Elder Thomas Murray Yule

Mr. Yule was born at Port Elizabeth on the 21st February, 1898, and died at Johannesburg on the 10th August, 1953. Brother to the Rev. Hugh Yule of Durban, he was brought up at St. Columba’s, Port Elizabeth. On moving to the Northern Suburbs, he joined St. Columba’s, Park View, and became Session Clerk. His last years were spent in most zealously furthering the development of St. Ninian’s, Parktown North. Like a flame of fire, there burned in him the desire to see the Church established there. Though he lived to see the present building completed and the membership rapidly growing, he was not permitted his last great wish to welcome the first Minister before he passed over. But God gave him rest, leaving us the memory of one who did in weakness what many of us do not do with our strength.

Evangelist A. Msibi

The Home-call to the Evangelist A. Msibi has left a gap in our Mission work in the Transvaal and in our circle of friends which is keenly felt. For thirty-eight years he was an Evangelist and to that office he gave ungrudging devotion. He was a good man, a faithful and humble Pastor. In spite of growing frailty he characteristically kept on serving the Master’s flock till he met with a car accident while on his way to serve Communion at Heidelberg. He is highly remembered by our Mission Stations at Sophiatown, Germiston Location and Nigel Location. His body was laid to rest on Thursday, 16th July, 1953, when a congregation of 450 people and 25 ministers of religion paid their last tribute to this faithful servant of God.

Evangelist J. Qhamakoane

Evangelist Jacob Qhamakoane, a great-hearted worker, passed away on 26th September, 1952, at Bethlehem. He was called to the work first at Frankfort, O.F.S. Later was transferred to Reitz where he served the Church for many years, then he was moved to Bethlehem where he worked for over seventeen years. Our beautiful Church at Bethlehem stands as a memorial to his zeal in the service of God.

When his friends think of Jacob Qhamakoane in the days to come it will not only be of his great work as an Evangelist that they will remember but also that that work was a flowering of a spirit that walked with God.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours and their works do follow them."

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper was dispensed, the Moderator officiating, Rev. J. L. Currie delivered a Communion Address.

The Moderator declared the General Assembly concluded, and appointed the General Assembly to meet in Durban on Wednesday, 15th September, 1954, at 3 p.m.

The Assembly was closed with the Benediction.

Confirmed 23rd September, 1953.

H. M. Agnew, Moderator.
J. Paterson Whyte, Clerk.
COMMITTEES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 1953-54


Architectural Committee: Rev. P. G. Gordon, M.A., (Convener), Mr. H. Matthews, with power to co-opt.


Children’s Home: Mr. R. J. W. Paxton, B.Com. (Convener), Messrs. A. C. Everard, G. Mirk, J. P. Muir, Mesdames J. Scott, E. Jacob, R. Hall, B. L. Barraclough, with the General President of the W.A. and the Minister of St. Columba’s.

Church Extension and Aid: Rev. H. H. Munro, M.A. (Convener), Rev. T. L. Clarke, Messrs. W. Morrison, D. Philp, E. Watson, Dr. J. Smeath Thomas, H. B. Youngeleson, A. A. Binning, M. Jamieson, and the Minister of St. Columba’s with corresponding member from each Presbytery.


Deaconess: Rev. H. Macdonald, (Convener), Mr. L. L. Hardwick, Rev. J. B. Mirrilees and the General Secretary of the W.A.


(a) Representative on Rhodes University Divinity Faculty: Rev. H. H. Munro, M.A.; alternate, Rev. T. L. Clarke.

(b) Representatives on Livingstone House Committee: The tutor, Dr. A. Kerr, Rev. H. H. Munro; alternates, Rev. T. L. Clarke, Mr. C. C. Wiles.

(c) Selection Board: The Convener and Tutor, Dr. A. Kerr, Revs. A. McRobert, H. F. Yule, P. G. Gordon and Mr. C. C. Wiles.

Finance: Mr. J. D. Milne (Convener), Mr. G. D. Wilson (Deputy Convener), Dr. P. B. Hawkridge, Rev. J. W. Summersgill, Messrs. J. L. McQuilton, R. M. Templeton, H. E. Gearing, A. C. Craig, L. F. Dallas, A. C. Matheson.

Judicial Procedure: Messrs. E. Beardmore, Q.C. (Convener), and Morton M. Muir, M.A., LL.B., with power to co-opt.

"Leader": Mr. A. M. Higgie (Convener), Revs. W. Avery, A. McRobert, the Minister of St. Paul's, Mr. T. M. McFarlane, Mrs. Tudhope, with corresponding member from each Presbytery.


Loyal Addresses and In Memoriam Minutes: Rev. Brian Stumbles, B.A., and Rev. E. S. Pons, M.A.

Overtures and Applications: Dr. A. Kerr, (Convener), Revs. H. F. Yule, J. Rodger, D. J. Darlow.


Revision of Book of Order: Mr. E. Beardmore, Q.C., and Rev. D. McRae.


Special Committee re Beneficiary Funds: Rev. D. McRae, B.Sc. (Convener), Revs. H. F. Yule, J. Paterson Whyte, Messrs. E. Beardmore, G. D. Wilson, J. L. McQuilton.

Statistics: Mr. W. D. Rodger, B.Com., with Conveners of African Missions and Finance Committees as corresponding members.


Ad hoc Committee re Children's Home: Mr. J. D. Milne (alternate Mr. G. D. Wilson), Mrs. D. G. Murray, Dr. J. Smeath Thomas, Mr. J. R. Allison, Rev. J. Paterson Whyte.

Representatives of Assembly on Various Bodies:

Bantu Presbyterian Church Assembly: Rev. J. Keith Craig.


Church of Scotland Mission Hospital Boards:

Sibasa.—Rev. P. G. Gordon, M.A., alternate, Rev. R. B. Mitchell, M.A.
Sulenkama.—Rev. E. S. Edie, E.D.
Tugela.—Rev. D. McRae, B.Sc.
Ciskeian Mission Council: Dr. A. Kerr and Rev. J. Rodger, B.D.
Council of Blythswood Institute: Rev. J. E. and Mrs. Elder.
Emgweni Training Institution: Rev. J. E. Elder, M.A.
Pholela Mission Institute: Rev. D. McRae, B.Sc.
Iona House Committee: Dr. A. Kerr and Mr. S. B. Ngcobo, M.A.
Karfo Film Co.: Rev. Emlyn Jones, B.D.
S.A. National Sunday School Association: Mrs. Kenneth McDonald.
United Board of Free Church Chaplains: Revs. Ian McDonald, M.A., and E. S. Eadie, E.D.
Assessors to Orange River (African) Presbytery: Revs. W. G. McAlester and E. S. Pons, M.A. Alternate, Rev. G. Smith.
### MODERATORS OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 1897-1952

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MINISTERS AND OFFICE-BEARERS

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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CAPE TOWN PRESBYTERY

(Meets on the second Tuesday of each month except September.
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L. Munn, St. James St.; Secy. W.A., Mrs. E. Prosser, St. James St.; all Somerset West.


Clerk of Assembly and General Secretary:—Rev. J. Paterson Whyte, M.A., J.B.S. Building, 49 St. George’s St. (P.O. Box 823), Cape Town.

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Dr. H. Booth Coventry, Emeritus, Box 823. Editor of Presbyterian “Leader.”
Rev. W. J. Dower (Ord. 1896), Emeritus, 5 Woodside Road, Tamboer’s Kloof, Cape Town.
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INDWE: —Minister, (vacant); Session Clerk/Secy./Treas. B. of M., J. A. E. Hillhouse, B.A., P.O. Box 12, Indwe.

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Rev. J. Rodger, B.D., Iona House, Fort Hare.

Natal Presbytery
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Dannhauser:—Minister, Rev. F. O. Bennett, M.A., Newcastle; Session Clerk, J. Paton, P.O. Durnacol 3; Secy. B. of M., Dr. M. Campbell, Palmietfontein; Treas., W. Prode; Supt. S.S., Dr. J. Lambert; Secy. S.S., Mrs. Banks; Secy. W.A., Mrs. N. du Toit; all Dannhauser.


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ORANGE RIVER PRESBYTERY

(Meets February, May, August and November.
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AFRICAN MISSIONS, SOUTHERN:—Minister, Rev. R. S. M. Maja, 3147 Sharpeville; Session Clerk, I. I. J. Mofurutsi, 1503 Sharpeville; Treas. (as above); Secy. S.S., A. Sedi, 3493, Sharpeville; Secy. W.A., Maria Molifi, 6097 Sharpeville; all Vereeniging.

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FAR NORTH MISSION:—Minister, Rev. S. S. Mfusi (Ord. 1953); Session Clerk/Secy. B. of M., D. T. Ntsoane; both Klein Dikgale School, P.O. Leshoane, Pietersburg; Treas. (as above); Supt./Secy. S.S., A. Thema, Donhill Mission, P.O. Leshoane; Secy. W.A., Mrs. C. D. Ntsoane (as above); Secy. Youth F'ship. Mrs. L. W. Mamaregane.

MINISTERS WITHOUT CHARGE:

Rev. H. H. Lamont, 106 Yeo Street, Bellevue, Johannesburg.
Rev. C. Thompson (Ord. 1889), Emeritus, 138 Becker Street, Bellevue East, Johannesburg.
Before the war there was a habit among "retired Christians" of accepting on behalf of the Church blame for every failure in human relations. The need for a response to the Gospel was never mentioned, nor was the fact of human sin: that our Lord's mission conspicuously failed to provide materials for a success story of the usual kind was glossed over. Every tension in the world would be released if only the Church, in the abstract, did what the individual would not undertake.

Probably we are no longer impressed by such talk from that quarter but it must be admitted that neither as a Church nor as individuals are we doing much that is constructive to mend relations between ourselves and the Africans. The riots of last year and the subsequent Government action indicate sufficiently clearly that there will be little or no advance politically for some considerable time. The position there is hardening into a frontier. It is therefore laid upon us to find a way past that barrier that will not bring trouble and renewed humiliation to the African, and which will, without hampering his development towards his own type of manhood, embody our convictions on what constitutes Christian fellowship.

Any advance out of the present impasse must inevitably be made by the European. None as yet threatens our rights, or questions our place in society. We are not subjected to the insolence of petty officialdom, nor to the more galling patronage of those who tell us how little we are missing by not sharing their privileges. All these are true of the African; his circumstances are such that he could scarcely be blamed for regarding any "non-political" overture with suspicion, and for that we must be prepared. The queer mixture of Christianity with traditional magic, offered by some of the separatist Churches might well make him bitterly disappointed with orthodox teaching, especially where the latter seems to be lacking in the essential fellowship of Christianity. The African is very tired of being "only an African" to the European, and the Christian African wishes to be regarded as a man in Christ, and not necessarily on the European model.

As it is the professed aim of our missionary activity that he should be so, it is reasonable to suggest that we recognise the fact, and make it a reality. It is surprising how many even among our members still imagine that our missionary aim is to provide docile domestics and cheap but honest labourers. African ministers and elders already meet with Europeans in Church Courts and are associated with them at Fraternal and social events in Congregation and Presbytery. Branches of the Women's Association have meetings and discussions in common, besides the assistance given at sewing and knitting parties. These points of contact ought to be our starting place, not the furthest limit we are prepared to concede. It is reasonable to assume that something more than a nodding acquaintance with one another results from such meetings, and consequently it should be possible to cultivate friendly social relations as well. The African has a rich heritage of social custom and tradition of which we know nothing, and to those who are prepared to be interested he has much to say beyond the banalities of the weather and family gossip. There need be no fear that the African will presume on such acquaintance. He is much more sensitive and courteous in such things than the average European. But it must be stressed that it is not patronage we are appealing
for—that is far too readily given—it is fellowship and friendship, and the right to be allowed to develop along his own line. We ask that employers should cultivate friendly relations with their employees, shopkeepers with their customers, officials with their clients, housewives with their servants, expecting from each other what they themselves would expect to be asked for in similar circumstances, and no more. If we apply our Christianity intelligently at every point of contact that exists, we shall go far to heal the wounds that our clumsy political manoeuvring has made, and create the atmosphere in which a new type of society will inevitably come into being. Against such there is no law.

The alternative is that having made of the African “only an African,” we shall find that he is content to be very much less.

At the outset of this report it is fitting that we should pay tribute to the courage and loyalty of our African ministers, elders, evangelists and people, who at no small risk to themselves in life and reputation, acted as a moderating influence in the bitter controversies of the past year. This they did on their own initiative. It was obvious that the Church could offer little in the way of detailed guidance. It could only trust itself to the consecration and wisdom of those who were in the iron prison-house. When the African feels that his trust in us will be as triumphantly vindicated, we shall have gone a long way towards being many members in one Body.

Detailed reports from the Presbyteries have been if anything fewer in number than usual, and rather than flourish forth old reports, the convener has taken the responsibility of omitting altogether references to those who did not fulfil their obligations.

The Presbyteries—Cape Town

The work in Cape Town and district continues to prosper: preaching places have grown into outstations, and new centres have been opened. One of the most serious handicaps in the Cape is that outside of Cape Town there are practically no European congregations. This means that a very heavy burden of travelling is laid on the minister and the evangelist, both of whom live in Langa Native Township. A car has now been provided, but lack of funds limits the work that could be done. A possible solution would be to place the evangelist further from Cape Town, and create a new centre, but so far it has not been possible to procure sites in the newly-opened locations.

The evangelist, Robert Kazawara, has done excellent work among the Nyasa men working in quarries and brick fields in Stellenbosch district. Unfortunately this tract, which stretches from Cape Town to beyond Gordon’s Bay, has been proclaimed an “urban area” under the Act, which means that all “foreign” Natives become prohibited immigrants and are being moved out as contracts expire. Paarl district will shortly be proclaimed, which will mean the end of all Nyasa work in the Cape Presbytery.

Changes of Staff, the need to build new classrooms, and the uncertainty of how the Group Areas Act will affect Retreat, have exercised the Presbytery’s Committee this year. In spite of fears that the school might be declared redundant should the Act be applied adversely, it has been decided to build. The Native area is so large that it cannot be cleared for many years to come.

The Night School, conducted in our buildings by students from the University of Cape Town, continues to give excellent service.

King William’s Town

Knox Bokwe (Alice) has now asked Presbytery to recognise the Rev. J. J. R. Jolobe, who is teaching in Lovedale, as acting minister.
This gives the Congregation a better standing in Church Courts, but does not materially affect the work in this area.

**Tarkastad.** Without their minister or evangelist, this congregation is now without the oversight of a European minister either. There is no report for the past year.

**King William's Town.** The African Missions' Committee now pays a grant to the Bantu Presbyterian Church towards the stipend of an evangelist in Zwelitsha.

**Natal.**

The work in Natal is mostly confined to Durban and a narrow coastal strip above and below the city, but within these limits there is a living Church and an active witness.

A feature of the evangelical work of the Mission is the success of the revival meetings held regularly at the various out-stations, in which members of the Young Men's Guild take a prominent part.

Mrs. Madlala, the Bible Woman sponsored by the Durban United Branches of the Women's Association, exercises an effective ministry in the Durban Parks among the nurse girls, many of whom have been brought into contact with the Church. She keeps in regular contact with the patients and nurses in the various African hospitals, and is doing splendid work among the women and children of the congregation.

The congregation is at the moment courageously facing the demolition and rebuilding of the Sydney Road property, for which a voluntary levy of £3 on men and £2 on women is being made.

There have been dissentions in the congregation, ostensibly over trivial matters of opinion, but firm action by the Presbytery has brought about a more wholesome atmosphere.

**Orange River.**

**Welkom.** The Rev. Bain Nyati, working in Welkom under the Orange River Presbytery, has now been ordained, with a seat in Presbytery. A cause has been established, which it is hoped will develop into a strong congregation.

A very tentative approach by the Swiss Mission, suggesting closer co-operation and the establishment of joint work in the O.F.S. Gold Fields, has been made. A preliminary meeting attended by the Moderator of the Church, Dr. Hawkridge, Mr. Berthoud, the Transvaal Missionary, and members of the Swiss and Paris Missions has been held in Johannesburg. While no agreement has been reached, or even at this stage suggested, the A.M.C. asks authority to continue discussions and report to next Assembly.

The linking arrangement between this Presbytery and the African Presbytery has worked well and relations are harmonious, but it is still the opinion of the A.M.C. that the two should be united.

**Orange River—African.**

All the churches in the Presbytery are now filled, but the Presbytery has lost the services of two valued evangelists, men who served the Church faithfully for many years—Quamakoane of Bethlehem and Moforutsi of Bloemfontein. No students have come forward to take their place, but the A.M.C. has sent a student in training at Lovedale Bible School to Bloemfontein for the rest of the year. This cause was reduced to a Preaching Station under the Presbytery last year, but it is hoped that with regular supervision it will revive.

**Port Elizabeth.**

The prospect in this Presbytery is clouded by the departure of Mr. McGill for Wellington in the Western Cape, the final retiral
of Mr. Workman, who had the oversight of Glenthorn, and the failure of New Brighton to find a minister. Mr. McGill proved a worthy successor to the Rev. John Black, travelling to and fro over the wide area between Somerset East and Adelaide, directing the evangelists, and overseeing the African work in school and location. His reports were a model for all Presbytery Reports, factual, considered and constructive. It is to be hoped that the Charge he has left will not be left long vacant.

The evangelist who was placed in Glenthorn has proved himself, and is doing good work. Recently a horse has been purchased, and a saddle gifted, to enable him to travel further afield.

Mr. Molefe continues to give supply at New Brighton in spite of his many other duties, and his work as headmaster of the large Secondary School in New Brighton, but the long vacancy, together with the effect of the riots has told on the spirit of the congregation. This is a post for an experienced man not for a student.

The school at Theophilus continues, and services from Grahamstown are maintained for the tiny congregation there.

RHODESIA

The position in Rhodesia is still fluid. The Rev. J. Manod Williams left the David Livingstone Memorial Mission to become minister of the Bulawayo Congregation. This gives him closer connection with the district work which previously fell under his Charge, but naturally separates him from the Mission though he retains the oversight of it. At the Mission the position of Principal of the School has been taken by Mrs. Barbara Fraser, who is in charge of all educational work on the station. The Rev. William Samson has been overseas for the greater part of the year, with the result that the school at Gloag has been without its head. Church work has been under Mr. Williams' supervision.

Mr. Timothy Kanoya, who was trained at Waddilove, is now ordained to the Ministry for work in Salisbury District, while another student, a teacher from Gloag, has gone to Waddilove. A new church is being built at Gwelo to replace that which had to be demolished to suit Municipal expansion.

The Presbytery, which is its own Mission’s Committee, has this year appointed a strong committee to examine all the mission work within the bounds with the intention of increasing its effectiveness. At the time of writing this committee has not reported, but it may be confidently anticipated that the work will benefit considerably. This will be the first occasion on which the whole of the Rhodesian work has been seen as a whole, and it may be expected that the unhealthy concentration of money and attention on Gloag and David Livingstone Memorial will finally come to an end.

TRANSVAAL

While it is not fair to judge mission work purely on figures and statistics, there can be no doubt of the great advance which the Transvaal has made in the past year. The Presbytery Committee obtained one student for the ministry from Fort Hare, and illegally acquired another, with the result that the staff has been strengthened considerably, 500 members have been added to the roll, a new church and school, with four classrooms, has been built at Vereeniging, two new students have entered Fort Hare, another has gone to Lovedale Bible School to train as an evangelist, while yet another has been accepted for the ministry to begin in 1954.

The Committee has decided that it is not yet expedient to raise any of the existing congregations to full status, but recommends that two new Mission Congregations be created, viz, the Far Eastern
and the Far Western. When the staff is further increased further delimitation will be recommended.

The number of schools (13) and teachers (45) remains the same with about 3,000 scholars. Literally no limit can be set to the opportunities for collecting pupils and instituting schools, but the figures given represent in the judgment of the Committee the best use that can be made of the staff and buildings at its disposal. In some schools two sessions with different staffs have been tried, but it has not proved very satisfactory.

Mr. William Stewart, who became Educational Superintendent four years ago, died in June, leaving as part of his memorial the educational work of the Presbytery largely reorganised and co-ordinated. His ideal was a type of education that would build both character and personality not a book-learning divorced from life. A successor to continue this worthy tradition is vitally necessary.

COLOURED WORK

No report on the Coloured work under Mowbray Congregation is available, but with the ending of the long vacancy there it is hoped that a little more attention will be given to such things as facts and figures. It is doubtful, however, if much expansion can be expected from this mission.

In East London the Coloured Congregation has moved to its new building at Parkside. This has had a marked effect on the spirit of the Congregation, who are expecting to make greater progress in the coming year. The different organisations in the church are assisted by friends from St. George's Church, and a Boys' Brigade has recently been started.

The A.M.C. has given much thought and attention to Coloured work this year. At one time it seemed as though it might be possible to acquire both a church building and a small congregation in the Western Cape, and to undertake work in co-operation with another denomination, but the project had to be abandoned. It seems to be hopeless to expect any expansion on our present methods, but it might be possible to use the East London Church as a Church Extension Charge under a European minister or agent. Besides giving invaluable practical experience to our new ministers, it would provide a goal for a Coloured student. The situation is that we cannot expand because we have no men available. But we shall not attract men unless there is a work for them to do. The scheme suggested seems to offer a way out, a means of producing students and a long step forward towards producing a bilingual ministry such as is essential for Coloured work.

JAN HOFMEYER SCHOOL

Arrangements were made with the Jan Hofmeyer School to receive a student from Fort Hare in February for a year's course of study, as was authorised by the General Assembly. The student, Mr. S. Lehari, who had done better at Fort Hare than was expected, though not so well as had been hoped, was accordingly sent to the Principal for an interview before entering upon his studies. In the meantime, however, the Transvaal Presbytery, without making any inquiries as to whether he was ready to be taken on trials for licence, arranged for his trials, licenced him and placed him in a Charge. This act of grave discourtesy to the Principal of Jan Hofmeyer placed the A.M.C. in a most invidious position. As the resignation of the committee or the convener, or both, would not have affected the Transvaal Presbytery, the situation was reported to the Executive Commission of Assembly, which dealt with it as a matter of urgency and referred it to the present Assembly.
CALENDAR

No Mission Calendar was produced this year, as none were asked for until it was too late to have them ready for the beginning of the year, and then not in sufficient quantities to justify the expense. It is the judgment of the A.M.C. that no useful purpose is being served by the Calendar. The last cost about £70 to produce, and only £7 or so was ever recovered. It was decided that the money saved could be better employed.

STIPENDS

The A.M.C. feels that it is time to review the minimum stipend paid to African workers. The present minimum, based on the 1946 regulations, is Ministers £120 (Evangelists £72) plus cost-of-living allowance, plus £4 per annum for each child under 16, plus free house. The present C.O.L. figures used are those used by Stellenbosch Municipality for salaries up to £130 per annum. (At the time of writing that is £4 6s. per month). This provides a stipend of £15 per month for a married man with a family of two (£11 per month for an Evangelist with a similar family.)

The stipends at present being paid are not all minimum. Some are below, most are above this figure. The situation in the Orange River (African) Presbytery is complicated by their custom of counting stipend and travelling expenses together, but figures given suggest that it is the minimum stipend that is being paid. While the A.M.C. does not see its way to guarantee the minimum stipend, it would suggest that the basic stipend of Ministers be £15, for Evangelists £10 per month, plus cost-of-living allowance at the current rate, plus £4 per annum for each child under 16, plus free house, and Deacons' Courts be advised accordingly. One qualification will be mentioned later.

FORT HARE STUDENTS

Mr. Lehari and Mr. Mfusi finished their period of study at Fort Hare in December, 1952. Mr. Mfusi gained his Certificate in Theology, but Mr. Lehari failed to pass his degree. He did, however, complete all his subjects except one. There are at present four students in training, one in his third year, one in his second, and two in the first year. All are taking the lower course. The A.M.C. regards with profound uneasiness the way in which its students are finishing their term of study without gaining the degree or certificate for which they have been working. They then proceed to the ministry. As this means lowering the standard at which ordination is given, the A.M.C. would recommend that such men on being licenced should not be allowed to proceed to ordination nor paid a minister's stipend until the necessary passes have been obtained.

The rising costs of education, and it should be noted that none of the students contribute anything at all towards their training, were again offset by bursaries from the Iona House Committee, and the McMillan bursary from St. Andrew's Church, Pretoria.

LOVEDALE BIBLE SCHOOL

One student has been in training here, and is now serving at Bloemfontein until the next course begins in February when he will resume his studies. Increasing use is being made of men trained at the Bible School, and their worth is being proved. It is the opinion of the A.M.C. that the Church should recognise this and restore the contribution from General Expenses to £100. At present £50 is paid from General Expenses and £50 by the A.M.C.
Standard of Education.—Occasionally the A.M.C receives applications for admission to the ministry from men trained elsewhere than at Fort Hare, or Lovedale Bible School. The A.M.C. does not consider itself competent to judge among the various educational institutions, and would ask Assembly to appoint a small committee to prepare a statement for the guidance of the A.M.C. on how the standard prevailing in the different mission colleges compares with Fort Hare and the Lovedale Bible School.

The A.M.C. asks authority to make special arrangements to allow one agent of the Church, who seems to have a legitimate grievance, to proceed to the ministry without previous residence at Fort Hare.

Socio-Economic Commission

The convener, together with the Rev. D. McRae and Mr. D. K. Adams, appeared before the Socio-Economic Commission at Pretoria in November, 1952, and gave evidence on behalf of the Church. The delegation was impressed by the high regard shown by the Commission for the missionary work of the Churches. It may be noted that the resolution of Assembly to train students at the Jan Hofmeyr School excited keen interest. The action of the Transvaal Presbytery in thwarting this is the more to be regretted.

In preparing the evidence for the Commission it was discovered that only now has the African membership of the Church reached the level at which it stood when the Bantu Presbyterian Church was created.

Expenditure

This year, in the hope of extra-Budget receipts (e.g., Jubilee Fund Interest), it was decided to pay the Transvaal Committee the full Budget Allocation of £2,000. It is proposed to increase that by £200 this year. Rhodesia on the other hand, received a pro rata share. The A.M.C. would urge that the Assembly injunction to prepare and submit separate accounts for the school and farm at Gloag Ranch be insisted on.

An increased payment was made to the Cape Presbytery, whose growing work has hitherto been maintained by the local churches alone.

The travelling grant to the Orange River (African) Presbytery has been increased to £50 to meet the increase in fares. This enables the Presbytery to meet quarterly as before. An arrangement was made with the Kroonstad (African) Congregation to have a re-conditioned engine fitted to the minister's car at a cost of £137, half of which will be repaid over two years. The A.M.C. is prepared to meet transport difficulties in this way where the financial methods of the Congregation appear to justify it. The A.M.C. bears the total cost of the work in Welkom, and intends to do this until the Congregation is built up.

In terms of the Assembly resolution of 1952 payments from the surplus on last year's account have been made for building purposes to the Transvaal and the Cape (£400 each), and to Port Elizabeth (£200). An amount of £211 loaned by the C. E. & A. Committee was also repaid. While it is not to be expected that such large sums will again be available for some time, it is hoped to build up a fund for such purposes.
EDUCATION

No Presbytery reported on "plans for the organisation, maintenance, supervision and development of the Mission School work for education" (see Blue Book, 1952, page 76, Cl. 11), but two Presbyteries show a growing concern that there is no Secondary School available for Presbyterian children. Promising children are lost to the Church because we have no means of educating them. The A.M.C. raises the matter here in the hope that some Presbytery Committee may have some constructive proposal to offer.

In conclusion, the convener would like to voice the conviction held by the A.M.C. that the African work of the Church offers the best antidote to the religious dryness and deadness which afflict so many of our members.

Many motives have been suggested for missionary endeavour, but possibly that which has most appeal for the modern mind is the motive of restitution. We recognise that the European races have had a tremendous impact on the African community, sometimes deliberately, more often unconsciously, and sometimes in sheer thoughtless ignorance, so that the traditional structure of African life has been shattered beyond repair. The Bantu are not a supine race, and we may be certain that a new framework will replace the old. But it will be a different one. We who have taken away so much have much that we can give in restitution—if we will—so that the new will be better than the old.

We can give the African the standing and the independence of a God fearing man, and it will cost so little, merely the foregoing of our exclusive attitude, the laying aside of the powers of patronage, the dissipation of antiquated prejudices and equally hoary romanticisms.

We can do for the African all that the early Church did for the barbarous tribes of Europe, and in very much less time, for we have more promising material to work with.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1954

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D. S. Robertson,
Convener
Deliverance.

1. The Assembly receives the Report.
2. The Assembly thanks:
   (a) The Iona House Committee for allocating two bursaries of £20 and £30 respectively to our students at Fort Hare.
   (b) The Session and Board of Management of St. Andrew's, Pretoria, for maintaining the MacMillan Bursary at £55.
   (c) The Rev. J. J. R. Jolobe and the Rev. G. B. Molefe for their services to the Church at Alice and New Brighton respectively.
3. The Assembly directs that the sum of £100 each to Iona House, and Lovedale Bible School, respectively, be paid out of the Budget allocation for External Objects, such amounts to be paid out in full.
4. The Assembly approves the Budget as set out in the Report.
5. The Assembly notes with interest the proposal to co-operate with other Presbyterian Bodies (the Swiss and Paris Missions) and authorises the African Missions' Committee to continue negotiations and to report to next Assembly.
6. The Assembly recommends to the Church Extension and Aid Committee that one of their agents be placed in the Coloured Congregation at Parkside, East London.
7. The Assembly condones the licensing of Mr. S. A. Lehari, and instructs Presbyteries that no African student is to be taken on trial for licence until the African Missions' Committee has issued a certificate to the Presbytery that the student has completed his studies to the satisfaction of the African Missions' Committee, to make the necessary provision for this year.
8. The Assembly resolves that as from 1st January, 1954, the minimum stipend for African Ministers be £15 per month, and for African Evangelists £10 per month, together with cost-of-living allowances at the current Municipal rate, plus £14 per annum for each child under the age of 16 years, plus free house, in each case, and instructs Presbytery Missions' Committees and Deacons' Courts.
9. The Assembly enjoins Presbyteries to delay ordaining any student fit to be taken on Trials for Licence who has not finished his College Course to the satisfaction of the African Missions' Committee.
10. The Assembly authorises the African Missions' Committee to make arrangements for Mr. Serathi to qualify for the ministry by private study.
11. The Assembly instructs the Committee to prepare a statement on the standard of education required in Missionary Institutions for the training of African Ministers and Evangelists in Southern Africa relative to that required by Fort Hare and the Lovedale Bible School, and to report to next Assembly.
12. The Assembly renews the injunction to Presbyteries to submit to Assembly through the African Missions' Committee plans for the organisation, maintenance, supervision and development of the Mission School work for education within their respective bounds (Blue Book, 1950, page 90, and Blue Book, 1952, page 76, Cl. 11), and authorise the African Missions Committee to examine the possibility of establishing a Presbyterian Secondary School for the higher education of African children.
13. The Assembly re-appoint the Assessors to the Presbyteries of the Orange River (African and European) and enjoins the congregations of both Presbyteries to consider the implications of a full and unconditional union, and report to next Assembly.
REPORT OF THE BOOK ROOM AND PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Last year the General Assembly rescinded the resolution to close the Book Room (Blue Book, 1950, page 91) and agreed that the Book Room be retained. Your Committee is happy to report a situation that in some measure justifies that decision. The financial statement for the year ended 30th June, 1952 showed a net profit of £116. The net profit this year is £193. This figure could have been larger if all the organisations within the Church had obtained all of their supplies from the Book Room. This appeal for greater support by the whole Church has been made at almost every General Assembly since the inception of the Book Room Committee. It is hoped that it will be unnecessary to call for such support in the future.

In November, 1952 your Committee lost the valued services of Mr. R. G. Wood when he was transferred to Port Elizabeth. For some years Mr. Wood had kept the financial books in order and had served the General Assembly through the Committee in exemplary fashion and richly deserves our warmest thanks. Fortunately the services have been obtained of an old friend in the person of Mr. R. M. Templeton to watch over the finances.

After a period of almost a quarter of a century the Book Room removed from Balfour House to the Johannesburg Building Society Building in Saint George's Street. Whilst the Book Room is still without window display space it is generally agreed that the move has been a good one, the rooms are more suitable in every way and are served by two lifts. It is hoped that all Presbyterian visitors to Cape Town will make a point of visiting the premises. The Committee is grateful to Rev. S. P. Lediga and members of the Cape Presbytery Youth Committee for voluntarily assisting during the removal from Balfour House to the Johannesburg Building Society building. During the year under review there have been two publications, viz. “Plain Statement of Faith” and “The Work of the Ministry.” In the near future “The Work of the Eldership” by Rev. R. H. R. Liddell, will be available and a further booklet by the same author on Marriage is in preparation. Your Committee has completely re-designed the Baptismal Certificate which has been very well received. A small supply of the old stock is being retained for the purpose of issue by ministers as duplicates. It is hoped to publish a further brochure giving details of supplies that are obtainable from the Book Room.

The Committee would point out that the Book Room has in stock a large number of pamphlets authorised by the General Assembly. Comparatively few churches have ordered copies of these pamphlets and the Committee feels that the attention of congregations should be drawn to these publications. Your Committee is grateful to the Life and Work Committee for its co-operation in the matter of publications and is anxious that there should be this co-operation on the part of all committees who are authorised by the General Assembly to publish literature.

The convener places on record his appreciation of the services rendered by members of the Committee and of the zeal of the Manageress, Miss Cooke, which have enabled the showing of a profit and of placing the Book Room in a favourable position for the future.

COLIN C. STUNDEN,
Convener.
Deliverance.

1. The Assembly receives the Report.

2. The Assembly records its thanks for the splendid services rendered by Mr. R. G. Wood.

3. The Assembly urges all organisations of the Church to obtain all supplies from the Book Room.

4. The Assembly resolves that all committees authorised to issue publications on behalf of the General Assembly must first consult the Publications and Book Room Committee on practical details before such publications are printed.

REPORT OF CHAPLAINS' COMMITTEE

Your Committee's labours have, almost of necessity been the work of the convener, as each of the other members have been overseas, and as the only work was to put into operation the decisions of last Assembly this has been done.

We recommend that the Revs. C. C. Stunden and Brian Stumbles, B.A., be appointed as the first two Chaplains to go on active service, in the event of war, until September, 1954.

The Natal Presbytery were rather concerned about the appointment of two of its ministers, as the first to go in the event of an emergency for the period 1952/53, but overlooked the fact that many more than two would be required as new divisions were formed, new squadrons raised, and all the other service supernumeraries were formed.

We have communicated with the Principal Chaplain (Free Churches) in terms of Resolution 3, 1952 Blue Book, page 77, and have been informed that compliance with our request will depend on the number of Presbyterian personnel serving.

The Rev. C. Scott Shaw returned after a period of service in Korea, but we have not been advised as to where he is now serving.

This report has to be submitted before your convener attends the Annual General Meeting of the United Board Free Churches, on 18th August, and he therefore craves permission to add or alter this report as the new information may warrant.

E. S. EADIE,
Convener.

Deliverance.

1. The Assembly receives the Report.

2. The Assembly approves the appointment of the Revs. Brian Stumbles, B.A., and C. C. Stunden, as the first of its ministers to act as Chaplains until September, 1954, in the event of war.

3. The Assembly recognises that service as a Chaplain must be for the duration of hostilities.

4. The Assembly requests the Principal Chaplain (Free Churches) to furnish its Chaplains' Committee with annual statistics of Presbyterians serving with the U.D.F.
Russell Cottage

For some years now the report of the Children's Home has contained a reference to the new hostel as a project of the future, but this year the hostel appears as a fact—"The Russell Cottage." Work was commenced on the building soon after the last Assembly, and the contractors, Messrs. Mutual Joinery Works of Queenstown did a good and quick job. The cottage was opened by the Moderator, the Rt. Rev. P. B. Hawkridge, D.Phil., on the 14th of May, 1953. Your Committee realises that the financing of this building has given trouble to the Finance Committee but it feels that this hostel was indeed necessary. The hostel has still to be furnished. Two of the bedrooms have been furnished, one by Mrs. M. Pollock, the widow of the Rev. J. Pollock, and the other by Mr. and Mrs. H. Weir. The Committee is indeed grateful to them and hopes that there will be a response from others to a letter that has now been sent out, so that at least the bedrooms may be furnished without any additional expense for the Finance Committee to meet.

Arrangements have been made to transfer the senior girls to the Russell Cottage, but until the cottage is fully furnished they will continue to have their meals in the other cottage. In the new cottage these girls will receive training in needlework, knitting, housekeeping, etc., and this will make them more fit to take their place as citizens when they leave the Home. Such training is scarcely possible in an overcrowded hostel, when the ages of the girls range from five to seventeen.

Staff

The Rev. Andrew and Mrs. Gardiner took over from Mr. and Mrs. Basson in October and carried on the work until the end of April, 1953. In addition to the heavy responsibility of Superintendent, Mr. Gardiner had his work as Minister of St. Columba's, and the dual responsibilities almost resulted in a breakdown of his health. The Church owes them a debt of gratitude.

In May Mr. and Mrs. H. Weir arrived from Kimberley and have taken over the duties at the Home. The Church is indeed fortunate in obtaining the services of such fine Christian folk as guardians and leaders of the children in the care of the Church.

An additional Matron's assistant was appointed in 1952, and she, with the other Matrons, has been responsible under the Superintendent for the welfare and the care of the children. Mr. Weir has inaugurated periodical staff meetings when the difficulties and problems that confront not only the hostel staff but the teaching staff as well, are discussed. Your Committee is of the opinion that such meetings are of inestimable value in work such as this.

These meetings arose as a result of suggestions made by the General Secretary, Rev. J. Paterson Whyte, who visited the Home early in 1953. He also suggested the formation of a small house committee. Such a committee is now operating and will prove of great value in the supervision of the Home and as a link between the Superintendent, the Staff, and the Committee.

Mr. Basson was Principal of the School in addition to being Superintendent, and it was necessary to obtain the services of another Principal. Mr. Everard, a retired Principal, carried on for a quarter when your Committee decided to appoint Mr. McPherson to the post. Mr. McPherson was Principal of a Native School in King William's Town, and is a definite acquisition. No applications were
received for the Junior Mistress’ post, and your Committee were very happy to re-appoint Mrs. Matthews, who is greatly loved by the children. Miss Sykes has continued in the other post and is a great favourite with the children.

MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS

The need for continual maintenance of the four hostels is apparent and a handyman has now been engaged to carry out this work. Some of the work, such as the roofs and outside walls, are beyond the labour of one man, and a contractor will have to be engaged to do this part. Unless such work is carried out regularly, deterioration will set in and the ultimate repair bill will be far in excess of the cost of a Native handyman.

CHILDREN

At the end of June there were 48 boys and 30 girls in the Home. The financial statement is not yet to hand so that it is impossible to figure the cost per head, but it will be about the usual. More and more clothing is having to be supplied and as the cost of clothing is continually rising, this is becoming an important item. Discussions are now proceeding to see whether some cheaper and more serviceable type of clothing can be obtained.

Your Committee has become increasingly worried about the non-payment of support for children in the Home, or the insufficiency of support paid in many cases. Your Committee is not in a position to assess the financial standing of parents or guardians. This must be done by the Minister who recommends the acceptance of the child. In many cases the circumstances of the guardians have altered and your Committee has therefore decided to ask the Ministers to furnish a statement yearly setting out the financial standing of the guardians, and trusts that Ministers will assist in this matter. Your Committee also feels that in some instances the Home is being used to get children out of the way so that the parents can have a good time. Such children are no doubt in need of care but such parents must be made to feel their responsibility towards such children, even if it is only a financial responsibility that will provide for the children.

The children continue to attend the Sunday School, Bible Class, and Services of St. Columba’s, where they are well looked after. In addition family prayers have been re-introduced and the children at the school have assembly daily, when there are prayers. The religious side of the training is receiving more attention than in recent years, and your Committee trusts that this will fit the children more thoroughly for the work that lies ahead of them.

Sport takes up a good amount of the leisure time of the children and assists in keeping them fit. Hockey is still the favourite game and the teams of the Home have done well in the local leagues. The children can always be assured of the full support of onlookers who delight in watching them.

Apart from minor illnesses the children have kept well. All cases of illness have received attention from Drs. Schaffer, Papilsky and Rosin, who have made no charge for their services. The Frontier Hospital has taken charge of all serious cases, so that the Matrons have not had the additional worry of looking after those who were very ill.

R. J. W. Paxton,
Convener.
Deliverance.

1. The Assembly receive the Report.

2. The Assembly tenders its sincere thanks to the Rev. Andrew and Mrs. Gardiner, and the present Superintendent and Staff for their faithful services during the year.

3. The Assembly cordially thanks the congregations of the Church, and particularly the Women's Associations and Sunday Schools, for their continued support.

4. The Assembly records its appreciation of the Frontier Hospital Board, Queenstown, and Doctors Schaffer, Papilsky and Rosin for their services to the children in sickness.

5. The Assembly requests Ministers to furnish the Committee with such reports as will enable them to ensure that when possible the guardians contribute adequately towards the upkeep of the children.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION AND AID COMMITTEE

I should like personally to thank the members of my Committee for the time and attention which they have given to its work, and for the informed judgment which they have brought to bear on its many problems. On behalf of the Committee I would express our thanks for the courtesy and help which we have received from the Central Office and officials of the Church, from various other Assembly Committees with which we have been in touch, and from the local Presbytery Committees and correspondents. In particular we would thank Miss Robb and Miss Ogg for their professional services, which have made the office work of this Committee possible, and for the courteous way in which they have met the many demands on their time. Our gratitude should also be mentioned to those many Boards of Management throughout the Church who have realised the needs of the times, and by their interest and helpfulness have made our work lighter and more pleasant.

Church Aid

As mentioned in last year's Report, the Committee has this year inaugurated, by way of experiment, a new system for the payment of Grants-in-Aid. Since 1st January, 1953, no Grants have been renewed on a monthly basis. In place of this, schedules in duplicate have been sent to each Aid-receiving Charge, requiring a brief report on the work of the Charge and an up-to-date statement of the exact financial position. One of these schedules is returned to the Committee, and on receipt of it a Grant is made for the period covered by the report—namely, the preceding three months. The duplicate copy of the schedule is sent to the Maintenance of the Ministry Convener of the Presbytery concerned. As soon as Grants have been authorised by the C.E. & A. Committee, a detailed report of the Grants made and the reasons therefor is forwarded to the M. of M. Convener in each Presbytery. The convener is invited to report on the Church Aid position in each Presbytery on the basis of these documents, and any comments or suggestions of Presbytery are taken into account when the next quarterly payments are made. We did not ask Assembly to pass any legislation on this system of payments last year, since we preferred to try it out for a period rather than to ask Assembly to change to an untried
system which might prove ineffective. The Committee, however, finds the new system much more effective in the administration of Church Aid and accordingly requests Assembly to pass legislation this year endorsing the new system.

The total cost of Church Aid during this year has not been so large as was expected. This has been partly due to the distressingly large number of vacancies which still persist. It is also partly due to the happier reason that a large number of Boards of Management have been able to meet the increases in Minimum Stipend and C.O.L.A. without assistance from the Committee.

**MINIMUM STIPEND**

The minimum stipend throughout the year has been £480 per annum. The C.O.L.A. has risen during the period from £12 0s. 6d. per month to £14 14s. 8d. per month—an increase in a full year of £32 10s. The minimum earnings of the Ministry have thus now reached the figure of £656 16s. per annum. The Committee reports with pleasure that during 1952, possibly because Assembly regulations had become more widely known, there was a much wider compliance of congregations in the payment of minimum stipend. A much smaller amount was therefore needed for adjustments after the end of 1952.

The Committee was instructed by Assembly, in the light of available finance, to recommend each year a minimum stipend for the ensuing calendar year. While we are not unmindful of the need to press towards our avowed target of £600 per annum, the Committee recommend that the minimum stipend remain at £480 per annum for the year 1954. Several considerations lead us to this. The position of the Ministry is, in fact, improved by the new increase in C.O.L.A., and in view of our increases over the last few years, the Church should possibly be given a year in which to assimilate this. Again, from the point of view of our own finances, we have by no means been able during this year to solve the problem of adequate Transport Grants throughout the Church, hence we do not know our final commitment in this direction. We are also bringing to Assembly's attention in this report the question of house allowances, which may involve us in further expenditure. We feel that it is premature to budget for increased minimum stipend until these other costs are more clearly known. Finally, the Committee feels most strongly that at the level of remuneration now attained nothing further should be done for our European Ministry until at least something has been done for the African Ministry. We return to this point in the following section.

The Committee has addressed itself this year to a further matter arising from Assembly's regulations on stipend and C.O.L.A.: namely, the payment of full minimum C.O.L.A. in all churches where the stipend happens to be above the minimum. Rather to our surprise, difficulty has been encountered in persuading certain Charges with stipends well above the minimum to meet their legal commitments in regard to C.O.L.A. Not all of these cases have yet been satisfactorily settled, but it is the hope and belief of the Committee that we will be able to conclude these negotiations satisfactorily without having to bring them individually to the attention of Assembly. In the meantime, therefore, we continue these matters with the Boards of Management concerned at the Committee level.

**AFRICAN MINIMUM STIPEND**

The Committee raised this question in a general way at last Assembly, but since the discussion did not produce any definite
proposal the Committee now ventures to make the following sug­gestion. So far as can be ascertained the alleged minimum stipend for African Ministers is £15 per month, but it does not seem certain that this is being paid in every case. There is, further, no evidence that the appropriate C.O.L.A. is in every case paid on whatever stipend may obtain. We accordingly propose that as from 1st January, 1954, the minimum stipend payable to all African Ministers shall be £20 per month, and that the minimum C.O.L.A. appropriate be also paid. On the present Government scale this is £10 8s. per month. A clause is included in the Deliverance to this effect. If this pro­posal is accepted by Assembly the Committee will take steps to implement it by Grants-in-Aid to such African congregations as come within its purview. In view of the question put to us last year in this connection, it should be pointed out that Grants-in-Aid are not given either to European or African congregations without the sub­mission of properly audited accounts. Where such audit involves an African congregation in expense which it would not otherwise have the Committee will naturally take the cost of such audit into account in making its Grant.

HOUSE ALLOWANCE IN LIEU OF MANSE

The Committee is concerned about the anomaly in the present system of house allowances where no Manse is in use, insofar as it affects the nett earnings of the Ministers concerned. Present legis­lation requires that where a Manse is not available for the Minister's use, a minimum allowance of £100 per annum shall be paid in lieu thereof. It is fairly obvious that if a single man in a country Charge lives in an hotel or in private accommodation, £100 per annum may actually be in excess of his cost of accommodation, as distinct from board. If a man with a family has to rent a house in one of our larger cities, the allowance is unlikely to meet half his expenditure. The Committee feels that two points should be kept clearly in view. First, no congregation can be said to be properly equipped until it has a Manse for its Minister's use, and every means should therefore be used to urge congregations to acquire a Manse. Every encouragement and help should be given to con­gregations which desire to acquire property for this purpose, and congregations which are unwilling to do so should be required to meet the full cost involved in their decision. The second point is the obvious corollary to this, that no Minister should suffer an actual deduction from his stipend in order to meet part of his congregation's liability in this matter. The Committee accordingly makes proposals in the Deliverance which we believe meet the essential requirements of justice.

SMALLER CHARGES

There is one further point in the general sphere of Church Aid. The Committee awaits with interest the report to be made by the Life and Work Committee on the future of the smaller Charges. In the meantime a point arose in the discussions of the Executive Commission of Assembly which the Commission suggested that this Committee might bring to Assembly's notice. It is our present policy to guarantee such aid as will maintain the minimum stipend in all Charges. It is obvious, however, that this guarantee can only be honoured if Charges come within measurable distance of the minimum stipend from their own resources. In certain cases the Committee and the Presbytery concerned have both felt that a charge could not produce sufficient revenue to justify an independent existence, and that its only future lay either in union or in reduction
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