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Ellis Lets Cat Out Of Bag-Tries To Retract

A STATEMENT by Mineworkers' Union leader Mr. D. E. Ellis that the Confederation of Labour would seek registration as an all-White body representing more than 300,000 White workers created a sensation in the trade union movement here last week.

DISUNITY IN THE MOVEMENT"

Clash Between All-African Convention And Coloured Leaders Comes To Head

From our Political Correspondent

THE "Non-European Unity Movement" (NEUM), an organisation active mainly in Cape Town and drawing its principal support from the Coloured middle class and African and Coloured intellectuals, has, over the past weeks, been undergoing internal tur-

MOII.

A feature of the division which is a source of the greatest embar-assment to the NEUM is that the split is largely along racial lines. In the one camp stands Mr. I. Tabata and the All-African Convention. In the other is the New Era Pellowship group led by Messrs.

Hosea Jaffe and Ben Kies.

Leading members of the movement are, understandably enough, maintaining a complete silence, re-

maintaining a complete suelice, te-fusing to comment to New Age.

But the stresses are, of necessity, beginning to show. The Unity Movement publishes a small week-ly in Cape Town, called the Torch, which is controlled by the Jaffe-Kies wing.

which is controlled by the Janes-kies wing. Torch, a fortnight ago, carried fairly inconspicuously under the cross-head "False Notes" an angry blast against a leaflet issued by the All African Convention, called "Let us Rally," which reveals certain alleged Africanist tendencies. So, astorished is Torch by the

So astonished is *Torch* by the content of the leaflet that it suggests first that it may be "a hoax" and then speculates on the possi-

bility that it was not "passed for publication by the Executive". Sadly aware of the unlikelihood of these hypotheses *Torch* gets down to brass tacks. "The least that one can say is that it is the

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Largest body in the Confederation is the Trade Union Council representing 150,000 members-but they are by no means all-White.

MULTI-RACIAL CONFERENCE

A full overall view of the conference will appear in our next issue, contributed by

Brian Bunting

who is one of the participants in the meeting

CONGRESSES BACK LUTULI'S ELECTION STATEMENT

JOHANNESBURG.

THE Transval ANC, Indian Congress, SACPO. COD, and SACTU have issued a joint statement in support of Chief Lutuli's statement of policy on next year's General Elections in a special interview with New Age a fortnight ago.

The view that because the non-white people do not have the vote, the battle between the political parties has nothing to do with them should be abandoned once and for all time by every member of the Congress Movement, they say.

The General Elections do concern us! Never have our people known a tyranny as severe as the Nats have imposed on us since their accession to power in 1948. The non-white people have been dragged further and further towards enslavement.

Congress opposition to the Nats is not based on any confusion about the aims of the United Party, which the aims of the United Party, which too often has been but a pale shadow of the Nats and which has abdicated its role of a really forceful parliamentary opposition to the Nats. But the defeat of the Nats Nats. But the deteat of the Nats and a Government more yielding to pressures from within the country from the majority of the people and a Overtime of the pressures from within the country from the majority of the people to pressure from the majority of the people to press forward for the people to press forward for their rights and grant opportunities for the rapid development and maturing of the Congress struggle.

Then, in the midst of the flurry and scurry caused by Mr. Ellis' announcement that the Confederation would apply for registration as an all-White body, Mr. Ellis told New Age HE HAD SAID NO SUCH THING!

The statement in the press had been "sucked out of someone's thumb." It was, said Mr. Ellis, "sall a lot of b---," "How ean Laik of 300,000 White workers? I meant 300,000 organised labour. They (those who wrote the report) are stupid fools, but I suppose it is my duty as a Christian to pray for them."

All signs point to the fact that he has let the cat out of the bag too soon and that this is the reason he is trying to retract.

There is a Nat plan to take over the trade union movement and to swing it into full support of the Government, job reservations and all.

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Passes—Rustenburg Is Next

RUSTENBURG. The Government will shortly start attempting to issue passes for women in the Rustenburg area. At MABIESKRAAL women

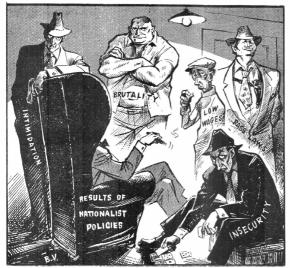
At MABIESKRAAL women warned by the Native Commissioner that passes will be issued them in January met in a large meeting to resolve never to carry passes. They undertook to organise a demonstration of protest to the Native Commissioner.

Together with this relation

sioner. Together with this rejection of passes went the demand for the return of the Chief of Masses went the demand for the return of the Chief of Masses with the leading Conscillors, for his opposition to Bantu Authorities and Government policies in general.

At BULTFONTEIN Chief Frank Mogale has instructed his women to take out pass books when the NAD team the constitution of the Together with this rejection

The Master Mind Behind The Crime Wave



FARM LABOUR SCANDAL See Centre Pages



SIDE-DOOR FOR AMBASSADORS?

When one sees the changes occurring in this world—one cannot hesitate asking questions, such as: What will happen to the South African monster, apartheid, when an African ambassador arrives from Ghana, followed as he must

from Ghana, followed as he must be, by black ambassadors from other African states? These ambassadors will bring black staff with them, and they will be treated as important and privileged people. (Strijdom and Cabinet Members) shake hands, dine with them as Mr. Louw has done unto Dr. Nkrumah during the commonwealth Conference? Will the apostle of apartheid admit the churches? Which entrances will these ambasadors use? Non-Europeans only? Where will the Group Areas Act put them?

peans only? Where will the Group Areas Act put them? It looks as though the apostles of apartheid will soon have to choose between scrapping their morbid racial prejudices or stick-ing to their superiority (smiled at by outside countries) and becom-ing an outmoded and ineffection useum state at the foot of a growing, modern continent.

New Brighton, Port Elizabeth.

IT'S MURDER!

The reservation of jobs in the industry is none other than the Government's election symbol. It has been adopted by the Nationalists for election purposes. Being frustrated by the failure of their apartheid policy, they are planning another way of decelving the white voters by reserving jobs in industries. This job reservation? It means murder of South African industry. It is meant to keep non-whites out of jobs. To bring starvation to non-white workers. And to create more oppressive laws for

to create more oppressive laws for

to create more oppressive laws for the unemployed.

Let us unite and seek the change of government as the ANC elec-tion policy has recently been ex-plained by Chief Lutuli.

Away with this government.

THIS year, as usual, New Age will be holding its Christmas dance in Cape Town.

This function is one of the highlights of the year both so-cially and financially. Many Cape Town friends, however, are out of town for this occa-

sion and many of our friends from other centres are not in Cape Town. It is to these people that our appeal is specially directed this week.

You may not be at the dance

but please remember New Age and send in a bumper donation. It is a difficult time of the year in which to collect

me year in which to collect money in the normal way— businesses are closed and peo-ple are away on holiday. But the printer's bill and other ex-penses have to be met in the usual way at the end of the month.

W. D. MADUBEDUBE Retreat, Cape.

PEN FRIENDS WANTED

I'm a Hungarian grammar-school-boy, 15 years old, and I would like to correspond with other school pupils and young people in South Africa. I collect post-cards and stamps. Please write to me

write to me,
ZSIGMOND ARPAD Pecs, Szabadsag u 52, HUNGARY.

I am 15 years old and my hobbies are stamps, photos, view cards and letters. But my aim is not only friendship and hobbies. I want to become a writer and therefore I should like to know about the life of other people. I am interested in the life of Afrian youth.

ILEANA ROBITU Str. Jules Michelet nr. 3, Raion Stalin, Bucharest, ROMANIA.

Points From Letters

RAIDS IN WESTONARIA. The RAIDS IN WESTONARIA. The so-called "maskskoon" who enjoys the liberty of collecting people in is famous green "kwela kwela" has turned over the whole location to Marshall Square. Residents are raided every day, even at the dead of night. Instead of protecting the residents, they disturb them. This Dutch boy who has no education at all is in charge of a group of African policemen who act more like Hopalong Cassidy, the cowboy of America. Afresting, to boy of America. Arresting, to them, is like getting a degree in the police university. Let the Africans free!—Westonaria Resi-dent, Johannesburg.

BOKSBURG ANC. The women o constitute the new committee the Boksburg A.N.C. branch called a meeting on October 16.
The chairlady, Mrs. S. Sekuto, addressed the meeting, Mrs. Mngomezulu acted as secretary and Mrs. mezulu acted as secretary and Mrs.
Mbatha as treasurer. Many youngsters attended the meeting. This
shows that the women, with their
sickle of the A.N.C., will soon be gleaning a prolific harvest for the Youth League. — "First Edition," Boksburg.

EDITORIAL

Bravo! The Millworkers

THE Johannesburg mill workers have inspired South Africa

and won the admiration of democrats throughout the country. Fighting against the heaviest odds, with not only hunger and

the employers to deal with, but also the anti-strike laws and the police, the mill workers have shown courage and determination.

adding another proud page to South Africa's history of labour

struggles.

It's time for an end to starvation wages. The mill workers have shown the way. But the big struggles is still ahead, under the lead of the South African Congress of Trade Unions, in alliance with the other Congresses, for a pound a day,

DISUNITY "UNITY **MOVEMENT**" IN

(Continued from page 1) strangest (quite apart from being the poorest) that has come from the AAC since it set out on the new road

"There are some new and false notes here, not only foreign to the AAC, but also to the whole basis and spirit of the Non-European Unity Movement."

BACKGROUND TO DISPUTE

What is the background to the dispute in the Unity Movement? The Movement itself is significant only in Cape Town, where it has the support of many sincere Non-European intellectuals and influence amone sections of the Non-European intellectuals and influence among sections of the Coloured middle class. It has no important working class support, and hardly exists outside of the Western Province.

It has a small-circulation weekly.

Torch, unimaginatively produced and varying little from issue to

The negative, obstructionist, purer-than-thou ultra-revolutionary group is a phenomenon which has long been well known to the liberation and socialist movements of

contribution! If the Christmas

dance comes up to expectations

we will have a good start for 1958, IT IS UP TO YOU. LET'S HAVE IT!! This Week's Donations:

This Week's Donations: Johannesburg: Mr. Angel £3, Grahamstown £1.10. Fordsburg £5. Bess £5. Ochichornive £10, Old promise £5. Rebeca £5. Issv £5. Group of Johannesburg friends in honour of November 7th £81. Total £120.10.

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Cape Town:
H.K. £10, W.S. £5, V.M. £3,
Father H. 10s., A.A. £2.2,
P.M.S.F. £10,10. M.F. £5, R.E.
10s., per M. £41, Peter McLeod
4s. L. £5, Mickey £2,10. A.H.
£5, L.B. £15, A. £25, R.M.M.
£52, Total £190,106.

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In the early days this form of measles which afflicted socialists was described by one of them as "an infantile disorder".

In the years between the two on the the two world wars the movement generally took the form of Trotskyism, based on the theory that the Soviet Union was about to collapse. The Trotskyists dedicated themselves to opposing any and every move sup-ported by Communist Parties.

TOOK OVER FROM TROTSKYISTS

When it became obvious that the When it became obvious that the soviet Union was not going to collapse, Trotskyism lost all its attraction. And in South Africa the role which had formerly been played by the Trotskyists (the played by the Trotskyists (the to the AAC) came had sometime to the AAC) came played by the NEUM, in whose ranks leading Trotskyists found a home.

If the liberatory movement decided on any course of action the Unity Movement would always

oppose that action.

In effect therefore it has aided the Nationalists.

Opposed Defiance, Opposed Congress of People

When the Congresses embarked on the Defiance Campaign which brought our country so much further along the path of freedom
—the Unity Movement sneered
and snorted and sabotaged (just as the Nats did)

When the Congresses launched the Congress of the People—the Unity Movement sneered and snorted and sabotaged (just as the Nats did).

When the Congress of the People drew up the Freedom Charter—the Unity Movement sneered and snorted and sabotaged (just as the Nats did). Unity

One of the basic reasons for this negative approach is the desire of the intellectuals to keep their hands clean from political struggle. to theorise from the comfort of armchairs, rather than be exposed to the risk involved in participation in activity.

The present conflict centres largely on the dispute between the Jaffe-led and the Tabata-led

The former control Torch and most of the Coloured following of the NEUM.

The latter control the AAC and the Sons of Young Africa (SOYA).

ALLIANCE CRACKS

The alliance first cracked about a year ago when SOYA's recretary Sastri Mda—who with his uncle, C. M. Kobus is among the few Africans associated with the Jaffe-Africans associated with the Jaffe-Kies group—was suspended by the Tabata group from the secretary-ship. The grounds of suspension were that it was alleged that he was writing in Marxist terms and thus rendering SOYA liable to attack under the Suppression Law

Mda is later said to have been suspended from SOYA altogether.

A new turn was taken at the last conference of the Teachers' League of South Africa, when General-Secretary Fataar broke with Jaffe-Kies and joined Tabata, becoming his first Coloured supporter.

porter.

Insofar as theory plays a part in the internecine strife the difference appears to boil down to this. The Tabata group wants no truck with socialist ideologies, the Jaffe-Kies group are more conscious of international issues, and think in terms of socialism. But they have no appreciation of the importance of progressive nationalism. alism

THE TIMING

The crack comes at a particu-larly interesting time. For some years *Torch's* attacks on the Copyears Torch's attacks on the Congresses have been no more than half-hearted. Except for the occasional "quisling"—and even then the invective is largely confined to SACPO only—Torch has maintained something of a truce.

On International issues it has been wholeheartedly pro-Chinese qualifiedly pro-Soviet, unqualifiedly anti-imperialist, though again Nas-ser, Nehru and Nkrumah are in-variably "quislings."

New Age has been very rarely attacked.

The treason arrests affected NEUM just as it did all other democrats. They sprang to the defence of the accused, refused to do anything that might be a stab in the back

once more. The NEUM is warm ing up its big guns to fight the old boycott fight. Chief Luthuli's elec-tion statement, the Congresses affirmation of it and New Age's stand have all been grist the the Torch's mill.

Boycott is the issue the stay at homes love to haggle over. Unity of both wings of the NEUM on the boycott issue offers the Unity the boycott issue offers the Unity Movement one hope. On the other hand if the Congresses are able to carry their own policies forward effectively they will do much to get rid of an infantile disorder which has been stunting the progressive movement's growth particularly in Cane Town Cape Town.

Roodepoort Women made to Carry Passes

ROODEPOORT.

Pass laws for women are in full force in Roodepoort—Marniburg where African women not only have to carry reference books, but also have to register with the Non-European Affairs Department if they wish to work in the area, and to report to the Department within three days of finding a job so that employment permits may be issued to them. to them.

The onus has been placed on employers to register their African women employees.

Many African women, when they find they have to go to the labour bureau, refuse to do so and give up their employment rather than be registered.

Full Confidence in Tvl. A.N.C. Leaders

JOHANNESBURG The Mzimhlope Branch (Orlando

The Mzimhlope Branch (Orlando area) of the African National Congress has issued a statement repudiating the report which appeared in "The World" to the effect that Mzimhlope is among the Congress branches which signed the petition or the suspension of the provincial committee and the calling of a special conference in the Transvaal.

efence of the accused, refused to anything that might be a stab in the back.

NOW HAVE NEW ISSUE But now there is a negative issue least of the confidence in the present least of t

Durban: Natal Indian Women's Congress £70. A.N. £1.1. George £4.4. Total £75.5. The first week's donations for The first week's donations for December month give us a good start and includes £70 from the Natal Indian Women's Congress, a wonderful Port Elizabeth: Doc £1.10, K. Friend 10s. Total £2. GRAND TOTAL—£348.5.6.



HE STILL LOOKS DISSATISFIED, SIR. SHALL I HIT HIM ON THE HEAD?

Calling all Workers!

Congresses Convene Great £1-a-day Conference

JOHANNESBURG.

IN four languages (English, Zulu, Sesotho, Xhosa) and 100,000 copies, a mass circulation leaflet calling the February 15 National Workers' Conference is being issued this week by the Congress of Trade Unions, ANC, SAIC, SACPO and COD

> Addressed to all workers: "in Addressed to all workers. In factories, mines, farms, shops, offices, houses, kitchens, warehouses, workshops, ga-rages . . whoever you are wherever you may be . the leaflet says

"You know we cannot live on the wages we are getting today. Our families are hungry, we are living in slums. We have no money for clothes, for rent, for taxes, for travelling to work."

"Yet who is making South Africa rich? Whose labour has built up the cities and farms and mines of our country?

"You know the answer-the workers. "Without us, South Africa would come to a stop tomorrow."

OBJECTIVES

The leaflet goes on to detail some of the workers' grievances: Africans are harried and thrown out of jobs are harried and thrown out of jobs p ass laws; job reservation threatens all Non-Europeans; White workers are threatened by unem-ployment and rising living costs. 'Unity' is strength!"—workers from all over the country are sending their delegates to Johannesburg for the National Waters Conference to wim a new life!" Among the con-ference objectives are:

- Higher wages and a na minimum wage of £1 a day;
- The struggle against pass laws, deportations and passes for women; Defeat job apartheid and win skilled jobs for all races.

WHAT TO DO

The leaflet gives practical ways of making the conference a success:

Get the workers together;

Elect delegates;
Collect money for their fares;
Write for their admission cards;
Send your demands and suggestions to conference

In addition to mass distribution of this leaflet, practical discussion about the February Workers' Conference occupies much of the attention of delegates to SACTU's national conference now in session in Johannesburg.

In view of the very short time available to organise so ambitious a plan it is also considered im-portant that the forthcoming con-ference should loom large in the deliberations of the African National Congress national confer-ence which meets in Johannes-burg a fortnight hence.

WORLD FEDERATION ON £1 A DAY

In the October issue of "World Trade Union Movement," a publication of the World Federation of Trade Unions, published in London, a special article appears in the £1 a day movement in South Africa. Reporting on the events of June 26 and other developments in the campaign, the journal comments that despite "immense difficulties" a "considerable campaign is being de-"considerable campaign is being de-veloped around the demand for a minimum wage of £1 a day."

HUNDRED INJ IN ZEERUST BATO

People Wished To Give Evidence — Could Not Get Through

their opposition to its policies.

The story of how on November 6, planes flew overhead and police road blocks kept tribespeople out of Zeerust and away from the sessions of the Government commission has already been told.

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The scantiest of details leaked out about the events of the following week. November 13 when police baton charges on the people took place. It has now been reported that these police attacks on the people resulted in 118, men and women, being wounded.

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New Age has seen the complete list of these 118 names. All are from Gopane.

One among the 118 told the story

"WE WERE READY TO WALK"

"After we had been turned back on the road to Zeerust on Novem-ber 6, we set out to walk the following week, on November 13. We wanted to give our evidence to the commission. We could hire no trucks or lorries because their owners were afraid. injured.

"We were prepared to walk all night

"When we were already on the road police cars appeared.

"We left the road after a while turn kno to sleep in the open near a koppie. assaulted.

POLICE AGAIN

"We walked on. Some time out of Zeerust we came upon the police again. I was at the back of the walkers. The police did not do as they had a week ago and stop the people. They charged with their batons, injuring many, men and women equally. A child on the back of its mother was hurt. "We walked on. Some time

The road is fenced in on both The road is teneed in on both sides so the people had nowhere to flee. People tried to run, to slip under the fence. Some were bleeding. Some could not rise from the ground. People were screaming. The police tried to hit

I was on a bicycle and tried to escape by saying I was going to the hospital but I was hit too. I am 65 years old. Six police assaulted me. They jumped from their car, all carrying sticks. I was hit on the shoulders and back."

Lists were then made of the 118

GIRLS BEATEN

Seriously injured in hospital is a man who protested at the beating up of young girls by strong men of the Gopane Chief, and who was in turn knocked down and severely

ZEERUST. NEWS leaks very slowly out of the Czerust reserves, where the Government is carrying on a cruel running fight with the Baffarusts because of their opposition to its nolicies. The police cars followed us for a while. We spent part of the night on the koppie. Early in the morning on the copie. Early in the morning of the Copie came to the Chief to ask of copie came to Of Trade Unions

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Because of the Trade Union's Council's weak-kneed back-pedalling in the past, Ellis is now ready to make his bid.

What is the TUC's stand today? If the TUC were to be part of a registered all-White Confederation

it would have to jetison its mixe. Unions and Coloured and Indian unions-as once the Trades and

Labour Council cast off the African unions to make way for the TUC.

No sound has come from the direction of the TUC. Will it go through with this White-workers' front, in company with all the Nat unions, or will it make a stand?

The only news was that the TUC would hold an emergency meeting to discuss this affair. Inner rumbles from some on the TUC were reported saying they "didn't want to ported saying they "didn't want to know about an all-White federa-tion."

The TUC for example, opposes

ioh anartheid. How will it reconjob apartheid. How will it reconcile its policies on tricky questions like this with those of its fellow-bodies in the Confederation who have been behind the Government all along pressing for job apartheid, colour bar unions and so on?

COLOURED MEMBERS

How do Coloured members of the TUC feel about the new alliance? Have they been consulted? Do they know what Nationalist bed-fellows they will have?

The TUC has a ticklish position to sort out.

Will it ratify its participation in the Confederation of Labour? Or think better of this and get out?

Faced with this crucial decision the TUC may at its next conference review its attitude to SACTU, its only hope of really solid workers' unity in defence of workers' rights under fire from the Government.

Apart from the TUC's problems, Mr. Ellis will have quite a week sorting out the furore he caused by his first statement, or, as he says, the one he never made.

KIMBERLEY

why their mothers had been arrested. The girls were chased away, and their followed the stone of the control of The Batho Hall, Kimberley, was packed to capacity when the local ANC called a meeting recently to protest against passes for women. Speakers from the floor and platform, including many women, were all emphatic in their condemnation

> A striking feature of the meeting was the presence of large numbers of African workers who spoke as workers and adopted a resolution to organise themselves and others into an African General Workers' Union, and affiliate to SACTU

The meeting endorsed the £1 day campaign, reaffirmed its support for the Freedom Charter, and ex-pressed its solidarity with the Col-oured people in their struggle against job reservation.



JUDAS WAS A GOOD CITIZEN

IT is implicit that people in this country participate in law enforcement by informing and appearing as witnesses.

-Edward Boyle, FBI chief in El

TIME FOR A CHANGE

NON-EUROPEANS cannot compete against Europeans. Those are our rules, "and that has been the policy in South Africa from time immemorial."

-Mr. B. C. Sims, Chairman of the S.A. Olympic and Empire Games Association, Nov. 19, 1957.

THE Western press was divided in its attitude to the declaration issued last week by the representatives of the ruling parties of twelve socialist nations on their attitude to current

Some attached great importance to what they considered to be a "new" attitude on the attainment of socialism by peaceful means; others thought that the statement itself was less important than the fact that the Yugoslavs had not signed it. Time (Dec 2) described it as a "bristling boast that Communistr still expects to conquer the world." But in many cases fact and comment were so intertwined in the reports that one was not quite sure exactly which was

I have now received the full text of the declaration and, to avoid making the same mistake, I will give you a purely factual summary, with no comment,

UNANIMITY

In the introduction the statement says that the discussions revealed unanimity on all issues and that in the drafting of the declaration the participants in the meeting consulted with representatives of the

Communist parties of the capitalist countries.

The meeting decided that "in present conditions it is desirable to hold, apart from bilateral meetings and exchanges of information, more representative

WORLD STAGE By Spectator

conferences of Communist and Workers' Parties to discuss current problems, share experiences, study each other's views and concert action in the joint struggle for their common goal of peace, democracy and Socialism."

WITHOUT BLOODSHED

Stating that the forms of transition to Socialism may vary for different countries, the declaration explains in the following terms "the determination of Communist Parties to seek to achieve the Socialist revolution by peaceful means."

revolution by peaceful means."
"This," it says, "would accord with the interests of the working class and the people as a whole as well as with the national interests of the country. "Today, in a number of



capitalist countries the work-ing class, headed by its van-guard, has the opportunity, given a united working class and popular front, or other workable forms of agreement, and political co-operation be-tween the different parties and public organisations, to unite a majority of the

a majority of the people, win State power with transfer of the basic means of production to the hands of the people.

MAJORITY IN PARLIAMENT

"Relving on the majority of the people . working class can defeat the reactionary, anti-popular forces, secure a firm majority in Parliament, transform Parliament from an instrument serving the class interests of the house of the parliament. interests of the bourgeoisic into an instrument serving the working people, launch a non-Parliamentary mass the working people, launch a non-Parliamentary mass struggle, smash the resistance of the reactionary forces and create the necessary conditions for the peaceful realisation of the Socialist revolution. . . "In the event of the ruling classes resorting to violence against the people, the possibility of non-peaceful transition to Socialism should be borne in

"HISTORY'S LESSON"

"History teaches and experience confirms that the ruling classes never relinquish power voluntarily,
"In this case the degree of bitterness and the forms
of the class struggle will depend not so much on the
proletariat as on the resistance put up by the reactionarcicles to the will of the overwhelming majority
of the people, on these circles using force at one or

or the people, on these circles using force at one or another stage of the struggle for Socialism. "The possibility of either way to Socialism depends on the concrete conditions in each country." SLUMP WARNING

The 6,000-word declaration analyses the present world situation in conditions where, it says, "world development is determined b" the course and results of the competition between two diametrically opposed social systems." While in the "imperialist countries" society is torn

by deep-seated class contradictions, "Socialism in the past 40 years has demonstrated that it is a much higher social system than capitalism."

"The world capitalist economy remains shaky and unstable," it states. "The relatively favourable economic activity still observed in a number of capitalist countries is due in large measure to the arms drive and other temporary factors.

'However, capitalist economy is bound to encounter deeper slumps and crises

While in the postwar period some sections of the working class in the more advanced capitalist coun-tries have been able to win certain wage increases thes have been able to win certain wage increases in the greater part of the capitalist world, particularly in the colonial and dependent countries, millions of working people still live in poverty.

It singles out the U.S. capitalists for special men-

tion for attempting to bring most countries of the world under their domination and to hamper the onward march of mankind."

SUBVERSION

"On the pretext of combating Communism," says the declaration, "they combating communism, says the declaration," they are angling to bring more and more countries under their dominion, instigating destruction of democratic freedoms, threatening the national independence of the developed capitalist countries, trying to entangle the liberated peoples in

countries, trying to entangle the liberated peoples in new forms of colonialism, and systematically conduct-ing subversive activities against the Socialist countries, "The policy of certain aggressive groups in the U.S. is aimed at rallying around them all the reactionary forces of the capitalist world.

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"Acting in this way, they are becoming the centre of world reaction, the sworn enemies of the people. By this policy these anti-popular, aggressive imperialist forces are courting their own ruin, digging their own graves."

The declaration claims that the victory of Socialise in the USSR and the progress in Socialist construc-tion in the People's Democracies has aroused the deep sympathy of the working people of all cour

tries.

"The ideas of Socialism are winning over millions of people, and in these conditions the misrepresentation of Socialism is being increased by capitalism in an attempt to mislead and confuse the masses of

Nine Basic Laws

FEATURE of the declaration is the formula tion of what are described as "the nine basic laws" on the problems of the attainment of and construction of socialism."

The first such "law" is working-class leadership,

at the core of which, according to the declaration, must be the Communist Party, for the attainment of a "working-class revolution in one form or another and establishing one form or another of workingclass dictatorship.

The other "laws":

- Alliance of the workers with the peasants and other sections of the working people.
- Abolition of "capitalist ownership of the basic means of production." Gradual socialist reconstruction of agriculture.
- Planned economic development aimed at building socialism and raising living standards. The carrying out of the Socialist transformation in the sphere of ideology and culture and the creation of an intelligentsia devoted to the working class, the working people and the cause of Socialism.
- The abolition of national oppression and the establishment of equality and fraternal friendship
- between the peoples. Defence of achievements of Socialism against attacks by external and internal enemies.
- Solidarity of the working class of the country in question with the working class of other countries



Yugoslav enaction highlights not the declaration highlights not the division between the Yugoslavs and the Soviet Union, but, on the contrary, the speed with which relations of send-which have been ce-

ricendship have been concentrated and told to choose between going to mented.

Some of the short years of the farms or to Leeuwkop for a go onay affirmation by Yugoslavia of complete unanimity with the Soviet Union all matters would have been quite inconceivable. The countries were at variance on a host of major sissues. Today they are so close that the west is thankful for the smallest differences. Remember, the peramble to the declaration affirmed complete unanimity on all issues. The fact that Poland finds the position to sign such a statement is taken is near Witbank and there

and individualistic one. It wants to blaze its own limself was once beaten across his trails. Perhaps Mao Tse Tung, leader of an even greater party and prouder country had Tito in mind individualistic one that week. The Socialist camp must have a head and that head is the Soviet to see a blankets. Union. Communist workers must also have a head, and that head is the Communist Party of the Soviet

GHOST SQUAD IN ACTION

The Ghost Squad at its daily work, Near the Western Native Township bus terminus plain clothes African detectives arrest passing Africans for pass offences, and when they h ve a large haul of their human victims, along comes the pick-up van to take the arrested men off to the police cells.

This photograph was taken at 4 p.m. one day st week.

N.A.D. DENIES STOPPING PENSIONS OF PASS RESISTERS

PEOPLE CALL FOR PUNISHMENT OF OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE

JOHANNESBURG.
THE Native Affairs Department denies that it withholds pensions or state services from women who refuse to take pass books, but Standerton, Barrbeton, Balfour and Amersfoort Market State of the premiser of the pass books, but Standerton, Barrbeton, Balfour and Amersfoort (as well as Putfontein—New Case October 10) tell the other

Age October 10) tell the other

JOHANNESBURG.

LICENCES REFUSED

But a butcher and grocer at Drie; form women whom their licences and when t

The NAD denial concerns Drie-fontein, near Wakkerstroom. No official has authority to make any threat to withhold these services, says the Department.

not paid and the district surgeon stopped from attending cases in the

The NAD denies that renewal of

The Department decided that pen

sions would be paid out at Berer-ton Park and not the usual place, Driefontein clinic (did the people says the Department.

Yet Driefontein residents tell the story of how they were told trading licences would not be renewed, old-age pensions and school subsidies the common of the common of the stay the coming of the pass team, had been restored

NAD UPSET

The news report about these steps

turned from Standerton brought with him a list of 4 women who have not received their old age pensions though twice they went to draw them. None of these women took out pass books.

A Congress organiser just re- ASKED BY ALL THE PEOPLE.

SPECIAL BRANCH INTIMIDATION IN O.F.S.

ANC MEN ASKED TO BECOME INFORMERS

From Billy Mokhonoana
BLOEMFONTEIN.
THE Free State Special Branch of the CID is waging a campaign of intimidation against Congress organisations and at the same time has become an out and out propaganda machine for Nationalist

They have called members of the "get out of Congress or you will ANC to their offices and those who be arrested", and was threatened by have gone there have been shown the Special Branch every time they reports in Bantu magazine and the glories of apartheid have been ex-

glories of apartneid nave ocen ex-tolled to them.

This happened to Miss M. Ngake, Treasurer, was taken to the Special provincial secretary of the ANC Branch offices and examined about good apartneid was and that the top of the ANC Branch offices and examined about this political activities. He alleges

and when she refused, was allowed

"GET OUT OF CONGRESS" Mr. W. Sebitlo, the local vice-chairman of the ANC was told to

Congress movement was leading the that he was intimidated by the detec-African people to chaos.

Miss Ngake was asked to be an informer for the Special Branch and the same and the stable would "fix him up".

The ANC Youth League has been attacked more than the parent body itself. Members have been picked up on the street by the Special Branch and told to "kom saam". When asked for what offence they were being arrested, they were usually told not to worry, that they would be released again.

Mr. S. Monnanyane of the Youth League alleges that he was taken to the headquarters at Park Road and asked to become an informer. Others allege that they had lost their jobs as a result of the Special Branch's intimidation

MUNICIPAL POLICE TOO

And the Municipal police have also joined in the reign of terror.

FARMER WOULD FETCH HIM people who are to attend are BACK AGAIN FROM HIS arrested and detained by the Muni-HOME-AND THESE WERE cipal police on some pretext. As a A relative of one of the lab-ourers on another farm, shang-PRISONER ON A BETHAL when there is a conference they

CONTIN ES Arrested for a Pass Offence and Sent T The Farms

HE CAME BACK

AN elderly man, Julius Nhata, a father of two children, lies ill in a T. hospital here. He had no complaints about his health until, a few months back, he was arrested r a pass offence and sent to the

coal in Witbank.

"They made us sleep on a cement things became unbearable he, too, floor," Julius told New Age. "The work was very hard." decided to escape. He was lucky and was picked up by a European truck driver who had gone to load

in question with the working class of other countries—that is, probletarian internationalism.

Yugoslavs Did Not Sign
THE declaration was signed by the communists permicracies in Europe, Koera, Mongolia and Viet Nam. It was not signed by the communist by the communist of the country of the Julius had worked for the Johan-

Without appearing in court they were approached by certain officials and told to choose between going to

preamble to the declaration affirmed complete manimity on all issues. The fact that Poland finds herself in a position to sign such a statement is certainly significant, the fact that Vugoslavia is not, is hardly surprising.

The Yugoslav communist leadership is a proud were assaulted regularly and Julius of the properties of the prop

Five of his co-workers escaped through a window one night. When

THE FARM ABOUR SCANDAL

When he arrived in Johannesbur

e was feeling very ill. He visited doctor and was told to go to ospital without delay since h

Julius Nbata lying ill in bed after returning from a spell of farm work.

FILLED

IT was rather like tracking down the victim of a kidnap and then finding to one's astonishment that he would rather not take the risk of escaping—even with the law on his side.

This is one of the frightening things about Bethal. Forced labour is the "normal", usual thing and has come to be expected as the way things are done in Bethal. Everywhere there is the fear of upsetting The Way Things Are—and Long Have Been in Bethal. Labourers are scared to talk. Their families are afraid

of victimisation. Men have been intimidated against going to the police, And men held illegally on the farms are afraid to leave, even when they are within their rights, in case the angry farmer should take the law into his own hands.

THERE is a farm in Bethal, much like any other farm. His relatives went there to find Madoda Nkosi, a farm labourer.

who, they believed, was being kept there illegally. Nkosi and one other man were They thought he would be eager

go with them.

But they found it a difficult task to convince him that he could leave the farm.

He rose slowly from under the trees where he sat looking after sheep and kept on saying 'I'm a prisoner, I can't leave the sheep.' At last he agreed to go but as we left with him he looked back and shouted 'hep, hep' urging the sheep not to go astray.

Madoda Nkosi, an elderly man his late fifties, had been a labour tenant on a farm in the Eastern Transvaal where he lived with his family. Labour tenants work for nine months in the year and during the three months 'out of season' are free to look for

other jobs.

Nkosi got a temporary job in the neighbouring Kinross mines. Whilst working there he was arrested and shanghaied to a farm in Bethal. After looking at his pass a policeman had told him You farm people are not allowed

to work on the mines'

taken to the private house, they believed of a police officer, and they were told that they were being contracted to a farm for six months.

When first he came to the farm, they asked Nkosi how things were, there. He would not talk. He put his finger to his mouth and indicated that they must be silent although they were out in the meadows with only the sound of the wind rustling in the trees.

"WE die here", Nkosi said after a good few miles from the farm. "We are still on his farm", he

said "No matter how far you wark you are told 'you are loafing' and you are assaulted—they don't leave before they have drawn

Nkosi says he was assaulted by one of the 'indunas' and one of his ribs was severely bruised.

Whilst he lay on the ground the 'induna' danced on his head and face with his shoes. Nkosi complains that even now he does not hear well. He was threatened: 'Old man, we will make you grow young!'

A few weeks ago the beatings were suddenly called off. The viciousness of the farmer melted away like butter. Nkosi was given the 'lighter' job of looking after sheep. "It sin't light, be corrected me, "there is no fixed time when I begin work or I knock off—that depends on the sheep". Moreover Nkosi can't count and he is in great suspense as he stands watching the tally of the sheep. A crack of the whip might announce

that some are missing. The changed attitude of the farmer was by no means due to the spirit of the 'Holy Ghost' that had descended upon him.

haaied like Nkosi had gone to FARM' HE CAN NOW SAY, have to attend,

Nkosi's wife had also taken legal steps. Over night the farmer lost his 'Chaka' sting and became as meek as a lamb. When I accompanied his people to ask Nkosi to be let off for a while he kept on saying 'I don't mind—you may have him but please don't put me into trouble'.

OUT IN THE MEADOWS WHERE THE SHEEF GRAZED IN TAILOW NEOSI PICKED UP HIS SMALL WHIP. THERE WAS A CONTAINER OF FOOD NEXT TO HIM AND HE TOOK THAT ALONG TOO. HE WAS GOING HOME — THOUGH I was to the hold to get out of the ANC. FEARFUL STILL THAT THE Whenever conferences are held.

of their employers.

WHERE THE SHEEP GRAZED ing myself, have been regularly

THESE men who change into women have nothing on Barney Desai. He got out of bed last Wednesday an Indian, went to bed Wednesday night a Coloured.

When he was an Indian it was against the law for him to move out of the Transvaal. And the penalty was jail without the option. As a Coloured he was free to travel anywhere in the Union and make his home in any of the pro-

BEFORE



This is how Mr. Desai looked when he was an Indian

voter-a second-class voter it is true, but a voter all the same.

true, but a voter all the same.
Altogether Barney has come out quite well from this genetical miracle of his, this change of race.
And who do you think he has got to thank for it? Hold your breath. No one else than SER.
GEANT JOHNSON OF THE SPECIAL BRANCH.
If that makes you undealy decleded to the service of the service pain in the neck you've got a little disappointment coming.

WE'RE heading for the last round-up of 1957 and please don't tell me it's too early to talk about it. The subject was brought up by a certain party who has been growling to me about the racket the coon-bands are beginning to cause at night, now that they're getting into the rehearsal stage. Well, that is a sign that we're heading for the "big days." I guess my friend's complaint (and I bet there are others with the same) will be one of those things that usually starts the controvery

same) will be one of those things that usually starts the controversy which crops up at this time of the year. Are the coons degrading, or not? Should they be abolished boycotted, ignored, etc. etc.

I've heard so many arguments about the matter, and I guess you have, too, that I might as well put it may remove worth.

in my penny's worth.

SPECIAL BRANCH SERGEANT AIDS IN MIRACULOUS GENETICS CHANGE

You see, I don't think that Sergeant Johnson really foresaw what was going to happen. I think it came as a surprise to him. In fact I think he thought Barney was going to land up in jail.

It began like this. Barney, who is an executive computing members.

is an executive committee member of SACPO addressed a whole lot of SACPO addressed a whole lot of meetings called to condemn De Klerk's wicked policy of job reser-vation. He was playing his part in

the national campaign for a work stoppage to show the Nats what job reservation would mean. The Special Branch went to all the meetings and wrote down what

the meetings and wrote down what Barney said.

Then Sergeant Johnson arrested Barney and took him to jail where he was held for the night without being allowed access to his

FIVE CHARGES

In the morning he was charged on four counts of incitement to strike and one count of being a prohibited immigrant in the Cape, Bail was fixed at £100 and he had to report twice a week to the police. The prosecutor asked the magistrate to forbid him from addressing gatherings but the magis-trate said that he didn't see why

trate said that he didn't see why that was necessary.

Those were quite heavy bail conditions—twice as rigorous as the ones imposed upon the Coloured treason accused—so it is clear that the Crown considered Barney's offence to be a serious

SACPO raised the hundred ounds and Barney came out of

jail. Who should pitch up a day or so later but Sergeant Johnson. The Special Branch seems to consider immigration matters to be part of its duties and Barney—in spite of the bail—was taken to the immigration barracks. There he



Portrait of a special branch man following a wrong scent.

was declared a prohibited immi-

was deciated a promotice illimi-grant, on the ground that he was an Asiatic, and he was locked up. He was given a form telling him that if he did not pay a deposit of fifty pounds and appeal within three days the deeming order would be final and unchalleng-SACPO members rushed about

a little more and raised the fifty pounds. Getting together £150 within a few days is no easy matter in Cape Town. You try it

one day.

While Barney was sitting in the detention barracks the big garment

workers' stoppage took place offi-cially sponsored by the Garment Workers' Union. No one was iailed

By the time the day came for By the time the day came for Barney's trial the prosecutor had decided that there was no charge for him to meet. Sgt. Johnson (or whoever it was that laid the complaint) seems to have been wrong in thinking there had been an offence.

Barney went on cooling his in the lock-up for two weeks his immigration appeal was heard.

The appeal board heard all the The appeal board neard all the evidence about Barney's mixed pedigree and decided that the official who had declared Barney to be an Asiatic was wrong. Barney walked out free, Coloured and

water water the consideration the twenty-six.

Sergeant Johnson sat at the table near the immigration officers throughout the appeal.

Afterwards he walked off quick-

ly down the corridor.

The criminal charge under the Immigration Act was withdrawn.

Now they threw something new at Barney.

"But," said the magistrate, "it isn't an offence to use an assumed name at a meeting." The charge was dismissed and

there didn't seem to be anything else anyone could arrest Barney

or. A SIGH SERGEANT JOHNSON, WHO HAD BEEN SITTING IN THE MAGISTRATE'S COURT, STOOD UP. HE WALKED OFF QUICKLY DOWN THE CORRIDOR.

AFTER



... And this is how He was charged in the Magis-trate's court with using the wrong name when he spoke at the public meetinos.

Mr. Desai looked after his astounding transformation into a Coloured

And this is the Article BARNEY DESAI wrote for New Age in his .

DAYS INSIDE FOURTEEN

THE Immigration Department's detention barracks is very much like a hospital— a mental hospital for dangerous lunatics. With bars and wire-meshing over the windows and doors sealed by bolts and

reinforced by outsized Union

ALLEY

because it reveals a very low standard of culture and so on, have got hold of the wrong end of the stick, I think. The big job is to raise the econo-mic level of the people, with it fheir cultural standards will go up, and the coons will die out. So there. Me and cultchah.

locks—the type grandpa used —the inhabitants feel safely shielded from the cruel outside

This utterly drab and dull build-ing near Cape Town harbour (one can hear the warning hoots of ships on a foggy night) is a place of detention for illegal immigrants,

Iim?

"Why, I just guessed."
"Well," says Gladstone, "you just guess where Plein Street is."

VICTOR Kravchenko, the Russian renegade who made a pile of dollars with his book "I Chose



 \star ALEX By LA GUMA

A LOT of people just can't get out of the darn habit of calling Africans "Jim" or "John" when those aren't even their names

LAST New Year's day I saw a coon with a picture of Herr Strijdom sewed to the seat of his

pants. That's one coon on whose side I'm on, anyway.

A friend of mine whose name is A friend of mine whose name is Gladstone was strolling in town the other day when a European character behind him called, "Say, Jim, wait a minute." Gladstone just keeps on going and this other character keeps on hey-jimming behind him. So Gladstone turns around and says: "You table to the character keeps on the strong was sometimed to be sufficient to me the suff

talking to me?

"Sure, Jim," this character says.
"Where is Plein Street?" 'How d'you know my name is Freedom" is now the owner of three mines in Peru, and recently arrived in Chile to buy four more at more or less £450,000.

at more of less £450,000.

That buzzard ought to write another book titled "I Chose Freedom To Exploit Downtrodden South American Workers.

ONE of these fine days the One of these fine days the Americans will wake up and find themselves faced with a heroine of the Soviet Union with a larger orbit than Jayne Mansfield's. non-white sailors who have missed their ships, some deserters, Indians from Natal and (rarely) Johannesburg, and an occasional stowaway, are one's companions here.

"NIE-RIANKES" SECTION

The "nie-blanke" section of the barracks consists of one cel parracks consists of one cell (fairly large), a dining room furnished with a large wooden table and two long benches, (the room is quite airy), and what must certainly a state of the consistency of the c tainly rank as a luxurious bath room and lavatory compared to S.A. jails. I hope Swart doesn't read this (I was taken aback my-

read this (I was taken aback myself) and we actually sleep on iron beds, mattresses and sheets. It's like a nightnare when I remember the helish night I speat at Caledon Square two weeks back. What a rotten night: sleeping on the hard cement floor, aking refuge from the cold under the cold white the cold around threads of wool) and forcing myself to breathe the stinking
air which reeked of stale urine and
liquor. Drunks falling over me—
it was Friday night—and to top it
all. A CONSTABLE WHO ENQUIRED IF EVERYTHING
WAS ALRIGHT!

SLEEP AND EAT

At the barracks all we do is sleep and at. I read—books are permitted and the place has a library—but, however, a few days here and one starts becoming agonizingly bored. A sailor actually slashed both his wrists to get out. Inmates haye an interesting diversion—they write on the walls. "Never trust a woman in this Cape Town, One woman in Salt River she gave me away. And she got 3 children by different men. She was jealous for me. She like young boys from 18 to 25."

An Indian sailor who missed his she belower to Market Market She was she had a she was a sleep to the she was she had a she was a she had a she

"I belongs to Madras. Lock up here 10 days. Cape Town no good."

The place is really dungeon. Please friend don't ever try to be here. I was here because my own cousin gave me up.

A West African sailor:
"Unknown friend don't ever
try and miss your ship. This country is no good."

There is a lot more on the walls

especially seamen's poetry-not printable!

printable!
Incidentally, a person who re-ports a prohibited immigrant re-ceives £10 for his valuable inforion. Many prominent people known for their pimping in respect. mation this respect.

The seamen with me thought it

quite incredible that citizens of this country become prohibited immigrants the moment they left their own province. The offence is punishable by a 3 months jail sentence without an option of a

My cell mates were a Durban Indian (21) since sentenced to one month's imprisonment, an Indian fireman (21) who missed his boat and a 48-year-old African able scannan from the Belgian Congo. The latter had already been detained for 3 weeks. (The record is 18 months).

They were pleasant folks. The

They were pleasant folks. The youngster from India was exuberyoungster from India was extuestently happy and excited since the warder told him that he would be leaving that week. The man from Congo (we couldn't communicate very well) was brooding because

the hadn't had word yet.

The most terrible thing here, of course, is not the actual detention The most terrible thing here, of course, is not the actual detention—conditions are much better than those in the Non-European jails—but the absolute uncertainty about how long one will be here. For me it is much easier, knowing that everything possible is being done to get me out. But there have been forgotten men here—men who forgotten men here—men who left to rot for ever. For them it is hard indeed. hard indeed.

in my penny's worth. The way I see it, in a nutshell, is like this: A people's cultural level can't be divorced from their economic level. One has a bearing on the other, So folks with lots of money and leisure have the opportunities of raising their cultural level, and folks who are poor don't get a chance of the control of the cont

type.

The characters who are yelling about getting rid of the coons

FRANCE LOSING GRIP ON ALGERIA

U.S. Planning To Take Over

THE French will not be able to hold on to Algeria much longer. Both inside and outside France the stage is being set for their withdrawal from their last remaining North African colony.

And actively preparing for the day when France is forced to concede independence to Algeria are the American financial and military bosses, who wish to take over in Algeria as they did in South themselves with the French venture Viet-Nam.

with the French venture ara. With the French out

of the way they can dominate the area exclusively, they hope. Strategically Algeria offers the U.S. military planners a convenient position from which to dominate Africa to the South and Europe to the north

One of the main purposes of American Vice-President Nixon's tour of North Africa earlier this year was to prepare the way for a new American-dominated war alli-ance—Meato—including all the African States bordered by the Mediterranean.

After their years of bitter struggle against French colonialism, however, it is not likely that the courageous Algerian people will lightly sell their independence for the sake of dollars.

Inside France the Algerian war before a military tribunal. The case has led to the development of a deep-seated political and economic

On the economic front there has been a wave of strikes for higher wages which the Government has been unable to meet because of the crippling cost of maintaining a half-million strong army in Algeria.

Recently more than a million public employees stopped work for 24 hours in a bild to get pay increases. The Government called out 1,000 riot squad police to ring the National Assembly when 7,000 civil servants threatened to march on the building while the Government. on the building while the Govern-ment request for nearly £100 million worth of increased taxes for Algerian war was being de

Nurses, postmen, customs officials, radio men, teachers, and men from the Ministries were amongst the demonstrators. Communist and Catholic trade unions co-operated in calling the strike of the civil servants.

The vote of the new tax bill cam shortly after the American and British arms deal with Tunisia, and British arms deal with Tunisia, and after whipping up the right-wing deputies in the Assembly into a frenzy of anti-American and British feeling the new Prime Minister, feeling, the new Prime Minister, Monsieur Gaillard, managed to get the Bill passed.

the Bill passed.

The chief significance of the Tunislan arms deal seems to be that the Americans and British feel that the end is drawing near as far as French rule in Algeria is concerned. Political developments inside France show that French politicians are coming to the same conclusion. are coming to the same conclusion.

CALL FOR DE GAULLE

On the extreme right, the Pou-jadists and other elements are call-ing for an authoritarian Government under De Gaulle

On the Left the Communists are gaining more and more support for their demand for an end to the "dirty war" and the recognition of Algeria's right to self-determination.

And Prime Minister Gaillard has lost the support of even his own centre Radical Party for his poli-

cies.

By 648 votes to 472 the Radical
Party passed a motion by M.
Mendes-France, former Premier,
favouring negotiations with Morocco
and Tunisia over Algeria, despite
the bitter opposition of M. Gaillard.
Tunisian and Moroccon leaders Tunisian and Moroccan leaders had proposed negotiations with France in order to clear up "a cause of tension not only between France and the whole of North Africa but also between France and her Nato

SHE AWAITS GUILLOTINE

SHE AWAITS CUILLOTINE
The continued perpetration of atroctices by the French authorities are the continued perpetration of atroctices and the property of the case of a 22-year old Algorian girl. Diamila Bouhired, now awaiting execution by the guillotine, has raised a national outery. Early this year she was shot and wounded by French soldiers for being out during curfew hours. She was taken of hospital, and while still on the operating table more French soldiers began to question her—by wisting her wounded arm.
For days on end she was horribly tortured, and ordered to confess to

tortured, and ordered to confess to bomb-throwing.

Finally she was brought to trial

was a judicial farce from beginning to end. The only witness against her was an insane prostitute suffering from syphilis.

She was found guilty and sen-tenced to death.

PARTNER IN CRIME

The noted French writer, Francois Mauriac, commented on the case: "We are reaching the worst stage; the law is making itself a partner in crime."

Yet for all their cruelty, the French are finding it ever more difficult to hold on in Algeria.

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THE FOREIGN EDITOR OF
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THAT THE FRENCH CAN HOLD
OUT IN ALGERIA."
And the Americane real ready.

And the Americans are already preparing their economic invasion for the time when that happens, he

As usual, U.S. interest in Algeria economic, political and strategic. Economically, the American oil companies have their eyes on the rich oil deposits in the Sahara. The French are at present unable to exploit these deposits properly because of a shortage of capital.

They insist that at least 50 per cent, of any group of companies searching for oil shall be French. For the first time the Algerian insurrection reached the oilfields earlier this month when local tribesattacked and killed seven Frenchmen there

The American big oil firms have

U.S. 'SECOND-BEST' SCIENCE RACE—Expert Warns

A TOP U.S. atomic expert said last week that Soviet scientific progress was "considerably faster than the rate of our advance" and that it was "on an extremely broad front,

The expert is Dr. Edward Teller, of the University of California Radiation Laboratory, sometimes called "the father of the hydrogen bomb." He was giving evidence at the Congressional Inquiry into the U.S. defence programme which opened in Washington.

"Our efforts have been excellent orbit had also shown that the and are improving—the only trouble Soviet Union had developed "reais the Russians are better," Dr. sonable advance guidance" in their Teller declared.

Teller declared.

He pleaded for budding scientists
to "get at least as much admiration
and incentive as a football player."

Of the sharing of atomic secrets
with allies, he said the greater danger of "a leak" had to be accepted,
but the Soviet Union could find out
scientific screets for because for

scientific secrets for herself TOO LATE

America did not go ahead to deve-lop long-range missiles till it was reasonably sure nuclear warheads could be developed, and by that

could be developed, and by that time it was too late. "We waited too long for this deci-sion," said Dr. Teller. The Soviet Sputnik launchings had great military and scientific signifi-

cance. "The Sputnik shows that they are very far along in rocket development. The Russians have to have a very powerful rocket motor to put up half a ton of material one thousand miles from the earth," Dr. Taller declared.

feller declared.

Launching of the satellites into

rocket vehicles, but not so advanced

rocket venicies, but not so advanced as would be needed for long-range ballistic missiles.

However, if the Russians had done what they said they had done he thought they would have an accurate guidance system for long-range missiles in a short time of

tively than the United States in all

aspects of the application of tech-nology to missile systems. More "comforting" was American General C. V. R. Schuyler, chief of staff at N.A.T.O. headquarters in

Paris.

He said in Oslo that S.H.A.P.E. does not believe the Russians will have operational inter-continental missiles for some years.

"This is important, because Soviet Russia is surrounded by American bases which the Strategic Air Force accurate guidance system for long-range missiles in a short time, if they did not have one now. Since the war the Soviet Union had worked faster and more effect—America," he said.

FOUR YEARS FOR PHONEY SPY

A WEST Berlin court has sentenced a man to four years imprisonment because he was not a western spy.

The accused, Heinz Stephan, a West Berliner, was found guilty on charges of swindling, because he had sold to various West German and allied espionage services "information from the east" which he made up out of his own head.

If you would rather not face the truth about the effects of atomic radiation, then don't read this account of a

VISIT TO HIROSHIMA HOSPITAL



CREEPING death still stalks Hiroshima 12 vears after the explosion of the first atom bomb.

This is the summing up of is visit to this Japanese city

fy a former Australian Senator, Mr. Bill Morrow.

"To visit the Hiroshima Hospital for Radiation is an experience that will haunt you for the rest of your days," Mr. Morrow told reporters on his return to Australia.

return to Australia.

He had spent a few months
in Japan after attending the
World Conference against A
and H-bombs in Tokyo.

Mr. Morrow, who is a member of the World Peace Council, visited Hiroshima after the
Conference, and had this story
to tell.

"In a way I am sorry I went there, so shocking are the sights and the suffering. Many of the victims are also without work or support. Their poverty is

or support. Their poverty is appalling.
"In the hospital for victims of atom bomb radio-activity are human beings in a most distressing state. Many are girls and boys who were, at the time of the explosion in 1945, a few months or more old.

They are now suffering a living death.

"Many have incurable can-cers. Others bleed from the ears, mouth and nose. Others have twisted hands and feet, others distorted faces, They are simply not like their previous shape.

"One girl was, up to last June (12 years after the bombing) apparently a healthy child, a good scholar and active at play. Then leukemia struck her down and she is awaiting death in hospital.

"It was pitiful to see the poor mothers sitting beside the beds, fanning their dying child-ren, trying in their poverty te comfort the tiny sufferers. And as the hospital was not air-con-ditioned, the heat was suffocat-

"The authorities have now recorded a total of 293,000 Hiroshima victims of radio-activity, and the number continues to increase. So parents are now living in constant dread that their apparently healthy children will become victims.

"That seems to be the future for all parents unless we suc-ceed in stopping the mad race with nuclear weapon tests."

Political observers in Berlin were certain that if he had been a genuine spy no action would have been taken against him.

against him.

Evidence was given in the course of the trial that Stephen, a former SS officer and member of the Gestapo, had sold his fairy stories to the personal office of West German Chancellor Adenauer, to the West Berlin authorities, to the spy organisation "Fighting Group Against Inhumanity" to western Against Inhumanity" to western rewspaper consequently. All his information was false, it was shown in court, and the "original documents from East Berlin"

ginal documents from Fast Berlin" which he had sold to some of his customers had been typed on his own personal typewriter.

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A significant fact, revealed by
evidence given in court, was that
most of his customers, including
West German officials, knew perfectly well that Stephan was a formost of the stephan was a formost official that they han
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The West German newamagazine
"Spiegel" disclosed on January 27th
1954 that Stephan was a swindler.

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1954 that Stephan was a swindler, but this had not prevented official and semi-official organisations in West Berlin from continuing to buy

his stories.

The main reason for bringing The main reason for bringing Stephan finally to justice appeared to be that he had supplied western organisations with lists of alleged "eastern spies" which contained the names of more than 150 perfectly respectable. West Berlin citizens against whom Stephan had some against whom Stephan had some sort of a grudge.

TEMBU CHIEF AND THE PASSES

C'HIEF Sabata Dalindyebo, Paramount Chief of the Tembus, who recently said that he was on a tour of the Union to "help his people to take out passes," its tweek told New Age that he did not mean "passes," but was really helping to get "permits to seek work" for those Tembus who did not possess them.

Following on the Chief's efforts to help his people to obtain these by New Age allege that in his efforts permits, came widespread raids by 10 help his people to get permits the police on Africans who did not have them. New Age learned that to seek work" the Chief had handed have them. New Age learned that to the authorities the names of all raids have been made all over the those who had come to him for the properties of the propert raids have been made an over the Peninsula at such places as Langa, Nyanga and Welcome Estate. Police vans also followed buses in the Camp's Bay area and took off African passengers to examine their papers.

Body Builders Against Sport Apartheid

PORT ELIZABETH.

Letters from the S.A. Amateur Letters from the S.A. Amateur Weight-Hifting and Body-Building Federation asking for confirmation of press reports that the S.A. Olympic and Empire Games Association are not prepared to admit non-White sportsmen are being ignored by the Association. The Body-Building Federation are negotiating for admission to the Olympic Games and for international recognition.

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The Body-Building Federation's application for affiliation has also been turned down by the S.A. Amateur Weight-lifting Union who informed them that no Non-Euro-peans may affiliate,

The Federation is at the moment megotiating with the Bridsh Empire and Commonwealth Games Federation for assistance in breaking down

tion for assistance in breaking down racial barriers in the field of sport so that South African weight-lifters may be represented at international games on a non-racial basis.

Czechs Lend £20m. To Egypt

LONDON.

IT has been officially stated in Cairo that Czechoslovakia has agreed to grant credit to the extent of £20 million for the building up of Egyptian in-

dustry. The Czechoslovak-Egyptian agreement is said to have been concluded during the visit to Prague in September of the Egyptian Minister of Finance, Dr. Kaissouni.

Dayrian Sunisser of Finance, Dr. Kaissouni. newspaper. Al Massa, stated that the loan would run on similar lines to the one recently granted to Egypt by the Soviet Union—repayment over 12 years at 2½% interest. Added to the Soviet loan of 700 million roubles announced recently, the Czech loan brings the total industrial credits protection of the production of the produc at the official rate of exchange.

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assistance, and that this resulted in the raids and arrests. The Chief vigorously denies this.

One woman said that people had been arrested under the very eyes of the Chief while he was address-ing a meeting. The Chief denies ing a n

this too.

Contacted again by New Age, the Chief denied that he was the cause of any police action. He said that he was still helping his people to get permits and was meeting with success. Every day he went to the offices at Langa with groups of people and the officials and police were "very sympathetic."

The Chief confirmed our previous report that he supports the Bantu

report that he supports the Bantu Authorities Act, although the Chiefs of the same tribe recently carried a message to Pretoria protesting message



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WATCH

A CAMPAIGN against the executive of the Cape Town Municipal Workers' Association has been launched by a Vigilance Committee of six workers.

In a circular entitled "Down with the bureaucrats and dictators in the Municipal Workers' Association." the vigilance committee alleges that the secretary of the association has refused to call a general meeting and defied the provisions of the constitution. No general meeting had been held since April 1956.

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OTHER COMPLAINTS

Other complaints against the executive are that the workers were executive are that the workers were let down on the question of wages and job privileges when the executive accepted a regrading scheme without consulting the members of the association; and that it caused serious injury by recommending aparthed in municipal employment to the Industrial Tribunal.

The vigilance committee's strong-est complaint concerns the execu-tive's action in disbanding the General Council of the Union. They allege that the contention of secre-tary Mr. G. Gibbs that he had been ordered to do so by the Industrial Registrar of Trade Unions, was in-correct, and that he and the executive had acted wrongly by setting themselves up as caretakers of the Association.

The circular further demands the The circular further demands the calling of a meeting of the general council immediately to expel the secretary Mr. Gibbs:, appoint a secretary Mr. Gibbs:, appoint a printing of the secretary Mr. Gibbs: appoint a printing of the secretary members in the alleged deception of the rank and file; that the executive be suspended and immediate arrangements be made for a special general members' meeting. The staff management Committee of the City of these decisions.

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New Age telephoned Mr. Gibbs' office at regular intervals for his comments but the phone just rang and rang and rang.

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NATS FEAR WHAT HE WILL TELL U.N.

Kozonguizi's Passport Refused

CAPE TOWN.

M.R. Jariretundu Kozonguizi, who was asked by the United Nations of the Herero people, was refused a passport by the Minister of Interior, Dr. Donges, last week.

An article which Mr. Kozonguizi

An article which Mr. Kozonguizi wrote for the magazine Africa South was extracted and presented as a memorandum to the United Nations by the Reverend Michael Scott, resulting in the invitation.

Mr. Kozonguizi said that he had informed the United Nations of the government's refusal to grant him a passport. The U.N. had previously asked him to acquaint them with any difficulties which might arise in connection with travel documents of the United Matton for the United nations, if I had a passport, even though they have already terminated their business for

passport, even though they have already terminated their business for this session. The Committee on South-West Africa are prepared to hear me," Mr. Kozonguizi said.
Although no reasons were given for the passport's refusal, Mr. Kozonguizi said that he had had a feelingth.

ROZONGUIZI sain that he had nad a feeling that he would not be granted a passport. He had told the Special Branch when they questioned him that he was going to visit the U.N. for "political reasons".

Mr. Kozonguizi is a law student at the University of Cape Town and the first non-white in South-West Africa to obtain a B.A.



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