

Re Centenary Fund, U.S. Radio, Bloemfontein, 15/3/63

It stands to reason that a University like Stellenbosch, which experiences a phenomenal development and has to cater for 5,300 registered students, will have great capital needs. In providing for these needs the University is assisted to a certain extent by a Government subsidy, but for the rest it has to fund the funds from its own, private sources.

For this reason the University Council decided to raise by 1966, when university education at Stellenbosch will be 100 years old, a Centenary Fund of R4,000,000. This is, of course, an enormous assignment. However, we are pleased to be able to state that, with the hearty, enthusiastic support of thousands of alumni and other well-disposed people, the Fund has now ^{already} reached the sum of R2,780,000. The University wishes to express its sincere gratitude for the fine support it has received all over the country.

The University of Stellenbosch feels that it is called upon in the future - as in the past - to play its part in the progress of our nation, and ^{of} our whole country. The University has no doubt that by 1966, with the help of its many friends, it will achieve its goal of a Centenary Fund of R4,000,000.

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