

seeking only white-collar jobs which cannot possibly absorb all of our youth. To despise manual labour leads to the frustration of idleness and thence to destructive policies.

The youth problem we have in Lesotho is not ours alone but is a world-wide problem and it is of prime importance to the future of Lesotho that we should use every means in our power to convince our young people that it is in their own interests to turn away from this life of reckless idleness and expend their energies in useful labours that will be of benefit both to themselves and to their country. In facing this problem, my Government and I are planning to introduce in Lesotho a Youth Pioneer Movement, whereby our youth will receive training to equip them to play their full part in developing the well-being of our Kingdom. I consider that the early establishment of a Youth Movement in Lesotho is a vital and urgent necessity. It will not only serve to train and discipline the youth of Lesotho, but such a movement would play a valuable rôle in the betterment of our youth, many of whom are leading wasted lives. Such a movement could also be an asset to the economy of Lesotho as a whole.

You may wonder why I place so much importance on such a small project in such a remote place. Certainly this is no highway through our mountains; this is no Ox-bow project. But it does show us all one very important, one very essential thing: that cooperation and unity are the keys to peace and progress in Lesotho. We have all cooperated in the building of this clinic: the people who live here, the former Ministry of Local Government, the Ministry of Health, the Mine Labour Organization, Americans and Canadians and the students of the University of Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland. Only this