

individually - but in which people everywhere in Lesotho have combined with the aim of solving their difficulties and for which they may appeal to Government and world organisations for assistance. I do not see any valid reason why politicians should interfere in these healthy national projects by splitting the people into warring camps. Let us remember that a house divided against itself falls. We cannot afford to fight against one another before we have laid the foundation stones of our improvement and our country's economic development.

I am particularly pleased these days to note that all over Lesotho our people are deserting the Opposition camps in large numbers and giving their support to the ruling party. However, it would have been most surprising if after three years of attaining self-rule you still did not realise that the Opposition is a stumbling block to your progress. Instead of helping you, they would stab you in the back. Whatever Government tries to do for your own good is criticised vehemently by them, regardless of the serious repercussions on you. I am convinced that only when we have Opposition Parties who place the welfare of the people before their own selfish interests can the people once again think of electing the Opposition; as things are, the nation gains nothing by electing them. If you did so, you would be committing suicide - in which case, to translate a Basotho proverb, "self-inflicted injury calls for no sympathy". It is time you asked yourselves why it is that top-ranking officials of the B.C.P. and M.F.P. are deserting their Parties and joining the ruling Party in such great numbers. The reason is not far to seek, and it is a fact that you cannot always fool the people. It has now come to the point where the people are satisfied that their salvation lies in the hands of the present Government. And of course this is to say that their salvation lies in their own hands by working in unity among themselves and in harmony with their Government.

In conclusion, I would like to point out that in connection with what has already been achieved I can mention the well right here in this place; others nearby will soon be constructed and I have learned from the Minister concerned that a request has already been submitted. I hope it will go through the proper channels so that it can be attended to. I mention also the Masianokeng Higher Primary School to which extensions have been made so that there are now three extra classrooms to accommodate 70 pupils. I know that the people collected R429.09 and voluntarily worked 7,000 hours. Through the United States aid of 1,383.20 dollars roofing iron was

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