MEDICAL WORK COMMITTEE

C/o S.A. Institute of Race Relations, P.O. Box 1176, JOHAN NE SBURG.

November 16th, 1936.

The Secretary,
Public Hespitals Advisory Council,
Office of the Administrator of Transvaal,
P.O. Box 383,
PRETORIA.

Dear Sir,

I have to thank you for your letter of the 11th instant and I have arranged that a majority of the members of the deputation appointed by the Conference of Mission Societies concerned with medical missionary work in the Transvaal will wait upon the Public Hospitals Committee on the 19th instant, in Room 38, Old Government Buildings, Pretoria.

I thank you for your kind services

in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

CONVENER

JDRJ/LR.

P.O. Box No. 383.

Telegraphic Address "Transator."



UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

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OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR OF TRANSVAAL, PRETORIA,

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11-11-1936

The Convener, Christian Council of S.A. Medical Work Committee, C/o P. O. Box 1176, JOHANNESBURG.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 10th instant, I have the honour to inform you that the Public Hospitals Committee is holding a meeting on the 19th idem in room 38, Old Government Buildings, Pretoria, and would be pleased to receive the deputation referred to by you, at 9.45 a.m. on that day, if convenient to you.

The Committee will not be sitting continuously, so that it is impossible to give any alternate dates at present.

I shall be glad to know whether the abovementioned time and date would be convenient to you.

> I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

SECRETARY; PUBLIC HOSPITALS ADVISORY COUNCIL.

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Provincial Offices,
P.O. Box 383,
PRETORIA.

Dear Sir.

A Conference of Mission Societies concerned with medical missionary work in the Transvaal was held at Pietersburg on the 37th ultimo under the auspices of this Committee, when a number of suggestions were put forward regarding the basis upon which medical mission work among Natives might be subsidised by the Provincial and Union governments. The Conference decided to ask your Council to allow a deputation to meet the Hospitals Enquiry Committee to discuss a number of the points raised during the discussions, and I shall be grateful if you will be so kind as to arrange for the The personnel of the deputation appointed by the Conference is as follows: - The Bishop of Pretoria, Drs. Aitken, Matthews and Rossett and the undersigned. It would be helpful if the deputation could be given two or three possible dates, as it may not be easy to find a day upon which all the members of the deputation can be brought together to Pretoria.

Your kind service in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

CONVENER

## MEDICAL WORK COMMITTEE

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Rev. H.P. Junod, for Junios Musicon 376 Von Weilligh Street, PRETORIA.

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As the matter is urgent, I propose to arrange for such a conference to be held at the English Church Rectory, PIETERSBURG (through the kindness of the Rector, the Rev. F. Clarke), on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27th, at 11 a.m. Will you please let me know whether or not the place and date are convenient and whether or not your Mission Society will be represented.

May I add that, if, after the Conference, you think I can be helpful to your Society in the preparation of its own case for assistance from Provincial funds, I will gladly do my best to help.

Kindly reply at the earliest possible date, to enable me to make the necessary arrangements for the Conference.

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Note: - A copy of this letter has also been sent to Dr. Rosset, Elim Hospital.

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CONVENER

Sent for your information. Copies have been sent to Conveners of Committees, as requested.

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C/o S.A. Institute of Race Relations, P.O. Box 1176, JOHANNE SBURG.

September 21st, 1936.

Dear

The recently constituted Christian Council of South Africa has decided to form a medical missions committee under the aegis of the Council, and has requested me to act as Convener to form the Committee. I am not a member of the medical profession, but my work brings me into close touch with medical missions throughout Southern Africa and also into direct contact with Non-European medical and health needs. I shall be glad if by serving as Convener of this Committee I can assist medical missionary effort and the Non-European peoples.

I shall be grateful if you will serve as a member of the Committee. Most of the work will have to be done by post, by means of memoranda prepared by myself or by individual members of the Committee and circulated for the observations of other members. But it is hoped that it will be possible for members to meet together once in a while to consider important questions of medical missionary policy. The Christian Council will meet in Johannesburg or Pretoria in January next, and I hope that it will be possible for members of the Committee to meet in conference a day or two before.

The Executive Committee of the Christian Council has asked me to outline the terms of reference of the Committee, and I have ventured to draft these for the prior consideration of members of the Committee. I shall be grateful if you will let me have your views on them before OCTOBER 10th, 1936, as the Executive Committee of the Christian Council meets on October 14th. As you will note, the proposed terms cover a wide range, but it is not intended that all the items shall be dealt with at once. They serve to indicate, rather, the matters which the Committee may be expected at any time to consider and pronounce upon, or matters on which the Council may from time to time ask the Committee to advise it.

Yours faithfully,

Medical Work Committee of the Christian Council of S.A.

JDRJ/LR.

THE CHRISTIAN COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA MEDICAL WORK COMMITTED C/o S.A. Institute of P.O. Box 1176, JOHANNESBURG. Dr. R.D. Aitken, Donald Fraser Hospital, P.O. SIBASA, Northern Transvaal.

September 23rd, 1936.

Dear Sir,

With reference to my letter of the 31st instant, I now find that the date suggested for the proposed conference on Mission Hospitals in the Transvaal is inconvenient to the Anglican Church, as the Synods of the two Dioceses will be in session then. Please substitute therefor TWESDAY, OCTOBER 27th at 11 a.m., the meeting to take place at the English Church Rectory, PIETERSBURG, through the kindness of the Rector, the I hope this date is convenient to all Rev. F. Clarke. concerned.

Yours faithfully,

CONVENER

JDRJ/LR.

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CONVENER

ALLIANCE MISSION THE SWEDISH SOUTH AFRICA Founded 1900 JÖNKÖPING, CHINA AND by INDIA. Rev. F. Franson. Box 8. White Kiver. Race Relations. 24, 1936. 60 S. a. Institute of Itannisherg. Dear Sir. Thank you for your letter of the 21 st and invitation to the Conference in Petersburg the 13th of Oct. I am very much interested in the matter but I am sorry to have to say that the date does not suit me due to be certain appointment which I cannot change. Even 2 days or a week later would be all right. But never mind you hald the Confedence and I shall be pleased to have a copy of the report. I should value bulick to have an interview with you later when we Could consider our case to - gether. The times date could be at your connecience yours very truly. Gest Lokander (E.L.)

P.O. Box 1107, PRETORIA. 29/9/36.

To: Conveners of Committees.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to suggest that conveners keep each other informed of their activities or proposed activities, and assist each other mutually in the drawing up of the outlines of their several programmes of action.

Conveners have been asked to send a report to the Executive Committee Meeting on October 14th. What is required, naturally, is not merely a report of what has been done, but an outline of proposed future activities, with suggestions for action on the part of the Executive Committee.

Sincerely yours,

SECRETARY.

JMT/NT

R.R./17.

October 3rd, 1936.

Dr. R.D. Aitken, The Bonald Fraser Hospital, P.O. SIBASA, Northern Transvaal.

My dear Aitken,

Many thanks for your letter of the 26th ultimo. There has been such a rush of other things recently that I have not been able to reply earlier.

Bochem Hospital. I understand that there is now no doctor at Bochem Hospital, but that Miss Franz is carrying on. A letter has been sent addressed to her.

Swiss Mission. I have sent a letter to Mr. Cuendet as I believe he is the Chairman of the Swiss Mission.

Methodist Church. Unfortunately the Rev. E. Bottrill and the Rev. H.S. Robinson of the Methodist Church will be attending the Methodist Conference at Maritzburg. I have written to Mr. Bottrill suggesting that the Rev. E. Carter be appointed to attend.

I have also written to Dr. Matthews at Jane Furse Hospital, and I hope that he will come. The International Holiness Mission is to be represented by Miss J.B. Brown.

I am sending out by this post a questionnaire incorporating the points raised by you and others,

and I hope that replies will come in time to be useful at our meeting.

We have been having a very strenuous time with conferences and numerous visitors. We hope you are all well.

With very kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

JDRJ/LR.

TELEGRAMS: "AITKEN, 'SIBASA

MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT R. D. AITKEN, M.D., D.Sc. (CHURCH OF SCOTLAND)

P.O. SIBASA,

26th September 1936.

J.D.Rheinallt.Jones Esq.,
South African Institute of Race Relations,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Mr. Jones,

Thank you for your letter of the 23rd instant, and for the prompt action you have taken in calling a conference of those interested. The 27th really suits me in some ways better than the I3th. I have a few suggestions to make formyour consideration.

BOCHEM HOSPITAL. I wrote to the superintendent of this hospital inviting him to the meeting I originally called for the 27th, but I have had no reply. I believe the Administration regards this as a mission hospital, but I amnot sure what its position is really. Might it not be worth while making another attempt to get them to come in with us?

SWISS MISSION. I notice that you have invited three bishops to represent the Church of the Province. That being so, do you not think that it would be wise to invite the Superintendent of the Swiss Mission or his deputy in addition to Dr. Rosset? I think that the Superintendent is Rev. Junod. Elim Hospital is I think the largest mission hospital in the Transvaal, and gets the largest grants from the Province, and is therefore the one most likely to be affected by any change. I think we should see that they are strongly represented, and by those who have the final say in regard to their mission. I don't think that Dr. Rosset alone could commit himself to the acceptance of any proposals we make.

OTHER MISSIONS. I have heard rumours from time to time that the Methodist Church and the Dutch Reformed Church are thinking of starting hospitals in the Transvaal. Is it possible to find out whether their plans are sufficiently definite to make it worth while their taking part in this conference? I do not think that the Berlin Mission has any hospitals or is thinking of starting one. Bochem Hospital is not under them. At the same time I should like them to support the application of this hospital for increased help from the Province.

MEDICAL REPRESENTATIVES. It appears as if Dr. Rosset and I are the only doctors invited to the conference, although I am not sure about two of those in the list you have sent me. In any case I think that the Medical Superintendent of the Jane Furse Hospital should be invited, especially as I had already approached him to come to the meeting I had called, and he had accepted the invitation.

MATERIAL for CONFERENCE. Will it be possible to obtain the popula

tion figures from the recent census for each district in which there is a mission hospital at work? I can get the figures for the Sibasa and Louis Trichardt areas.

Can you send out a questionnaire before the conference to each of the hospitals concerned, so that we may have some definite figures to work upon? I think we att least need to know the following facts for each hospital:-

Amount of present grant.
What this grant represents on a patient-day basis.
The average cost per patient per day in each hospital.

I think that it will be very important that we should give the Commission a definite idea of what our proposals are likely to cost. Dr Rosset and I both feel that the grants should be related to the actual work done, that is they should be on a per patient per day basis. It may be useful to have a definite suggestion before us, and I should like to propose that we ask for the grants to be on the basis of 2/6 per patient per day, and ask each hospital to prepare a statement showing what this would amount to annually. In cases where Europeans are admitted it may be difficult to estimate a grant on this basis, and in such cases it might be well to have an estimate on the basis of IO/- per European pauper patient perdday, and 2/6 per native patient.

Personally of course I think we should take this opportunity to urgg that the Province should assume full responsibility for European hospitalisa-and relieve mission hospitals of this altogether. At the very least if mission hospitals are to continue to undertake this work they should be subsidised on the same basis as the Provincial hospitals.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

R.D. Cutteen

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# Raleigh Fitkin Memorial Hospital.

MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT; DR. DAVID HYND.

BREMERSDORP,
SWAZILAND.

14th. October 1936.

J.D. Rheinallt Jones, Esq., M.A. Medical Committee, Christian Council of S.A., P.O. Box 1176, Johannesburg.

Dear Sir.

I shall be glad to serve on the Medical Missions Committee of the Christian Council of S.Africa.

I am sorry I could not get a reply off to you prior to Oct. 10th. as you requested, but I am in heart agreement with your proposed Terms of Reference and think that they cover all the ground that would be most helpful to the cause of medical missions in the sub-continent.

I shall be glad to hear from you at any time regarding any matters arising in connection with the work of the Committee and if at all possible I shall endeavour to attend your proposed meeting of the Committee some time in January.

Yours sincerely,

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# Mount Coke Native Hospital.

MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT:

H. M. BENNETT.

M.B. CH., B.

P.O. BOX 164,

HON. SECRETARY & TREASURER: REV. D. E. CARR. KING WILLIAM'S TOWN,

9th. October 1936,

The Convener,
Med.Work.Comm.of Chrictian Counc. of S.Af.
P.O.Box 1176
Johannesburg.

Dear Sir,

I shall be pleased to serve as a member of the Medical Work Committee of the Christian Council of S.Af. and welcome the formation of such a Committee. It should prove of great assistance to many engaged in Christian Medical Work.

I have gone through the list of Proposed Terms of Reference and have to confess that I could find no ommissions. It certainly covers a vast ground and includes every sphere I can think of.

Yours faithfully,

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## ELIM HOSPITAL

(SWISS MISSION) 000

MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT J. A. ROSSET, M.D., L.R.C.S.E. D.T.M. & HY.

P.O. ELIM HOSPITAL. TRANSVAAL, N.

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Dear Les. I lea to thank you for your too letter of the 21th and 23 in instant. with reference to the date for the proposed conference on Printing the 27th october suits me puit well and so hall be present. Re Quendes with they to some too, but is not get paint men as the Series huiss in will then be having a conference. concerning the husical nursions committee I consider it an honour to be asked to be a member. I hale, cuting, do my best and contribute as much as I can to make the amounter a meur. I think the term of reference drafted by you include all the

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your frithfully 7. Rossit.

MEMORANDUM. LOVEDALE, C.P., Telegraph Office:-LOVEDALE. Railway Station :- ALICE. Telephone: -41 ALICE. From DR. MACVICAR. VICTORIA HOSPITAL. LOVEDALE. CP. Dear how Reinclet Jones Juil be pleased to set you the medical unisions committee Juil not there he also to attend meetings have

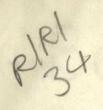


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Martha Talm.

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Jews faithfully



# SCOTTISH LIVINGSTONE HOSPITAL.

MOLEPOLOLE,
via GABERONES, B.P.
SOUTH AFRICA.
23rd. Sept. 1936.

J.D.Rheinallt Jones. Johannesburg.

Dear Sir;

I have to acknowledge receipt today of your circular letter to Dr. Shepherd on the subject of the Medical Missions Committee of the Christian Council of South Africa.

Dr. Shepherd is at present on furlough in Scotland but I am sure he would be glad to serve in the capacity of member of Committee. I have forwarded your letter to him but of course it will not be possible for him to reply to you by the 19th. Oct. as you request.

Yours faithfully,

Jas. D. Munay

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ST. MICHAEL'S MISSION. BATLHAROS, VIA KURUMAN, C.P.

· Sept. 25 -1936

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JANE FURSE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

PRIVATE BAG,

MIDDELBURG, TRANSVAAL.

28th September 1936

hu f.D. Rheinalt Jones P. O Box 1176 Johannesburg Dear her Chemselt Jones to thank you very much indeed for your letter of the 21st inst on the subject of a medical Nissions Committee of the Christian Council. Link also beafress my very deep affreciation of the honor you have done me Committee. I accept your invitation whole. heartedly, and only hope that my assistance may be of some use to your work in the

Your outline of the terms of reference of the Committee affear to fully cover the present needs and I have at present no further suggestions to make.

How faithfully

# M°CORD ZULU HOSPITAL

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TELEPHONE 5188.

ALAN B. TAYLOR M.D. (U.V.M.) F.R.C.S., EDIN.

Sept ember, 28th, 1936

Mr. Rheinallt Jones. P. O. Box 1176, Johannesburg.

Dear Mr. Rheinallt Jones,

I have read with appreciation the proposed terms of reference which you have forwarded to me. am highly honoured to serve as a member of this committee, and trust that much may be accomplished by it for the natives of South Africa.

The seven headings seem quite exhaus-May I suggest, that one way of getting the committee into action, would be the appointing of different members of the committee to prepare articles on their special subjects. These articles to be circularized among other members of the committee, possibly extracts to made from them for the Press, possibly a whole article could be reproduced in the "s.A. Outlook". When each subject has been thus presented to other members of the committee, we would undertake to comment on, criticize and amend the ideas put forth. This method of dealing with the work to be done, would do away with the need for a great many meetings, and would get everyone interested in the work.

Gale, Aitken and I have all been here long enough to handle one phase of the subject. Dr. McCord would undoubtedly be delighted to undertake one subject. Dr. Macvicar, the doctors from Jane Furze, Dr. Rosset, all could be called upon.

Very enthusiastically yours,

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