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COLOUREDS FIRST VICTIMS OF POPULATION REGISTER

Many Re-classified as Africans

JOHANNESBURG.—The grand inquisition to operate the population register has now started and first victims are the Coloured people, according to information obtained by 'New Age' last week.

BANNED FOR ASSOCIATING WITH LISTED PERSONS

Swart Creates New Crimes

AN African National Congress leader, Mr. Greenwood Ngotyana, and two trade union secretaries. Miss Becky Lan and Mr. Oscar Mpetha, have this week in interviews with New Age revealed the "reasons" given by the Minister of Justice for banning them from attending gatherings. Mr. Ngotyana has been banned from meetings for five years; the others

Mr. Ngotyana has been banned from meetings for five years; the others for two.

None of them have been listed by the Liquidator as Communists. BUT main part the letter merely records that Mr. Ngotyana attended a DOWN TO THIS: THAT THEY THEY HAVE ASSOCIATED WITH THEY ALSO THE OF THE OTHER OTH

have attended or addressed meetings which furthered the aims of Com-munism, but does not say how.

LENGTHS

The very first example given in the case of Mr. Ngotyana reveals the lengths to which the Government is going in order to gag the inpeople. Wrote the Secretary for Jus-

Perhaps the most ridiculous charge is that on 28th March, 1953, Mr. Ngotyana "attended the congress of South African Trades and Labour Council in Port Elizabeth in the company of listed persons." A.N.C. meetings are also mentioned, as are meetings of the Africa Club and a number of unspecified meet-ings at which Mr. Ngotyana acted

Among the reasons given for ban-ning Miss Lan is the allegation that on June 3, 1954, she attended a meeting in the company of listed persons to protest against the Indus-



Miss Lan.

trial Conciliation Bill and that in September of that year she "gave a lecture, which was also attended by listed persons, at Cape Town, on the trade union movement."

the trade union movement."

Miss Lan, Mr. Ngotyana and Mr.
Mpetha are all "accused" of supporting Miss Ray Alexander (who is
throughout referred to by the Minister's secretary as Mrs. Alexander)
in her election campaign as African
representative for Cape Western.

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FOR SOME TIME ISOLATED REPORTS HAVE BEEN REACHING US OF INDIVIDUAL COLOURED MEN TOLD BY POLICE AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS THAT THEY SHOULD SURRENDER THEIR COLOURED CERTIFICATES (A VOLUNTARY DOCUMENT ESTABLISHING THAT THE HOLDER IS COLOURED), AND TAKE OUT PASS REFERENCE BOOKS.

BOOKS.

Then last week police stopped 29 workers of a batch reporting for shift duty at the Johannesburg Hospital Laundries, a Provincial Council establishment employing Coloured, but no African workers, and all 29 were called upon to supply their birth certificates, answer questions on their origin and establish that they really were Coloured. Coloureds.

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These workers lost two days' pay as a result of the investigation and when complaints were made, it was promised that in future investigating officers would come to the laundry to question to the laundry to question the remainder of the workers.

This probe was due to begin at the end of last week, but was postponed for some days because upon the property of the pay of the property of

NATIVE AFFAIRS DEPT.

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This investigation, 'New Age' discovered, is being conducted by officials of the Bureau of Census and Statistics, assisted by Native Affairs Department officials and the use of An N.A.D. official admitted to us that the inquiry is a preliminary to the establishment of the population register and the issue of identity documents to all South Africans, and that the inquiry is being conducted in terminal production of the population and the section of the production of the pro

quires that every person included in the Register shall be classified as White, Coloured, Native, and

as White, Coloured, Native, and so on,
Coloureds questioned by government officials have to answer a series of questions about their parents, where they live, the schools they attended, the jobs they have done. They have to produce their birth and baptismal certificates.
The official then decides whether, in his opinion, the individual is a

in his opinion, the individual is a Coloured, or should be re-classified under some other group.

HIT AND MISS

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By all accounts, the classification is a bit-and-miss job, depending upon the discretion and interpretation of the official.

I asked an N.A.D. official if the man's group depended upon the "race" of his father or mother.

"The race of the father," he renied

"And if the father is a European

"And if the father is a European and the mother Coloured?"
"Then he's a Coloured," he replied. "His mother is Coloured!"
There is provision in the Population Registration Act for an appeal against the decision of the official.

In this investigation, in which Coloureds are being bullied into revealing all sorts of information

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World Soccer Federation Excludes S.A. Football Association

Rejects Colour-Bar in Sport

From Jacqueline Arenstein

DURBAN.—The Emergency Committee of the World Soccer Federation (F.I.F.A.) has decided that the European South African Football Association is not a real national body capable of developing football according to the Statutes of F.I.F.A.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION HAS BEEN INFORMED OF THIS DE-CISION WHICH MEANS, IN EFFECT, THAT THE ASSOCIATION HAS NOT THE RIGHT TO AFFILIATION TO F.I.F.A. SINCE IT EXCLUDES THE MAJORITY OF PLAYERS, THE NON-EUROPEANS.

The Emergency Committee has, however, suggested a compromise solution, as a temporary measure, whereby the South African Football Association and the Non-European South African Society and Committee of the South African Society and So

the Emergency Committee because its members were of the opinion that the merging of the European and Non-European organisations was at present unattainable.

was at present unattannable.

The South African Soccer Federation has replied to the Emergency Committee reiterating its demand for the disaffiliation of the South African Football Association and the ratification of its own application for affiliation to F.I.F.A.

CONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE

But, as a temporary solution and without prejudice to its rights of

Africa.

This sugestion has been made by the Emergency Committee because its members were of the opinion that the merging of the European of Non-European organisations as a present unattainable comment. The South African Soccer Federation has replied to the peans.

The decision of the Emergency Committee is the result of pro-tests by the South African Soccer Federation against the affiliation of the South African Football Association.

sequent investigations carried out by the Emergency Committee proved conclusively that the South African Football Association had no right to recognition as a national body because of its colour bar policy.

OPEN TO ALL The Federation succeeded in establishing the fact that, in terms of the Statutes of F.I.F.A., it was of the Statutes of F.I.F.A., it was entitled to recognition as the national body of South Africa: its membership is open to all racial groups and it represents the majority of clubs and players. Further-more, the Federation's case was strengthened by its efforts to per-suade the South African Football Association, in the interests of the game, to accept proposals, similar to those now suggested by the Emergency Committee, for the insti-A memorandum sent to F.I.- tuttion of a governing body, which F.A. by the Federation and sub- were rejected by the Association.

to the Statutes of F.I.F.A.

As a final decision will most
likely be taken at the F.I.F.A.
Congress next year, and a number of countries including India,
Pakistan and Bulgaria, have
written assuring their support for
the Federation, the Non-European
people must ensure that its soccer representatives in no way the struggle against racialism in South African sport by accepting a compromise that will not be favourable to the Non-Europeans.

APPEASEMENT RUMOUR

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For it is rumoured in sports
circles here that a certain element
in the South African Soccer Federation might press for the withdrawal
of the Federation's application for
affiliation in favour of a governing
body in which the Non-Europeans
will receive limited rights.

As far as the Non-Europeans re concerned, the consensus of opinion is that such a compro-mise must be vigorously resisted and that the Federation's right to affiliation must not be relin-



Mr. Ngotyana.

tice to Mr. Ngotyana's lawyer:
"On the 30th October, 1951, your client addressed a meeting to protest against the contemplated ban on The Guardian at Cape Town in the company of listed persons, where he said, inter alia:

said, inter alia:
"The terms of the Communism
Act are very wide. The Guardian is
an independent newspaper. We call
on Mr. Swart to keep his hands off
The Guardian. You must all stand
together and protest against the activities of the Government!"

If this is a valid reason for banning a person, does it mean that Mr., Alex Hepple, M.P., Professor B. Beinart and Professor T. W. Price of the University of Cape Town can also be summarily banned? Because they also addressed a Freedom of they also addressed a Freedom of the Press Conference to protest against the threat to The Guardian

against the threat to in January, 1952.
Altogether the Minister made 28 other equally fantastic "charges" against Mr. Ngotyana. In some cases stracts from Mr. Ngotyana's



PLANE OVER BULGARIA

IT was not, of course, surprising that those who want war should have seized at the opportunity of making the most of the tragele air incident over Bulgaria. What Is a litle surprising is that it should have been Liberal Party members like Mr. Hjul and Mr. Pogrund who chose to write (Letterbox, last week) questioning the desire of the People's Democracies for peace.

Colour Bar in Sport

country as well as in our sports organisations, and have the Spring-boks consisting of the various race

groups, then I can assure you that we in South Africa would be classed as top-rate sportsmen and

women, not only in our own country, but throughout the world. E. D. GOSS.

are attached "Europeans Unly."
I do not want to know these
people's secrets but my contention is there should be entertainments provided for Non-European

In the trains certain carriages

In the trains certain carriages are provided for European passengers. You find few carriages for Non-Europeans although they are in the majority. Europeans it comfortably reading their newspapers while Non-Europeans are packed like sardines, standing for long stretches.

There should be liberty in our lifetime, equality, brotherhood before the law. People should be allowed to travel where they like. Pass laws should be abolished.

people as well.

Johannesburg.

It is interesting that of all the tragic incidents of the cold war this should have been the only one to move them into public

protest.

The action of the Bulgarians was a mistake, for which their Government has expressed reserved. But what about the state of the state of the state of the state of the state agents who planted a bomb in the Indian aircraft earrying pressmen to the Bandung conference, resulting in the death of 11 people? The Hong Kong Commissioner of Police called this a wanton act of "mass murder" but Messrs. Hijl and Pogrund had nothing to say about it. I never saw their letters in "New Age" or anywhere else. Are they only concerned about "atrocities" when the other side is the guilty party.

Is it possible that Messrs. High and Pogunda were only tring to make political capital out of an infortunate incident? Instead of trying to improve relations between peoples, they went out their way to try and inflame hostitude of their Liberal Party to iterational politics, then I say we don't need the Liberal Party in this country; the Nationalists and the U.P. can do the job better than they can. Is it possible that Messrs. Hjul they can

GENUINE LIBERAL. Cape Town.

Black and White Keys

The late Dr. Aggrey likened partnership of black and white to the black and white keys of the piano which must be played together for harmony.

This music of racial harmony is in the African blood. Even Smuts conceded it, when at Cambridge, he said:

"Perhaps, as a direct result of this temperament, the African is the only happy human I have come across. No other race is so good tempered.

"If this had not been the case it could scarcely have survived the intolerable evils which have weighed on it like a nightmare through the ages.

"A race which preserves its in-terests, simplicity and sweetness of disposition must have some very fine moral qualities."

General Smuts could recognise these splendid qualities, admitted to the burden of evil and was satisfied to do nothing!

But there are—perhaps not many—white South Africans who are determined to do much. The task demands patience, coura and faith in the highest degree courage

For this reason I, South African For this reason I. South African born of Dutch and British descent, earnestly beg my African fellow-citizens not to let their struggle for right and justice, rob them of their vigorous sense of humour, their zest for living, the music of their souls—qualities most urgently needed in a weary and distillusioned world.

SUZANNE STEPHEN. Discovery, Transvaal,

Coloureds First Victims

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about their families, hundreds, no one knows how many, are being told bluntly that they are not Col-oured, must surrender their Col-oured Certificates, take out pass oured Certificates, books—pay poll tax.

"MADAM, HUNDREDS"

I asked the N.A.D. official whether he knew if many Coloureds were being re-classified as Africans. "Madam," he said. "Hundreds."

The Coloured Certificates had been issued "very easily some time ago." Now they are being with-Colour Bar in Sport
In South Africa today there are
so many prominent Non-European
sportsmen and women, I am sure
that many of them are it least
springhok Sports League
European Sonts League
His really heartbreaking to think
that the Springhoks consist of
Europeans ONLY.
I feel that if we are given a
chance we could prove our worth.
Not once have I heard of a NonEuropean sports team given publicity or an opportunity to compete with European teams overseas.
If we have less racialism in our
country as well as in our sports drawn in very many cases

Those Coloureds re-classified as Africans have to start paying poll tax but only from the date of their enumeration as Africans, and they do not have to pay poll tax for the "arrear" years. "We are being fair," "New Age" was told.

Banned From **Associating With** Listed Persons

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One of Mr. Mpetha's "crimes" is that in September, 1953, he attended a meeting of the Food and Canning Workers' Union at Wolseley where Workers' Union at Wolseley where he exhorted the workers to stand together, not to be frightened of the police and to go on strike for their demands. Although Mr. Mpetha sceretary of the African Food and Canning Workers' Union, other Charges' against human that he attended minimum of the strike Liberty in Our Lifetime White people are better pro-vided for; they have cinemas to enjoy themselves. They have can-teens to pass time. They have mu-seums, theatres, botanical gardens and parks to which notice boards are attached "Europeans Only."

Mr. Mpetha also committed a "crime," apparently when "in the mi. Appenia also committed a "crime" apparently when, "in the company of two listed persons, he met Greenwood Ngotyana at the Wingfield Aerodrome on his return from a tour of Russia and other countrier" countries.

Nor was it the proper thing (in the eyes of the Nationalist Government) for Mr. Mpetha to tell a meeting of the New Brighton Textile Workers' Union that "the capitalists are fighting against the Africans' wages."

NO COURT TEST

These, then, are the reasons given by the Minister for banning people from attending gatherings and for casting them out of everyday life. But while the Minister is apparently satisfied with his "reasons," none of this so-called evidence can be tested

And the very fact that no charge under the Suppression of Commu-nism Act has been preferred against any of them (except the charge of illegally attending a gathering, which has been preferred against Miss Lan and Mr. Mpetha), shows that the Minister fully realises how slender his case is.

Pass laws should be abolished.
People should not be required to
carry permits from one town to
another as if they are dumb
animals. There should be freedom of conscience. No person
should be arbitrarily arrested.
B. S. DANWA. Hermanus.

THE FORT HARE FANTASY

The public was hoodwinked with a story that the College was closed because of "the existence of a secret authority within the student badu"

A seed of distrust was sown between parent and student because we flatly denied at our homes the existence of a caucus. Even now no student seems to know this

caucus, The "secret caucus" exists only The "secret caucus" exists only in the imagination of the authorities, but 13 students (four women, five from Wesley, four from lona) have been sacrificed. As far as we know there has never been any intimate association between these victims as a group. Actually they have often differed with each other publicly. To say that they issued instructions or threats as a caucus to students is fantas-

tic. Moreover, the questionnaires

sent to our homes during the Fort Hare lock-out reveal the confusion of the authorities. In one state of the confusion of the authorities, In one state of the confusion of the authorities, In one state of the confusion of the confusion of the complex of the com sent to our homes during the Fort

BEDAN

Alice, Cape.

EDITORIAL

GO GET THE SIGNATURES!

THE National Executives of the four Congresses have decided on the next stage in the Congress of the People campaign: The collection of one million signatures to the Freedom Charter by June 26th next year.

Enoch Tau, Betty Smith, Ismael Ahmed, Stephen Kumalo, Marie Arendse - and a thousand times a thousand other names. Names of ordinary working people doing a daily grind, of poor farmers in the reserves, of professional people, of priests, of housewives, students and chiefs. Names scrawled painfully with pencil, names flowing easily from fountain pens, the clumsy crosses of those who cannot write and the proud neatness of those who are learning to write one million signatures.

One million signatures for freedom - one million signatures to make the Freedom Charter not only the finest document (which it is already) but also the most powerful document South Africa has ever produced.

Never before has the attempt been made in South Africa to win a million signatures for an idea. Only a leadership which truly represents the great mass of our people, a leadership with a deep confidence in all the people, could conceive of a plan on so grand a scale.

One million signatures - all to be won within the next ten months. That means 3,000 signatures every single day until June 22nd if the target is to be reached.

That means 3,000 signatures beginning tomorrow, if we are to be sure of success.

There is no time to be lost. The task will overwhelm us if we delay now and then try to get all the signatures in the last few months.

But it is a task which, if we set about it quickly and with determination, is well within the powers of the progressive

Is there a sincere person anywhere who can refuse to sign the Charter? Is there anyone of good will who does not

that South Africa belongs to all who live in it, black and white, and that no government can justly claim authority unless it is based on the will of the

Can it be doubted that 3,000 people will be found in the whole of South Africa each day to sign their belief that:

- The people shall govern;
- · All national groups shall have equal rights;
- The people shall share in the country's wealth;
- The land shall be shared among those who work it;
- All shall be equal before the law;
- All shall enjoy equal human rights;
- There shall be work and security;
- The doors of learning and culture shall be opened;
- There shall be houses, security and comfort;
- There shall be peace and friendship.

No, there can be no doubt at all. So let's sharpen our pencils, fill our ink-pots, put on comfortable shoes - AND GO GET THE SIGNATURES.

SINGAPORE, MALAYA, VOTE FOR FREEDOM

Britain's Colonial Crisis Worsens

LONDON.—The British government is failing hopelessly in its attempt to hide the reality of colonial exploitation in the Far East behind a bluff of fake democracy. In Singapore and Malaya, where elections have been held recently, the only result has been to strengthen the people's demand for democratic rights and independence.

The British agreed to stage these elections in the two territories for one reason only—and that was the failure of their bloodthirsty seven-year war to destroy the Malayan People's Liberation Army. Since it was clear the army by itself could not crush the Malayan peoples, the British decided to try and side-track them by holding "elections," and pretending that these would open the road to eventual self-government.

The British thought that since the Communist Party, the Pan-Malayan Federation of Trade Unions and other militant organisations of the people were out-lawed, the only candidates able to lawed, the only candidates and to contest the elections would betray their people once they were in office and drawing their official salaries. To make doubly sure, salaries. To make doubly sure, they only permitted people who could speak English or Malay to vote, excluding sixty per cent of the population—those who speak Chinese and Indian.

LABOUR FRONT WINS

The election results, however, have shown the British badly mis-calculated. In Singapore, where elections were held in April, the Labour Front (consisting of the Labour and Socialist Parties and some trade unions) became the biggest single group in the Legistant (Constitution of the Constitution of the Co

The British-supporting puppet-parties were heavily defeated.

Marshall's election platform included a vague call for "eventual independence within the Common-wealth," the repeal of the emerwearin, the repeal of the emer-gency regulations, the restoration of full democratic rights to the trade unions and "multi-lingual-ism" (the right to use the Chinese, Malay and Indian languages in addition to English) in the Assembly and Councils.

Marshall, "moderate" though he is, soon found himself at logger-heads with the Governor of Singapore, Sir Robert Black, who repore, Sir Robert Black, who re-tained full reserve powers under the new constitution, and imme-diately tried to make it clear to Marshall that he was just a figure-head, and need not think of him-self as a real Prime Minister.

NKRUMAH AIDS TORIES

A dispute developed over Mar-shall's right to appoint four as-sistant Ministers, and Marshall threatened to resign. One of the factors which has so far prevented him may well have been a cable from Gold Coast Premier Nkrurom Gold Coast Fremer Natu-mah, counselling him to give "most sober consideration before your constitutional crisis is hard-ened by your Government's resig-nation."

Another factor which held Marshall back was that the Bri-tish Colonial Secretary, Mr. Len-nox-Boyd, promised to be in Singapore during August to discuss the situation

cuss the situation.

The Singapore people have been roused by the whole dispute. Workers paraded in the streets carrying placards supporting the demand for an end to colonialism, and trade union leaders threatened to come out on strike.

NO OFFICE!

Mr. Marshall, speaking in the Assembly, disclosed that when he was elected prime minister, there was not even an office for him to use, nor staff, nor even a scrap of notepaper to write on. At official functions he found that a host of

Government officials took prece dence over him.

In a letter to the Governor, Marshall said: "I cannot take orders either from your Excel-lency or from the Colonial Office. Singapore and by Singapore . . . There can be no dual control. Either you govern or we do."

Marshall's own limitations, and Marshall's own limitations, and his unwillingness truly to represent the feelings of the people, were shown up by his refusal to accept a proposal by one of the opposition parties, asking that a new constitution, providing for independence, should be granted immediately.

Marshall moved that the word "independence" be replaced by "self-government" because, in his opinion, the colony was "not yet ready" for independence.

NEVER AGAIN

NEVER AGAIN.

This motion was passed by 28 votes to one—the sole dissention being the nominated European member, Mr. G. A. Sutherland, who said the people of Singapore must learn to crawl before they walk. To which Marshall replied: "Neither he nor the Tanglin Clab (as social club for Europeans) will ever get us to crawl again."

The Governor replied that he would need time to discuss the would need time to discuss the motion, and could not give his answer before August 18. On receipt of this message the Legislative Assembly adjourned, ignoring an appeal by Marshall himself that they should remain in session to deal with urgent business.

Complete Independece

FOLLOWING on the shocks in Singapore came the elections in the rest of Malaya last week. Fifty-one out of the 52 contested Fifty-one out of the 52 contested scals in a legislative assembly of 98 (the remainder are nominated were won by the alliance of the United Malay National Organisation of the Control of the Association. This, although a rather wishly-washy alliance, was the most representative of the parties permitted by the authorities to stand for election. All leftwing parties are, of course, banned.

This alliance won the support of the voters behind the demand for complete independence from Britain by 1959—a demand which the British can hardly enthuse

SAME AGAIN

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Ten of the leaders of the alliance—six Malays, three Chinese and one Indian—have been invited by the High Commissioner, Sir Donald MacGillivray, to join the country's first elected Cabnet, where they will no doubt soon experience the same difficulties as those which confronted Mr. Marshall in Singapore.

There is no doubt that by their constitutional manoeuvres, follow-

ing on their military failures, the British have now set their feet on a road which can only end with their ultimate expulsion from the whole of Malaya—naval base of Singapore and all, and that the day is not far off when the people of these countries will have won their freedom and independence.

GEORGIA (UNITED STATES) Board of Education recently adopted a resolution providing for automatic cancellation of the licence and salary of any teacher who "supports. encourages, condones, offers to teach or teaches" classes of mixed races

in the State

BRITISH 'PROSPERITY' MYTH EXPLODED

THE bubble of British "prosperity" under the Tory Government was pricked by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. R. A. Butler, when he announced a new series of economic restrictions recently.

stock exchange and speculators panicked, Mr. Butler told the House of Commons he was compelled to introduce drastic restrictions on credit. Britain's balance of payments was unsatisfactory, he said, and rumours weakening the pound had "led to sales of sterling that will adversely affect our reserves.

Mr. Butler announced that:

1. Local authorities are being asked to hold back schemes for capital expenditure and the Government will adopt a stricter attitude towards proposals of local authorities for 'all but the most essential purposes. This will slow up local housing projects.

2. Hire purchase will be made more difficult. The deposit will be increased from 15 per cent. to 33 per cent. of the total price. This will include motor vehicles, radio sets, gramophones and domestic appliances, but not furniture.

3. Banks are being asked to re-

As share prices crashed on the | duce the total of outstanding credits; business firms are asked to slow down investment.

4. Nationalised industries will be 4. Nationalise industries with co-made to reduce capital requirements, although Mr. Butler said coal pro-duction and the atomic energy pro-gramme would not be affected.

The Minister said the aim of the restrictions was to reduce home pur-chasing power and home demand and to expand exports. He admitted that the increases in the bank rate earlier this year had been slow to take effect.

The Minister also blamed the re-The Minister also blamed the re-cent strikes, and particularly the dock strike, for setting back the ex-port trade. The trade gap, which was £247.7 million for the first six months of 1954, increased to £453.6 million for the corresponding period this vear.

There were whistles and catcalls from Labour members when Mr. Butler made his announcements in

Indian Youth Protest

BROLLY FOLLY

When President Eisenhower returned to the United States after the Geneva conference, he was greeted by a throng that included Vice-President Nixon, Senator Knowland and other members of Congress and the diplomatic corps.

As he stepped out of his plane, the band struck up the Star-Spangled Banner and Eisenhower stood at attention, his hat held over his breast, as the rain poured down on him. Ignoring the rain, the President spoke into a battery of microphones and told the nation "hew contacts have been established and there is evidence of a new friendliness in the world."

By the time he was finished, he was pretty wet. Why expectators

evidence of a new friendliness in the world."

By the time he was finished, he was pretty wet. Why, specialors wondered, didn't someone open an umbrella over him? Last "Vice-President Richard Nixon banned umbrellas because he felt they would have recalled the pre-World War 2 appeasement policies of Great Britain's umbrella-cearrying Prime Minister, Sir Neville Chamberlain."

So Ike got wet.

to Adenauer

JOHANNESBURG.

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The Transvaal Indian Youh Congress has joined in the world-wide protest movement against the German Federal Republic for its undemocratic and illegal imprisonment of two leaders of the Free German Youth of Western Germany Touth of Western Germany Touth of Western Germany Touth of State State

The state of protest to President Adenauer, the Transval Indian Youth Congress says: "We deter the arrest and imprisonment of these young people for periods of five and four years solitary confinent respectively on completely false and baseless accusations, as a blatant misse of justice.

"On behalf of the Indian youth of the Transval we vigorously protest against this unjust and illegal sentence and demand its immediate repeal."

PEACE SABOTAGED IN VIET-NAM

India. Poland and Canada Join in Protest

LONDON.-The Indian, Polish and Canadian governments have joined in protesting at outrages committed when mobs of hooligans attacked and looted Saigon buildings in a government-inspired "riot" against the representatives of these counrties who were appointed by the Geneva conference as a Truce Commission.

The hooliganism, which came as a climax to the campaign of sabotage against the Geneva Peace agreement conducted by South Viet Nam Premier Ngo Dinh Diem (notorious as a U.S. puppet), took place on July 20—the very day representatives of the North and South were supposed to get together to discuss adrangements for next year's elections,

The damage done is estimated at £150,000. The Hotel Majestic, where the principal members of the Truce Commission were staying, was ransacked, and Mr. Desai, the Indian chairman of the Commission, was assaulted. The Hotel Gallieni, where other members of the Commission were staying was called the commission were staying th

where other members of the Com-mission were staying, was also raided and the rioters started to throw furniture out into the streets. The members of the Commis-sion protested that the riot means they could no longer early on riety job, since they could not rely on protection from the Gov-ernment in South Yet Num. The Saigon correspondent of the said the police variet a full hour after the disturbances began be-fore they put in an appearance and cleaked the demonstrators

away by firing in the air and throwing tear gas grenades.
INDIA'S STATEMENT
An Indian Government spokesman in New Delhi said the riots seemed to be "deliberately oren nised." He emphasis. seemed to be "deliberately orga-nised." He emphasised that Diem's police "looked on while an hysteri-cal mob systematically destroyed everything the Commission person-nel had in their rooms."

It was also pointed out that in-It was also pointed out that in-tensive preparations had been made beforehand for turning July 20 into a demonstration against the Geneva Agreement. Vehicles with loud-speakers had been touring the streets blaring anti-Communist slogans, and the phrase "The Inter-national Control Commission must

rage were filed by the Indian, Polish and Canadian Govern-ments, whose repesentatives make up the Truce Commission; and the Truce Commission; and the diplomatic representatives including America of countries, including America and Britain, whose nationals were injured or robbed during the

riots.

From Geneva, the British, French, United States and Soviet delegates to the Big Four conference sent a joint note to Diem urging him to preserve order in his committee of the Big Four Committe

national Control Commission most Agreement were undertuned at this go, was scrawled on walls in stage "the U.S. will be responsible for the grave consequences arising Formal protests against the out-

DULLES COLD ABOUT ENDING HOT WAR FAMILY OF TEN

THE Geneva talks having breached the dykes of the cold war, the warm waters of peaceful co-existence are pouring through in an ever-increasing flood.

For years mankind has lived in the inhibiting shadow of war. Particularly in the Western countries, dissent has come to be regarded as treason, and those who fought for the extension of civil rights in their own country and friendly relations with other peoples were persecuted as fifth-columnists and saboteurs. The acme of official intolerance was the McCarthy witch-hunt in America, where Communists, liberals, independents of all shades of opinion who resisted the onslaught of big business fell victims to the crusade of the cold warmongers. We in South Africa have also known the blight of intimidation and police terror flowing from the policies of Swart, Strijdom

Those who had the courage of their convictions fought back. Some of them were martyred, like the Rosenbergs. Some of them were jailed. They were treated as outcasts by their own society, but the future will honour them as the brave pioners of liberation and freedom

SOME FAWNED - MOST FROZE

With reaction at its height, many others decided discretion was the better part of valour. Some renounced their past and pleaded for forgiveness. Some tried to earn official favour by betraying their former ideas and their former comrades, acting as stool-pigeons and informers. Perhaps the majority of progressive-minded people in a country like America simply froze up, kept quiet, tried to ride out the storm, hoping for better weather ahead.

Now there has indeed been a break in the weather Now, as at the first sign of spring, the people of the world are rushing out to enjoy it. The Soviet leaders are to visit Britain—an announcement which was greeted with enthusiasm when it was made to the British Parliament. Soviet agricultural experts have been warmly welcomed by the American people in the towns and villages they have visited. The State Department is reported to have been inundated with requests for further visits of Soviet citizens. GREATER AGREEMENT

President Eisenhower announced at his first Press inference on his return to America that there had

WORLD STAGE BY SPECTATOR

been the "greatest possible degree of agreement" over contacts between east and west. The freer flow of news, the circulation of books, peaceful trade and, above all, more exchanges of visits by citizens were all agreed upon, and the American Government was hopeful that these assurances would be carried

The flow is equally impressive in the other direc-The now is equally impressive in the other uncer-tion—Adenauer and Faure are to visit Moscow, which earlier this year issued a standing invitation to the Parliaments of the Western world to send delegations of their members to visit the Soviet Union. And Marshal Bulganin has said he would be willing to visit the United States-if invited.

Reports in the American Press have it that Eisenhower is willing—but that Dulles has advised him not to issue such an invitation at this stage. Eisenhower admitted the question had been discussed. Dulles at his Press conference, took refuge in the time-honoured diplomatic evasion of "no comment

DODO DULLES

That man Dulles. . . . Really, looking at the world today, he strikes one as being an anachronism. He belonged to the era of the cold war which, while not yet eliminated from the world, threatens to become as outdated and unpopular as the stone age.

At a time when most men have made up their minds to relax, to be friendly, Dulles can still not get a smile on to his face. His is indeed a wintry nature.

He was the man who gloomily forecast beforehand Geneva would be a failure, who contributed

least to the conference itself, who has been least enthusiastic about its results. The architect of the Korean war, the man who planned direct atom intervention in Indo-China and all-out war with China over Quemoy and Matsu, the man who is still putting the brake on an Eisenhower who has shown himself more receptive to the "new look" in inter-national diplomacy, Dulles cannot reconcile himself to peaceful co-existence. He is convinced it is a trap

and he is determined to have none of it.

Big issues still await a settlement. Following the relaxation of tension in Europe, moves are afoot to

reaxation of tension in Europe, moves are about to have a "summit meeting" on the Far East, where an explosive situation still exists,

• In South Korea, Syngman Rhee has announced his Government is no longer bound by the armistice agreement, has demanded the armistice commission get out of Korea, has laid claim to a strip of land extent commission by the North Korean and at present occupied by the North Koreans and declared he will take it by force if it is not ceded to



How's this for a nice summer haircut Mr. Dulles?

shipping has repeatedly been attacked, despite strong protests from the British Government. Yet all Dulles

protests from the British Government. Yet all Dulles can do is urge the Chinese to operate a cesse-fire!

Any of these issues could flare into a full-scale atign war on the slightest provocation. And powerful voices are urging that top-level negotiations should begin without delay.

In the last two weeks:

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is willing to sign a pact of collective peace with America and other Asian and Pacific Powers to replace the present antagonistic military blocs in the Far East. China, he said, is anxious to settle all outstanding issues by peaceful means and would support and take part in a Far East conference.

• The Australian Minister for External Affairs Mr. Casey, said Chou's proposal was "clearly worth exploring." The Australian Labour Party leader Dr exploring." The Australian Labour Party leader Dr. Evatt said it was urgent for People's China to be admitted to the United Nations immediately and placed on an equal basis with other powers.

Burma's Premier, U Nu, re-issued a call to China and the U.S. to get together and settle their

India's premier Nehru has called for a toplevel parley between Mao Tse-tung and Eisenhower.

Thirty British Labour M.P.s have tabled a motion in the House of Commons calling for a toplevel conference on the Far East, to include the heads of Government of India and China as well as others

• Even President Eisenhower, at a Press conference, has agreed that it might be necessary to raise the present talks between the U.S. and Chinese Ambassadors in Geneva to the level of a Foreign Ministers' meeting in order to make progress quickly towards a Far Eastern detente.

... ONLY DULLES

Only Dulles dissents. Talks of the kind Chou envisaged were not in the realm of the practical, he said. Chiang Kai-shek's status was something the Chinese Communists, would have to live with. Then he threatened that unless China pledged not to use force in the Far East, the result might be a war of undefined extent

What about the present ambassadorial talks in Geneva? he was asked. They were only of limited significance, he insisted, implied no diplomatic recognition of Peking, and were without prejudice to the rights of "our allies," the Nationalist Chinese. He saw no place at present for discussions at Foreign

Ministers' level.

It is as certain as certain can be that Dulles will be proved wrong again. The tide today is running the other way. Peaceful co-existence, not cold war, is on the agenda, even if Dulles refuses to put his

18 of the agenua, even in builes leades to put his reading glasses on. There will be a Far East con-ference, and Dulles may even take part in it. The world would make quicker progress to peace if Eisenhower were to sack Dulles forthwith and appoint as Secretary of State a man who understood that negotiation is an alternative, not a short cut, to

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In recent disputes the workers of two factories were fired en masse

after they had demanded wage in-

creases. A third dispute in which the workers are threatened with

dismissal is still on, and in a fourth

the sacked workers were later re-

The workers have shown cour-

age and unity in the face of threats and intimidation.

"LIKE DETECTIVES"

The Labour Officers appointed under the Act are being scornfully

rejected wherever they go. "They look and behave like detectives," was the biting comment of one

iron and steel worker in Benoni.

Nevertheless, between the Gov-ernment and employers, heavy pressure is being exerted to smash

A FAMILY of ten who had lived in the same house in Fordsburg for nine and a half years found themselves and all their furniture on the pavement one evening last week after the landlord had brought the sheriff along to execute an electment order.

People living nearby were so in-censed by the action of the landlord that they moved towards him threatningly and he hastily left the scene to call in the police.

The ejected family had been notified one month ago that they should move out. As they were not in move out. As they were not in arrears with their rent payment and the landlord did not state that he required the premises for his own use, they took legal opinion and stayed on in the three-roomed house. The landlord stated that his reason for requiring the family to move out was that he was no longer associated with the company hold-ing the premises. But a few days before the electment order was eve cuted he moved a new family into

Members of the Transvaal Indian Youth Congress formed voluntary squads to guard the family's furni-■ In Indo-China, Ngo Dinh Diem continues to subotage last year's Geneva Agreement and has launched himself on the same road as Syngman Rhead Chiang Kai-shek - the road of international gangsterism under licence from the United States.

■ From Formosa Chiang Kai-shek's bandlt raiders still launch attacks on the mainland and shipping along the China cost—wors sufferers, after the Chinese themselves, have been the British, whose shipping along the China cost—wors sufferers, after the Chinese themselves, have been the British, whose shipping along the China cost—wors sufferers, after the Chinese themselves, have been the British, whose shipping along the China cost—wors sufferers, after the Chinese themselves, have been the British, whose shipping along the China cost—wors sufferers, after the Chinese themselves, have been the British, whose shipping along the China cost—wors sufferers, after the Chinese themselves, have been the British, whose shipping along the China cost—wors sufferers, after the Chinese themselves, have been the British, whose shipping along the China cost—wors sufferers, after the Chinese themselves, have been the British, whose shipping along the China cost—wors sufferers, after the Chinese themselves, have been the British, whose shipping along the China cost—wors sufferers, after the Chinese themselves, have been the British, whose shipping along the China cost—wors sufferers, after the Chinese themselves, have been the British, whose shipping the China cost—wors sufferers, after the Chinese themselves, and the cost of outside the house they had former!



Workers at the African Lamps factory in Johannesburg who took a united stand in protest against the arrest of an organiser of their union, the Iron and Steel Workers' Union. The organ

"RELEASE OUR ORGANISER!"

DEMAND BACKED BY STRIKE

IOHANNESRURG

One hundred and six African workers from the "African Lamps" factory in Industria took rapid action last week when an organiser from their Iron and Steel Workers' Union was arrested by the police, after he had made representations to the factory management on behalf of

The entire factory was sacked, but later re-engaged, with the ex-ception of two workers, one of whom had his reference book endôrsed "striker" as the reason for

his discharge.

The union organiser, Mr. Nimrod Sejake, placed the workers' demands before the factory management: a wage increase, protec-tive appliances, overalls, and overtime payment at the rate of time and a half; as well as a sick fund, three weeks' annual leave on full

pay. The management called the police in and Sejake was arrested on a charge of trespass. He was removed to the Langlaagte police The entire factory immediately

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We Will Intensify Schools Boycott

-says E. Cape A.N.C.

PORT ELIZABETH.

A RESOLUTION to intensify the campaign to boycott Verwoerd's schools "which are intended to mentally enslave the African child" was adopted at the Eastern Cape Regional conference of the African National Congress held in Veeplaats last week.

at the conference and thousands of people walked many miles to Ve-plaats to attend the open-air meeting—walked, because the buses have discontinued transporting the people.

Conference also strongly condemned the New Brighton Advisory Board for requesting the deporta-tion of A.N.C. leaders because of their opposition to Bantu Education

Wearing national costume, Mrs. Ggirana was an impressive figure of as she stood on the raised platform of the oppressed. as also stood off the raised platform, flanked by two masts flying two Congress flags. The presence of the three car loads of Special Branch police, said Mrs. Gqirana, "makes us more determined to carry on the struggle.

Appealing to women to ensure the than ever. success of the schools boycott, Mrs. Gqirana said that those who sat

Twelve branches were represented (the Government) had found the

fy them' will have to answer for the tears of the children who may be rendered orphans as a result of their deportation recommendation," said Mrs. Baard. Mr. W. Z. Mkwayi appealed to the people to support New Age, the only paper which espouses the cause

Other speakers were Mrs. Mato-nela, Messrs. Nkampini and Mjo,

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protested. Sejake was brought back from the police station to the factory and the workers were told, this rose-covered road that leads portation Board stated stopping "this rose-covered road that leads without sacrifices to Freedom.

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DISPUTES ACT USED TO AFRICAN STRIKES

"FIRE THEM ALL, WE WILL GET YOU NEW LABOUR"

JOHANNESBURG.

THROUGH the Native Settlement of Disputes Act now in operation for two years, the Government has devised machinery to try to 1 stamp out every stirring of African workers for wage increases. In a small strike wave that Johannesburg has seen over the last eight weeks two patterns have emerged:

ONE—EMPLOYERS HAVE BEEN PRETTY EFFECTIVELY CON-DITIONED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR TO DEAL existing African unions and to pre-vent African workers achieving WITH THEIR WORKERS AS GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HAVE, AND

TWO—AFRICAN WORKERS HAVE NO ILLUSIONS WHATSOEVER ABOUT THE ACT, THE OFFICIALS OF THE NATIVE LABOUR BOARDS OR THE STOOGE WORKS COMMITTEES THE GOVERNMENT IS TRYING TO SET UP.

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engaged.

In the last weeks the Reef has to negotiate, are showing relucseen three disputes among African workers in the iron and steel industry, several in the dry cleaning industry, and protest actions by workers in the textile, toy and food industries.

In almost all these disputes the employers have sent an SOS to the Labour Department, and de-partment officials and the police, as well as Special Branch detec tives (a relatively new field for the political police) have immediately appeared on the scene.

Official advice to employers faced with protesting workers is clearly: "Fire them all. We will get you new labour."

Under pressure from the Departthe police employers, despite their partiality sometimes

gains

The Transvaal Chamber of In dustries, in a circular letter to all members, sent out some months ago, gives the game away com-pletely.

The Chamber's letter accompa nied a circular addressed to employer organisations by the Johannesburg Divisional Inspector of Labour, The Labour Department drew attention to the proclamation of the Central Native Labour Board, and the establishmment of Regional Native Committees and appealed to employers for close co-operation between the Chamber of Industries and the Native Labour officers and committees.

It is emphasised that "timeou advice by employers of native labour of any sign of unrest will ensure prompt attention and may forestall any minor disputes developing into major issues."

The circular from the Chamber to employers' organisations dis-cusses the attitude of employers to the committees as follows:

"Prior to the introduction of the Act, the suggestion that Works Committees should be established was received conservatively by the

majority of industrialists as this was an untried experiment. "Not many Works Committees

More To'burg Slogans

JOHANNESBURG. A NEW bout of slogan paint-ing reached Johannesburg last week.

Over the columns at the new entrance to the University of the

Witwatersrand appeared the let-tering: "In Memoriam—S.R.C., 1905-1955."

1905-1955."
Other slogans at the University were "Students Will Not-Senate Will" and "Our Constitution Dishonoured Too."
The latter slogan is particularly apt because Prof. H. Le May, head of the Department of Philosophy at the University is a complete. prominent member of the Cove-nant movement against the Se-nate Act; and he is the author of the new statute which abo-lished the present Students' Re-presentative Council and sets up a student body subservient to the University Senate. In stogan "The People Shall Dovern" appeared prominently in Claim Street, towards the end of last week. prominent member of the Cove

become obvious since the influx control regulations have been in operation that in those areas where there is a starvation of Native Labour, Native workers have become insolent and in some cases quite unmanageable and employers in such areas have voiced the fear that the setting up of Works Committees will bring about co-ordination and collectivism to the recalcitrance of disaffected Natives. "Much will depend on the

have so far been set up, but it has

sagacity and commonsense that is displayed by officials appointed under the Native Labour (Settlement of Disputes) Act in handling demands stimulated by professional agitators in the ranks of native workers," says the Cham-

OPPOSES WAGE RISE

goes on to discuss the finding by that the monthly expenditure of that the monthly expension to an African family in a Johannes-burg township comes to £2.2 13s. 7d., and the suggestion that indus-rent family in the police and officials of the Native labour Department, while the union Department of Labour. try and commerce should volun-tarily embark on a policy of lifting entering the factory. African wages to a minimum of £10 a month. This suggestion, comments the Chamber, cynically rejecting the idea of increased pay, "does not take cognisance of the economic value of the services of unskilled Native labour, nor is there a scientific appraisal of the ultimate economic effects on industry and its future prospects of competing with manufacturers out-side the boundaries of the Union, especially once import control is

"On reflection it would seem that the less use there is made at that the less use there is made at the present injuncture of the Native Labour Act, the greater the assu
The official said the union was after their jobs after their rance for maintaining the equi- misleading the workers. It could not protest action

country, and South Africa's ability to compete with external manufacturers.'

FEARFUL

The Chamber is fearful that through the machinery of the Act Africans might here and there manage to win gains. In its wisdom it is depending on the "common sense" of Native labour officers to handle demands properly (in the interests of the employers, that is). The evidence of events is that

between them employers and

working closely together to block workers' action for improvements.

But with every instance of employer-police-Labour Department intimidation of workers, more African workers are seeing the Native Labour Act exposed in its true meaning, and are coming to realise the importance of building genuine, independent African trade unions.

Worker Arrested In **Engineering Strike**

SUPPRESS

The Chamber of Industries then AT a Benoni engineering factory, Thermo Welding, 19 African workers protested when their pay was docked for a day when machine adjustments were being made in the factory. They had previously been assured by the management that they would not lose pay for that day.

An official of the Labour Department offered to see the management on the workers' behalf, and in front of the employer he told the workers he was working in their interests

and wanted to intervene for them. The workers told him "We don't know you. We have never seen you before. How is it, if you are working in our interests after the weekend, and when the you are working in our interests that you only introduce yourself to us now?

They had their union, they said, and wanted it to negotiate on their

the factory the police arrived and handcuffed one of the workers. He was told he was responsible for the trouble, and taken off to the police station where he was charged with striking illegally. Bail was fixed

The factory and the union manworker was released, his fellowworkers were standing by to wel-come him. "He and all the workers cried openly at his release." New

Age was told.

WORCESTER LEADERS APPEAL ON INCITEMENT CHARGE

"No Hostility to Europeans," Savs Defence O.C.

CAPE TOWN.—"The appellants (John Alwyn and Assa Dawood) are charged with inciting Non-European people to violence against the Europeans, but the police report of their speeches contains only two references to Europeans — and both those references, far from being hostile, are friendly to the white people," said Mr. Gerald Gordon, Q.C. in his argument for the appellants in the Supreme Court last week.

John Alwyn and Assa Dawood were appealing against a sentence of nine months imprisonment (suspended in Miss Dawood's case) passed on them in the Worcester Regional Court early this year, The judges who heard the appeal were Justices Beyers and Oglivie

After stressing that the police report of the speeches was very report of the speeches was very incomplete—the speakers had spoken for 35 minutes but it had taken the police witness only two to three minutes to read his notes of the speeches—Mr. Gordon analysed what the police evidence disclosed the speakers had said.

WHATEVER RACE

"It doesn't matter what race you belong to, we must all pull together," Assa Dawood had begun. She had then called on wo-men to play a greater part in politics and stressed the danger

of war.
After saying "We shall not retreat in the face of scare stories
by Malan and Donges. They have
already lost," she had gone on
to speak of the newspaper "Advance." "Advance is the only
newspaper which talks the truthsupport it." She had called on the

support it." She had called on the people to sell this paper and to collect money for it. Then, after 'saying that her trip overseas had given her new spirit —she had been treated as a representative of the Non-European people—she made her only reference to the Europeans in South the White man—only our rights." It was the final few lines of the basis of the charge against Assa Dawood.

"STATEMENT OF FACT" Mr. Gordon: "I will read this portion out sentence by sentence.

Whatever it means, there is no incitement. First, she says: 'In Kenya I saw how the Europeans are leaving Kenya'. '. ''' passa are leaving Kenya'. '. ''' passa are leaving Kenya'. '. ''' for the sattement of fact.'' Mr. Gordon: 'Yes my lord. It is a statement of fact-there is a sattement of fact-there is a fact-there in the same of the s does not amount to incitement.)
'Our leaders will go to prison.
The Non-Europeans are with

Mr. Gordon then analysed Al-Mr. Gordon then analysed Al-ways's speech, drawing attention to his only reference to the Euro-peans in South Africa: Within ten years, South Africa will be almost for Europeans and Non-Europeans and Non-Europeans with the secretary with the secretary of the wants to drive the Europeans out of South Africa," said Mr. Gordon.

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Again the words which formed the subject of the charge were three lines out of the whole speech, and again Mr. Gordon maintained, the words did not amount to incitement to violence.

CROWN ARGUMENT

Arguing for the Crown, Mr. J. Steyn said that he would concentrate chiefly on Assa Dawood's speech. It contained the most incitement.

The speech must be taken as a whole. It was necessary to look to "a trend of hostility which



John Alwyn

amounts as a whole to an exhortation."

Justice Beyers:

tation."

Justice Beyers: "That sounds meaningless. They are charged with incitement, not exhortation."

Mr. Steyn: "I mean there is hostility, my lord."

Justice Beyers: "Hostility to whom? It is anti-Nationalist government, yes. But that is not a crime." crime

"WHOLE TREND"

Mr. Steyn: "The whole trend. She talks of East vs. West—that type of speech. One must ask what is her reason for saying these things. She says for example, We must go about it the right

way."

Justice Beyers: "That doesn't mean unlawfully."

Mr. Steyn: "She says: 'I will tell you more later at other meetings when the police are not here."..."

I'll incite you to public violence another time when the police aren't here?' How does that help

you, Mr. Steyn?"

Mr. Steyn: "Coming to the key statement, my lords, she says:
"You will also proceed like a you, Mr. Steyn:

Justice Thompson: "Isn't that

Justice Thompson.
just prophecy?"
Mr. Steyn: "No, my lord."
Justice Beyers: "Why not?"
Mr. Steyn: "Because she says:
'Our leaders will sit behind bars.

"Sun-Europeans are with

The Non-Europeans are me' . . ." Justice Beyers: "So what?"
Mr. Steyn: "She clearly supports such a position.

Justice Beyers: "And supposing she does?"

Mr. Steyn: "I submit that this is incitement. I hope that your lordships understand my submis-

Justice Beyers: "Your submis-sion I understand. Your reasons are what I don't understand." Mr. Steyn: "Well my lords, that is as far as I can go on Dawood's speech."

Justice Thompsn: "You maintain, I understand, that Alwyn is responsible for Dawood's

Mr. Steyn: "Yes. He should have dissociated himself from it if he disagreed with it."

Justice Beyers: "Have you ever

Justice Beyers: "Have you ever spoken on a political platform,

Mr. Steyn? I don't think you'd do that."

"FOUL LAWS"

Mr. Steyn: "In Alwyn's whole speech there is incitement to do what the Mau Mau do. He says: "We know there is a Suppression of Communism Act, foul laws which are made for the black people." The inference is that which the magistrate correctly made when he says in his budg-speech was to urge "freedom" for the Non-Europeans and by exhoring his audience to remember that ing his audience to remember that the freedom of the Mau Mau meant freedom for Africa he was doing no less than taking sides with the Mau Mau and urging others to do likewise.' It is quite clear that he was inciting."

Justice Thompson: "Is it clear?

Judgment was reserved.

(Mr. G. Gordon, Q.C. appeared for Alwyn and Mr. L. Forman for Assa Dawood, both instructed by T. H. Snitcher and Co. Mr. J. Steyn appeared for the Crown.)

Mothers Plan Protest Deputation to Pretoria

JOHANNESBURG.

An enthusiastic Mothers' Congress held here over the week-end passed a resolution suggesting ap-proaches to Congress bodies and proaches to Congress bodies and others with a view to organising a deputation of women of all races to go to Pretoria in protest against Bantu Education, the site and service scheme and all apartheid legislation, and to demand proper housing for the people.

The week-end conference was a report back on the Freedom Charter, which was unanimously endorsed.

An exhibition of photographs in the hall depicted conditions of wo-men in other countries, including England, the Soviet Union, China,

etc. "Women in every country want etc. "Women in every country want the same things—equal rights and opportunities, food, homes, happi-ness for their children and peace for all. In some countries women have won these rights. We are going to win them too," read one of the in-eriptions

The speakers, all women, throughout the day's proceedings talked vividly and militantly of their struggles. Mrs. Rahima Moosa said women should call for an end war and the use of atomic energy to lessen men's toil and serve mankind.

Speaking on the clause in the Freedom Charter demanding land for the people, Mrs. Violet Weinberg said the case of Mbango Tembeni was possible because the people who work the land do not own it.

Condemning the site and service scheme, one speaker said the people had years ago been moved far from town to "temporary" homes, and now the third generation was still living there waiting for permanent housing.

Miss Bertha Mashaba spoke on Miss Bertina Masnaba spoke on Bantu éducation. For girls, she said, the main subject was domestic science, so girls would learn how to iron shirts well. "We want to see science, so girls would learn how to iron shirts well. "We want to see our children becoming lawyers, doctors and staff nurses. Under Bantu Education we will have no nurses, only maids, no scholars, only farm labourers. We must fight Bantu Education."

Opening the afternoon session on Peace, Mrs. Helen Joseph said wo-men and mothers had to fight for peace because it would be no use for people to win freedom if it could be destroyed by war.

The meeting resolved on a pro-test to the Minister of the Interior demanding a passport for Stephen

POSTERS AND SLOGANS CHARGES

CAPE TOWN.

A LBIE SACHS, law student at the Cape Town University, was last week found guilty on a charge of "disfiguring" public buildings and streets by putting up posters and exhibiting unauthorised posters. (The posters exhibited in court were announcements of a Cape Town May-Day rally.)

was found not guilty and discharged. For coming to court five minutes late both Mr. Sachs and Mr. Rochman were fined £5 each.

A witness for the crown, Mr. B. C. Gordon of Green Point, said he saw Sachs patting down what appeared to be a poster on a wall. He had seen Sachs once before at a "resistance" rally on the Parade. He took the number of a small car in St. George's Erreet and eave it to St. George's Street and gave it to the police.

The case in which Messrs. A. Hurzak and L. Morrison, leaders of the S.A. Coloured People's Organisation, are being charged with nine counts of maliciously damaging property or alternatively defacing walls, has been remanded to August

25.
The court made an inspection of Hurzak's car last week, noting the paint marks and fingerprints on it. sion first

He was fined £15 or three weeks.
Bail of £15 was allowed, pending an appeal.
Mr. H. Rochman, medical student, was found not guilty and discharged with Mr. Sachs, was found not guilty and discharged with Mr. Sachs, followed to the state of the sachs and t

Kahns Charged

CAPE TOWN.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kahn have been summonsed to appear in the Cape Town Magistrate's Court on August 16 on a charge of having banned literature in

their home.

Among the books and periodicals mentioned in the charge sheet are "Czechoslovak Life," "China Reconstructs," "South Union" and "Africa Newsletter."

TEN PROMINENT BENONI Africans have been prosecuted for giving notice that they were calling a public meeting in their location without obtaining official permis-

MINISTER OF LABOUR and the Laundry Workers' Union find themselves first and second respondent in a Supreme Court action pending. The action is brought by employers in East Rand laundries

employers in East Rand laundries who have made an urgent applica-tion to court to stay a Conciliation Board granted by the Minister, Laundry workers have been or-ganising for the Board for some time. Six months elapsed between their application for its appoint-ment, and the Minister's granting of the Board. of the Board.

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When the Minister did grant the Board the employers applied for it to be stayed, on the ground that the

union is not representative enough.

The action will be heard shortly. NEW BRANCH of the Transvaal

NEW BRANCH of the Transvala Peace Council has been established in Alexandra Township. Meetings reporting on the Four Power Conference at Geneva and on the Helsinki World Peace Assembly have been taking place in many Johannesburg townships, among them Dube, Moroka, Jabavu and Alexandra.

DECISION of the Native Commissioner of Vereeniging to endorse two African women out of Vereeniging has been set aside by the Supreme court. The orders were issued originally in terms of Section 29 of the Urban Areas Act. An order issued against a third African woman was upheld and this woman may therefore no logger reside in the area of Vereeniging.

Student To Bring Court Action

A SUPREME Court action against the Fort Hare authorities is to be brought by one of the students recently expelled. The action will challenge the

steps taken by the college au-thorities in expelling students after the witch-hunt on the cam-

Altogether 13 students have been expelled by now, the great majority of them final year or post graduate students. How-ever, not all the former students have been told finally whether they will be re-admitted to Fort Hare, or whether they too are to be expelled.

The test case is to be brought by a young woma Miss Betty Lebetsie.

THE A.N.C. HAS BROUGHT NEW HOPE

IN THE VALLEY WHERE DEATH STALKS

THE Sundays River Valley which stretches from Addo is a land orange orchards. The slow-ining Sundays River is, to its of orange running Sundays River is, to its area's farming activities, what the Nile is to the Sudanese and the Egyptians. Running along the Egyptians. Running along the orchards is an irrigation furrow. At the time of my visit the furrows looked like turbulent rivulets after a storm. The dirty water was careering madly down to the lands that supply South Africa and overseas with some of the world's best seas with some of the works best citrus fruit. On the orchards thou-sands of African workers were picking oranges from neatly planted rows of orange trees. Here and there along the rows are piled un the cases in which the succulent fruit is conveyed to the packing houses that supply local and foreign markets.

Kirkwood, the nerve centre of the Valley where stalks death from typhoid, sprawls at the foot of a high mountain range, whose sun high mountain range, whose sum-mit forms the horizon beyond which the people do not see and are not seen by the rest of the world. Along its main street, he only signs of urgency and hurry are the lorries and tractors that only signs of urgency and hurry are the lorries and tractors the ranges. The street is an atmosphere of quiet as farmers step out of their bie. American atmosphere of quiet as farmers step out of their big American cars. These aristocrats stand in groups on the pavement as though time were limitless; they lounge contentedly in restaurants. On the contentedly in restaurants on the salestmen speak no other language but Afrikanns squat Coloureds in whose hearts the sustaining fire of hone seems to have been quenched hope seems to have been quenched by years of hardship.

How many people, and how often, have ever even for a moment given thought to the conditions under which those who work on

Typhoid Outbreak

An outbreak of typhoid among Africans in the Sundays River Valley! screamed the daily press! valley! screamed the daily press: The entire African population in the area was immediately immu-nised, after scores of cases had been diagnosed. An accusatory finger was pointed at the irrigation furrows as the source of the infec-tion. People were instructed to boil the water before drinking it, but where is the fuel to boil the water for the whole family?

The main sources of water sup-ply are the Sundays River and the ply are the Sundays River and the irrigation furrows, which have water for two weeks in about two months. So far are these from the homes of the workers, that the buy it from the water sellers at the buy it from the water sellers at the dirty river water. If the farmer has enough in his cistern, water may be had at the rate of 1d. per four-sallon paraffin tin. Fire-four-sallon paraffin tin. Firefour-gallon paraffin tin. Fire-wood is sold at 2/- per bag. And they advise the people to boil the water for the whole family! The workers at the orange orchards are paid at the rate of 3/6 per day.

Around the town of Kirkwood Around the town of Kirkwood are a few small Municipal Locations whose inhabitants also work in the orange orchards. Each family has to build its own house at its own expense. The rental for the site is 2/6 per month and 1/are a few small Municipal Locations whose inhabitants also work in the orange orchards. Each family has to build its own house and state of the site is 2/6 per month and 1/6 longer's fee per month for every son or daughter who has attained and 1/6 longer's fee per month for every son or daughter who has attained and 1/6 longer's fee per month for every son or daughter who has attained and 1/6 longer's fee per month for every son or daughter who has attained and 1/6 longer's fee per month for every son or daughter who has attained and 1/6 longer's fee per month for every son or daughter who have the local authority sells the house is now out on \$15 \text{ mil.}\$ Ellinger who keep any livestock have to (of \$5. Kahn & Co.), who appeared

"TYPHOID OUTBREAK HITS EASTERN CAPE - FEVER HOSPITALS FULL" RE-PORTED THE DAILY PRESS RECENTLY. "ORANGE PICKERS IN SUNDAYS RIVER VALLEY CHIEF VICTIMS. SUNDAYS RIVER SAID TO BE CONTAMINATED.

LAST WEEK NEW AGE'S PORT ELIZABETH REPRESENTATIVE WENT TO THE SUNDAYS RIVER VALLEY TO INVESTIGATE THE POSITION. HERE IS THE STORY.

pay rates of 3d., 1/-, 2/- per head per month for goats, cattle and horses respectively.

Women Win Battle

of Goats

For some time the Council has been discouraging the possession of livestock, but as the people would not yield, police were sent along to seize all the livestock. On their arrival they were met by angry African women, who stood solidly to defend what represented the meagre savings of their hus-bands' hard earnings. The women won the battle of goats and, since then, the Council has constructed a dam near the Rooidraai Location to water the stock.

Ejection and

Dispossession

A number of families who have been squatters on these farms have

been served with ejection orders. These people say that the reason for this is that the farmers want to dispossess them of their stock. They have neglected the order because they have nowhere to go. If they sell their stock to the farmer, be but if for a song but allows he buys it for a song but allows them to live on the farm as labourers on his terms. If they refuse, their home, together with their stock, is the road; the road that leads to nowhere, because they know no other home; because the pass laws of the country prevent their entry into the towns.

Those who still squat on these arms are granted the privilege on condition that one son is put at the disposal of the farmer at no pay whatsoever, and in addition pay a rental of £7 to £12 per six

That is the version of 20th century serfdom in South Africa. Pointing at a man past his forties, one man feelingly said, "Here is one of the slaves who has worked for 33 years without pay."

Silver Lining

In this valley of despair, there are six A.N.C. branches which form a silver lining to a background of dark clouds. Here were people who had lost hope but when the message of the struggle for "Freedom in our Lifetime" reached them, they seized upon it with a faith that borders on religion. The fight for freedom has revitalised an otherwise broken society. It has filled them with such zeal that women have set aside every Wednesday as a day of prayer for Freedom. In their evening prayers they never omit to pray for their leaders

and National Liberation.

The Council has ejected some of the A.N.C. adherents from the Location, but the Council's action in rendering these families home-less has urged them to more intenless has urged the sive organisation.

Where there is hope there is a

BENONI TEXTILE WORKER, Mr. Abraham Moluko who was arrested during a workers' protest at the Amaton Textile Mills in Benoni some months ago was acquitted when he appeared in court last week charged with incitement under the Riotous Assemblies Act.

ASSEMBLY FOR PEACE will ASSEMBLY FOR PEACE will be held in Johannesburg on Sun-day, 14th August at 2 p.m. The call to the Assembly says: "The tremendous force of public opinion throughout the world has brought for war can and must be defeated, and atomic power put to peaceful and not warlike use. "Co-operate to Live."

The Assembly will be held at the Trades Hall, 30 Kerk Street, Johan-

SHALL NEVER SUBMIT"

MRS. SILINGA FIGHTS DEPORTATION THREAT

CAPE TOWN.

HARDLY had Mrs. Annie Silinga, African National Congress women's leader from Langa, been convicted under Section 10 of the Urban Areas Act of residing in Cape Town illegally, when the Native Commissioner ordered her deportation from the area, and she was taken into custody.



Mrs. Silinga and baby Laetitia, Eslina (back) and Amos (left) give the "Afrika" salute

for Mrs. Silinga, submitted that she had shown on the balance of pro-babilities that she had been in Cape Town since 1937 and that the Court should hold that the crown had not disproved this defence

mit and fined £3 (or 15 days) and | notorious and vicious laws, the very same afternoon a deporta-tion order was issued against her.

FOREMOST LEADER

Mrs. Silinga is one of the fore-Mrs. Silinga is one of the fore-most women fighters for freedom in Langa and a much-loved and re-spected leader of the people. A De-fiance Volunteer in 1952, Mrs. Si-linga was also a leader in the peo-ple's successful campaigns against the establishment of a beer hall at Langa and against the rent increases. Congress of the People, against Bantu Education and on all local

The deportation threat is not only a blow against Mrs. Silinga's public activities, but strikes at a very happy home. The Silingas have great plans for their eldest daughter, 13-year-old Eslina, who is now in Standard VI. and who wants one day to become a doctor. Then there is 7-year-old Amos Silinga, just started school, and baby Laetitia, not yet The deportation threat is not only four years old.

If Mrs. Silinga is sent away the children will have to grow up with-out a father, because Mathew Silinga has to stay behind to earn a living. And what will Mrs. Silinga do in Ngamakwe? Where will she stav'

"I have no home there, no land to till. I no longer have people there," she told a 'New Age' reporter. "The Government wants to divorce me from my husband and my family and to destroy what we have built up over the years. BUT OF ONE THING YOU CAN BE SURE-WHERE-VER I HAVE TO GO, WITHIN TWO MONTHS YOU'LL FIND A CONGRESS BRANCH THERE!"

No, Mrs. Silinga is not down hearted.

disproved this defence.

Giving judgment, the Native Commissioner said that he found on the merits that the Crown had established that the accused had only arrived in the Cape area in 1945, of the Cape without a per-residing in the Sagnatian which is against its

said in a special message to 'New Age.'

"But whatever the Government will do, it will not weaken me, and I urge all Africans not to be fright-ened by the Government's threats against their leaders.

"All this has shown that the people are on the right road and the Government is unjust. The people have chosen me to be their leader, and I shall never submit. I shall die fighting for my people, until we obtain us treedom." tain our freedom.

"I wish to appeal to all men and women to join their liberatory orga-nisations and especially to flock in their thousands to the African Na-tional Congress, which is the spear-head of our freedom movement. The Government's actions are only increasing and strengthening the people's will to resist."

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Sports Review

By JACKIE DORASAMY

Negro Sprinter Writes of Iron Man-And Woman

ties as an athlete make him the subject of warm and enthusiastic praise in a recent issue of 'Reynolds News.' Referring to him Reynoiss News: Reterring to him as the "Czech Iron Man," the great Negro sprinter, Macdonald Bailey, discusses another outstanding world athlete, Gordon Pirie, and the awe in which he held Zatopek.

He writes about Zatopek being Pirie's "target of so many long and arduous hours of training" and adds: "Defeat of Zatopek had for long been Pirie's Everest. The blond Czech had no more ardent admirer than Pirie. But he had no more determined challenger. admirer than Piric. But he had no more determined challenger. "Twice he finished behind the Czech in the 1952 Olympics in Helsinki. Piric had no false ideas about victory then. He knew he had not matured enough to think of defeating Zatopek.

"So he went to work to be ready for the day when he hoped to tackle him on more equal

Incredible Record

"On his own projector at home he ran off films of Zatopek in action, saw his training methods, studied his technique, and even in that great year of '53 when his that great year of '53 when tally was an incredible one of records in 31 races—two world, six British Empire, two European, six British Empire, two European, six British all-comers, six British national and 14 English native re-ecords—his summing up was still a cautious 'I have a long way to go before I can expect to beat him.'

Latopek has another record to his credit. He and his wife, Dana Zatopekova, became the first hus-band and wife to become Olympic champions together. This happened at Helsinki in 1952. Emil clocked in for the three greatest Olympic in for the three greatest Olympic trebles; the 5,000 and 10,000 metres and the marathon. Dana won the javelin throw.

She Preferred Handball

Dana also won a European jave-lin title. But Dana Zatopekova did not always like jayelin throwing.

She took to it rather reluctantly, her first love being handball. In game she captained the side ch won the national title twice. Her first venture as a javelin thrower came at the end of a P.T. instructors' course. There was only one entry for the javelin. Dana was persuaded to make it two, and emerged the winner, beating the national record holder, Sona Burianova.

By becoming a javelin thrower Dana Zatopekova not only found her real niche in sport but also met the man she was later to marry. And it is interesting to re-late that these two who won Olympic gold medals together, the first husband and wife to do so, were also born on the same day in the same month and year.

Having shocked the experts by beating the record-holder in her first competition, Dana proceeded to win the Czechoslovak title four weeks later! That was in 1946. Two years later she finished seventh in the Olympic javelin at seventi in the Olympic javelin at Wembley after scraping into the team by the skin of her teeth, the Czechosłovak qualifying standard for the trip to England being 40 metres (131ft 2\frac{1}{4} in.), Dana throwing 40.05 metres (131ft 4\frac{1}{4} in.)

Engaged in London

In London, the Games over, Emil and Dana became engaged. They were married in the follow-ing year. Then, inspired by the singleness of mind of her husband, singleness of mind of ner husband, Dana began to apply herself in training the Zatopek way, her long-term aim being the 1952 Olympics. Throughout the inter-vening years her form steadily im-proved.

Then came Olympic year, 1952, and, on a skiing holiday along with Emil, she broke her left collar bone, with the Olympic Games only four months away. Many an athlete would have thrown in the sponge. But with her left shoulder immobilised in plaster, Dana con-tinued to train on with grim de-termination. Came August and the Olympics. Emil won the 5,000 metres, the most exciting race of

South Koreans Beat the War Drums

LONDON.

Once again the South Korean military clique under Sygnam Rhee, faced with conomic ruin and the internal collapse of their tyrannical regime, are seeking a solution of their problems in military adventors abroad to the strength of their problems and the solution of their problems in military adventors abroad the strength of the stren tures abroad.

The South Korean military chiefs

of staff, in a statement issued after a secret meeting recently, threatened to take "prompt action to upset the Communist schedule for world con-quest" by marching into North Korea rather than "sit idly waiting

Korea rather than an an any and for death."

The statement expressed regret that the Far East question was not on the agenda of the Big Four in Geneva, and said they were fearful of the consequences if the Korean question was not speedily settled.

question was not speedily settled.

The chiefs of staff then set out the conditions which they insisted must be fulfilled if they were not to declare the Korean armistice The Neutral Nations Super V Commission must be d

2. The military power of South Korea must be strengthened to equal that of North Korea.

3. Economic aid for "effective re-habilitation" of Korea must be in-

creased. 4. The United Nations headquarters must be transferred from Japan to Korea; and

5. Steps must be taken to restrain Japan's "pro-Communist tendencies and instil a respect for democratic practices and beliefs."

Thus the South Korean militarists

rent their aggressive spirit not only against North Korea but also against Japan. Whom they expect to take notice of their nonsense, however, is not made clear in their

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the games, while Dana sat in the dressing room. Five minutes after her husband's win, Dana, with her very first throw, tossed the javelin the winning distance—and made an Olympic record to boot.

Misfortune Dogs Her

Last year Dana Zatopekova added the European title to her Olympic championship. But in between the two, misfortune continued to dog her career. Skylarking while bathing in a woodland pool, tossed into the water by her husband and a friend, she emerged with a broken ankle. Emil

emerged with a broken ankle. Emil carried her pick-a-back home to their bungalow. Even this added misfortune did not kill her enthusiasm. She continued to throw, even with the plaster on her leg. But the sum total is a left shoulder that func-tions none too freely and a groggy ankle that deprives her of so much

ankle that deprives not of a consistency original speed.

Day in and day out Dana trains two to two and a half hours each court of two includes 50 day. Her routine includes 50 throws at varying speeds and for rising distances, sprinting, jumprising distances, sprinting, jumping, basketball and an abundance of free gymnastics. In winter she exercises with barbells up to 44 lbs. in weight, throwing the heavy medicine ball, does rope-climbing without the use of the legs, chops wood for hours on end. Of 1936 Olympic prospects she says, modestly: "Tim hopeful."

Tournament

Now that the Natal Inter-high School soccer tournament among the Indians has successfully go under way, it is hoped that the African and Coloured Communities will show similar zeal and organise tournaments of this kind. Too little attention has been given Too little attention has been given to the development of Non-Euro-pean football nurseries, and this pean football nurseries, and this myopic attitude produced unhealthy results. An awakening will ensure a sound future for Non-European football.

ORLANDO WOMEN are urged ORLANDO WOMEN are urged to come together to discuss the effect of influx control regulations in a call issued by Mr. S. Baduza last week, in the name of the Or-lando Residents Protection Associa-

Mr. Baduza, chairman of the asmeeting for Sunday, August 14 at 9.30 a.m. where women will discuss this question. Families are experiencing great hardship as a result of the regulations and school-leav-ing boys and youths are among the hardest hit.

PRODUCTIVITY OF LABOUR in the Soviet Union was now greater than in the leading West European countries, according to the report of Premier Bulganin to the central committee of the Soviet Communist Party recently. "But we are still lagging behind the United States," he added.

Racing at Kenilworth

The following are Damon's selec-tions for the racing at Kenilworth

on Saturday.

Kenilworth Plate, 5 furlongs—
LAUGHTER. Danger, Dariál.

Kenilworth Plate, 6 furlongs—
FASHION. Danger, Apple Am-

ber.
Wynberg Plate—AMBROSIA. Dan-ger, Exile.
Stewards Handicap — REVELA-TION. Danger, Deep Purple.
Ascot Handicap—RANGPUR. Dan-

Ascot Handicap—RANDPUR. Dan-ger, Naktong. Tigerberg Plate—MURAT. Danger, Phoenix Star. Maiden Stakes—PHILHARMONIC. Danger, Puppet's Pride. Milnerton Handicap — PENSIL. Danger, Phaedra.

LAST WEEK DAMON TIP-PED SIX WINNERS AND IN TWO RACES ALSO CORRECT-LY TIPPED 1st AND 2nd PLACES.

Strauss' New Strategy

'New Age' has pleasure in presenting the first of a series of articles

on the scenes behind Parliament by COLIN JAMESON

Mr. Jameson's views do not necessarily express 'New Age' editorial policy.

THE report that the Nationalist leaders are worried about the "undignified scramble" for Senate seats is so much poppy-cock. That is precisely what they want it to be—undignified.

The more it resembles a dia-mond digger's rush, the better; the more it disgusts the country,

The Senate Act is not intended only to provide the two-thirds majority necessary to take the Coloured people off the voters' roll. It is intended as an affront to Parliament, as a way of making people feel that perhaps Parliament is not the best method of governing a country after all.

It does not mean that the Nationalists are going to abolish Parliament and set up an open dictatorship. It is a convenient facade and they will keep it on. But they are altering its structure so fundamentally, that what was once an edifice of democracy "for Whites only," is now firmly in the hands of a section of those

ONE-PARTY RITE

By measures such as the Senate Act, the Nationalists are steadily changing the constitution. Already, citizens are getting accustomed to the idea of one-party rule, as opposed to two-party govern-ment. The republic is virtually here in all but name!

here in all but name! What will that deformed creature, the 89-member Senate, do once it has voted for the repeal of the entrenched clauses? Play canasta? Their salaries alone will amount to £124,000 a year. All the faithful party hacks will have got their jobs, and South Africa's stomach will turn every time it looks at the "Upper House. Nationalists want. They want our stomachs to turn. They want our stomachs to turn. They want our storm backs in loathing on Parliament, and not care what is done to it next.

done to it next.

done to it next.

The concentration of power in fewer and fewer hands is advancing rapidly in South Africa. The switch from Malan to Strydom has seen this process taken even a stage further. Now we have the "Big Four"-Strydom, Swart, Louw and Verwoerd. And their word is law.

The United Party, meanwhile, hobbles along behind Strydom like a lame old bywoner. Mr. Strauss' statements on the Coloured vote were the signal that there is going to be no more opposition to the Nationalists on apartheid.

Those statements are important historically. They represent the United Party's formal capitulation to apartheid.

THE NEW STRATEGY

The U.P. leaders have embarked on a new strategy. Happily under the delusion that Strydom's fascism is making Nationalist supporters turn against the government, they are out now to lure these Nationalists into their our probe. The implications of own ranks. The implications of this strategy are profound. It means that there are not going to be any further attacks on the things these Nationalists hold dear, namely, apartheid, etc.

It is no accident, therefore, that the U.P. leaders have turned on Dr. Bernard Friedman with such fury and determination. Here is an opportunity to prove to the Nationalists that there is no room

in the United Party for persons like Friedman, with their "libe-ral" views. The flabby, listless U.P. has sprung to life—to burn its witch.

There are other signs. The Saamwerk branch of the U.P. in Standerton wants disfranchisement for Whites convicted under the Immorality Act; it also asks openly for the Nationaliss to hurry up and "implement their promises in regard to a partheid."

ARCH-REACTIONARY

Reports in the Press suggest that the United Party has been having difficulty in getting a suitable candidate to oppose Dr. Friedman. candidate to oppose Dr. Friedman. But there is more in this than meets the eye. Several candidates who announced that they had declined to stand against Dr. Friedman were, in fact, edged out of the picture. The position was being kept open for that archreactionary, Dr. Louis Steen-kann

kamp.

Probably, Mr. Hymie Miller
was sought by the U.P. leaders,
but what about Mr. Nathan Epel, the M.P.C. for Hillibrow? Did
be stand back of his own accord,
or was he told to stand back?
The United Party is determined
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chances are not at all rosy. The chances are not at all rosy. The U.P. machine, such as it is, is going to be moved into Hillbrow at full pressure. And at the head Dr. Steenkamp will stand preaching unity, unity, unity.

But Mr. Strauss has other worries. The Covenanters, for instance. He is keeping a wary eye on them, because he obviously suspects them of having designs on the United Party. The women's movement, too, is attracting more attention than Mr. Strauss thinks is desirable than the control of the is desirable.

These things get out of hand, These things get out of hand, of course. There is no doubt that the Torch Commando, allied to the Federal Party, is the moving spirit behind the Covenanters. And, significantly, the Women's Defence of the Constitution the Regue has exchanged friendly notes with the Covenanters.

The Covenanters and the The Covenanters and the wo-men's Defence of the Constitution League are both dissatisfied with the U.P. It appears that they in-tend joining forces as the day for the new "national convention" the new "national convention" draws nearer. Apparently, they hope to sweep through the country, firing Opposition supporters with new enthusiasm. Watch out, Mr. Strauss.

Finally, there is the alter-effect of the Congress of the People on "White" politics. The Congress has set a pattern that some politicians seem to think is worth encouraging: collaboration on certain agreed aims. Within this sphere, the various individuals and organisations will agree to any which to co-operate.

The C.O.P.-I hope I am not the C.O.P.—I hope I am not being too optimistic—thas made some politicians and others rea-lise the necessity of breaking down the apartheld barrier be-tween the Congresses and the "White p C.O.P. h

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