

last May to be excessive, has been depleted to nearly half. It is proving somewhat expensive to have all duplicating work done in a commercial office, and the Council should have its own duplicating machine.

12. CONSTITUTION. A careful study of the Constitution will reveal the fact that several of the paragraphs have been inaccurately worded, e.g. 1) according to the Constitution your Secretary is not a member of Council, 2) all bodies appointing one representative are acting unconstitutionally when they register only one name and one address.

13. OFFICIAL ORGANS I should state that "The Outlook" which has been devoting an exceptional amount of space and interest to the Council does not seem to be read by many members of the D.R. Church, while the "Koningsbode", the paper they read, has seldom devoted any space to Council matters.

Trusting that what your Secretary has attempted has the approval of the Executive,

Sincerely yours,

J. Murray du Toit

(SECRETARY).

Offices of Council,
152, Nicolson Street,
Brooklyn,
Pretoria.
24th November, 1937.

(N.B. Since submitting this report your Secretary has been notified by the I.M.C. that they have, in consultation with the Indian National Christian Council, decided to hold the I.M.C. Meeting at Tambaram, the new buildings of the Madras Christian College, close to Madras. The dates, which have had to be arranged in view of the college vacation, are December 10th - 30th, 1938. This should prove an advantage to South Africa for three reasons: 1) the travelling time is reduced to 22 days (Durban/Madras); 2) the fare is reduced to £50 (Durban/Madras); 3) the Christmas vacation will be easier for many.

We should spare no efforts to secure the full quota of 9.

J.M.dT.)

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Appendix B to Exec. Min. 25/11/37.

THE CHRISTIAN HANDBOOK OF SOUTH AFRICA.

I arrived in South Africa on Sept. 25th. The Handbook is now ready for the printer except for final revision, a part of the Index, and one or two omissions noted below.

Bilingualism: The Prefaces, Explanations, Titles and certain other paragraphs are in both languages. But to make the book bilingual throughout would treble the expense and labour. Besides, the Compiler, although multilingual, is not bilingual.

Scope: The European and non-European work of Christian Churches and

Missions in the Union and Protectorates.

Contents: In most cases the entries are accompanied by suitable notes and indications and statistics if necessary. The whole MS has been read by two members of the Council appointed by the Advisory Committee for that purpose.

Prefaces: By the President of the Council and the Compiler.

1. The Christian Council: A Statement in both languages.
2. Churches and Missions: 84 Entries. These are the organisations whose work, along with that of other associations, is further analysed in the subsequent sections.
3. Special Missions and Associations: Seven sub-sections, 61 entries.
4. Coöperative Organisations: Three sub-sections, 22 entries.
5. Youth Organisations: Four sub-sections, 36 entries.
6. Non-Christian Minorities: Three sub-sections, 16 entries.
7. Literature and Publishing: Five sub-sections, 103 entries.
8. Christian Education: Six sub-sections, 194 entries. This section is in the form of a table.
9. Orphanages, Homes and Hostels: Five sub-sections, 121 entries.
10. Hospitals and Dispensaries: Two sub-sections, 112 entries.
11. Statistics: In view of the collection of figures being made for the I.M.C. conference, no special effort to collect statistics has been made. This section contains statistics of population, and of S.A. Churches and Missions.
12. Separatist Churches: A list supplied by the Government of about 500.
13. Directory of Christian Workers: This is arranged under districts, showing population by races, churches, workers' addresses and class of work (e.g. African, European, or both). A cross index of workers' names enables it to be used as an ordinary directory. It contains about 3,300 names.

Appendix: Joint Councils and Institute of Race Relations.

Arrangements: The Advisory Sub-Committee instructed me to discuss publication with the Lovedale Press. It is open to this Committee to suggest any other body, but, unless they do so, the book will appear with this imprint (should their estimates be satisfactory): "Printed by the Lovedale Press for the Christian Council of South Africa."

If this arrangement is approved, a formal resolution should be moved and passed here: "That this Executive Committee approve the publication of the Handbook and invite the World Dominion Press to print it at the Lovedale Press."

Title: This must be settled at this meeting. Among the possible titles are: South African Christian Handbook, Directory of Churches and Missions in South Africa, Christian Directory of South Africa, Guide to Christian Work in South Africa, The Christian Church in South Africa, Christianity in South Africa, the Work of the Church in South Africa, and similar combinations.

Edition Proposed: 1,500 copies.

Maps: The Advisory Committee recommended maps, but no suggestions have been made as to what of.

Price: The Advisory Committee felt not over 4/-. The Lovedale Press, I believe, feel somewhat above.

Material Lacking. The Advisory Committee recommended some short articles on certain subjects by leading experts. I agreed provided the Secretary would obtain them by November 24th. Only one is in - that by Mr. Shepherd. Some action should be taken by this meeting on this matter.

Proofs: This Committee should appoint someone bilingual to read and correct the proofs, the same person to receive my corrections and convey all to one copy.

Note: At Bloemfontein in 1936, I invited the Committee to advise as to the most suitable time for the work. They wrote welcoming me at any time, but what they should have written was: "You are an undesirable, you come under one of our South African bars, except in January and February." Most Church Synods and conferences meet in September - November, and new appointments are made then. Therefore by compiling the book now, old material is used. This cannot be helped but had it been arranged otherwise, the book would have been fairly up-to-date, for, say, two years. This should be noted for future editions. The change in some Churches, e.g. the Methodist Church, is very considerable; in others they are of slight importance.

Kenneth G. Grubb.

Johannesburg.
25th November, 1938.

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Appendix C to Exec. Min., 25/11/37.

Sectional Committee on Evangelism

Report to Executive

Gentlemen,

At present the preliminary correspondence in connection with the organisation of an Evangelistic Campaign to be undertaken between July and September, 1938, is occupying our attention.

Already circulars containing particulars re the campaign have been sent out to: 1) all members of the Committee on Evangelism, asking for opinions, criticism and advice; and 2) about 30 Churches etc. with a view to ascertaining their willingness to coöperate in this united evangelistic effort next year.

We wish to report that most encouraging replies have been received from all directions; some churches, e.g. the Presbyterian Church of South Africa, the United Free Church of Scotland, have indicated items of similar intent on their programmes of the immediate past or future; e.g. in the Bakwena Reserve, Bechuanaland Prot., the latter Church has "just concluded a conference, lasting for almost a fortnight, of native ministers and other delegates from all the L.M.S. Churches in Bechuanaland and S. Rhodesia, which proved to

be a spiritual uplift to that Church. And the need for just such an Evangelistic Campaign is felt in order to reap the full fruits of the past efforts."

2. With regard to the date of the proposed Campaign the Presbyterian Church of South Africa thinks that "owing to the annual gatherings of the Churches (Presbyterian, Baptist, Congregational and Methodist) being held in September and October, the time your Committee suggests seems to be somewhat unsuitable." What does the Executive think?

3. We enclose a Copy of our Circular sent out to the various Church-bodies re the Evangelistic Campaign, and if the Executive has any suggestions to make, we shall be most pleased to receive them.

4. As soon as replies to our circulars have been received from the members of the Committee on Evangelism, this Committee will meet (probably in Pretoria) to draw up an elaborated programme with suggestions re the organising of such a campaign locally, to be sent to all the Churches. This programme will initiate the organising work for the Campaign in the various Churches.

The South African National Sunday School Association was pleased to hear that our campaign included special work among the European children, and has promised its hearty coöperation.

Yours sincerely,

W.A. Malherbe

(Interim-Convener, Committee on Evangelism).

Somerset Road,
Nigel.
25th November, 1937.

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Native Welfare Committee.

Report to Executive of Christian Council. November 25th, 1937.

Native Laws Amendment Bill. The Secretary will put before you the reply of the Secretary for Native Affairs to the letter in re schools.

The following sections do not seem to have received much publicity, and seem to be important:

Section 5 (6a). The Minister must take into consideration the reasonable recreational requirements of Natives who live outside locations.

(6d) The Minister may, at the request of a minister, acquire a church building situated outside a location provided that it is intended to erect a church inside a location. In this case, and in the case of schools "acquired" he may pay compensation for "inconvenience" as well as for the building.

(8b) Europeans may not reside in locations but "due consideration shall be given to the religious, educational and social needs of a location as may make desirable the residence of an accredited European worker."

Social Worker: The Secretary will place before you the letter of Bishop Wright and my comments thereon.

Report of Police Commission. Attention is called to Paragraph 66. Non-European candidates receive no training in their duties. It is recommended that they be trained for ONE MONTH in their duties.

Paragraph 51.

With rare exceptions the Native recruit is unable to read or write. It is recommended that for urban areas a Std. IV certificate should now be required.

Paragraph 274.

In 1936 there were 344,710 convictions for petty offences. Police regarded as enemies.

Paragraph 275.

Often unnecessary harshness, lack of sympathy, and even violence.

Paragraph 174-176.

Home brewing and canteens recommended.

Paragraph 295.

The patrol van: Usefulness rather in war against crime than in harrying passless Natives. Regarded with terror by all Natives (c.f. also report on Vereeniging disturbances. The attack was on the Van rather than on the Police.)

A Resolution on the lines of Paragraph 295 of the Report might well be sent to the Minister of Justice.

Martin Knight.

Bloemfontein.
25th November, 1937.

(Interim-Convener)

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Appendix E to Exec.Min., 25/11/37.

Youth Movements.

Circular to Members, communicated to Executive on 25th November, 1937, as a Report.

Dear Fellow-member,

Our difficulty as a Committee in getting down to our big task has been the lack of adequate and authoritative information as to what is being done by the various Churches and Missions. I have, however, been able to discuss this question with Mr. Kenneth Grubb, who is preparing the Christian Handbook of South Africa. Mr. Grubb has already amassed a great deal of valuable information. When his survey is completed and published, "Youth Associations will be listed in such a way that the whole important question of Youth and the Church can be the subject of separate consideration."

This will remove one of our big difficulties, in that a lead from outside is not possible without a proper knowledge of the facts. Meanwhile, it is suggested that we give careful consideration to the following questions:

1. Discuss what forms of Youth Movements are best suited to a particular Mission or area, and urge that such be taken up.
2. Find out from Schools and Colleges what movements are most in favour among students. To what extent do these overlap, etc.?
3. There are many unrelated denominational movements. To what extent are these hardening into denominational "Children's Churches?"

Or are they really helping the Church in its wider tasks?

4. To what extent is there any drift of youth away from the Church? What is being done to meet this?

5. The whole big question of Youth and Christian Literature.

6. Do local Church Councils or Ministers' Fraternals give joint consideration to the question of Youth and the Church? E.G. in local High Schools, Colleges and Universities? What is being done to retain Youth, in this connection?

Let us, as a Committee, envisage a big thing. Will each member, out of his or her own experience and by consultation with others in Church group or locality, get together ideas and information on as many of these questions as are relevant in his or her case. I shall be glad to receive replies, collate them, and circulate the result. But the personal coöperation of every member of the Committee is essential.

We do earnestly ask for your help in this preliminary work, which will help to prepare the way for some highly interesting and valuable work next year.

Yours very sincerely,

E.W. Grant.

Convener, Youth Movements Committee.

Lovedale, C.P.
25th November, 1937.

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THE CHRISTIAN COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA.

ADVISORY SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES.

of the Advisory Sub-Committee Meeting held in the Irene Dutch Reformed Church, 88 Plein Street, Johannesburg, on Monday, 17th January, 1938, at 11.30 a.m.

133. PRESENT. Rev. W. Nicol (President of Council) in the chair; Rt. Rev. W. Parker (Vice-President of Council), Rev. A. Cardross Grant, the Treasurer (Dr. J. Dexter Taylor), and the Secretary (Rev. J.M. du Toit).
134. APOLOGIES. An apology was received from Rev. J. Reyneke, who had been unavoidably detained.
135. DEVOTIONS: The Chairman opened the Meeting with prayer.
136. COÖPTIONS. The Chairman welcomed, and the Meeting coöpted for its present session, i) D.D.T. Jabavu, Esq., Fort Hare, member of Executive, ii) Dr. Ray E. Phillips, iii) the Assistant Treasurer, Dr. J. Lennox.
137. MINUTES. The Minutes of the previous Meeting held on 8th October, 1937, and of a special Meeting held on 18th October, 1937, were taken as read and approved.
138. REPORT. The Secretary reported as follows: The Advisory sub-Committee is asked to note that in addition to such matters as received the Secretary's personal attention the following were discussed at an informal Meeting attended by Rev. A. Cardross Grant, the Treasurer and the Secretary: 1) Race Relations: There had been some uncertainty as to whether the Council would not undertake work already attempted by the South African Institute of Race Relations, but the advisor of the Institute, Senator J.D. Rheinallt Jones, himself had given the assurance that as the Institute was not exclusively Christian, and could therefore not undertake work on a purely Christian basis, there was urgent need for the formation and activity of a Christian Council which would co-ordinate the Christian forces, that is, the churches and missionary societies;
- 2) Confiscation of Mission Rights formed the subject of an urgent communication by Senator Rheinallt Jones to the Secretary. Publicity had been given to this in "Et Alias";
- 3) The following subjects had also been discussed: The Resolutions submitted by the Natal Missionary Conference; a letter from Dr. Adolf Keller; Medical Missionary Work in its international aspect; the Christian Handbook of South Africa, and the South African General Missionary Conference.

In accepting this report with appreciation the Meeting decided with regard to 1) above

that Dr. Taylor would draft a statement for publication which Senator Rheinallt Jones would be asked to approve;

with regard to 2) above

that the Secretary should communicate with all Missionary Societies and discover how the repealing of the relevant section of the Natives Land Act of 1913 by the Native Laws Amendment Act No. 46 of 1937 has affected their work and that the Secretary should learn from the Native Affairs Department the application of this Act.

139. FINANCIAL APPEAL. a) Transvaal Regional Committee: The Convener, Dr. J. Lennox, reported briefly on the Meeting which the Transvaal Regional Committee had held during the earlier part of the forenoon. This was noted with approval. (Full Minutes available, J.M.d.T.)

b) General: The Appeal Sub-Committee consisting of Dr. Lennox, Rev. A. Cardross Grant and the Secretary, reported as follows: This Sub-Committee has edited and proofread the printed Appeal herewith submitted, and asks this Committee to approve; it wishes to point out that it reconsidered the paragraph appearing below the Budget Summary and felt that it was unbusinesslike to add any figure as a footnote to a balanced budget, therefore it redrafted the paragraph into its present form.

This Report was accepted with gratitude and approval.

The Secretary reported. a) that, in conjunction with the Convener of the Transvaal Committee, he had called a Meeting of that Committee on which Dr. Lennox had already reported; b) that he urged that Meetings along similar lines should be called in each of the other areas; c) that he understood and appreciated the difficulties which Natal and the Free State were experiencing, and would be glad if the Advisory Sub-Committee would take cognisance of these; and d) that he proposed to translate the printed Appeal into Afrikaans and have 1,000 copies printed for immediate circulation.

The Meeting accepted this Report with approval.

Discussion followed. It was decided

- a) to suggest to the Natal Committee that it ask Rev. C.E. Wilkinson to serve on the Committee;
- b) to remind the Regional Committees, especially those in Natal and O.F.S. that their membership need not necessarily be confined to Council members;
- and c) to register its appreciation of the services of Council members on these Appeal Committees, especially as it realized that in practically every instance they were people already bearing their full load of responsibility and activity.

140. S.A. DELEGATION TO I.M.C. MEETING IN MADRAS. The Secretary reported:

- a) that the following delegates had accepted nomination: Rev. A.F. Louw, Rev. C.C. Harris, Dr. H.P. Cruse, and the delegate from the Transvaal D.R.C. (probably Prof. G.M. Pellessier.)
- b) that the following delegates had accepted nomination provided financial support were available: Rev. J. Mvusi and Rev. S. Grosskopf;
- c) that the Berlin Lutheran Mission wished to know what assistance the Council could offer Rev. S. Grosskopf;

- d) that the Swiss mission in South Africa had reported that their Council was sending Rev. P. Fatton;
- e) that friends from the Angola Mission Field wished to travel with the South African delegates;
- f) that the Coöperating Lutheran Missions in Natal were desirous of sending either a missionary or a Bantu pastor.

The Meeting accepted this Report with approval.

It decided

- 1) to express its appreciation of the assistance which the "Bantu World" had offered to obtain through its columns for Mr. Mvusi;
- 2) to ascertain from the Berlin Lutheran Mission just what it could contribute toward Rev. Grosskopf's expenses;
- 3) to urge that the Coöperating Lutheran Missions in Natal send a representative, preferably a Native pastor;
- 4) to remain in close coöperation with the Angola friends;
- 5) to reply to various questions regarding the official recognition of women on the South African delegation as follows:
The Council feels that its frist responsibility is to representatives of Churches and Missionary Societies. Should it appear that none of these bodies desire to make any further nominations the Council is willing to consider nomination of women, especially wives of delegates, provided the Council is brought under no financial obligations thereby;
- 6) To reply to Rev. F. Liebenberg that the Council must seriously consider the representative nature of its delegation, and that therefore it was unable to recommend the appointment of another member from the S.C.A. at this juncture;
- 7) that Dr. Ray Phillips should consult the authorities, and Rev. A. Cardross Grant should, along with the Bishop of Johannesburg, explore the possibilities, with a view to the inclusion in the delegation of Rev. V.C. Mayaba.

Dr. Taylor drew attention to the fact that the quota was rapidly being filled while the Council itself had decided that the Secretary should go. Dr. Phillips and Mr. Jabavu did not think that there would be much difficulty in obtaining permission for an additional delegate from South Africa. It was decided

to ask the I.M.C. in how far its offer of assistance for a South African national or missionary still held.

141. EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN. In the absence of the Conveners of the Sectional Committee on Evangelism no definite information was available regarding the Evangelistic Campaign. It was decided

to refer to this Committee the suggestions made by Rev. John T. Tucker of Angola regarding the possibility that two Secretaries of the United Church of Canada Foreign Mission Board, while

passing through South Africa from Angola to Madras, might pay a visit of mutual help to the Union.

142. S.A. MISSIONARY CONFERENCE: Mr. Jabavu pointed out that there were a number of Meetings in Natal during the winter of 1938, and suggested that the dates of these Meetings be borne in mind. Mr. Jabavu proposed as a Conference Committee with authority to draw up the programme and issue the invitations Rev. Mr. Nicol (Convener), Dr. J. Lennox, the Treasurer and the Secretary, with power to coöpt.
143. CHRISTIAN HANDBOOK OF SOUTH AFRICA: The Meeting felt that every effort should be made to advertise this Handbook adequately and that complimentary copies should be sent, e.g. to the Cabinet, and to leading S.A. newspapers. The Secretary was instructed to discuss these matters with Rev. Mr. Shepherd.
144. SECRETARY'S TRAVEL: As the Executive had empowered the Advisory Sub-Committee to make the necessary travelling arrangements for the Secretary, the Secretary asked the Meeting to decide upon a mileage allowance for such travel as had to be undertaken in cases where the work could only, or better, be done by car. The Meeting decided to refer this matter to Rev. Mr. Nicol.
145. OTHER MATTERS: 1) Trust Fund: The Secretary reported that from time to time he received in a private capacity money either for some special object or to be used according to his own discretion. Such money was entirely separate from Council funds, although he had upon occasion simply entered it as a Council donation. This Meeting was asked to note that in future such money would be deposited to a separate Trust account, which would be operated by the Secretary in a personal capacity, either individually or jointly with another person or with other persons.

This Report was noted with approval.

2) Art Exhibits: The Secretary proposed that the suggestion of the I.M.C. be seriously considered and that South Africa contribute art exhibits for display at the Madras Meeting. The Treasurer proposed that such exhibits might be collected and displayed at the South African Missionary Conference prior to their being shipped to Madras. The Meeting appointed the Treasurer and the Secretary as a sub-Committee to investigate this matter and report to the Conference Committee.

3) Legal Assistance: The Secretary considered that the time had arrived for the Christian Council of South Africa to invite the interest and assistance of a barrister, and proposed that Mr. Norman Price, advocate, be asked to assist the Secretary in a consultative capacity. This was agreed.

The Treasurer closed the Meeting with prayer.

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(Chairman)
J.M. du Toit
(Secretary)

For information

THE CHRISTIAN COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA.

TRANSVAAL APPEAL COMMITTEE.

The Second Meeting of the Transvaal Appeal Committee was held in the Irene D.R. Church, 88 Plein Street, Johannesburg, on Saturday, 29th January, 1938.

PRESENT Dr. J. Lennox (in the chair), Rev. W. Nicol, Rev. J. Hallendorff, Rev. B. Terrisse, Rev. J. Reyneke, Mrs. C. Bridgman, Rev. A. Cardross Grant, The Treasurer (Dr. J. D. Taylor) and the Secretary (Rev. J. M. du Toit).

The lists which had been sent in were checked with a view to
a) eliminating duplication of names and
b) rectifying omissions of names.

Copies of the Printed Appeal (English) were distributed to those present, and are being posted to all other members; Afrikaans copies will be available shortly, and will be posted to all members; both English and Afrikaans copies will be posted to anyone else desiring to assist with the Appeal, to to members requiring a further supply.

DECISIONS: It was decided
1) that all lists be typed in duplicate, one copy to be filed, the other to be returned to its author;
2) that all Council members commence immediately with solicitations, either personal or postal, and that they cover as many names as possible from their lists. Should they wish the Secretary to accompany them on any of these visits they should correspond with him immediately;
3) that these lists should be returned to the Secretary who would then attempt to cover some of those names as yet unvisited;
4) that special articles should be written for the following papers by the following persons on such subjects of Council interest (e.g. The Handbook, the Missionary Conference, Madras, etc.) these to be sent to the Secretary as soon as possible. The Secretary would then endeavour to obtain simultaneous publication of all articles.

STAR: Dr. Taylor.
RAND DAILY MAIL: Rev. Mr. Cowgill or Dr. Ray Phillips.
TRANSVAALER: Rev. Mr. Reyneke.
VADERLAND: Rev. Mr. Nicol.
DAILY EXPRESS: Rev. Mr. du Toit.
SUNDAY TIMES: ditto.
SUNDAY EXPRESS: ditto.
PRETORIA NEWS: ditto.
VOLKSTEM: ditto.

IT IS STRONGLY URGED THAT REGULAR ANNUAL DONATIONS ARE OF IMMENSE VALUE, AND SHOULD BE SOLICITED IN PREFERENCE TO AN ISOLATED GIFT.

Offices of Council,
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Pretoria.
31st January, 1938.

J.M. du Toit
(Secretary).

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THE CHRISTIAN COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA

FINANCIAL APPEAL.

Minutes of First Meeting of Transvaal Regional Committee.

The Transvaal Regional Committee for the 1938 Financial Appeal (which consists of all members of Council, Conveners of Sectional Committees, and such other persons as might be coöpted) held its first Meeting in the Irene D.R. Church, 88 Plein Street, Johannesburg, at 10 a.m. on Monday 17th January, 1938.

PRESENT. Dr. J. Lennox (Assistant Treasurer C.C. of S.A. and Convener Transvaal Appeal Committee) in the chair; Rev. Wm. Nicol (President of Council), Rt. Rev. W. Parker (Vice-President of Council), Rev. Canon Herbert, Rev. F. Stakes, Rev. A. Cardross Grant, Rev. E. Makgalemele, Rev. E. Mahabane, the Treasurer (Dr. J.D. Taylor), and the Secretary (Rev. J.M. du Toit).

COÖPTION: Dr. Ray Phillips was coöpted as a member of the Committee.

DEVOTIONS The Chairman opened the Meeting with prayer and welcomed Canon Herbert at his first Meeting of the Council.

PURPOSE: The Secretary explained the purpose of this Meeting. The Council had decided to launch a Financial Appeal. For this purpose South Africa was divided into five regions, all Council members, Conveners of Sectional Committees, and all other persons who might be coöpted, forming the Appeal Committee in each of these regions, viz. Eastern Province, Western Province, Natal, Orange Free State and Transvaal. Each Regional Committee would be responsible for the work in its own area. This was the first Meeting of the Transvaal Committee.

PRINTED APPEAL: A sub-Committee consisting of Dr. J. Lennox, Rev. A. Cardross Grant and the Secretary had been appointed to draw up a printed Appeal. This had been done and was submitted to this Meeting. The Secretary proposed translating this Appeal into Afrikaans as well. This Meeting had been called to decide just how the Transvaal Appeal should be conducted.

DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS: The following decisions were taken:

1) "that individual solicitation would be the chief method of collecting" (Dr. Taylor);

2) "that the Transvaal would be divided into two sections, a) Pretoria and the North, b) Johannesburg and the rest" (Rev. J.M. du Toit);

3) "that each member of the Committee send in a list containing the names of those who should be approached for contributions with an asterisk marking the name of each person whom that member himself would approach" (Rev. W. Nicol);

4) "that contact should be made with Superintendents of Churches with a view to obtaining from them the names of those whom they thought might be approached" (Dr. Phillips).

It was emphasised that all members of Council living in the Transvaal were members of the Transvaal Appeal Committee and that upon them rested the responsibility for carrying out this Appeal.

It was decided upon Mr. Nicol's suggestion

- a) "that the closing date for the receipt of these lists by the Secretary should be Tuesday, 25th January, but that every member should commence immediately with his Appeal and try to head his list with a few substantial donations to act as an incentive to those who would follow;
- b) that a scrutiny Committee consisting of the Secretary as Convener and the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer scrutinise these lists with a view to additions and alterations, meeting for this purpose if possible on 27th January, 1938."

Rev. Mr. Mahabane, on behalf of the Transvaal Interdenominational African Ministers' Association, expressed the interest of his Association and its desire to do its share in this Appeal. The Chairman said that it was with sincere appreciation that the Meeting noted the interest and support of the African members. The Secretary spoke of the importance of this Association and said how much it meant to the Council to have this influential and representative body, the Transvaal Interdenominational African Ministers' Association, affiliated to it.

The Treasurer thought the time had come for the Council to approach some of the larger commercial and industrial bodies for assistance. Dr. Ray Phillips, in supporting this, urged that if the Sectional Committees had a more definite service programme they would receive more help from such bodies.

It was decided

that the Transvaal Appeal Committee would meet again in the Irene D.R. Church, 88 Plein Street, Johannesburg, at 10 a.m. on Saturday, 29th January, 1938, for the final checking of the lists and the allocation of such names as might either have been duplicated or omitted.

Rev. Mr. Nicol closed the Meeting with prayer.

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J.M. du Toit
(Secretary Transvaal Appeal Committee)
and
(Secretary Christian Council of
South Africa).

REPORT OF LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

The Literature Committees (Regional and Central) have not yet been formed, as, in accordance with the Council's Resolution of 25th June, the names of those nominated to the Regional Committees must first be obtained from the Churches and Societies connected with the Council. The matter is now under correspondence and nominations are being received. The conveners of the Regional Committees will form the Central Committee with the Literary Secretary of the Christian Council as convener.

Suggestions for the work to be undertaken by the Literature Committee were made by the Conference on Christian Vernacular Literature held at Bloemfontein on 24th June. The suggestions then adopted may be regarded as the Committee's first programme of work. Further suggestions were made at a Conference of African Authors held at Florida, Transvaal, on 15th October. The Literature Secretary presided over both these gatherings, and full reports of them have been published in the SOUTH AFRICAN OUTLOOK. The African Authors' Conference was made possible through financial aid given by the new Bantu Welfare Trust. The Trust has also made possible the publication of the reports of both Conferences in pamphlet form.

Some of the principal suggestions made at the Conferences were:

Main Gaps or Needs in Christian Vernacular Literature.

1. Churches should co-operate to produce one good Christian newspaper within each vernacular area; more use should be made of the secular press; profits earned on successful publications should be used to make possible the publication of commentaries etc. for which the demand is not so great.

Co-operation in Preparation and Production.

2. Need for co-operation is urgent; ideas should be one strong mission press for each language area; missionaries should be appointed purely for literary work; surveys of existing literature should be made and assessment of the character and value of each publication undertaken; efforts should be made for standardization of orthography etc. within each language group; "basic texts" should be used, though not necessarily for literal translation.

Place and Work of African Author.

3. Suggested that the proposed Central Committee should give support to the proposal made by Mr. W.G. Bennie to raise a fund, say of £5,000, to make possible the publication of suitable works of African Authors and in this connection should aid in approaching bodies that might be interested; the Committee should also act as a body for the consideration of material for publication.

Methods of Distribution.

4. A great problem and the whole need for stimulating the love of reading underlies it. Channels of distribution mentioned:

- a) African ministers
- b) Personal canvass and circulars
- c) Colportage
- d) Retired teachers
- e) Book agencies in town locations
- f) Libraries and reading circles

Author and Publisher.

5. Royalty on sales is considered the fairest form of recompense for authors, and African writers should be encouraged to accept this system.

Literary Secretary of Christian Council asked to prepare a pamphlet containing advice to African writers on the preparation of literary material for publication and on the finance of publication.

Training in Language and Literature.

6. It was decided to recommend to the Inter-University Committee for African Studies that vacation courses or other means be provided for the cultivation of sound literary appreciation and criticism in Bantu languages.

Orthography.

7. Concern expressed by the Sotho-Tswana members at the differences which exist in the orthographies of the Sotho-Tswana group, and following resolution passed:

"That this Conference of African authors urges that the Education Departments concerned and the Inter-University Committee for African Studies take steps to re-open the question of orthography in the Sotho group (particularly Tswana) and to ensure that there is adequate representation of competent Africans at any discussion on this matter. Further that both Northern and Southern Sotho be included in any such discussion."

Language Medium.

8. While particular concern should be manifested to encourage and assist the production of literature in the Bantu languages, African authors should be entirely free to use any language medium they desire, and those who use English or Afrikaans are fully entitled to help and encouragement in their efforts to produce works of merit.

Use of Native Presses.

9. In view of the closing to Africans of many avenues of employment, appeal is made to Mission Societies and other bodies to use mission or other presses so that publications to be used by Africans may be printed and bound by Africans.

Bantu Academy.

10. It was decided to support in principle the proposal made two years ago by Dr. Doke to set up an academy of Bantu languages and literature, and to approach the Inter-University Committee and the Christian Council for their co-operation in the matter.

Publications of International Committee on Christian Literature for Africa.

11. Decided to push distribution of Books for Africa and Listen through Education Departments and other channels.

Robert H.W. Shepherd
(Convener)

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

MINUTES

of Meeting held in the Y. M. C. A. Board Room, Cable House, Esplanade, Durban, Natal, on Tuesday, 5th July, 1938, commencing at 10 a.m.

104.
DEVOTIONS: The Vice-President of the Christian Council of S.A., the Rt. Rev. Wilfrid Parker, Bishop of Pretoria, opened the meeting with prayer.

105.
ROLL CALL: The following members were present: Rev. W. Nicol (President of Council) in the chair; Rt. Rev. W. Parker and Rev. H. W. Goodwin, (Vice-Presidents of Council); Dean A. R. Kempe, Rev. H. Ph. Junod, Rev. A. Cardross Grant, Rev. J. Reyneke, Dr J. D. Taylor, (Treasurer), Rev. R.H.W. Shepherd, (Literary Secretary), and Rev. J. M. du Toit, (Secretary).

106.
APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received from Dr A. W. Wilkie, Dr J. Lennox, Rev. P. W. Schaberg and Rev. F. Stakes.

107.
GREETINGS: Greetings were received from the Hon. J. H. Hofmeyr, for which the meeting expressed its cordial appreciation.

108.
LETTER DR WILKIE: Dr Wilkie, in expressing his sincere regret at being unable to be present, had written his thoughts for the meeting, and these were kept before the meeting.

109.
MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETING: The Minutes of the Meeting held in Johannesburg on 25th November, 1937, which had been circulated, were taken as read and approved.

110.
SECRETARY'S REPORT: The Secretary submitted his report (appended), which was accepted and approved by the Meeting.

111.
TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer submitted his report, copies of which were distributed along with copies of the Financial Statement. In approving this report the Meeting decided to return to certain matters of finance again.

112.
DISCUSSION: At this stage discussion took place regarding the agenda, and it was proposed by Mr Junod that the rest of the agenda would be postponed advantageously if the Executive allowed unhurried time for consideration of the means by which the work of the Council might be made more effective. This was agreed.

113.
COMMITTEES: The Chairman stressed the necessity for the Sectional Committees of Council to meet. If their present constitution did not permit of this, they should be re-constituted in such a way that they were able to meet. In reply to a question the Chairman ruled as follows: "It is within the powers of the Executive Committee to reappoint the Sectional and other Committees to fit into its plan for the Council." The desirability of appointing an "Executive Contracta" or Sub-Executive which could meet more readily than the Executive, and yet would have more authority than the Advisory, was discussed.

At 1 p.m. the meeting adjourned until 2.10 p.m.

Reassembled, the meeting considered Dr Wilkie's notes on the function of the various committees, and it felt that these committees might be centralised in certain areas with correspondents in other areas, and that they should work in conjunction with the Missionary Councils or Conferences of the areas where they were localised.

The following decisions were taken:

- 1) The Executive resolves to appoint a sub-committee with authority to direct and reorganise where necessary the work of the Council, to which it shall report.
- 2) Meanwhile the Seven Sectional Committees shall be encouraged under the direction of the above Committee to experiment with a view to evolving a system whereby ... a control/...

a control nucleus of each committee shall regularly meet, and also be in constant touch with correspondents throughout the country.

- 3) In view of 1) and 2) immediately above, the Executive resolves to disband the Advisory Sub-Committee.
- 4) The Executive appoints as members of the Sub-Committee:
 - i) Rev. W. Nicol, President of Council and Chairman of the Executive Committee.
 - ii) Rt. Rev. W. Parker, Vice-President of Council.
His alternate: Rev. A. Cardross Grant.
 - iii) Rev. J. Reyneke.
 - iv) Rev. H. Ph. Junod.
 - v) Dr A. W. Wilkie. His alternate: Rev. R.H.W. Shepherd.
 - vi) Dr J. D. Taylor, Treasurer of Council.
His alternate: Dr J. Lennox.
 - vii) Rev. J. M. du Toit, Secretary of Council.

It was decided:

- i) Membership: That every member of the Executive Committee who was present at any meeting of the Sub-Committee would ipso facto become a member of the Sub-Committee.
- ii) Quorum: That any FOUR of the above-mentioned SEVEN members or their alternates would form a quorum of the Sub-Committee.

114.
RETIREMENT MR BOTTRILL: It was noted that Rev. E. Bottrill had found it necessary to retire from the Executive Committee.

115.
SOUTH AFRICAN DELEGATION TO I.M.C. MEETING TAMBARAM: The Meeting now considered the following 17 applications for membership of the South African Delegation to the International Missionary Council Meeting at Tambaram, Madras, India, from 13 to 30 December, 1938.

- 1) Rev. A.F. Louw, European, D.R.C., Pastoral Charge, Stellenbosch, C.P.
- 2) Dr H. P. Cruse, European, D.R.C., Department of History of Education, The University, Stellenbosch, C.P. (Representing S.C.A.)
- 3) Rev. C. C. Harris, European, Methodist, Principal Clarkebury Institution, P.O. Clarkebury, C.P.
- 4) Prof. G. M. Pellissier, European, D.R.C., Faculty of Theology, Pretoria University, Pretoria, Tvl.
- 5) Rev. S. Grosskopf, European, Berlin Mission, Pastoral Charge, Riversdale, C.P.
- 6) Rev. J.C. Mvusi, Non-European, Methodist, Travelling Secretary Native Department S.C.A., Fort Hare, C.P. (Representing Christian Non-European South Africa.)
- 7) Rev. F. Stakes, European, Presbyterian Church, (Mission Secretary), P. O. Box 4828, Johannesburg, Tvl.
- 8) Rt. Rev. R. R. Wright, Non-European, African Methodist Episcopal Church, (Presiding Bishop), 28 Walmer Road, Woodstock, C.P.
- 9) Chief Albert Luthuli, Non-European, Methodist, Groutville, Natal. (Representing Natal Missionary Conference.)
- 10) Miss E. Ferreira, European, D.R.C., Principal, Friedenheim Missionary Training College, Wellington, C.P.
- 11) Rev. J. C. Oosthuysen, European, D.R. Mission C., Missionary in Charge Transkei Work, Isilemela, P.O. Umgazana, C.P.
- 12) Rev. A.E.N. Bolani, Non-European, Methodist, Pastoral Charge, Standerton.
- 13) Dr Viktor Alto, European, Finnish Mission in South Africa, Missionary in Charge Ovamboland Mission, Onajena, S. W. A.
- 14) Dr J. Astrup, European, American Lutheran Mission, Hlabisa, Zululand. (Representing Combined Lutheran Missions of Natal and Zululand.)
- 15) Rev. S. S. Tema, Non-European, D.R. Mission C., Pastoral Charge and Compounds, Orlando Native Township, Johannesburg, Tvl.
- 16) Rev. P. Fatton, European, Swiss Mission in South Africa, c/o 376 von Weilligh Street, Pretoria, Tvl.
- 17) Mrs. Rev. J. W. L. Hofmeyr, European, D.R.C., President Women's Missionary Association, 41 Alexandra Avenue, Gardens, Cape Town, C.P.

As alternates/...

As alternates the following names had been submitted:

- i) To Prof. G. M. Pellissier: Dr D.J.Keet, European, D.R.C., Faculty of Theology, Pretoria University.
- ii) To Chief Luthuli: Rev. P.J.Hervey, European, Methodist, Retired Missionary, 95 Windermere Road, Durban, Ntl.

After consideration the Executive appointed the South African Delegation as follows:

- 1) Rev. A. F. Louw,
- 2) Dr H. P. Cruse,
- 3) Rev. C. C. Harris,
- 4) Prof. G. M. Pellissier,
- 5) Rev. S. Grosskopf, with allowance of \$200,
- 6) The Secretary, with allowance of \$200 if this grant were applicable in his case and on condition a further amount could be raised to complete the total of £100,
- 7) Rev. S. S. Tema, with allowance of \$100,
- 8) Rev. J. C. Mvusi, with allowance of \$100,
- 9) Chief Albert Luthuli, with allowance of \$100,
- 10) A Non-European Woman, to be appointed by the Sub-Executive at its first meeting, with allowance of \$100.

As substitutes, should any of the delegates be unable to go, the Executive appointed the following:

- A. For 5) above: Dr J. Astrup, with allowance of \$200,
- B. For 7), 8), 9) or 10) above: Rev. A. E. N. Bolani, with allowance of \$100,
- C. For 1), 2), 3), 4) or 6) above: Rev. F. Stakes.

116.
REPORTS SECTIONAL COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL:

1) Women's Work: Mrs Bridgman, the convener, was present, and read the Report from her Committee. Four Regional Committees had already been formed, and they were considering important matters of non-European welfare.

Natal: A dozen women forming the Natal Regional Committee were investigating what seems to be a crying need in Durban for a hostel under Christian auspices particularly for young teachers. The need was also felt for the training of African women as social and spiritual leaders.

Johannesburg: 25 women, representing 13 denominations, were undertaking two important matters immediately: (i) Representation to the local manager for Native Affairs regarding the alarming conditions prevailing in private homes, boarding houses and flats of the housing of native girls, and the proposal for a Woman Visitor and the appointment of matrons of hostels who are known to be women of Christian character; (ii) The study of social and moral conditions pertaining to Locations and Townships, and the suggestion of suitable literature on Sex Hygiene.

Pretoria: The services of some 25 women were being enlisted, and two most important matters were already being undertaken: (i) The provision of a "dry block" (one inhabited only by teetotalers) in the New Native Location. (ii) The provision of a Mission, Social and Recreational Hall, possibly in conjunction with a Hostel, for Native Girls in the Eastern suburbs of Pretoria.

Western Province: This, the newest Regional Committee, was undertaking the following: (i) Provision for the training of coloured Christian Social workers; (ii) The organisation of social clubs for coloured girls; (iii) The institution of a series of talks to coloured women and girls on Sex Education, Purity and Health.

Eastern Province and Free State and Basutoland Committees would be formed. The Resolutions submitted by this Committee were approved by the Executive. (See Resolutions and Comments appended.)

2) Literature: Rev. R. H. W. Shepherd, the convener, was present and read the Report from his Committee, copies being distributed. Seven regional committees were functioning. Endeavour was being made to set up a Committee to deal with Afrikaans literature for Coloured people and literature for the Moslem community. A meeting of conveners had been held in Bloemfontein, where there was a full attendance. A report of the proceedings was given in the "Outlook". The Executive now studied this report carefully. (See Resolutions/...

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