

SPEECH BY THE HONOURABLE THE PRIME MINISTER AT RALIKARIKI'S,
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"Fear of the Lord is the beginning of all wisdom". The humble shall be raised and the proud shall be humbled". These were the words we quoted as the "foundation-stone" for our Party when in the general elections of 1965 the Nation voted us into power which we now hold and exercise.

We will continue to use these words as the basis for the success of our Government, your welfare as an independent Nation and your country.

I have no doubt that you people of Peka - rather the people of Leribe in general, now regret the unfortunate blunders you made in the 1965 elections and that this time you will retrace your steps in the right direction for the on-coming 1970 general elections in this Government of the people by the people. There is clear evidence of what this Government has achieved, to a great or limited extent, depending on the circumstances, here in Leribe and other areas there is, for example, a tarred road for which even the Opposition themselves are grateful to have. There are wells which have been constructed, others are still being surveyed and will be completed by the end of the year. These are fruitful and gratifying efforts by this Government.

For the first time since this Government was elected into power do we see such praiseworthy achievements as the construction of dams, roads, etc. - all these through the efforts of the Self-Help Campaign who obtain their food-supplies from this Government to alleviate the strain of famine, to help expectant mothers in the Hospital, nursing homes and in schools. We enjoy the beneficial effects of these efforts for the first time under this Government. And, also, because of the friendly relationships with the Republic of
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