

Jobs must be done by the Basotho because, under democracy, the government is BY the people. In order that the immense tasks of government and development should be undertaken, we must prepare our own manpower.

In this connection, our educational system at primary, secondary, teacher training and university levels must produce the manpower we need. We need managers, technicians, doctors, etc. These we cannot get except through our education system. I have already appealed to the University authorities, the Churches and my Ministry, that we want trained manpower for administration and development. There can be no compromise on this issue. The people of Mpharane should be able to say shortly - "here is a doctor, engineer, etc., from the family in Mpharane".

In the field of Health and Social Services, the Government objective is to extend medical services to an ever increasing sector of the population. We cannot afford to have sickly people. The healthier the nation the better they work. Young ones must be born under healthy conditions.

In conclusion, I appeal to the people of Mpharane to remember one thing. On the 1st July, 1965, you elected me to the National Assembly of Lesotho. On that day you also elected me to be Prime Minister of Lesotho. Because we obtained independence on 4th October, 1966, you were blessed by having elected the first Prime Minister of an independent Lesotho. In the circumstances, whenever and wherever I speak - always remember, my words are your words. Wherever I went you also went. When the people of Malawi, Zambia, Canada, the United States, Japan, Nationalist China, the Vatican, Israel, South Africa, welcomed me they welcomed you. I am your product because you elected me. You deserve to be a proud people - the people who gave Lesotho a Prime Minister! Could a constituency be more blessed?