.

The substance of an address given to the Committee of the Methodist Missionary Society.

I esteem it a very great privilege to meet in this somewhat intimate way with this particular company of men and women of wide outlook and responsiveness to the highest purposes. I feel called to say that your representatives on the mission fields have meant much to me. I have had an opportunity of studying your work in India, Burma, Ceylon, and different parts of China and Africa; and I say with care (and without any leading, of course), that I find it difficult to mention a Society the work of which is more comprehensive, and in execution is more wise, in administration more economical, and in personnel more devoted and able, than is this work of the Methodist Missionary Society. It is splendid in its various branches as I know them. It has been a great privilege to see your work at first hand on the field, and I value this opportunity to have intimate contact to-day with you who are doing so much to afford it wise guidance and backing.

We are at a moment of rising tide in this movement all over the world. I find it difficult to mention an exception—whether I have in mind the Far East, or the Near East, or the parts of Africa



An old-time War Dance, Solomon Islands.

Photo: Sister Lina Jones.

which I have recently visited, or various parts of the Pacific Islands. The evidences are overwhelming on every hand. I need not remind you that it is always wise to take advantage of a rising tide. You can do then, in a comparatively short time, what you cannot do in longer periods when the tide is ebbing. But a rising tide is not only one we should take advantage of; it is one that may be dangerous. While in Canada, I was reminded that there is a tide that rises about 70 feet. Talking about it with a sailor, he said, "It is dangerous; we have to have very wise pilots." Never, in our missionary work, did we need such pilots more than we do now—the pastors, teachers, the editors and trainers, and those in positions of responsibility on committees like this. We in this room are summoned to be pilots. True pilots must know the port, they must know the course by which to reach the port, and the hour . . . There are hours when we can sweep in with great cargo to bring to the feet of the Redeemer, but if we let those hours slip, we miss the opportunity. If ever there was a time when we needed to be alert, it is now.

I think this rising tide is a summons to larger evangelism. It must be a more comprehensive evangelism and larger in plan. How pitifully small at times our plans seem to be. I remind myself of the designs of our Lord and the vast ranges of the human world He saw. Our friends in Japan have taught us a lesson of planning in a way that is worthy of a great vision. It must be a larger evangelism in the adaptation of ways and

means to the task set before us.

At a time like this it is important to augment our forces of leadership. We need a **comprehending** leadership that understands this emergent and dangerous time in which we are living, and its great demands. It must be a **creative** leadership, consisting not so much of mechanical workers, as of thinkers. Our leadership must be **statesmanlike** in the sense that it has some enduring, guiding principle, genuine foresight, ability to take long views, not to be the creatures of emergencies and circumstances. A great American statesman has said: "You may judge the advancement of a nation by its ability to co-operate with other nations." It is equally true that you may judge of the depth and range of a man's influence by his ability to co-operate with other men, especially with those from whom he differs. We must have a leadership that is **courageous** and **unselfish**. Through men and women who have lost themselves in great causes, Christ breaks forth. We are called to war against those age-long enemies of mankind, ignorance, and poverty, and disease, and superstition, and secularism, and sin. They are arrayed against us probably as never before, in new forms, and with a fine strategy of their own.

Above all it must be a **confident** leadership. We are living in a time of great

confusion, of conflicting thought among the so-called leaders, of divided counsels (even inside single religious bodies), and therefore many are working at cross purposes and with comparatively meagre results. The time has come for some great affirmations. "We **know** Whom we have believed," and we are acquainted with His infinite possibilities.

At Swanwick I said to a company of leaders of Missionary Societies that in some way we must lay hold of **this generation** more largely than we have yet done. We have by no means won the new generation. We have done so in spots; and this should give us great confidence. In some way we have got to set apart more time for friendly, constructive, religious work with the keenest of the young men and women.

The Church of Rome is very wise. I have seen it in my travels. I admire their united front. We have much to learn from them. We do not need to have the same kind of united front, but we must have more continuity. They are making a continuous survey of their work, a continuous process of research. They know where they are; they have a sense of direction and mission. I talked with a theological professor, and he told me: "We learnt it back there at the Council of Trent, hundreds of years ago; the time to get priests and missionaries is in tender childhood; so we put the mothers at it, and we put the priests at it." In India, one of the Roman Catholic Archbishops called me in to see his "School of the Apostles." They were the best young people that the mothers and the priests had gathered out of a great many of the primary schools until they had a selected company. And then they say: "This



Bougainville—Buka Students who recently entered the District Training Institution at Roviana.

Photo: Rev. A. H. Cropp

present time of reaction is no time to contract our forces and to talk about a *status quo*." We cannot but admire them. What did I find in the Philippine Islands? They have quadrupled their forces in the last few years, and the same in the Congo. They do not have any of the financial resources that we have, but they have strategy. In a time of depression, we need strategy.

The time has come to bring together all the Christian forces into co-operation. I am not so much concerned about *unity*—that will follow inevitably in the pathway of co-operation. I am as clear about this as anything in my life, **that the hour has struck, the time has come, when we must pool, not only knowledge and experience but our personalities, our funds and our administration.** Moreover, we must increasingly pool our plans-in-the-making—not after they are made (they are a jigsaw puzzle then) but our plans in the making. This is the great summons of the hour, and here again Christ is leading us on, praying that we may be one. It is His mind, and therefore it must be ours, or we miss the way.

I heard not long ago, about a Hindu student who became a Christian and was asked, "Could you not find the teachings of Christ in the ancient sages of Hindu-

ism?" He said: "Yes, I could find some of those teachings in the writings and sayings of the holy men of Hinduism, but I could not find Christ there."

I have come back from my last mission tour with more optimism than after any of my previous journeyings. I have been in the Far East, I have been in the wildest parts of the world. If I believed that all of our English-speaking missionaries (not to mention others) have in the last fifteen years done all that they might have done; if I believed that our churches have done all that we might have done to offset what we now see, then I would be very pessimistic. But seeing, more clearly than I have ever seen, that none of us has done one-tenth of what we might have done, then I refuse to be pessimistic. I know in Whom I have believed. Nothing has happened in these last twenty years which has invalidated one single claim made by Jesus Christ. He is One, other than all the rest—other than all the sages of Hinduism, other than Buddha, other than Moses and St. Paul, other than Gandhi—believing among the faithless, strong among the weak, clean among the defiled, living among the dead—living for evermore, the Fountain-head of vitality, and the Generating Source of all the rest. We cannot fail, while we are keeping Him in sight and following Him everywhere.

—"The Kingdom Overseas."

A Hundred Years in Fiji.

The above is the title of a splendid little Missionary volume now available at the Methodist Book Depot. It has been written conjointly by the Revs. J. W. Burton, M.A. and Wallace Deane, M.A., B.D.

"Old Fiji was a byword for savagery, cannibalism and cruelty; New Fiji is a land of culture and of peace. The story of this remarkable change is here told by two men who have lived in Fiji and who have witnessed the things they so graphi-

cally describe. Throughout they have endeavoured to present a faithful picture without heightened colours or deepened shadows; nevertheless their narrative is as full of adventure as of redeeming grace and will both inspire and enlighten those who read it."

We have been both inspired and enlightened as we have read this wonderful record of Methodist Missionary enterprise and we very heartily commend the book which is published at 4/-.

The Rev. Robert Tahupotiki Haddon.

Triumphant in death, as in life, a great chief of his people and a great servant of God has passed to yet higher service. On October 21st, with all the dignity of a high chief, Robert Haddon greeted the Queen of Tonga; a fortnight later (November 5th) with calm confidence he greeted the King of Kings. "It is all right" he said a few hours before his death, "God has been with me every step of life."

We quote the following from the Rev. M. A. Rugby Pratt's tribute in "The Methodist Times":—

"Mr. Haddon was a chief of high rank. He came of a long line which could trace its ancestry back for over a millennium. Standing over six feet in height, erect as a spear, with flashing eyes in a rugged yet kindly countenance, active and virile in every movement,

Robert Haddon was a noble specimen of Maori manhood. He was received by the Conference of 1898 as a student for the Native ministry, and for two years underwent training at Three Kings College. He was admitted on probation in 1900 and was ordained at the Auckland Conference of 1904. For over thirty years he exercised a faithful ministry. He faced opposition from his own race with indomitable courage, and gradually wore down old prejudices as he helped to guide his people along wise lines for their permanent betterment. Recognised as one of the leading chiefs of the Taranaki Maoris, Mr. Haddon twice advocated the claims of his people at the bar of Parliament. He was one of the most outstanding orators of his race and his incomparable eloquence often inspired European audiences. As Senior

Native Superintendent in our Maori Mission, Mr. Haddon won a place of confidence, esteem and affection throughout the whole Connexion, and when he visited Australia last year no member of the Maori party aroused such widespread interest or met with a more enthusiastic reception. Mr. Haddon adorned the native ministry. He worthily sustained the noble traditions of an earlier generation of workers and was an unfailing source of inspiration to those who, in this generation, have striven to exercise amongst the Maoris a ministry of grace and power, rich in converting influence."

At a meeting of the Board of Missions held on November 11th the following resolution was carried:—

"That the Board expresses its deep sympathy to the relatives and to our Maori Mission in their great loss by the death of Rev. R. T. Haddon. The passing of this great Maori leader constitutes a profound loss, not only to the Church of which he was a distinguished minister, but also to the whole Maori Race. We pray that the high principles and spiritual verities that he so consistently proclaimed may live on in the life of his people."



Rev. Robert Tahupotiki Haddon.

Personal and General.

GREETINGS.

We wish all our readers a Happy Christmas and a New Year rich with God's good gifts.

How much happier this glad season will be for us as we do our utmost to extend the Kingdom of Him in whose Birth we rejoice. Amid the joys of Christmas, Home, and Holidays, let us not forget the urgent need of the Solomons for the Gospel and the Doctor.

SYMPATHY.

We learned with deep sorrow of the death of Dr. A. T. Howie—son-in-law of the Rev. A. J. Seamer—who with his wife and two children returned, some months ago, from Missionary service in China. A gifted and devoted young Medical Missionary has thus been called to higher service. A resolution of sympathy with his relatives and the Presbyterian Missionary Society was passed by the Board of Missions.

FROM DR. ALLEN RUTTER, LONDON.

"I am very thankful that I did not wait for that later boat—it would have been a hopeless rush at this end. But that was a piece of guidance which though it went contrary to my own inclinations, I knew I had to follow. It has been so ever since; various difficulties have naturally cropped up, but not one has persisted in face of simple listening prayer. I am settling down for the next six months at the School of Tropical Medicine. We commence to-morrow, and I'm looking forward to it tremendously. The Church fellowship here has already made me feel at home—and they've planned me for their Missionary Anniversary—fortunately it's a month or two ahead! It was great to worship in company once more after the long six weeks on the boat without a service."

CONGRATULATIONS.

We extend hearty congratulations to Miss E. M. Rishworth upon her appointment as President-Elect of the M.W.M.U. and to Miss Pearce and Miss Mather who will assume office in 1938, with the new President, as Secretary and Treasurer respectively. Miss Rishworth has been a valued member of the Board of Missions for a number of years.

"LINK" MISSIONARY PAGE.

The Rev. F. H. and Mrs. Hayman are joint editors of a new Missionary Page in "The

Methodist Bible Class Link." We pray for them God's guidance and blessing as they seek to widen the vision of our Bible Classes and other "Link" readers. They have both rendered valuable service in the Solomon Islands and we are confident that in their "World Vision" the particular and urgent responsibility we have in the Western Solomons will loom large.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS—

A GOOD SUGGESTION.

The problem of an acceptable, yet inexpensive, Christmas present is again making itself felt. A happy suggestion is a "Send the Doctor Back Cookery Book." This book has been specially compiled by Mrs. L. Ramsden of our Trinity Methodist Church, Wellington, in order to help Send the Doctor Back to the Solomons. She hopes to raise at least £100 for this great purpose. Mrs. Ramsden writes that she is meeting with a wonderful response and that the total is steadily climbing. Please write for your Cookery Book to Mrs. L. Ramsden, 30 McColl Street, Vogelstown, Wellington, and thus Help to Send the Doctor Back. Posted, 1/3.

A FINE RECORD.

The Cargill Road Methodist Junior Christian Endeavour Society was established in 1895 and has an unbroken record of service since that time. The Missionary spirit has always been strong, evidence of which has been manifest in the work of Dr. James, the support of a Native Teacher, and in numerous other ways. Dr. James' brother is the present able and enthusiastic leader.

INTERESTING ENGAGEMENT.

Of interest in both Melbourne and Canberra will be the engagement which is announced to-day between Mr. Peter Duffield and Miss Cecile Goldie, daughter of Rev. J. F. Goldie, Chairman of the Solomon Islands District. Mr. Duffield's father, the late Professor W. G. Duffield, was chief Commonwealth astronomer in charge of the observatory at Mount Stromlo, Canberra, and his mother, Mrs. Duffield, did a considerable amount of research work at the Baker Institute. Her friends will be interested to hear that she is continuing her research work in London. Miss Joan Duffield is now working at the Great Ormond Street Hospital in London.

—"Argus," Melbourne.

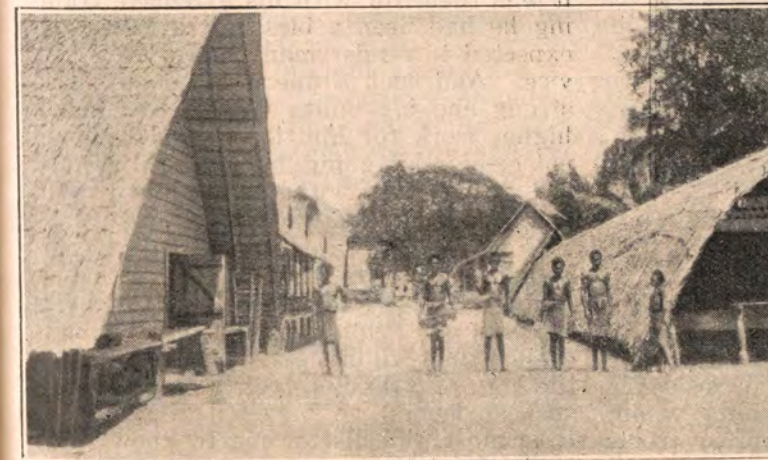
Medical Work at Bilua.

NURSE EDNA WHITE'S REPORT TO THE M.W.M.U. CONFERENCE.

As I have been back at Bilua only 4 months, this will be more in the nature of a letter than a report. After a good trip, I arrived in due course at Gizo and was met by Mr. Goldie and taken to the head station at Roviana for 6 days, a proceeding that Sister Vera and I greatly appreciated. Sister Vera and I had lots of medicine talk and she prepared a generous lot of supplies for me to bring to Bilua. I received a great welcome at Bilua. Instantly I felt at home and as time has gone I find it most difficult to realise I was away for 3½ years. Apart from the big difference in the white staff (there were 7 adults and 3 children when I left and only Mr. Silvester when I returned), there seemed to be surprisingly few changes and after a very short time I was able to carry on almost just where I left off. The medical boys who had been left had been doing a fine work and the health of the people on the station was remarkably good. My first few weeks were spent in sorting out and straightening up Hospital equipment, especially that of the Laboratory, White patients ward and operating theatre, which are very fully equipped, whilst the dispensary, office and linen stores needed a good turn out. These rooms with 2 wide verandahs, comprise the very nice and well constructed

European building attached to our Hospital. I was pleased to find that the several hundred instruments and syringes etc., in the theatre have been kept in good condition. It was a big job going over them all and it is a perpetual job keeping everything in order, to say nothing of the cleaning of the windows—170 panes of glass in the windows, as well as the double push-out doors, in the building. Then we have been busy in the outpatients Dept., where we treat everything we can in order to keep in-patient numbers as low as possible to save extra expense. Our highest number in a day 143, average 70. We should have had larger numbers had we had more N.A.B. (injections for yaws), but there has been a great shortage of it, and the people get tired of coming and having to go away disappointed, so the wee children had to suffer their nasty sores and the older folk their disabilities. The Government in the past has provided adequate supplies, but their stocks ran out and there has been a delay in the replenishing of them. As I write a small quantity has arrived. Mr. Goldie has bought a small amount and has more on order. Like several of our most useful drugs, it is almost a prohibitive price, one adult injection costs between 4/- and 5/-, and usually 2 or three are indicated to give lasting results.

Quinine, our next most useful drug likewise is expensive. In this circuit we go through between 2,000 and 3,000 5 gr. tablets every 6 weeks, that is between steamers, and the retail price of it is £4/1/9 per 1,000. Burroughs Wellcome Ltd., give us a very generous Missionary discount of 25% on the price. Our most useful antiseptic, Ariflavine, is £1 for a bottle which makes about 30



Tanamal Village, North Buka.

Photo: Rev. A. H. Voyce.

pints, and Elastoplast plaster which yields most excellent results in the treatment of tropical ulcers so frequently met with out here, is 3/4 a reel and one large ulcer takes a whole reel! It takes money to run a Mission Hospital. Still we do what we can and it is surprising what good results we often get from makeshifts. Dispensing takes up quite a lot of my time. We have 17 teachers on our out-stations whom we keep supplied with the simpler medicines and nearly all Hospital medicines we dispense ourselves. Our average of in-patients has been between



Girl of South Bougainville with load of Taro. When certain male relatives appear, she covers her face with the fan-like thing she carries in her hand.

Photo: The Editor.

6 and 7 daily, and 4 Midwifery cases. That includes the 2 lepers who are in residence some little distance away and for whom we care, although no actual leprosy treatment is given. They are very advanced cases, but such bright lads, and one who

is blind and terribly disfigured is the greatest believer I have met among our native Christians. When taking a little service with them on a recent Sunday afternoon, I asked each one for his favourite hymn. One chose "God will take care of you," and the other, "O God our help in ages past," while the readings they wanted were John 14 and Romans 8. As we sang and read the familiar words I felt that the 2 boys clung very closely to the promises contained in them and had experienced much of the truth of them. The serene calm expression on their faces made one sure that "God was taking care of them," and that as He has been their help in ages past, so is He their help now. Mr. Silvester and I take it in turns to go to their compound. We always take 5 or 6 Mission boys with us and usually have plenty of singing which the boys enjoy. A hospital boy visits them every week and takes rations and medicines and odds and ends of little comforts such as tea, sugar, tinned fish, jam, bread, etc.

I have 2 Roviana trained male assistants helping me and one girl whom I am training. We were all upset at losing our Senior boy, one whom I had helped to train over 6 years ago and who was thoroughly competent in all branches of the work. He had been Dr. Sayer's right hand man for some years. He took ill with some obscure disease and died within a week. All the treatments I tried were in vain and if ever I wished for a Doctor it was then, for with his extensive training he had been a blessing to many and expected to render many more years service. And such a fine natured boy; also strong and big built. Maybe God had a higher work for him to do, and I should not grudge his going, but hospital seemed a different place without him and I could not believe he was gone.

However the present two boys are competent, nice boys and we are a happy family with the nurse girl very steadily learning and helping by her cheery countenance and willingness. We would love the loan of a Doctor too, to examine two suspect lepers we have on the station. It is most difficult for me to know what to do about them.

Still I do feel that the prayers and

interest of so many of the people at home, especially our women, are helping and uplifting me, tremendously. I've hardly had a lone minute and have felt a content hitherto unknown. Mr. Silvester is an agreeable co-worker and we have delightedly welcomed home Mrs. Silvester and Ngaire, both very well after the trip. Mr. Goldie has been most kind and helpful

also I have been in excellent health and suffered very little inconvenience from heat and the mosquitos who must surely recognise me for an old hand. Warm greetings to all and may 1936 Conference be the best yet with God's blessing richly resting upon it.

—Edna M. White.

The Missionary Motive and Programme as seen in St. Paul.

By Rev. G. T. MARSHALL.

In dealing with this great subject, the space at our disposal permits us to use one testimony only, that of 2 Cor. 5:14 and 15.

It was not a simple impulse, but a mingling of reasoning and impulse that moved the great apostle to the good works to which he gave himself. After affirming that he was impelled by the love of Christ, he goes on to say, "because we thus judge that if one died for all then were all dead" ("then all died" R.V.). In a word, he looked upon men, on the one hand, as sinful and lost and, on the other hand, as redeemed by the death of Christ and given an opportunity of gaining the favour and grace of God, and he was eager to take the news to them as the greatest boon that could be conferred upon them. This determined his programme. Paul's great aim was to persuade men to be reconciled to God.

To this work he brought keenness and enthusiasm, as his testimony implies. His belief was the fuel, and under the influence of Christ a glowing fire of love was produced by it. "The love of Christ constraineth us," he says.

What is meant precisely by the constraining love of Christ is illustrated by an incident in modern missions. Dr. Schweitzer had cured a man at his hospital in equatorial Africa, and the man was trying to thank him, when the doctor said, "Don't thank me. Thank Jesus Christ. His love for you led Him to send me here to heal the sick. I only obey his word." So would Paul say to those who received the word through his instrumen-

tality. He judged "that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves but unto Him which died for them and rose again." Not only when Christ met him on the Damascus road, but every day he said, "What shall I do, Lord?" The result was those missionary journeys that led to the making of so many converts and the founding of so many churches.

That, however, is not a complete account of the constraining love of Christ in St. Paul. With his instructions Christ infused such a measure of His own love of men into the heart of the apostle that he burned with a great eagerness to see the fulfilment of his Lord's purposes of mercy. (Will not that be an inevitable result of union with Christ?). Paul dwelt much on the love of Christ that passeth knowledge. It kindled his own love and made him a willing servant of our Lord's designs. So he fulfilled his mission, not coldly and mechanically, but eagerly, enthusiastically, with a passion like that of Christ.

Our hope for mission enterprise is that there will be found, both in those ready to go to the Field and in the Church at home which supports them, men and women who, like St. Paul, make the Cross the starting point of all their thinking; who interpret it as he did and draw the same conclusions from it; who yield themselves to Jesus Christ and the influences of His love, and with minds illumined by His truth and hearts warmed by His Spirit, give themselves to the furtherance of the gospel.

Report of 22nd Conference of the M.W.M.U.

HELD AT ASHBURTON FROM OCTOBER 13th to 16th, 1936.

By Mrs. H. NICHOLSON.

The opening function of Conference was held in the Baring Square Schoolroom, where a crowded hall greeted the delegates.

The Rev. A. McBean presided over the meeting and welcomed the delegates on behalf of the officials of the Ashburton Circuit, while Sister Mildred spoke on behalf of the Auxiliary. Greetings were extended from kindred organisations.

Wednesday morning greeted us with bitter winds and driving rain, but the atmosphere in the Church during the Communion Service was one of calm and quiet. Rev. E. P. Blamires gave the pre-Communion address.

The actual business of Conference commenced in the Schoolroom at 11 a.m. on Wednesday. Following the opening exercises, the roll call was made by the Dominion Secretary. There were 53 delegates present—20 attending for the first time.

Revs. Blamires, Scrivin, Cropp, and Laurenson were associated with the Conference, after which Mrs. Duke welcomed the delegates.

Mrs. White, Auckland President, moved that the next Conference be held in Auckland. The invitation was accepted and



Timothy Karibela and eight people baptised by Rev. A. H. Voyce at his village; the first fruits of that district accepted into membership of the Methodist Church.

Photo: Rev. A. H. Voyce.

appreciation expressed.

Nominations for Dominion Executive officers to be inducted at the 1937 Conference were as follows:—

Dominion President, Miss Rishworth; Dominion Secretary, Miss Pearce; Dominion Treasurer, Miss Mather.

Greetings were read from Rev. J. F. Goldie, conveying a message from the Solomon Islands Church.

Miss Purdie presented the reports of the Overseas Sisters, giving interesting and, at times, pathetic, sidelights on the work there. Great appreciation of the gift boxes was expressed in each case.

Mrs. Duke's presidential address was based on Philippians 1:8-10. We were urged to further service, to tune our hearts that they may be sensitive to the Master's voice. What our ears are listening for, those things we hear.

Miss Purdie, Dominion Secretary, presented a comprehensive and interesting Annual Report, giving a review of the work of the past 11 months. There are 59 Auxiliaries with a membership of 2960, an increase of 117. Seven new branches have been formed in the Auckland district.

Treasurer's report and balance sheet were presented by Miss Adams. Mrs. Bowron voiced the thanks and appreciation of delegates, not only for the reports presented, but also for the work carried out during the year.

Brief addresses were given by Revs. Blamires and Cropp.

Thursday.

After devotions, Mrs. West presented the report of the work of the District Correspondents, showing the worth-while-ness of contacting the various Auxiliaries in the districts.

The findings of the Finance and Policy Com-

mittee were presented, and after discussion the following resolutions were passed:

That our objective for Overseas work be £1300—£1200 for Sisters' salaries and £100 for sending the Doctor back; for Home Missions £820, in addition to support for Kurahuna.

That the money raised through the sale of used stamps be allocated as follows:—

£6/12/4 to add to Medical Fund.
£20/0/0 to H.M. Debt Reduction Fund.
£12/11/7 to Sister Lina Jones for school requisites.

Medical Fund Allocations—

Sister Ethel McMillan, £25; Sister Elizabeth Common £25; Mrs. Voyce, £25; Mrs. Alley, £25; Rev. J. F. Goldie, £15; Sister Edna White, £15; Sister Vera Cannon, £10; Mrs. Silvester, £10. Total, £150.

Various remits having been dealt with, discussion followed on District work, and the following ladies were appointed as correspondents for the ensuing year:—

North Auckland, Mrs. Ready; South Auckland, Mrs. Tinsley; Taranaki-Wanganui, Mrs. Whitlock; Hawke's Bay-Manawatu, Mrs. Taylor; North Canterbury, Sister Mabel Morley; South Canterbury, Mrs. F. Mētson; Otago-Southland, Miss Slater.

Miss Pearce presented the Box Department report on behalf of Mrs. Smethurst.

Boxes from Dunedin (9) valued at £20 6/-; from Christchurch (24), £46/1/9; from Wellington (17), £50/10/-; from Auckland (22), £190/12/11. 37 sacks, 40 sugar bags, 10 boxes of goods had been sent to Sisters in the Maori work.

A very hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. and Mrs. Smethurst for their work in connection with the boxes, also to the Depot Managers.

Miss Purdie then presented the Report of the Home Mission Sisters' work. This showed the fine work being done among our Maori people.

Kurahuna report was ably presented by Miss Rishworth, and what a fine record we have of work accomplished there under the guidance of Sister Netta Gittos.

Rev. A. H. Scrivin congratulated the Union on its achievements during the past 11 months. Mr. Scrivin stressed the urgent need for the return of a Doctor to the Solomons, the great need of a Sister

to be with Mrs. Voyce, the rehabilitation of the Sister's work at Bilua and the establishment of a Central Girls' School.

Friday morning's devotions were led by Mrs. Whitlock and, following the minutes, Mrs. C. P. S. Boyer presented the Y.W.B.C.U. report.

The matter of prayer cycles was brought forward, and it was decided that Mrs. Stevens and Miss Carr, of Auckland, be asked to compile a prayer cycle and forward same to the New Zealand Executive for confirmation and printing.

Sister Atawhai Wilcox was our H.M. speaker, telling of the work among her own people. Many touching stories were told, and Sister was listened to with great interest.

Rev. G. I. Laurenson followed, making a very strong appeal on behalf of the H.M. work.

After votes of thanks, the Benediction pronounced by Mrs. Duke concluded the Conference of 1936.

These days of fellowship mean much to the women of the M.W.M.U., and we returned to our various homes, with a deeper desire to further the work in which we are so interested.

THE FLOWING TIDE.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY'S REPORT.

The Popular Report of the Bible Society is to hand. Since 1901 these reports have come year by year, and each one seems to be fresher than the last. They bring to us a complete statement of the work of Bible distribution by this great Society in delightful literary form. The present issue "The Flowing Tide," by the Rev. John A. Patten, M.C., M.A., sets out the idea of the flow of the tide in the ongoing progress of Bible distribution. Wave after wave of progress has followed the work of the Bible Society. Indeed, it has been as it were a tidal wave of the Spirit of God carrying out the wisest possible dissemination of the Scriptures. If we are ever inclined to be despondent concerning the Christian Church we turn to the work of the Bible Society, and such a work as the present Popular Report. We commend it heartily to our readers.

Special Medical—Send the Doctor Back.

Samuel and Clara Matilda Gorman Bequest Generously Augmented.

With deep gratitude we acknowledge a still further gift of £1,000 from Mr. Samuel Gorman, of Nelson, to help Send the Doctor Back. This brings the total of the Samuel and Clara Matilda Gorman Bequest to £5,000 — noble giving, that should stir the hearts of all who are able to help in any way to Send Back the Doc-

Anonymous, Ruawai	5	0	0
Mr. and Mrs. T. S., Pohangina	3	0	0
"C.A.P."	10	0	0
Mrs. Walters, Otorohanga	5	0	0
Anonymous, Birkenhead	10	0	0
Mrs. Edmonds, Birkenhead	10	0	0
"Medico"	50	0	0
"One who is interested"	10	0	0
Woodville Senior Boys' Bible Class	10	0	0
Pitt Street Primary Grade	10	0	0
Anonymous	2	0	0
"Tithe"	10	0	0
Auckland East—Collegiate	1	0	0
Kingsland M.W.M.U.	1	0	0
Waiuku—Mrs. West's Stall	3	0	0
Mrs. Lusby, Newstead	10	0	0
Wednesday's Prayers (additional)	10	0	0
"Church Member," Auckland, —Thank-offering for God's goodness	1	0	0
"Want to help," Hastings	1	0	0
"M.G.B.," Waipawa	1	0	0
Anonymous	1	0	0
"Fireside Fellowship," Mornington, per Mr. W. G. Iles	1	0	0
Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Reed, Dunedin	2	0	3
Ngaio Congregation	1	0	0

tor to the Solomons. In accordance with the wish of the donor, the capital has been invested and the interest will be available for sending back the Doctor and maintaining him and his great work. Other generous gifts for this Christ-like work received since our last issue are also gratefully acknowledged as under:—

Wesley Church Trust, Wellington	100	0	0
Wesley Church Sunday School Wellington	10	0	0
Anonymous, Matamata	1	0	0
Mr. L. Walker, Hamilton	1	0	0
Anonymous, Trinity, Dunedin	1	1	4
Anonymous	1	0	0
Mrs. A. R. McCallum, Rangiora	10	0	0
Mr. S. Pearce, Colyton	1	0	0
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Mrs. W. H. Judson, Woodend	1	0	0

DEBT REDUCTION.

We also gratefully acknowledge the following:

Previously acknowledged	5376	9	2
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N.Z.Y.M.B.C.	6	8	0
Otahuhu Y.W.B.C.	10	0	0
Kingsdown S.S., Timaru South	3	6	0
Canterbury Y.W.B.C.U.	3	0	3
"W.B.," Woodville	1	0	0
Mrs. Silvester, Hamilton	10	0	0
TOTAL	£5390	0	11

A Personal Representative on the Field.

Within the last few months we have been greatly encouraged by additional offers to support a Teacher in the Solomon Islands. This method of contributing to the Missionary Cause is of considerable help to the Society and establishes a beautiful bond that binds New Zealand more closely to the Solomons. Individual supporters, Sunday Schools, Bible Classes, Endeavour Societies, L.Y.M.S., Women's Auxiliaries, etc., share the inspiration of this personal contact by supporting either Native Minister, Teacher, Student or Baby. As far as possible we supply a photograph of the one supported and try to establish a correspondence between supporter and supported.

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Native Minister	£20
Teacher	£10
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Baby	£3

Some teachers receive more than the amount mentioned and some less, but the figures quoted are a fair average.

Surely there are many more in New Zealand who, unable to answer the Missionary Call in person, would count it a privilege to have a representative on the Field.

Please communicate with the Rev. A. H. Scrivin, Probert Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland, C.I.

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Against old sins, old habits; and the drawing of native customs. Against idolatry, witchcraft, impurity, drunkenness. For enquirers, catechumens, converts, students for the ministry. For the witness of native Christians. For a native vernacular Christian literature. For the drawing out and consecration of native gifts and graces.

(i) For Missionaries:

Against loneliness, depression, dryness, lowered ideals. For burning zeal, loving sympathy, a sense of Thy presence.

(j) For Special Work:

Medical missions. Industrial missions. Universities, colleges and schools.

(k) For the Witness of Europeans:

For governors and government officials; traders, travellers, etc.

Adopted from Progress in Prayer by Rev. Peter Green, M.A., Canon of Manchester.

WOMEN'S PAGES

M.W.M.U.

Methodist Women's
Missionary Union of
New Zealand.

November, 1936.

Dear Fellow Members,—

By the time this reaches you I hope you will all have heard the report of the Ashburton Conference.

Many of you will have read Mr. Goldie's message to us, but I want to repeat it. You remember he said, "We would like to remind our friends at the home base that although we glory in the success of our educational work, and thank God for the great privilege of medical service for our people, our chief glory is in the Cross of Christ. The great work of proclaiming the glorious gospel which is still the "Power of God unto Salvation to all who believe" is our principal business, the focal point of all our efforts is to lead men to Christ, and when they accept Him as their Saviour to build up and strengthen them in the faith."

May we take that message as our motto for the year's work and endeavour each in our own sphere to build up and strengthen one another in the faith.

A letter from Sister Ethel tells of a bad outbreak of whooping cough in the Home. Sister said 32 out of the 37 in the Home were all coughing. One night she managed to get a sleep from 10.15 till midnight, after that there was no rest, as she had to go from one to the other all the time. I imagine what it must mean to have so many sick, broken nights and yet the day's work must be carried on.

Mr. and Mrs. Metcalfe had returned from a trip to Senga, bringing back a little motherless babe. The little one was very ill when they arrived; she had a bad swelling on the cheek, which moved up to the forehead, and for two days the poor little thing couldn't see. She was improving when Sister wrote. Sister says, "Continue to pray for her 16 little ones and 21 girls." Two of the bigger girls may be getting married to teachers at Christmas.

Do you ever really visualise the life of our Sisters? We have so many opportunities of meeting with friends and receiving help and encouragement.

Sister Elizabeth writes, "the two outstanding events of the year were Synod, which was held at Buka, and Mr. Scrivin's visit." She says, "our opportunities of meeting for fellowship and council are so few and far between, and we feel favoured indeed to have received so much."

Synod granted Sister a canoe. This is proving a great help to her, and it was specially useful during the whooping cough epidemic. While it was at its height, Sister went over to Petats daily; it was the worst they have had, and several little ones died. The last news is that it has almost subsided at Petats, but that in other villages it still fluctuates.

Margaret, the Fijian teacher's wife, has charge of the mat-making class. She has been teaching them various designs since her return in May. What was an unpopular class is now attended with much enthusiasm. Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons are devoted to gardening, and the girls' food gardens in the bush have assisted materially in providing for the household. Another little baby boy weighing only 4½lbs, and apparently in a dying condition when he was brought in, has now more than doubled his weight. Still another, the little daughter of the Chief at Petats, was brought to Sister. The mother died a fortnight after the birth. The eldest sister is in the Home. Sister says this little one is the prettiest thing, and one of the blackest babies she has ever seen.

Two new girls from different villages have been admitted; in both cases Catholic boys wanted to marry them, but the girls would have none of them. The relatives were all willing for them to go into the Home, where they would be secure.

Sister Vera tells of the need they feel for a Doctor to diagnose many of the cases they have. They had to send a girl, with instruction to keep her isolated, back to her village, as they feared leprosy and they are unable to treat it.

She and Mrs. Leadley are very interested to find some of the women in the

villages are trying to carry out instructions about their babies, putting them out on the verandahs and protecting them from mosquitoes and flies with a net. Large boxes with four legs make ideal cots in this part of the world.

They have a small hospital Lotu each night for the in-patients. "We try to help them to understand that we could not do anything without God's help and guidance. The hospital boys take this in turn after out-patients."

When we read and hear these letters from our Sisters it brings home to us the great necessity there is for us to try and do still more for the extension of God's work amongst them. As Mr. Scrivin reminded us at Conference, they are our people and our responsibility.

We are making it our objective this year to raise £1300 for Overseas Work, £1200 for salaries, and £100 towards the fund for the return of the Doctor. Besides this, of course, there is the Medical Fund and our Home Mission Sisters' salaries and Kurahuna to be kept, and our Executive Fund needs building up.

With the many privileges and benefits we enjoy, surely it is not only our duty but our high honour to be entrusted with this work, and may we in loving gratitude for what God has done for us, do our best during the coming year.

One of the greetings we had at Conference was, "He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly, and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully."

May we sow that the harvest for our Lord shall be bountiful.

With loving Christmas greetings to all.

Yours sincerely,

H. LILIAN DUKE.

SOME IMPRESSIONS of the WOMEN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The kindness and hospitality of the Ashburton people. The loveliness of the flowers and the inspiration of the music. The friendly spirit shown by all delegates, and opportunities for meeting new and old friends given by the breaks for morning and afternoon tea.

The efficient chairmanship of the President and the smooth running of Confer-

ence. Time was given in discussions for all to speak who wished, but no discussion was allowed to wander or become too prolonged.

The evidence of solid work of preparation beforehand on the part of the Union Executive. The uncanny ability of the Minute Secretary to keep her minutes written up to the minute.

The interest shown in the work of the women by the Home and Overseas Mission Secretaries, and the helpful suggestions made by Mr. Blamires. The food for thought provided by the speakers.

The self-sacrificing devotion of the women who give so much time and thought to missionary work, especially those in the backblocks, such as the one who could be storekeeper, postmistress, registrar of births, deaths and marriages, and homemaker, and yet find time to be the cheerful president of a newly-formed and weak Auxiliary.

The emphasis laid on prayer and its importance in our work. The half-hour spent in prayer at the beginning of each afternoon session was a time of rest and inspiration to all. The spiritual enrichment that came to us from our hymns.

The beauty and uplift of the Communion Service with its pauses for quiet prayer and meditation. The helpfulness of the morning devotional period, when we caught a vision of Christ as the Saviour of the world, and realised afresh our responsibility as Christ's workers.

AFTER CONFERENCE RALLY IN WELLINGTON.

The Wellington Auxiliary held an After Conference Rally in Wesley Church Parlour, when Mrs. Pacey occupied the chair. Mrs. Davies gave an excellent description of the devotional periods, Mrs. L. J. Clarke spoke on the financial aspect, while the social side was introduced by Mrs. Masters, the business dealt with being outlined by Mrs. H. R. Smith.

Special mention was made of the greeting that had been sent by Rev. J. F. Goldie from the Solomon Island Church. Mrs. Ramsden introduced a good cookery book, from the sale of which she hopes to raise £100 for the medical work. Musical items and tasteful decorations helped to make a successful afternoon.

Names and Postal Addresses of Missionaries, Missionary Sisters and Lay Missionaries.

SOLOMON ISLANDS MISSION DISTRICT.

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Rev. J. F. GOLDIE	Roviana, British Solomon Islands.
Rev. J. R. METCALFE	Choiseul, via Gizo, British Solomon Islands.
Rev. A. H. CROPP	Buka Passage, Bougainville, Mandated Territory of New Guinea.
Rev. A. H. VOYCE	Kieta, Bougainville, Mandated Territory of New Guinea.
Rev. E. C. LEADLEY	Roviana, British Solomon Islands.
Rev. A. W. E. SILVESTER	Gizo, British Solomon Islands.
Rev. D. C. ALLEY	Teopasina, via Kieta, Bougainville, Mandated Territory of New Guinea.

MISSIONARY DOCTOR.

"One offering to go when we can send him. When shall it be?"

MISSIONARY SISTERS.

Sister ETHEL McMILLAN	Gizo, British Solomon Islands.
Sister ELIZABETH COMMON	Buka Passage, Bougainville, Mandated Territory of New Guinea.
Sister LINA JONES	Roviana, British Solomon Islands.
Nurse EDNA WHITE	Gizo, British Solomon Islands.
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Nurse VERA CANNON	Roviana, British Solomon Islands.

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Rev. PAULA HAVEA	Roviana, Solomon Islands.
Rev. BELSHAZZAR GINA	Roviana, British Solomon Islands.
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