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A Message to all Peoples.

Adopted by the International Missionary Council at its Closing Session at Tamboram, 1939.

The International Missionary Council, meeting in India, sends greetings to the peoples of all lands.

We are four hundred and seventy delegates gathered from seventy nations and from many races of the earth to consider how we may better make known to the world the love of the eternal God as He has revealed Himself in Jesus Christ.

The reports that have been brought to us from every quarter of the globe have made us realise that the ancient pestilence which destroyed mankind are abroad with a virulence unparalleled. In every country the fact that war or the fear of it casts its paralysing shadow over human hope. Race hatred, the ugly parent of persecution, has been set up as a national idol in many a market place and increasingly becomes a household god. Everywhere the greed of money continues to separate those who have from those who have not, filling the latter with angry plans of revolution and the former with the nervousness of power.

Again and again a sense of penitence has come over us as we have realised that these consuming evils are all of them man-made. They bear upon them the marks of human manufacture as clearly as the motor car or aeroplane. Neither flood nor earthquake nor dark mysterious force outside of our control produces wars or economic tensions. We know that we live involved within a chaos which we ourselves have made.

Again and again we have been forced to note that the evils that we face are not the work of bad men only, but of good as well. The gravest of our disasters have been brought upon us not by men desiring to make trouble for mankind but by those who thought they did their best in the circumstances surrounding them. We do

not know the man wise enough to have saved the world from its present sufferings—and we do not know the man wise enough to deliver us now.

But it is just at this point that we are forced back upon our Faith and rescued from pessimism to a glorious hope. We know that there is One Who, unlike ourselves, is not defeated and Who cannot know defeat. In the wonder of Christ's revelation we see God not as a remote and careless deity sufficient to Himself, but as a Father with a love for mankind, His children, as indescribable as it is fathomless. We who have looked at Christ, His Messenger, His Son, torn with suffering on a cross on which only His love for man has placed Him, have a tragic but transfiguring insight into the richness and reality of God's passion for His own. It is this insight which has taken the Christians to glad martyrdom through the centuries and sent them to the ends of the earth to spread the great Good News. And in humility we record our gratitude that even in this present time, evidences multiply that men and women still go forth as faithful and untiring ambassadors of Christ.

It is clear that only God can save the peoples, and that the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ not only can but will. It must become clearer to us all, however, that the instruments He demands are not men and women of ideals as such, but those constantly in prayer and worship verify those same ideals before His august will—verify and improve and never cease to re-verify them. It is not merely the moral person whom God requires in the present crisis, or in any other, but the person who keeps his morality alive and growing through the constant refreshing of His creative touch.

We can, none of us, become faultless agents of His grace, but the only hope before the world lies in those who at least attempt to know Him and to follow in His way.

National gods of any kind, gods of race or class, these are not large enough to save us. The recognition of God in Christ by no means robs a man of his nation or an ancient culture, He destroys no whit of good within it, but lifts it rather to its own highest destiny. He does destroy exclusiveness, but in its place He causes a new quality to grow—good will—a good will which is wider than national or cultural loyalties and corresponds to the largeness of God's love.

In our midst we have seen anew that devotion to the things of Christ will work a miracle among men and women. We have prayed, and as we prayed the barriers of nationality and class have melted. Knit by the Holy Spirit the one to the other and all to God, we have known the

meaning of fellowship. We feel this to be a promise of what may be in all the earth.

We call upon our fellow Christians throughout the world to join us in a new dedication. Surely God is summoning us in these times to let go our self-sufficiency, to frequent His altars, to learn of Him, and to make His ways known in all the relationships of life. To make Him known in the State involves labour for the establishment of justice among all the people. In the world of commerce it involves the ending of unregulated competition for private gain and the beginning of emulation for the public good. Everywhere it involves self-sacrificial service. God grant to His Church to take the story of His love to all mankind, till that love surround the earth, binding the nations, the races and the classes into a community of sympathy for one another, undergirded by a deathless faith in Christ.

IN PERILS OFT.

Sister Ethel McMillan's Narrow Escape.

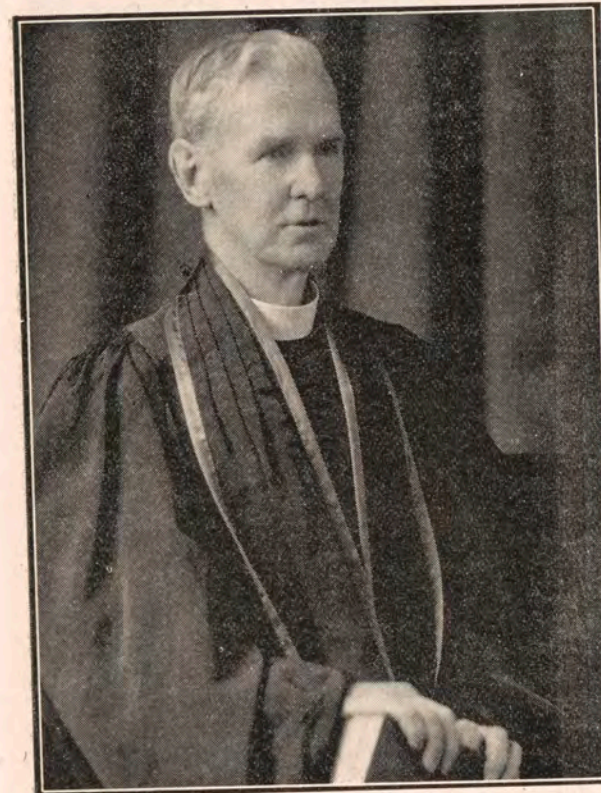
Sister Ethel has had a narrow escape from drowning. She, with four boys and seven girls, was returning by canoe from a distant village, when a sudden, violent storm broke. The canoe was capsized. The boys righted it, and for a while some clung to this—while a few swam ashore. Soon the heavy seas smashed the boat to pieces. Sister sank twice. When little Coralie, who had reached land, thought that her "Nai" (mother) was drowning, she rushed back into the water "to die" with her," and had to be forcibly held back. Finally a boy (Laban) got Sister ashore—a very sick, battered woman. When news reached the station, a teacher set off with a door and some planks to carry sister home. The girls' love and concern were expressed by bringing a clean frock—"in case Sister wanted to change"—and a loaf of bread. Poor Sister, a very dry, substantial restorative! Yet Sister finishes her account, "I cannot speak too highly of our people, they were so gentle and loving. We lost everything—the girls nice new print dresses, of which they were so proud, my glasses, etc. But how thankful we are to our Father for protecting us."
—E. M. RISHWORTH.

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Hamilton Concert	1	0 0
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Mrs. Murray (Avondale)	5	0 0

The President's Challenge and Appeal.



Rev. ANGUS McBEAN.

to our Church in this matter by Mr. and the late Mrs. S. Gorman, there must come a challenge to us all to make our annual gift to this cause a really worthy one to the best of our ability. The space at my disposal would not permit of my dwelling at any length upon the glory and the greatness of the cause. But think of only two things.

First of all, it is our great Redeemer's Cause. It was for this cause He came into the world, to bring to all men the knowledge of God, and to bring all nations into His kingdom. And He is worthy of the best that we can do or be, and of the most that we can give.

And then think of the results. Our Mission in the Solomons has been in existence for one generation, and in that short period of time it has won many trophies for our Lord. The one we know best is Belshazzar Gina. When Gina was here last I heard him address six or seven different public services and meetings, and any one of the several addresses would have been a credit to any European missionary or minister I have known. And there was no repetition of stories or facts; each address was distinct from all the others. For gifts of speech and intellect, for charm of manner, and for power of personality, he would not suffer by comparison with trained and gifted speakers of any race.

I make an urgent appeal to all our people to give the great cause of Overseas Missions a Working Place in their interests, in their prayers, and in their financial support.

It was great news to read yesterday in the "Methodist Times" of the lovely gift of a launch to help Dr. Rutter in his work. It is a beautiful way of commemorating and perpetuating the gracious influence of a Christian mother, and we will all congratulate Messrs. J. E. and Wm. Astley, and their sister, Miss Hannah Astley, upon finding such a splendid way of honouring their mother's memory. They had found and followed many other good ways previously, but in its beneficent results this may well prove to be the choicest of all.

As we think of a gift like this one, and also of the magnificent lead given

And, more important even than any of these things, I saw churches and halls crowded for his meetings as they had probably never been crowded before, and the crowds gave him all the unmistakable signs of a great popular appreciation. But Gina remained through it all the same sincere, humble, happy follower of Jesus Christ as ever. Not a few speakers of our own race have broken down under a much less severe test. Which leads me to the thought that if in one generation our Mission has produced a man of Gina's powers, it may very well be that long before the second generation has passed an Island

Church may not only be carrying on a glorious work under an almost entirely native and competent staff, but may also be making an effective contribution to the spiritual and evangelising forces of the world.

One of the big tasks of our N.Z. Church is to help to make this possible. And it was this that I had in mind when at the beginning I said that we should give this cause a worthy place in our interests, our prayers, and our gifts. And as I close, I

venture to suggest that most of us might be able to increase our gifts if we would begin to prepare for the coming of the collector a few months before the due time. If we would from time to time put aside some offering for this great work, thus spreading our giving over a greater part of the year, I think that then the year's returns would show a good increase, and further progress in our Lord's work be made possible.

—ANGUS McBEAN.

South Bougainville Section.

BOUGAINVILLE AND BUKA CIRCUIT.

REPORT, 1938.

During the greater part of 1938, Financial Year, the Minister has been away on furlough, and Usaia Sotutu, Fijian Native Probationer supplied at Kihili. Upon his return, the minister found the work of the Section had progressed satisfactorily. Since his return further requests for teachers have been presented from hitherto untouched villages, and the work in Siwai area seems to be on the point of greater expansion. The native agents in the main have served very loyally during the year, their keenness commending their labours despite lack of scholastic accomplishments. Many of the younger native agents constantly request permission to

participate in refresher courses on the Central Station for a few years.

The year closed with 92 students on the School roll at Kihili, being made up of 66 males and 26 females. The total number of natives on Kihili station is approx. 120.

The coming of Sister Ada Lee has added new zest to the school of which she is in charge. She also conducts a preparation class for teachers on Monday afternoons which is of very great value.

Apart from School duties, she has a house of 22 girls and 6 orphans. She lives at present with the Minister and his wife—but upon a permanent Mission house being built, she will take over in its en-



Tonu Hospital, South Bougainville, where outstanding Medical Service has been rendered for a number of years by Native Medical Assistants.

tirety the present Mission House. Mrs. Voyce supervises the Medical work and is ably assisted by Abel Nuiru, a trained Medical Orderly. During the year a new hospital of a more permanent and improved style has been erected. Again recognition is made of very fine and extensive assistance given by the Public Health Dept. of New Guinea in the matter of free supplies of drugs, and also thanks extended for considerable support along these lines from the Women's Missionary Union.

During the year, further roading, bridge construction, draining and building have been proceeded with, and of note are the new Girl's Home and the New Block of Classrooms for the School—all in Native Materials—of course.

A European Mission House is to be es-

timated for at the forthcoming Synod.

The statistics for the Section are given as under:—

Adherents, 3763; Scholars, 451; Churches, 60; Other Preaching Places, 12; European Missionaries, 1; Missionary Sisters, 1; Native Agents, 74; Local Preachers, 4; European Members, 8; Native Members, 192; Native Members on trial, 18; Junior Members, 104; Deaths—Junior, 2; Senior, 1; Day Schools, 66; Day School Teachers, 75; Baptisms During Year, Senior, 17; Junior, 11.

Very fine response was made during the missionary collections and a total of £78/4/10 was received. Gifts larger than last year, but produce brought only a fraction of last year's price.

—A. H. VOYCE.

Can any Good Come out of New Zealand?

By Mr. W. E. (Bill) DONNELLY

Can any good come out of New Zealand? An eye-ful of this photo should put it beyond all doubt. It may be of interest to the people in N.Z.. Strangely enough I gather that some people in N.Z. think that all the Mission people here are N.Z. people.

Our small company of 15 is just one quarter of the entire mission staff (including rivals). There are 30 Australians on the May List of the Mission and 11 New Zealanders.



The names are:—

Back Row: W. E. Donnelly (Suva); S. G. Andrews (Suva); O. M. Duder (Suva); Mrs. Andrews, F. J. Irvine (Suva); E. M. Keeble (Suva); D. C. McIntosh (Suva); A. J. Birtles (Davuilevu).

Front Row: Mrs. Donnelly, Mrs. Birtles, F. H. Tolley (Suva); I. A. Hames (Davuilevu); A. M. Griffin (Suva); C. J. Weston (Dilkusha); G. M. Sharpe (Davuilevu).
Absent: Mrs. Ahaens (nee Scotter) (Navuso).

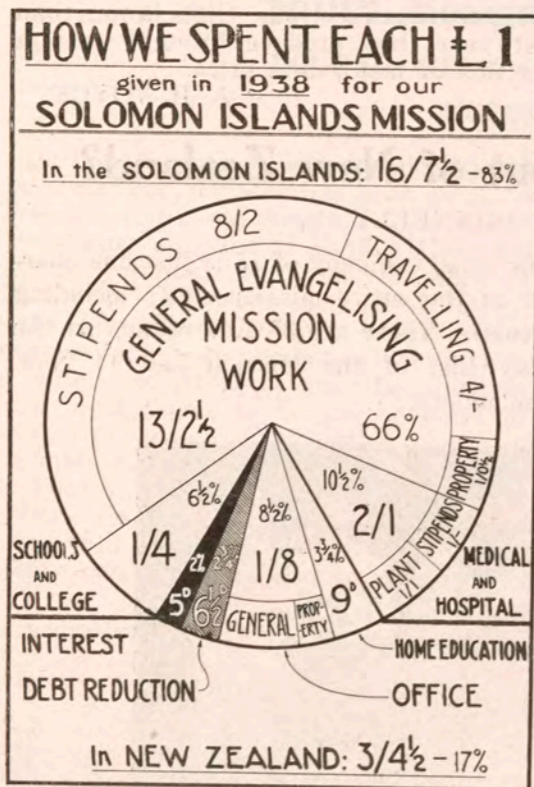
How the Money is Spent.

We are indebted to Mr. C. L. S. Green, our able and enthusiastic Missionary Secretary of the Wellington South Circuit, for the accompanying chart and tabulated list showing details of our Foreign Mis-

sion Expenditure for 1938. It will be noted that 83% of the total was expended on the Field, and that of the balance 4 3/4% went in interest and debt reduction, 3 3/4% in printing and propaganda, and 8 1/2% in Head Office expenses.

Methodist Foreign Missionary Society of New Zealand.

ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/12/38.



Property	£469			
Lands	£165			
General	£86	720	1 0 1/2	5%
Total	£9242	13	2 1/2	66%
EDUCATION	£938	1	4	6 1/2%
MEDICAL:				
Stipends	£708	1	-	5%
Equipment, etc.	£752	1	1	5 1/2%
		1460	2 1	10 1/2%
Total Expenditure in Solomons	£11,640	16	7 1/2	83%

New Zealand Expenditure:

Interest Payments	£271	5	2%
Debt Reduction ..	£389	6 1/2	2 1/4%
Office:			
Stipends ...	£362		
Office Exes... ..	£454		
Property ...	£354		
		1170	1 8 8 1/2%

EDUCATION:

Deputation ...	£206		
Printing	£228		
Sundry	£88		
		522	9 3 3/4%

Total Expenditure in New Zealand .. £2325 3 4 1/2 17%

TOTAL NETT EXPENDITURE BY THE SOCIETY: £13,992 £1/-/- 100%

C. L. S. GREEN,
Wellington South.

Solomons Expenditure:

GENERAL:	s.	d.	
Stipends	£5728	8	2 41%
Trav.-Freight	£485		
Boats	£2059		
Insurance ..	£250		
		2794	4 0 20%

The Doctor in the Villages.

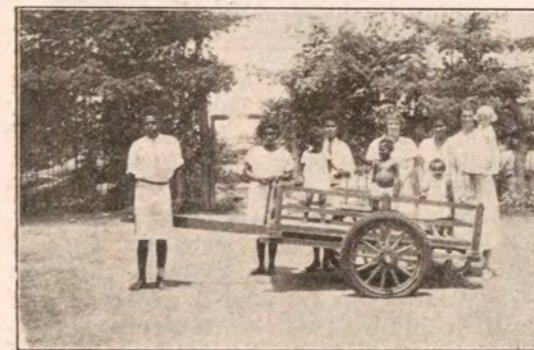
On Wednesday, Mr. Goldie took me round to Menakasapa, the main village on the North coast of New Georgia, a sizeable place of over two hundred inhabitants. Sister Grace came with me, and her knowledge of this place, one of her most important outstations will help her a lot in dealing with the people from that side of the island. I was very favourably impressed with the village; examined seventy-five children, and found only nine cases of yaws, which is a state of affairs you certainly would not find in any other village in the district. Everything very clean and well looked after, and most of this is due to the work of the excellent teacher who has been serving them for some years. But it is a good illustration of the necessity of this kind of village work, which sometimes seems to be rather an unwarranted expenditure of time, and of Benzine, that just as I was leaving, and purely through the accident of arriving late to the Lotu which Mr. Goldie had

started while we were clearing up our goods, I saw a man with a suspicious looking ulcer on his back. Caught him as Lotu ended, and examined him to find him almost certainly a leper. I shall have to make arrangements for having him moved and treated. A similar thing occurred yesterday, when we were visiting the village of Bethlehem, a few miles down the lagoon. It is a place within easy reach of Kokequlo, and not infrequently visited by Mrs. Leadley or Sister. But there was a man who had been in bed some four months, suffering from fairly advanced Pulmonary T.B., and living in a house where little children are playing round him all the time. This is going to be another problem in accommodation, for we have absolutely no place to put people like this at present, either at Kokequlo or at Bilua. But both these cases show emphatically, that a certain amount of visiting is essential if an efficient service is to be maintained.—ALLEN G. RUTTER.

With Girls and Babies at Kihili.

The days are flying quickly by, now that we are settled down into work and more familiar with the conditions of this area. The trip up through Siwai was a splen-

the girls to leave their villages, where they have led a life of darkness, and come here to a new life, under new conditions, new surroundings, and many miles from their own people. Yet wherever we went there were requests from girls to come back with us, and our number now stands at 22 girls in the Home and 5 married girls. This influx greatly swelled our school numbers, and absorbed the already small supply of materials, and overcrowded our class-rooms. New class-rooms have been built and we hope to occupy them shortly. With the exception of two or three, these girls can neither read nor write, so new classes had to be made also, and when the new rooms are built, new teachers will be brought in. At first these will be students from the school, who unfortunately, cannot speak a great deal of Roviana. I am most fortunate in that up to the present, I have had teachers who know Roviana, so solving one language problem. These boys are a Godsend to me and are always willing to help by translating or speaking for me.



Some of the Kihili Babies in Truck made by Mr. Voyce and Students. Mrs. Voyce with Jean, Sister Ada Lee and Simon behind truck.

did key to the work here, for after having seen the country, villages and people, it is easier to understand the girls and their needs, though we can never fully understand them. It is a tremendous break for

—ADA LEE.

Dr. Allen Rutter Reports Progress.

Report of Work of Medical Unit, January to March, 1939.

Staff.

Sister Joy returned to Bilua in January after a fruitful three months at Kokeqolo, and received a warm welcome from everyone. Sister Vera resumed her work at Kokeqolo and was able to set things in order for the arrival of Sister Grace. It was naturally an occasion for rejoicing that we were able to welcome Sister Grace McDonald who arrived by the February steamer. Sister Grace came to spend a few days with us at Bilua, before commencing her duties at Kokeqolo. She has now replaced Sister Vera at the head station, and is already finding ample opportunity for service and enjoyment in her new sphere. We look forward to a long term of fruitful service for Sister Grace in the work of the Medical Unit.

The arrival of Sister Grace has meant that we could go ahead with our long-considered plans for the placing of a fully qualified nursing Sister on Choiseul, Sister Vera has been chosen for this responsible task. It is one that will call for all her energies and all her talents. She has gone to Sasamaqa for a short time, and will then be taking up temporary residence at Seqa, the only white missionary on that side of the island. We feel extremely grateful that one so suited for the task was available, and willing to meet its demands.

We have one addition to our native staff Jesau Hiele, from Kokeqolo. An unfortunate feature of the present quarter has been the large amount of sickness among our native staff. Two of the nurses have had severe malaria, while Lena, our night nurse, and Kobaka, one of the boys, have been off duty for long periods with the undiagnosed fever referred to below.

Lepers.

Esau, the remaining leper living at Keso since the death of Abel, died last month, after a short illness. We were grateful that he died so easily with very little suffering. Like Abel before him, he retained his faith and courage to the

end. Another "burnt out" leper was discovered living near Talito, on the other side of the island. He is well housed, has relatives to care for him, and is willing to comply with all the necessary precautions against the spread of infection; so it has not been necessary to arrange any special accommodation for him.

Food and Gardens.

We have been pleased to see an increasing willingness on the part of the village folk to bring in gifts of food for the hospital. Though the gifts are often small, they show that the people are realising a little better their indebtedness to the hospital, and their responsibility for its support. Even a small amount of native food is of definite value in the treatment of our patients, for whom a diet of rice and tinned meat is eminently unsatisfactory, as well as being exceedingly expensive.

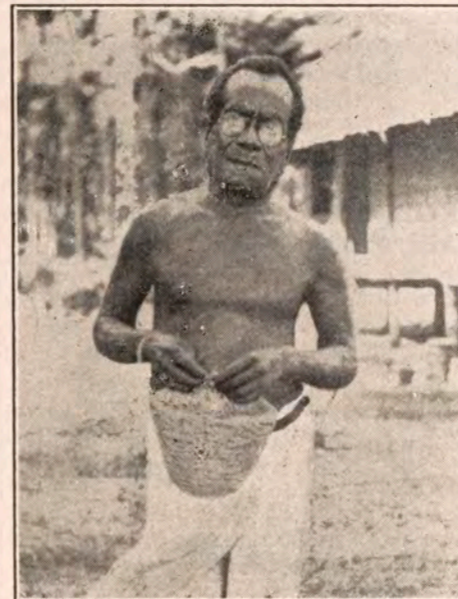
A start was made in February with the clearing of an area in the bush about a mile from the hospital, for a native garden. Unfortunately the advent of so much sickness among the native staff, has greatly held up this work, but we shall be pushing it ahead as fast as possible.

Village Work.

A visit was paid to Talito on February 14th, and the village was found in excellent condition, with very little sickness. A fortnight later I visited Elioteve, in an attempt to glean some information regarding the origin of the outbreak of fever referred to below. In a small village a little further on I found a great deal of yaws, including two children in a deplorable state of generalised ulceration of about a year's standing. The discovery of cases like this in a place only about eight miles from hospital shows that some system of personal visitation is still necessary, for the teacher concerned had been trying in vain to persuade these people to come to hospital.

Under this heading I may report a special visit to Gizo, to see a white patient,

an employee of Burns Philp & Company, suffering from Pleurisy. Sister Merle accompanied me on this visit, and remained in Gizo for five days to supervise the nursing care of the patient, who made a good recovery. At the same time I also treated another white man, a passenger on the copra steamer "Polzella," suffering from a very severe sprained ankle. We are glad to have these opportunities of extending service to the white residents of the district.



THE BLIND SEE!

A Native whose sight was restored.

Diseases Treated.

Brief reference is necessary to the outbreak of a severe fever of unknown origin, which has caused us a great deal of work and worry. A total of sixteen patients during the quarter have been admitted, suffering with an illness which has lasted varying periods from three to nine weeks, and has not been influenced by any of the various drugs we have been led to try in its treatment. I have done a considerable amount of laboratory investigations on all the patients, but without definite results. Two at least would have died but for the nursing care received, and the devoted attention of the two sisters.

Extracts from Statistics Jan. to Mar. 1939.

INPATIENTS.

Admitted	103
Discharged	99
Average number in Hospital ..	31.5
Average length of stay in days	14.3

OUTPATIENTS:

Total attendances	14,224
Daily average	157.6
Operations Performed	34

THE BLIND SEE.

You will be interested to know that I have completed three cases of bilateral cataract—six eyes in all—with complete success. I think these are amongst the most satisfying of our cases—the results are so dramatic and so life renewing to the patient. I have another to do tomorrow morning, in an old chap of seventy who has been blind for many years. His other eye has been damaged beyond repair, so a lot depends upon this operation. Only this morning I had another old chap in from Maravari, a village up the coast, with a cataract presenting features I have never met before. I am a bit doubtful about its treatment, but out here, where second opinions are hard to come by, one just has to try, and hope for the best. Another case of cataract I have waiting is an unusual one in that it occurs in a young patient—one of our teachers, and a previous cook boy of Mr. Goldie's. He is only about thirty, and is blind in one eye, with the other rapidly failing. But I am in hopes of being able to give him back quite a reasonable degree of vision.

SOLOMON MAILS.

(Concluded from inside back cover.)

It is awkward not knowing Bambatana language, but I am doing my best to learn it. Mr. Metcalfe has taken me to some of the villages visiting, and it has been interesting meeting again some of the boys who went to the College at Roviana.

I realise what a great job it is going to be travelling around this Island helping the sick folk—but more than ever I see what a wonderful field of service it is for me.

Do tell the Auxilliary women to save every scrap of old linen and small bottles—there is such a great need here.

Earthquake Relief Fund

Recent severe earthquakes have caused considerable damage in the Solomons. At the District Institution, Roviana, a large dormitory, accommodating 40 students, was completely wrecked, and at Kihili, the new head station of South Bougainville, the native house occupied by the Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Voyce and Sister Ada Lee was wrecked, as were other buildings and two new bridges. Furniture and stores were also badly damaged. Happily no life was lost on our stations, but a number of deaths were reported from the villages.

THE BOARD OF MISSIONS EARNESTLY APPEALS FOR £750 OVER and ABOVE ORDINARY INCOME to RESTORE the DAMAGED PROPERTY. Please increase your annual contribution or send a special gift to the Treasurer: Rev. W. A. SINCLAIR, Probert Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland, C.1.

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The Roviana Students whose dormitory was wrecked by the Earthquake.

A Beautiful Memorial Gift.

A LAUNCH FOR THE DOCTOR.

Two days before Mothers' Day the Board of Missions met to consider an urgent appeal from the Rev. J. F. Goldie and Dr. Allen Rutter for permission to purchase an available and suitable launch for the Doctor's use. Since the laying up of the "Tandanya" the Chairman has had to use the "Bilua" for his District Work thus leaving the Vella Lavella Circuit and the Doctor without means of transport other than native canoes. To permit such a state of affairs to continue would mean the inability of the Doctor to respond to many urgent calls and seriously restrict his work. The Board consented to the purchase of the launch, but was gravely concerned that the Special Medical Fund would thus be depleted by £500.

Two days later the General Secretary received the following letter and his heart was strangely stirred at this manifest working of the Spirit of God.

Dear Mr. Scrivin,

Having heard of the need of a boat to enable Dr. Rutter to carry out his self-sacrificing and Christ-like work at the Islands, and realis-

ing what a great help it would be to him, on this Mothers' Day in loving remembrance of our beloved Mother, and as a thank-offering to God for His many blessings, I have great pleasure in offering to the Board, through your good self, on behalf of my Sister Hannah, my brother William and myself, the sum of Five Hundred pounds, which I understand is the sum required for the purchase of a suitable boat, now available.

We would like to ask for one thing, subject to approval, that the boat be named "Cicely," that being our Mother's christian name.

With kind regards,

Yours faithfully,

John E. Astley.

The Board has gladly assented to the request that the launch be named "Cicely," and as she speeds on her errands of mercy the spirit of the beloved mother will live in the Solomons even as it does in her children.

May we all be challenged by this fine gift to consider afresh the great love that is ours and pass it on to our less fortunate brethren and sisters of the Solomons.

Tragedy in South Bougainville.

DEATH OF SIMEON MALAVOLOMO.



First Day at Kindergarten School at Kikili after Sister Ada Lee's arrival. The number of scholars is constantly growing. Simeon, whose death is reported on this page is standing on Sister Ada's left.

By the last mail to hand the Rev. A. H. Voyce writes:—"It was a terrific blow to arrive home, and find that during my absence this fine man had died of Cerebral Malaria. He was already buried when I came home. You know something of Simeon's work and character. No finer teacher has served our Society in these islands. I believe he was baptised by Mr. Rooney, sent to college by Mr. Binet, and when in 1928 Mr. Cropp and I were given permission by Mr. Goldie to appeal whilst at Synod, for workers for Bougainville and Buka, Simeon Mala, immediately the service was over, went to see Mr. Goldie, and begged to be allowed to come here. He came that year with many others, and was appointed by me, on recommendation.

Tribute
by
A.H.
Voyce

as the Senior teacher at our Training Institution. He has been in that position ever since, and thus has exerted an amazing influence on a succession of students, who passed through the school. At one period during Mr. Cropp's absence on furlough, he was loaned to the Buka Section to assist Uzziat Sotutu, the Fijian.

I have always found Simeon an exceedingly able teacher, a most loveable character, and one with a very pleasing disposition. In class meeting and in quarterly meetings, one could always look for a fine spirit, and good balanced judgment from him, and also for a spirit of helpful compassion in regard to any erring native worker.

He was never of a robust type. He had much sickness from time to time. And certainly much trouble which he bore bravely. Early in 1929 when the clashes

took place between R. C. and Methodists, Simeon was badly wounded on the back of the head with a club, and came home covered in blood, and weak from the loss of same. He had tried to act the part of the peacemaker, but they would not hear him, and hit him from behind. Once again, in a more recent trouble over pigs, when he along with others was taken to Kieta for an enquiry, he walked all the way to Teop, where we were then resident, to see me about the matter. Three times when I have been on furlough, he bore the burden of the work, and was always a wise leader. Just before we went on furlough last, he lost his young daughter in very sad circumstances, and then whilst we were on furlough, news came to hand that his second daughter had been burnt to death. Our hearts are sad at his going, and his place will be difficult to fill.

The Supreme Sacrifice.

It is a part of the genius of Methodism to help and inspire other Communion. One of its outstanding contributions in



Dr. OWEN EATON.

Courtesy "N.Z. Herald."

recent years was that of Dr. Owen Eaton, gifted son of the Rev. Clarence and Mrs. Eaton. To this brilliant young doctor

came the missionary call, and in 1936 he sailed for China under the auspices of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, and was appointed to the Kong Cheun Hospital near Canton.

Through the perils of the Japanese invasion he stayed at his post, and his young bride, from the time of their marriage last December, shared with him both the danger and the joy of such high service.

Even when the tide of war, for the time being, had rolled past Canton, there was still the danger of bandits who maraud friend and foe alike. It was while seeking to protect the refugees and patients in the hospital from one of these robber band that Owen Eaton was fatally shot. Like his Master, he met his death at the hands of those he sought to serve. Such love and service never die, and in them the Kingdom of God in China will increase far beyond what can be measured by a tragically brief term of years.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Missions the action of the General Secretary in forwarding to the bereaved parents and young widow the heartfelt sympathy of the Board was silently and reverently confirmed.

Personal and General.

Rev. A. W. and Mrs. Silvester.

Mr. and Mrs. Silvester, with their daughter Ngaire, sailed from Wellington on June 16th, on their return to the Solomons, greatly refreshed by their furlough in New Zealand.

Mr. Silvester has done excellent deputation work in the Taranaki, South Auckland, and Auckland Districts and his addresses and spiritual fervour have been greatly appreciated.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Silvester express sincere thanks for the many kindnesses extended to them and the former is particularly grateful for the generous hospitality extended to him when on deputation work.

We bespeak for them the prayers of the whole Church as they return to the Field.

Rev. C. T. and Mrs. Luxton.

Mr. and Mrs. Luxton have arrived at Kihili, South Bougainville, where they will be the guests of the Rev. A. H. and Mrs. Voyce for some weeks before proceeding to Buka, and gain much valuable experience. Mr. Luxton is an experienced carpenter and joiner and will help in the erection of the new mission house at Kihili and later will help to build his own new home at Buka.

Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Cropp.

Word is just to hand that Mr. and Mrs. Cropp and family expect to sail from Raul for Sydney on July 15th. They will spend some months of furlough in New South Wales before taking up their appointment in New Zealand. An appreciation of the high missionary service rendered by Mr. Cropp during the past 18 years will appear in a later issue.

Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Alley.

Mr. and Mrs. Alley and baby Don are expected to arrive in New Zealand on their first furlough early in August. They have rendered excellent service in the Teop Section of the Bougainville-Buka Circuit and are assured of a warm welcome. Mr. Alley will do deputation work in North Canterbury and Otago-Southland Districts during September and October.

Rice Huller for Kihili.

Mr. Voyce, for some time past, has been carrying out some experiments at Kihili, in rice growing that have proved quite successful. To assist him to develop what may prove to be a valuable extension of agriculture in South Bougainville, the Board of Missions has ordered a rice-hulling plant with the necessary engine. Mr. Voyce hopes to hull ample rice for the needs of his station, and also to help the village people with rice that he is encouraging them to cultivate.

A Splendid 'Open Door' Agent.

Mrs. B. Clarke, the 'Open Door' Agent of Trinity Church, Wanganui, has 62 subscribers on her list with the promise of more. She writes, "I have often wished I could get the number up to 100." We heartily congratulate Mrs. Clarke upon her fine work and sincerely trust she will reach the desired century in the near future. The 'Open Door' should be in every Methodist home.

Suicide or God.

The Conference news which has just come to hand is good, and everybody seems to be on tip toe of expectation for a good year spiritually throughout the Church. The prospect as we look round about us is alarming enough. I suppose this is one of the blackest periods of the world's history. There seems to be a very distinct deterioration of character both in public and private life. Although it is well to be self-reliant sometimes, when we look within our hearts unless we find God there we don't see much to cheer us. If ever there was a time when it is true that the Church stands between the world and utter destruction it is to-day. For civilisation as we know it, it is either suicide or — God. Yet history teaches us that the darkest hour is before the dawn, and so we look up, take a fresh grip and carry on. When every other prospect depresses us, we can say with the Psalmist "To the hills I lift my eyes, from whence cometh my help."

—J. F. GOLDIE.

House at Gizo.

Mr. Goldie reports the completion of the house at Gizo built for the convenience of our missionaries arriving at and departing from the port and for the transaction of business. He adds, "It will be a very great convenience to us all. You will be

pleased to hear that our own lads erected it from plans sent from Sydney—doing the whole of the work, concrete and carpentering, without any assistance—and have done it as well as a white man could have done."

Off Duty.

By Sister INEZ HAMES.

A bell is ringing. It is 4.30 p.m. in the educational town of Davuilevu in Fiji. "What is the bell for?" ask visitors. "To tell the people it is time to stop work," we answer.

This is perhaps the pleasantest time of day at Davuilevu. There is an atmosphere of peace, freedom and comradeship less possible when duties press. The sun's worst heat has passed. Down the winding paths from the hilltops where the student's houses stand among their lawns and flower beds come running figures. The physique of some of these young men approximates to that of the old Grecian ideal. Those who have been in school have quickly cast aside spotless white shirt and "sulu" and are all ready for sport in singlet and shorts. Those who have been on afternoon duty at grass-cutting or gardening, repairing thatch or forming roads, building houses or making furniture are all ready

for football or cricket or for running a daily mile. Sitting comfortably under the trees on the hillside the spectators closely follow the fluctuating match. Even the importance of this match does not deter forty or fifty enthusiasts from punting a ball about on a neighbouring ground. On the tennis court exercise of a less strenuous kind is enjoyed by European and Native staff.

House-boys return from a bathe in the broad Rewa River, which flows past our gates, and cast envious eyes at the football, but hurry away to prepare meals. Women with little toddlers held by their hands and with younger children carried on their backs return from the river with washed clothes in bundles.

Our native doctor, followed by a boy carrying his bag walks by. Near their homes some of the married men are still gardening, though the bell has rung. Life



"College Students performing a Rotuman Dance at Davuilevu."

is more serious for them. Our native minister gives a smiling, kindly greeting. A Fijian nurse returns from her round of villages.

But this is the tropics. There is no long twilight. Soon other bells will be ringing, which will mean church or scout meetings, or choir practice or school council meetings or local preachers' or Sunday School preparation class, or evening preparation of lessons.

The European headmaster of the Technical School, Mr. R. A. Derrick, working till the last moment, hurries home to tea. Our Principal, Rev. R. H. Green, plants still another tree to beautify his grounds.

Two Fijian engineers start up the engine, and the town is electrically lit. Some hundreds of young men and boys go to the river and bathe. Then home to their evening meal of cassava or taro with mussels from the river and perhaps tea made from lemon leaves. They have a song about Davuilevu which they love to sing.

"Davuilevu na koro dredre,
Koro ni Vuli ni Lotu Wesele,
Ti drau ni moli, kana tapioka,
Koto voli e-na bati ni Rewa River."

"Davuilevu, town of difficulty,
School town of Methodism,
Lemon leaf tea and cassava root,
It stands on the banks of the Rewa River."

Farewell to Rev. and Mrs. C. T. J. Luxton.

On the evening of April 27th, Pitt St. Church was the scene of the Churches' farewell to the Rev. and Mrs. C. Luxton on the eve of their departure for the Solomons.

The Rev. F. Copeland presided and expressed his sense of privilege and also the sincere regrets of the General Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Rev. A. H. Scrivin, who was absent in Wellington on deputation. The Rev. J. Jack commended the outgoing missionaries to God in prayer.

The chairman, on behalf of the F.M. Board, wished Mr. and Mrs. Luxton a term of very happy service, reminding them that they were going out to a work built on the firm foundation of many years of faithful service.

Mr. T. L. Hames, on behalf of the laymen of the Board and Church as a whole, assured Mr. and Mrs. Luxton of their loyal support as they went out.

Miss Rishworth, President of the M.W.M.U., in presenting Mrs. Luxton with a beautiful bouquet, said that the flowers would be the emblem of the tenderest thoughts and deepest wishes of the great fellowship of Auxiliary women throughout the Dominion. Miss Rishworth asked Mrs. Luxton to remember in difficult hours that there was at all times the strongest of all links, that of prayer, between herself and the women of the Auxiliary. Mrs. Luxton was asked to convey to the

women of Buka the love of the Lotu women of New Zealand. Miss Rishworth concluded her remarks with the beautiful benediction of Numbers 6:24-26.

Rev. E. T. Olds, who was also saying farewell for a brief period to New Zealand and sailing as far as Sydney with Mr. and Mrs. Luxton, next spoke, stressing the responsibility of the Home Church to strengthen the hands of those whom we send as our ambassadors.

In replying, Mrs. Luxton thanked the women of the church for their loving messages; the knowledge of their prayers would be a source of inspiration in the days to come.

Mr. Luxton told of the desire to be a missionary that had come to him as a small boy, inspired first by the visit of Daniel Bula, later strengthened by the first visit of Gina to New Zealand and steadily growing with the years, until after much heart searching, he was led to offer himself for missionary service. Speaking for himself and Mrs. Luxton, they were both going forward with a sense of high privilege, realising that there would be difficulties, but secure in the knowledge of God's abiding Presence.

Beautiful musical items were rendered by the Mt. Eden Philharmonic Choir, and to the stirring strains of "Speed Thy servants, Saviour speed them," the farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Luxton ended.

—E. M. LEWIS.

WOMEN'S PAGES

M.W.M.U.

Methodist Women's
Missionary Union of
New Zealand.

638 Manukau Road,
Epsom, Auckland.
May, 1939.

Dear Auxiliary Friends,

We will all be busy with our plans for speeding up our Auxiliary work and endeavouring to make the last quarter of the year the best yet. There is just the danger sometimes that in our eager **doing** we push into the background the importance of **being**. Let us jealously guard our periods of solitude—times alone with God when we learn of Him and receive His gift of power. Only by this communion can we enlarge our borders, increase the scope of our inner and outer lives, and work effectively for God.

There is steady growth in our Auxiliary life. Four or five new Auxiliaries or Branches have joined our fellowship this quarter, and we give them a warm welcome. Two or three districts are planning Conventions. We send greetings and hope that they will be times of real inspiration.

During March it was my privilege to visit most of the towns in North Auckland, and also to stay for a few days with Sisters Eleanor at Taheke and Olive at Paihia. When visiting with the Sisters and also with Rev. F. Bateup, I got glimpses of Maori life. Some of the needs of these fellow countrymen of ours and the difficulty of meeting these needs were very apparent. We must be more in earnest in working toward the education and the spiritual welfare of the young people—especially of the girls, the future home-builders.

It was most interesting to meet the members of the Guilds in the various churches. All expressed a desire to know more of the work being done by our Missionary Sisters and Deaconesses.

Solomon News.

The tremendous risks taken by our workers in their trips round the islands in canoes and small launches, has been demonstrated once again. Sister Ethel has had a narrow escape from drowning.

Sister, with 7 boys and 4 girls, set off homeward after visiting a village up the coast. "Heavy wind and rain," writes Sister, "it was dreadful—no place to land. We had to turn back, but got swamped and were capsized into the angry sea. We all clung to the keel, but soon the canoe smashed to pieces. I held on to one piece and the anchor rope. Wave after wave dashed over us. Some of the natives swam for the shore." Sister goes on to describe how she went under twice, but Timothy got hold of her and brought her to land. Word had been sent to a distant village and a crowd soon gathered. One of Sister's girls brought a dress for her, and another—a girl of 13 years—brought a loaf of bread (a substantial kind of restorative). A teacher, Laban, obtained a door and a couple of planks and the boys carried Sister home. Sister concluded her account: "We all felt terribly worn out for days, and our bodies still bear the marks we got from the broken canoe. I cannot speak too highly of our people; they were so gentle and loving—we lost everything, including my glasses—but worst of all the canoe, but how thankful we are to our Father for protecting us." How we need to surround them with prayer! Sister had no white worker to care for her. Mrs. Metcalfe had not returned from furlough when this happened. Mrs. Alley at Teop is fast collecting a large family to add to her own little Don. She has taken 6 girls into her home, and Mr. Alley has been building leaf additions to house the new inmates. Some of these are sick, needing constant care. This plucky little woman is often alone for days and nights at a time when Mr. Alley is on patrol in the distant villages. She has had some trying maternity cases lately. Superstitious practices die hard on Bougainville, and it is sad to see babes and sometimes mothers die because they will not accept treatment offered.

Sister Grace arrived safely at Roviana. She is to take Sister Vera's place at the

Hospital there. It has been decided that Sister Vera shall work round Choiseul, staying about three months at Senga, then go round to Bambatana and back again to the East Coast, in this way giving treatments to the natives on both sides of the island. It will be a hard piece of work—entailing having no settled home—but Vera has proved herself as not only capable, but full of courage and resource. Mr. and Mrs. Voyce and Sister Ada Lee are living under most cramped, uncomfortable conditions, due to the great damage done to house and other buildings in the recent earthquake.

Early in May, Mr. and Mrs. Luxton set out for their missionary enterprise in the Solomons, and I am sure that our members will add their names to their prayer lists. We cannot know the exact daily needs of our workers, but our last letters show conclusively that at times they go through great strain and sometimes are in dire peril.

They and we have proved that

—More things are wrought by prayer
than this world dreams of. Where-
fore, let thy voice rise like a fountain
—about the feet of God.

Loving thoughts as you are all striving to strengthen our missionary work.

Yours sincerely,

EMILY RISHWORTH.

A LETTER FROM BUKA.

Methodist Mission,
Buka Passage.

Dear Miss Rishworth,

We (the teachers' wives) thank you for the gifts you (representing the M.W.M.U.) sent to us. They have made us very happy. We know this is the true Lotu. We have seen with our eyes from day to day.

You have not forgotten us, just as we do not forget the people of New Zealand. We know that God is here. He loves us all the time. We do thank you for the gifts. They have made us, the people of Buka, very happy. The Church of Jesus Christ is growing here. All the time we are trying to fashion our work according to the true Lotu of Jesus Christ.

Do not forget us in your prayers, and we will not forget the people of New Zealand. We are glad, too, to see the

work of Sister Elizabeth. She is helping us in the work of the Lotu. She looks after the orphans, and she teaches us all about sewing. The girls have their sewing class. These things have made the Buka people happy. We know that the help of Jesus Christ will not cease. God sent His Son to die for us. We remember this. And you have sent Sister and Mr. Cropp to help us, who belong to the Lotu. We remember God's word in John, chapter 3, verse 16.

This letter is to express our happiness and our gratitude to you.

Kindest regards,

BULA.

EXTRACTS FROM SOLOMON MAILS.

Roviana—SISTER EFFIE.

Easter sports on Monday were greatly enjoyed by the youngsters who arrived in great numbers. We started at 7 a.m. Little Frank Leadley aged 4 yrs. had been eagerly looking forward to these sports for days. He began in a race and received a present and was quite happy. The prize winners had first choice of gifts and then all the "also-rans" took the leavings. Sister Grace had a hectic time while Doctor was over from Bilua. Added to the usual hospital patients and local out-patients were the crowds in from the villages for the Easter celebrations. Sister also had two night calls for Maternity cases during the week.

This week a woman presented the community with twins, a rather uncommon happening here.

Twenty-two boys arrived from Bougainville last steamer to enter College. There is great activity going on, erecting a new native building to replace the one that collapsed in the earthquake.

Choiseul—SISTER VERA.

(Mr. Goldie took me over to Choiseul.) We left Bilua at 5 a.m., a perfect morn, with the sun just rising and we had a very good run to Choiseul taking only 9½ hours for over 60 miles. Mr. Metcalfe and Sister Ethel welcomed us. Sister has 19 girls, 5 children 1 yr. to 2 yrs., and one baby 4 months old.

On the following Wednesday all the teachers came in for Quarterly Meeting. We had a very busy time fixing up teachers' medicines—this was especially difficult as we were short of several things, especially quinine. We did up 20 different lots in two days. Besides this there was a crowd of sick folk needing attention.

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New Issue—Solomon Island Stamps.

Word is just to hand that the new stamps have been issued and are a very fine series. Owing to a short supply of the stamps at Gizo, only a limited number of first-day covers was possible.

SEND YOUR ORDERS AT ONCE FOR THIS FINE NEW STAMP ISSUE TO THE REV. A. H. VOYCE AS UNDER:—

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all men unto Me."

"A Great Door & Effectual is opened unto us"
ST. PAUL.