

JOHANNESBURG.

Six exiled men from Sekhukhune and some of the accused in the mass murder

trial at Lydenburg have been rushed to Pretoria for urgent talks on the future of Sekhukhune.

Among those brought out of exile was the Paramot Chief Moramoche, who had been deported to the Transkei.

At the time of going to press a huge public meeting in the Reserve was to be permitted by the authorities to enable the six to meet and consult with their people.

The central issue is the Government offer to permit the exiles to return to Sekhukhune and the terms on which this could be brought about.

The talks have been top level and highly secret.

IN ISOLATION

The Sekhukhune tribesmen were kept virtually prisoners in a Vlakfontein (Pretoria) house normally used for visiting Chiefs. They were not permitted to meet their tribesmen or leave the house, and NAD officials went to Vlakfontein to hold discussions with them there. The negotiations appeared to be in the hands of the Pietersburg Chief Native Commissioner, Mr. Bosman, and a senior official of the Native Affairs Department, Dr. Borman.

It is evident that the Government has struck a very sticky patch in trying to cope with Sekhukhune's popular movement for the return of her exiled Chief and others, and against Bantu Authorities.

What little news does filter out of Sekhukhune tells of the complete collapse of tribal administration since the deportations and the trouble in the Reserve.

NO CONFIDENCE

The pro-government stooge chiefs never had the confidence of the people and have now earned their embittered hatred. Even the N.A.D. must see that these men can never function as tribal rulers, even if propped up by the Bantu Authorities and the might of officialdom.

The huge mass trial of 199 on charges of murder is expected to drag on until next year at least and the general state of emergency proclaimed in the reserve and the uncertainty arising from the trial serve only to heighten the tension in Sekhukhune.

Removing the so-called "autocrat" has not helped the Government and the talks are probably a strong sign that the NAD recognizes that order will be restored only when the tribe has its Chief and his main supporters back.

If the return of the exiles is a possible outcome of these mysterious talks in Vlakfontein the N.A.D. must be feeling its way cautiously. It must try to save face above the tribe and is therefore seeking some formula of "co-operation" for the six to agree to.

A RISK

If Moramoche and the other five endorse a blanket deal of "co-operation" and pledge support for the measures (like Bantu Authorities) which the tribe so unthinkingly opposes, they run the risk not only of losing the support they have among their people, but also of spreading disunity among the tribe. Not that the Government is likely to be so crude in these negotiations. It is possible that it will

not ask the six to sign any definite set of proposals but merely to agree to work with the Government.

That decision lies not with the six but with the tribe as a whole, which has shown in several dramatic ways during the last few years that it opposes Government measures like the Bantu Authorities Act and Bantu education.

Can the six men in Vlakfontein see on this climb-down of the Government without at the same time betraying the trust their people place in them?

THE NEW PRIME MINISTER



After 2 1/2 hours of frantic caucus activity on Tuesday, Dr. Verwoerd was elected leader of the Nationalist Party on Tuesday and so ousted Swart and Danges to become the Union's 6th Prime Minister.

New Age will publish a profile of Dr. Verwoerd next week.

(See "Nat Unity Strained by Leadership Crisis" on page 8.)

Meetings Ban Lifted

Was it Ever Legal?

JOHANNESBURG.

Dr. Verwoerd's ban on African meetings—clamped down to cope with a so-called election week emergency and enforced in all for 41 months—was lifted at last on Friday of last week, and on the very day that it was argued in the Pretoria Supreme Court that the proclamation enforcing the ban was unlawful.

In February meetings in Alexandra Township were prohibited by the same proclamation later used to extend the ban over urban areas throughout the country. The Rev. A. A. Tansi and four other leaders of the township in protest against the taking over of Alexandra by the Peri-Urban Areas Health Board held a public meeting despite the ban, were arrested and convicted (Continued on page 5)



Across the apartheid barrier at the D. F. Malan Airport, Treason Trial Defence Fund representatives Senator L. Rubin, Dr. O. Wollheim and Mr. R. Segal greet Kwela King Spokes Mashiyane when he arrived to give two concerts for the Fund in Cape Town last week-end. (See story on page 6.)

Nation-Wide Petition Against Higher Taxes

JOHANNESBURG.

A NATION-WIDE, multi-racial petition against the increase in the poll tax and the extension of tax collections to African women is to be launched.

The petition is to be presented to the Speaker and members of the House of Assembly, and every corner of the country will be combed for signatures.

The petition is being launched with the support of the Congress movement (the African National Congress and its four allied bodies: The Congress of Trade Unions, the S.A. Indian Congress, the Congress of Democrats and the S.A. Coloured Peoples' Organisation); the Liberal Party and the Labour Party.

BASIC PRINCIPLE

The petition will state that the poll tax increases violate the constitutional principle that there should be no taxation without representation. This principle is not affected by the limited and totally inadequate representation which

Africans have in the Assembly and Senate.

THE TAX INCREASE IMPOSES AN INTOLERABLE BURDEN ON THE UNDER-PRIVILEGED SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY LIVING BELOW THE BREADLINE.

It is based on the dangerous principle of taxing persons on grounds of race only, whereas taxation should be evenly distributed and based on the ability of the individual to pay.

The petition will call for the withdrawal of the proposed increases in direct taxation of Africans.

ANC LEAFLET

A leaflet "TAXES ARE UP" was issued last week for national distribution by the African National Congress.

"We are taxed whether we are working or jobless, sickly or strong, or the father of a large family," says the leaflet. "It does not matter what you earn, how poor you are, how little you have for rent, transport, food, clothing, education, medicine . . . even if you have nothing you must still pay that tax."

ONLY AFRICANS are taxed regardless of income, no matter how small their earnings . . .

"IT IS TIME FOR WAGES TO GO UP!"

"Two out of three families in the towns cannot keep starvation from the door on the wages they earn."

"Rents have gone up. Train and bus fares have gone up. The prices of food, especially bread, mealie meal and rice, have gone up."

"Only wages are not going up, and in some industries there have been no increases for 10 years and longer."

"Taxes are going up. Wages are standing still. Services and benefits are being cut. This is the way of the Nationalist Government."

"This is apartheid at work. Unite and organise against it."

"THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS demands:

1. WAGES MUST GO UP. No man or woman should earn less than £1 a day.
2. NO TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION. Votes for all.
3. WOMEN DON'T WANT PASSES."

NEW AGE LETTER BOX

Kick Africanists Out of Congress

It is very disturbing to see the tactics used by the Africanists in their attempts to use Congress for their own purposes.

They say that they abide by the Freedom Charter but all the time they support the traders and do nothing to educate the people on the dangers of accepting the Bantu Authorities Act.

They have shown themselves in their true colours at the time of the struggle against Bantu Education and in fact whenever Congress has been engaged on active campaigns.

There may be genuine administrative grievances but they are being exploited by the Africanists. There is an urgent need for an enquiry which will expose and eliminate Africanist elements.

G. MAHLASELA
Ncora, Transkei.

"If I Die"

There were 2,500 people at the funeral, in Brakpan, of 16-year-old Jacobeth Kulela Lebelone who died in a tragic accident.

A member of the Brakpan Cultural Club which came into existence as the result of the boycott of Bantu Education, Jacobeth had addressed her club many times shortly before her death, saying:

"If I should die one day and get to God's heaven, I would ask God to look below in South Africa and see how we black people are made to suffer."

J. J. HADEBE,
Johannesburg.

Arrested in Bus Queue

It is disgraceful that the Africans should be subject to so many insults and inconveniences.

The bus company has introduced a new system of collecting fares from passengers in the bus queue. Whilst I was waiting for the bus recently I observed a young man appeared and some passengers were arrested for poll tax. I thought that their fares should be reimbursed but this did not happen and thus they lost their money besides having to pay a fine. So the Government is making money out of us and we are

bound in chains and misery.

Fellow Africans, now is the time for us to stand together. Let us show them that we have had enough of it and can be no longer. Let us display our solidarity. Away with slavery! Forward to Freedom!

DON NGENSILE NANGO
Port Elizabeth.

P.E. Firms Employ Convict Labour

In response to Mr. C. Kerntan's letter to New Age re convict labour, I am not only reporting to SACTU, but also to New Age whenever I see a firm employing convicts.

Wherever possible I shall refuse to buy the products of any firm that employs convict labour, and I urge my fellow workers to do the same.

The other day I saw a group of people sitting outside a firm and when I asked them what they were doing they replied: "ons seek werk."

But they did not get work, yet the firm's yard was filled with convict loading timber under the supervision of an armed guard.

Down with slavery! Forward to Freedom!

WORKER
Port Elizabeth.

Correction

The article that I submitted to New Age, which was published on page 8 of August 28 issue, under the heading of "ANC and SACTU Plan Joint Campaign in East Cape" has caused some misunderstanding, for which I admit partial responsibility.

The New Brighton branch of ANC dissociates itself from the conference of August 23 and is in no way responsible for any of the decisions taken. Due to certain irregularities, the decisions taken at the conference are being revised.

On behalf of the SACTU Local Committee, I apologise for any misunderstanding arising out of the conference, and wish to make it quite clear that the ANC branch is in no way responsible.

Any errors committed were due to the hastiness of certain individuals, which include myself.

M. J. FLETCHER
Port Elizabeth.

SOMETHING NEW TO DO

THIS week we want to suggest something new for all our readers to do to help raise funds for us and also to get our sales up to the mark which it is quite possible to reach if everybody participates.

We want to suggest that whoever reads our paper, in any part of this country, should gather round him a few other friends to form a New Age committee. Having got the committee together, you must see that they meet regularly to discuss not only the news in the paper but also ways and means whereby you can raise the circulation of New Age in your particular area—whether it be in a big town like Johannesburg or in a small location in a country dorm.

But the main function of these committees should be to work out ways and means of raising money for your news-

paper. And remember we need and appreciate the pennies and ticsies coming in from the tiny out-of-the-way locations just as much as the pounds which we get from the big cities.

But don't forget that you must send your regular donations now!

LAST WEEK'S DONATIONS

Cape Town: Gert £1, G.G. £2, Docley 10s, Botcher £1.1s, Rex £1.1s, 10s, A.F. 9s, Sister £1.10, Anonymous 10s.

Port Elizabeth: Contest £21.11.7, Makheyi £2.

Johannesburg: Part Collections £350, Pretoria Friend £3, Anon. 10s, Isaac £2, Lion £25.

TOTAL—£411 10s. 7d.

Meetings Ban Doesn't Apply in Jail

As I was going to work I was arrested by P.E.'s "Little Verwoerd" whom we African call "Sotewu" (Father of Kope). My crime was that I had not paid my poll tax.

I slept the night in a cell with twenty other fellow victims. More, although meetings of more than ten Africans are banned in Port Elizabeth, we had a good political discussion in the cell. Many of the victims were country boys and for the first time they heard of the liberation movement.

The next morning when I was to appear in court, "Sotewu" noticed my ANC badge, and he was furious. He told me to take it off, otherwise I would be charged, but I refused to take it off, as I was to appear in court.

More of us P.E. Congressists must spend nights in jail. When we are all together like that, a Congress message is easy to spread.

Yours in the struggle,
H. L. SINANA
Port Elizabeth.

No Time to Eat

The new location, Daveyton, is about 9½ miles from Benoni, but the train fare is 7/3 per week to the industrial sites and the service is so bad that if a person misses the six o'clock train he is liable to be late for work. If we are not as regular as a ticking clock there is trouble on pay day. We gulp down our food at night.

We cannot afford to pay rents of more than £3 each month. All things are going up but our wages are going down, and now we are going to pay a heavy sum of money for poll tax.

Africa for the Africans please.

MOHLOUQA RAMAKATANE
Benoni.

The Day Strijdom Died

FOUR cauldrons, pots the size of kettledrums, stood on a sheet of corrugated iron, ashes of wood under them, with 110 pounds of rice and 140 pounds of mutton covered with white paper to keep the steam in. Three sheep. And curry, briani, and rice were put on to dishes, placed on wooden trays and carried into rooms around the yard in the pa'sages. The friends of Rani the tailor, over 300 with wives and children, were together for the end of 40 days of mourning, and the feast that was the Malay custom.

The Imam had led and the men fed, had sung Rani into the blessing, his wife chanted, and round tears rolled through eyes brimful, cheeks rounded and face full of welcome. Six little girls on benches looked at each other and away. The littlest one—three—started to cry. The next one—five—took her on to her lap, gave her a piece of wood to chew, and rocked her quiet.

Rani had died in East London. On a football spree. He did not play. He followed the game. His last word was a smile. His resting place 600 miles away from his home, on the lower slopes of Devil's Peak, Cape Town. He had made suits for Ron who had had his home in his house. When we had all three had two and even times of currr. Ron, Sylvia and I.

EDITORIAL

FIGHT APARTHEID WITH RACIAL UNITY

THE decision of the Administrator of the Cape to enforce apartheid at the Queen's Park swimming baths in Woodstock is to be deplored. As in the case of train and bus apartheid, it represents an enforced imposition of a legal colour bar on a community which has got on very well without it.

We don't want to pretend that there was no colour bar in Cape Town before the Nats came to power. There was, and still is, plenty of colour discrimination, inequality and downright oppression in Cape Town the blame for which can be laid at the door of the City Council.

However, there were certain spheres where people of different races had been accustomed to mix freely and without friction, such as the buses, the suburban trains, all municipal halls etc. Non-Europeans and Europeans live side by side in many areas. We have Coloured traffic cops. Non-Europeans sit on the City Council itself, and enjoy the municipal franchise. In consequence, there has always been less racial friction in Cape Town than in any other centre in the Union.

In fact, for all its faults, Cape Town proves, what the Nats deny, that the more people mix together, the better they understand each other and the less friction there is between them. And that is precisely why the Nats have laid their dirty hands on Cape Town and decided to call a halt to non-segregation, where it has existed. Now we have apartheid in the buses and the trains, apartheid notices on our swimming baths, Group Areas Act proclamations, job reservation and the threat to the municipal franchise.

The end result will be that Cape Town will be brought into line with the rest of the country. The gulf between Black and Brown, on the one hand, and White on the other, will be complete. And suspicion, resentment and hatred between the races will be the order of the day.

The Nats hope, by means of enforced segregation, to maintain White supremacy, and they are perfectly willing to pay the price in increased race prejudice. Their opponents, however, must avoid taking the easy way out, which is to meet hatred with hatred. If the lesson of Cape Town is to be properly learned, all anti-Nationalists, Black as well as White, must strengthen the bonds between them which have been forged in the common struggle against apartheid and tyranny.

The only answer to the disunity and division which flow from the doctrine of white supremacy is the mutual trust and confidence based on the fight for equal rights for all.

Sylvia now looked a pale beauty herself. Dark hair taken down from the middle into a pink light scarf. Ron and she had been a comfort to Hadija.

After tea, bread and honey, bread and tomato, at Hadija's we'd heard of the Prime Minister's death over the air. "Do you think there is any law against it?" she'd asked as we drove from her cottage up one slope to Rani's down another. "No I don't think so." I don't think they've gone

that far yet. But we'll see. Be interesting. I don't think that they've gone that far yet."

In the street as we stopped, the men in fez were overflowing, and the rising and falling of the standing chair was rhythm with peace. Rani was being feasted in the fullness of 40 days. Strijdom had left today. And Sylvia hoped that our presence was not against the law.

ABRAHAM BELL.

Chief's Tyranny Angered People of Zeerust

JOHANNESBURG

The tyrannical attitude of the local chief had aggravated the widespread resentment of the people of Zeerust against the issuing of passes to women, said Mr. Justice Bresler when he gave judgment at the Circuit Court in Rustenburg in Zeerust last year.

Five people were found guilty of public violence and sentenced to six months imprisonment. Fifteen others were acquitted. In all cases the accused had been in custody

since the mass arrests in Zeerust in December last year.

The judge said there was widespread resentment in Zeerust against the issue of passes to women. The atmosphere was so tense that people didn't go out to plough.

Evidence was given that pro-government chiefs prohibited the movement of people and organized bands of "hitters" who assaulted people, especially those who come from Johannesburg.

An appeal has been noted in respect of those who have been convicted.

University Strike To Halt Apartheid Bill?

CAPE TOWN. — I FULLY support the moves to call a nation-wide strike of students and university staff against apartheid at our universities," said Mr. Harry Rajkissour, a member of the S.R.C. of the University of Cape Town, in an interview with New Age on the Extension of University Education Bill now being piloted through Parliament.

Mr. Rajkissour speaking in his personal capacity, said that he was convinced that the majority of students would stand whole-heartedly behind the protest strike. Although there was much confusion amongst University Movement students at Cape Town University, he was sure that on this occasion they too would strike.

Mr. Ali Fataar, general secretary of the Teachers' League of South Africa, said that he felt that the new colleges envisaged under the Bill should be boycotted. Lecturers from overseas as well as those locally should refuse to work in the "bush colleges."

Commenting on the proposal for a strike he said "I would not support the strike nor would I work against it. We stand for complete

non-segregation not only academic non-segregation. At present non-white students at the open universities are not allowed to participate fully in the life of the universities. The Academic Freedom Council who would probably be the one to call the strike would limit their protest to the Bill and would not fight for complete equality on the campus.

Mr. Ben Kiss, Unity Movement leader said: "I am not making any statement to New Age. I am not interested in appearing in the company of the crowd of collaborators you usually quote in your paper."

Dr. R. E. van der Ross, Editor of the journal of the Teachers' Educational and Professional Association, told New Age that it was too early at this stage to say what attitude one should adopt with regard to the new colleges that will be established for non-White students.

He said that if the university staff and students decided to strike for a lengthy period he would fully support the move, but was against a one-day token strike. "The action should be designed to get the authorities to repeal any act they pass in connection with excluding non-White students from the open universities," said Dr. van der Ross.

New Age understands that the form and nature of the proposed action against the new Bill will be decided upon in two weeks time.

CONGRESS STATEMENT

The African National Congress Youth League and the South African Indian Youth Congress unequivocally condemn and totally reject the majority report of the Separate University Education Bill Commission, tabled in parliament recently.

"It is regrettable," says their statement, "that the Commission did not follow the weight of evidence presented to it by leading figures in education in the Union, and rather seemed to have relied on the policy of the Nationalist Party in framing their findings."

"The Bill has ignored the views of academic and university communities throughout the world, and has violated all the generally accepted principles of higher education. It is an evil measure with which there can be no compromise."

E-German Talks Inevitable, says Social-Democrat Paper

SOONER or later West German official circles will have to negotiate with the representatives of the German Democratic Republic in the interests of both parts of Germany, the West German magazine "Der Sozialdemokrat," official organ of the Social Democratic Party in Hesse stated in its August issue.

The article is particularly notable since hitherto the official Social Democratic attitude has been opposed to negotiations with the Government of Democratic Germany.

Here is the main point in the article in "Der Sozialdemokrat":

BRIDGE

"Whatever one may feel about the German Democratic Republic and its leadership, it is becoming necessary to get used to the idea that it will be necessary tomorrow to negotiate with the representatives of this state... in the interests of the people who live in the two German states, and in order to lay the foundations for the bridge which must be built between the two states."



Our picture shows Miss New Age with some of her fans after she had been crowned at the Modern Hall, Port Elizabeth. A reception is being arranged to take place at the War Memorial, New Brighton.

Treason Trial: One Charge Quashed, Crown Ordered to Provide Further Particulars on the Others

PIROW GETS ANOTHER CHANCE TO DRAFT VALID INDICTMENT

SEPTEMBER 29 will mark the end of the second month since the opening of the "treason" trial—and the twenty-second month since the dawn "treason" arrests in December 1956. But when the court commences its adjourned sitting on that day the trial proper will not yet have begun.

The reason for this is that Mr. Oswald Pirow Q.C. and his team of advocates have still failed to produce an indictment which tells the accused in a proper manner what crime they are alleged to have committed.

And it is almost certain that when the case does resume again there will be yet another long legal argument before the stage is reached where evidence will be led.

ALTERNATIVE CHARGE QUASHED

The court has quashed one of the charges against the accused—that which alleged that they had "advocated, advised, defended or encouraged" the achievement of any of the objects of communism. As we reported last week, the Crown had argued that a person could be charged with advocating communism even if it could not be proved that he had actually advocated it to someone. Although the full judgment is still not available it seems clear from the fact that this charge was quashed that the judges rejected this Crown argument.

But the far wider charge under the Suppression Act remains—that which alleges that the accused performed acts calculated to further any of the objects of communism.

Asked by the defence precisely which of the acts alleged against the accused were relied upon, the Crown had replied in argument that though none of the hundreds of speeches and documents alleged to have been published by the accused constituted a furtherance of the objects of communism.

On this point the judges declared: "The Crown must indicate whether, where it said 'all acts taken together... it referred to the total-

ity of the acts of an individual accused or the totality of acts of all the accused."

MAIN CHARGE

While refusing to quash the treason charge itself—the main charge—the court ordered the prosecution to give the defence a large number of the particulars previously asked for by them and refused by the Crown.

Among the most important of these is the requirement that: "The Crown must supply particulars to each accused to indicate from which documents, speeches and resolutions... the existence of the conspiracy is sought to be inferred and the adherence by each accused to the conspiracy is sought to be inferred."

On the alternative charge "The Crown must give full information of the doctrine or doctrines set out in the Suppression of Communism Act on which it relies."

Justice Rumpf said that if the Crown refused to provide the particulars, the defence could, of course, renew its application.

Mr. Mairns, Q.C., for the defence told the court that he would require a full two-weeks notice of the particulars to be provided by Mr. Pi-

row so that they could be fully considered and argument prepared when the court resumed. The court ordered that the particulars be provided by September 15.

The judgment also stated that if during the course of the trial it transpired that the accused might suffer prejudice as a result of a joint trial the possibility of a separation of trials was not excluded.

Then Mac Will be Thorry

THE important thing about the American moon rocket is not that it didn't get to the moon, but that it exploded 50 near the earth.

For the racket which exploded is the Thor. This is the missile which, with H-bomb warheads, is due to be sent to Britain before the end of this year.

Nineteen Thor rockets have now been test-fired. Nine have failed.

Suppose instead of a small satellite the Thor had been carrying an H-bomb warhead. Can anyone guarantee that the explosion would not have set off the H-bomb?

Un-American Panda In Berlin

Chi-Chi, the famous un-American panda, is at present showing off her tricks in the new East Berlin zoo.

The panda, one of the only four in captivity, was purchased in China by a German animal importer acting on instructions from the Chicago Zoo. After bringing the panda to Germany, the importer discovered that the animal could not be sent on to Chicago, because of the embargo on imports from the Chinese People's Republic. John Foster Dulles is tackling the weighty problem of deciding whether Chi-Chi is a threat to the security of the United States.

Nigerian Trade

Statistics furnished by the Nigerian government show that trade and cultural ties between India and Nigeria are increasing. In the first four months of this year imports from India into Nigeria increased by nearly \$1 million, and the Indian government has offered five scholarships to Nigerians to study in Indian universities.

Unemployed

Almost 100,000 Lancashire cotton workers—over one-third of the industry's labour force—are now laid off.

They Plan to Melt the North Pole

Science and engineering have already reached a level which makes it possible to change the earth's climate—to melt the ice at the North Pole, for instance, and have subtropical plants growing in Siberia and Alaska.

Among the plans for transforming the world's climate is one worked out by engineer Pyotr Borisov, who recently gave a lecture on it to a Moscow audience at the Polytechnical Institute.

"Many years of research and calculations," he said, "show that already in the very near future mankind will be able to make the northern parts of the globe considerably warmer."

"A dam must be built to block the Bering Straits. This dam, stretching for over 70 kilometers (about 43 miles) from Chukotka to Alaska, will stop the cold currents of the Pacific from flowing into the Arctic sea. This will lower the level of the waters in the Arctic Ocean and accelerate the flow of the warm Gulf Stream currents into this area."

"Like the pipes of a hot water system, the waters of Gulf Stream will warm Siberia and Alaska and melt the ice in the Arctic."

Borisov claimed that if this were done, the average annual temperature at the North Pole would go up by nearly 60 degrees Fahrenheit and said that on the Novosibirsk Islands it would reach 41 degrees Fahrenheit.

This would make it possible, he said, to transplant animals and kinds of tundra into rich pasture land and fertile fields. The big rivers of Siberia, Alaska and Canada would become navigable all the year round.

Engineer Borisov devoted a considerable part of his lecture to the technical details involved in carrying out his plan. He maintained that the project would be quite feasible if the interested states were taken care for it at least part of the resources now being spent for the "cold war."

"It is not need the 'cold war,'" he said. "We must have a war against the cold which is hindering the development of the productive forces of vast areas of our planet."

The Days of Police Raids are Back Again, But

CRIME MARCHES ON IN ALEXANDRIA

From Tennyson Makiwane

SOMETHING has hit Alexandria Township, like the "Asiatic flu," and disturbed the lives of many residents. Some call it the "perubin" or the "lubin" and these have become new household words.

It is enough to shout out "there it goes" and a big commotion starts. Some young men jump over fences and take shelter in the back yards whilst the women who brew beer hastily shove their tins into hiding places.

The days of the vicious "pick-up van" raids are back again. The new authority of the township, the Porturban Areas Health Board, has returned on the heels. A police van and the Health Board's newly recruited police force conduct relentless raids for passes, permits and beer. Many scores of people are arrested each day.

"We are determined to clean up the township," says the Health Board. It claims that the raids are aimed at eliminating vagrancy and lawlessness.

KEEN STARTERS

The new police squad in khaki trousers, khaki shirts and black ties in a fresh and enthusiastic, I saw them in action the other day. The van came down the street at full speed and jerked to a sudden stop outside a yard. Out dashed the police recruits and one of them in his haste tripped and landed on his face. This brought applause from the on-lookers and the police under the lash of the tongue of a young woman standing by.

"What are you all up to, you fellows—kicking the ground so early in the morning?"

Meanwhile the youths they were chasing had disappeared into the neighbouring yards.

I also saw something which made the claims of the Health Board look absurd. Hardly five minutes after the pick-up van had gone by some youths came out of their hiding places and continued with their game of dice.

Crime in the township marches on. Things will go from bad to worse if the Health Board continues with this type of "cleaning-up."

NEW RUBBISH TINS

True, the introduction of the new Health Board which replaced the former Alexandria Health Committee was heralded by such good actions as the ditching out of new, shiny rubbish bins for the old ones. Some potholes in the dusty roads have been filled in.

On the other hand the new authority has conducted itself in a manner that has roused the worst fears of the residents. People are afraid that Alexandria Township might share the fate of Sophiatown and be removed.

The right to build new houses has been seriously curbed. Originally permitted a building space of 33% on their plots, the landowners are now restricted to 30% and next year this is to be reduced to 28%. In practice this means that landlords who were able to erect dwelling houses for their own use as well as rooms for tenants on the same plot, will now be permitted to build their dwelling houses only.

With big bonds to pay off, the landlords are only kept going on

the rent paid by their tenants. No new business licences are being issued by the Health Board.

NO REPRESENTATION

Perhaps the greatest blow to the residents is the fact that under the new authorities they have no representation whatsoever, as they had on the old Health Committee. Coupled with this is the ban of meetings of more than ten Africans in Alexandria Township. The people are voiceless.

It appears that the scheme of the Health Board is to grant permits only to a limited number of residents and then squeeze out the rest by intensified raids for permits and arrests.

When the permits were first issued by the new authority, only those who had resided in the township before 1951 and had rent receipts to prove it, were eligible. The introduction of this people, however, was aroused to such an extent that the authorities retracted this requirement and more people were

issued with permits.

Even before the issuing of permits was completed, however, a new police force was in the making. And every morning they drilled on an open square opposite the offices of the Health Board, giving an ominous pointer to the shape of things to come.

HIDE AND SEEK

It is clear that the Health Board will fail to get the co-operation of the people as long as it plays a game of hide and seek with pass defectors.

Raids and arrests will never stop vagrancy. Only jobs will and Alexandria job-seekers are still debarraged from finding work in Johannesburg.

But if the Board were to settle down to the urgent job of eradicating crime and bringing in desperately needed social services like street lighting, the people would cooperate. The "peruban" would then be regarded with respect and not like a monster as is the case at the moment.

NEW BAAS

Le roi cest mort! The king of apartheid is dead, and it looks as if the country will be saddled with the high-prist himself. I never had any bets on who was going to take over, but if Herr Doktor Verwoerd gets the driver's seat a lot of people are expecting fireworks. Others don't give a darn who's boss.

An old Indian merchant told me: "I've been in South Africa since 1916 and four Prime Ministers have died since then. None of them did any good."

An African in the street, when he heard of Strijdom's death, said to me: "Swart or Verwoerd or Donga, how can we have a preference for any of them?"

Six of one and half-a-dozen of the other.

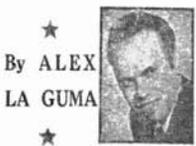
Anyway, with Verwoerd as Prime Minister the African women will have the right man to march on the next time they decide to advance on the Union Buildings.

But I guess Herr Doktor won't be around either when they get there.

LET'S ALL SEE IT

I didn't get a chance to visit the

Spring Festival, but I saw the Family of Man Exhibition in book form. Apart from the beautiful photography, it is something everybody should get a chance to see. And that goes double for the followers of apartheid. 280 photographers from 68 countries contributed their works and man, it's an eye-opener. The life of man, irrespective of his colour, whether he lives in Moscow or the deep South of the U.S.A., a village in India or an igloo in the Arctic, it's the



By ALEX LA GUMA

same all over. Love, hate, labour, pleasure, sickness, birth and death, the whole exhibition is a testament to the brotherhood of man.

It is something to touch the conscience of anybody. But then again, some people in this country just haven't got any conscience.

YANKEE DOLLAR

It looks as if the Yanks are going to move in on us, if I read the papers correctly. Some investment outfit has arranged for millions of those pictures of George Washington—dollars to you—to be invested here sometime soon. Well, I guess it's part of the American plan for Africa. They've had their eyes on this continent for years now, especially since they started their markets in the East west phase.

I wonder what Die Volk is going to say once they see their sons abandoning the old corduroys and veldkloes for zoot suits. After all the republic is supposed to be one of the ware Afrikaner type.

Well, if Die Volk start objecting to the pickings going to the U.S.A., the Yanks can always send in the marines.

Job Reservation in Steel Industry

JOHANNESBURG

The announcement by the Minister of Labour that job Reservation will be extended to the iron and steel industry follows upon the abortive attempt last year to earmark certain jobs in the clothing industry for Whites only.

The sections of this industry which have been picked by the Minister include the making of jamba for doors and windows. This is a small section of the industry and the number of Africans engaged in semi-skilled and skilled jobs is insignificant.

According to Mr. G. Hlatikwana, Secretary of the Non-European Iron and Steel Workers' Union: "The employees who will be affected by this reservation of jobs will be hard hit. There is no point in bounding out these few skilled African workers. They should be recognised as skilled workers and paid a skilled wage."

"My Union is preparing a reply to the Minister protesting against this further inroad into the rights of the African workers."

B.P.B.

RELAXING CONQUERS CAPE TOWN

SPOKES Mashiyane was bent and gone. In his short week-end visit, he took Cape Town by storm, and his two concerts for the Treason Trial Defence Fund were a rousing success, both socially and financially.

Spokes arrived in Cape Town on the same day that the Administrator of the Cape, Dr. Otto du Plessis, was putting up "Europeans Only" notices at the new Queen's Park swimming bath, and officials were chasing Non-European children out of the park where they had been playing quite happily with White children.

The Nationalists say Black and White must not enjoy themselves together because it leads to friction and the undermining of White civilisation. Both players and audience at Spokes' two concerts proved that the contrary was true.

Police Escort

A posse of about 20 uniformed and Special Branch members of the police force were at the aerodrome when Spokes arrived, almost as if it were Lenin himself who had come to start the revolution. Did the police expect a riot? The moment Spokes came off the plane, two uniformed policemen walked across the tarmac and guided him to the exit for Non-Europeans only, just in case this great artist might take it into his head to walk through the wrong door.

How the edifice of White civilisation would have been shattered if he had!

At his concerts, there was no need for police. In Athlone in the afternoon, and in the Weizmann Hall in the evening, Black and White rolled up in their hundreds to hear him. They sat together in the auditorium, the Black men from Langa and the Black Sash women from Kenilworth, heaped

and squares, young men and women in jeans and fur-lined jackets, older types who had never been to a jazz concert before, wealthy businessmen and perhaps, their employees—all paying tribute to musical artistry which has shown itself stronger than the colour bar.

No Ban in Cape Town

They banned Spokes from playing at the Zoo Lake in Johannesburg on Sunday afternoons, because Black and White danced together to his music. Yes, he and his accompanist Jerry Mahlangu were threatened by the Special Branch that they would be arrested if they ever did it again—as if it were a crime to give



Spokes Mashiyane.

people pleasure just because your skin is black.

Spokes, if his gentle nature could harbour any feelings of revenge, got his own back in Cape Town, where he not only had Black and White in his audience, but Black and White played together on the platform. At the

Weizmann Hall in the evening, it was a happy inspiration which brought the University Jazz Whites to play together with their Black brothers, and when trumpeter Banzi Bangani played his fascinating duet with his White counterpart, Joe Kerford, and both, still playing, bowed their respect to one another, thunderous applause showed that the crowd fully appreciated the point.

Perhaps the star of the evening, however, was little boy Bunny, a penny-whistler nine or ten years old, with a platform personality and agility that thrilled the crowd, who called repeatedly for encore. In any other country, one would say: "This little chap will go far when he grows up." But in this country, how far can he go? Once he has had his fill of Verwoerd's Bantu Education, he too will be made to realise that "there is no room for him in the European community above the level of certain forms of labour."

Or will he be lucky enough to find, when he grows up, that Verwoerd is no longer around to worry about, and South Africans are living like it says in the Freedom Charter?

After the Show

When the huge audience spilled out, excited and satisfied, into Regent Road after the show, Sea Point stopped in its tracks to look at them, Black and White, thronging the sidewalk. Had anything quite like this ever been seen before? One solitary policeman, butted up against the weather, wondering whether he should ask anybody for his pass, but decided in the end that discretion was the better part of valour and let well alone.

So there were no incidents, a good time was had by all, and several hundred pounds were raised for the defence fund. Thank you Spokes. And come again.

U.S. NATO TROOPS REFUSE TO HELP ICELAND



Also in the Observer

"THAT SHOULD KEEP THEM OFF!"

YUGOSLAV TRADE WITH SOCIALIST CAMP UP, NOT DOWN

DESPITE Yugoslav talk about Soviet economic pressure and a return to the methods of blockade used in the period 1948-9, trade between Yugoslavia and the socialist bloc has increased in the first five months of this year compared with last year. The figures show considerable increases over last year for Yugoslav imports from all the socialist countries except Bulgaria, and for Yugoslav exports to all except East Germany, Hungary, Poland and Czechoslovakia.

IRREPLACEABLE
During the first quarter of 1958, the Soviet bloc accounted for 25.3 per cent of Yugoslav exports and 31.9 per cent of imports, and the latest agreements with Poland and Eastern Germany still show a tendency towards expansion.

The Yugoslavs could not easily replace this trade, much of which is based on the export of types of goods which would find no market in the West; it is therefore not surprising that they have continued to attend some of the technical committees of the Soviet bloc Council for Mutual Economic Aid.

LAST MONTH
And from Berlin comes the news that trade between Yugoslavia and

U.S. Admits Making H-Bombs "Dirtier"

The U.S. Defence Department has admitted that some of the atomic bombs in its stockpiles have been modified in such a way as to make them "dirtier."
Some months ago Senator Clinton Anderson (Democrat, New Mexico) made an allegation in public that while the State Department wanted cleaner bombs, "the military is steadily stockpiling dirtier bombs," and even altering bombs in stock to increase their radioactivity.

A letter from Mr. McElroy, Secretary of Defence, to the joint congressional committee on atomic energy now published says some way to confirm his charge.

TWO islands have the eyes of the world on them now—Iceland and Formosa. The reaction of the U.S.A., self-styled "defender of small nations," to the two of them is painfully different.

While the Americans are prepared to risk a world war to protect their puppets on Formosa, they have not lifted a finger to help little Iceland in its struggle to secure for itself the fishing grounds around her coast.

The left-centre coalition government of Iceland decided recently to extend its offshore boundaries of their island to 12 miles in order to protect the core of her economy—fishing.

The British trawling monopolists in refusing to recognise the extension of Iceland's sovereignty have shown that they are virtually prepared to declare war on the people of the little island.

And American troops stationed on the island in terms of NATO to protect Iceland from foreign attack will not do anything to protect the Icelanders, according to their commander.

● Icelanders have noted that the Soviet Union, on the other hand, has given Iceland more than £1 million credits in order to buy fishing vessels from East Germany and thus build up her fleet.



Ted Shaw in Wall Street Journal
"North Africa campaign, Italian Front, D-day invasion, German Front, two Jims, South Pacific campaign, and Little Rock."

SPAIN: Franco Takes Panic Measures

TERRIFIED at the growing popular dissatisfaction with his government, Spanish fascist dictator General Franco,

is taking all-out measures to prevent this unrest from developing into an open movement which will throw out his regime altogether.

Among these special measures are:

- The emergency increase of the number of Security Police drafted to special duty in Madrid;
- The sending of jeeps packed with armed, uniformed police on patrols through working class districts of Madrid as well as to areas where workers are concentrated at their work, such as the big upper and middle class housing development areas;
- The drafting of hundreds of trained soldiers into the Armed Police;
- The holding at every police barracks in Madrid and Barcelona of intensive courses in "mob control," including instruction in jitsu, baton charging, and special tactics for breaking up street demonstrations.

WITH A NEW GENERATION of people naming who do not



MIDDLE EAST JORDAN: HUSSEIN MUST, BUT WON'T, GO

KING Hussein of Jordan has become an embarrassment to the West, but, after having been propped up for so many months by British and American troops and

money, he refuses to do them the favour of abdicating.

Hussein's pro-West government is so patently unpopular that even the Western press is asking the question when and how, and not whether, Hussein will go. Jordan has little economic value, and now since the Iraq revolt, has little strategic value.

Jordan is a completely artificial state set up after the Arab-Israeli war in 1948. What the West would like to see now, reports the London Observer, is:

1. The abdication of King Hussein after a plebiscite that would save his face;
2. The resulting march of Israeli troops to the west bank of the Jordan and
3. President Nasser's subsequent discomfiture.

Unfortunately for the West, Hussein is refusing to budge, and only last week expelled a Western journalist for speculating about his abdication.

ISRAEL'S ROLE?
Meanwhile, according to another report in the Observer, Israel's role in this delicate situation is not earning her any friends in the Arab world.
Eisenhower's Middle East representative Murphy is reported to have warned Nasser that in "the event of disorders in Jordan the Israelis would doubtless move to the west bank."
"If true," the paper continues, "these reports mean that the U.S. is deliberately using Israel as a threat against Arab nationalism, thus confirming the ancient accusation that Israel is merely a catspaw of western imperialism."

France Wanted to Land Marines in Lebanon

THE French government of de Gaulle and Soustelle also wanted to land troops in the Lebanon—but they were given the cold shoulder by the American commanders.

This has been revealed by French newspapers which have commented bitterly on the poor relation treatment that France has been getting from her two great "allies," U.S.A. and Britain.

Apparently French Marines on board the cruiser de Grasse were all prepared to join the American Marines which were poured into the Lebanon in order to prop up the pro-West Chamoun regime.

But the U.S. commander, James Holloway, wanted the whole show to himself, and he forbade the Frenchmen to land and ordered that the French warships leave the Lebanese coast.

Subsequently French naval officers were not allowed to go ashore in the Lebanon.

IRAQ TO TRADE WITH SOCIALIST COUNTRIES

DR. Siddiq Shanshal, acting Foreign Minister in the new Iraqi Government announced recently that "We know our oil and some of our exports are marketable in both east and west."

The Minister was announcing that the Government had invited the Soviet Union and China, with Yugoslavia and other East European countries, to open negotiations to facilitate exports of dates.

The previous Iraqi government had had no trade relations with the socialist countries at all.

Other new steps taken by the new government include:
THE new Iraqi Government is to discuss the entire question of its agreement with the Iraqi Petroleum Co. soon, a Cabinet Minister said in Baghdad recently.

The new revolutionary Government would keep oil supplies flowing to the West, said Mr. Ibrahim Khalaf, Economics Minister, adding: "We have no intention whatever of nationalising the oil industry."

Among the points which the Iraqi Government wishes to discuss with the I.P.C., said Mr. Kubbah, are adjustments of the profit-sharing basis, and disputes outstanding under the old regime.

Britain, France, Holland and America have equal shares in the company, Iraq has no capital, but two Iraqis sit on the board of directors.

A FIFTEEN committee established to investigate corruption in Iraq's internal financial affairs has provided a box in which informants can deposit their complaints under a guarantee of secrecy.

RENTS have been reduced in the country by under 10 and 20 per cent between a new law, the publication of which was reported by Radio Cairo. The law provides for a general reduction of rents for flats, shops, stores, and other urban buildings.

know the terror that followed on the Spanish Civil War, and who are prepared to come out openly against their dictator, Franco has to be more and more upon his Armed Police.

(The present organisation and training of the Spanish police are based on a system devised by Nazi SS leader Himmler, who visited Spain during the Second World War to advise Franco on the organisation of his security forces.)

FRANCO'S TWO GREAT FEARS at the moment are the workers and the students. Last year the workers in Madrid and Barcelona carried out two great bus boycotts, and subsequently students demonstrated publicly against Franco.

A number of students were arrested last November, and are now due to be tried by military tribunal. School and university summer holidays have just come to an end, and Franco fears that when the students re-assemble they will stage further demonstrations in support of their arrested friends.

And Franco realises that any further demonstrations could develop into a nationwide revolt against his dictatorship.

PARLIAMENT

By C.P.E.

WHAT. UNITY STRAINED BY LEADERSHIP CRISIS

THE leadership struggle in the Nationalist Party — which will have been decided by the time this article is read—presents further evidence of the increasing tensions within that party.

If both Die Burger (Cape Town) and Die Transvaler (Johannesburg) then clearly the Nationalist Party is in some sort of trouble. Otherwise, why question for "unity"?

On the question of Mr. Strijdom's successor, Die Burger and Die Transvaler find themselves in opposite camps. The former supports Dr. Donages, the latter Dr. Verwoerd.

Die Burger has been making pointed remarks—addressed obviously to Dr. Verwoerd's fiery supporters—about the dangers of putting one's preference for a particular candidate above "loyalty to the principles and ideals of the Nationalist Party"; while Die Transvaler has retorted that if two or more candidates stand for election this does not mean that there are "differences" ("verskille") in the Party—and "verskille" was the very word used by Die Burger!

Not the First Time

It would be wrong to assume that this is the first time that the Nationalist Party has had its differences. The election of Mr. Strijdom himself as national leader in 1954 was one of these differences. In the past, however, the Nationalist Party has been able to conceal its internal quarrels from the public; today the quarrels are public knowledge.

This does not mean that the Nationalist Party has become less skilful at maintaining the facade of

unity. It is not a question of skill. The tensions within the Nationalist Party are genuine, and no amount of skill can conceal them indefinitely.

Nor is it only the party politicians who are beset by doubts; the whole of Nationalist Afrikanerdom is being forced to think about its future. Perhaps the revolt of the 13 Pretoria professors was the first important attempt by Nationalist Afrikanerdom to save its soul. Certainly, in the past few months there have been other attempts: the Sabra conference, the outbursts of Professor du Plessis, the murmurings here and there.

University Apartheid

Last week, too, Sabra even went so far as to cross swords with two of its leading Transvaal members, Professor E. F. Potgieter and Mr. W. Barker, who had issued a statement on behalf of the Transvaal "dagbestuur" of Sabra, declaring that the university apartheid Bill was satisfactory. Sabra now states that the statement was unauthorised, and that a committee, appointed by the Executive Committee, will examine the Bill and give its verdict.

One does not need to have special knowledge of Sabra's affairs to realise that Professor Potgieter and Mr. Barker represent the Verwoerd point of view in the organisation, and that their acceptance of the Bill was a challenge to the Sabra executive to repudiate them. If Sabra had shirked the challenge, it would have been left with no honour, indeed for the Bill violates every principle of university autonomy and academic freedom insisted upon by the Sabra spokesmen at the commission's hearings. Sabra, like other individuals and organisations within the framework of Nationalist Afrikanerdom, seems to be straining to save at least a portion of its soul.

Probably, it is absurd to interpret the support in the Nationalist Parliamentary caucus for Dr. Donages and Mr. Swart as an indication that the M.P.s and Senators concerned are worried about their souls; at the same time, it is true that they

are anti-Verwoerd, and not purely for reasons of personal dislike.

Something Special

Verwoerd has come to represent something special in South African politics. He, more than anyone else, created "apartheid" — as we know it in South Africa today. He has been the driving force behind it, insisting on ramming it down the throats of men when—as was the case with the notorious "church clause"—some of his colleagues wavered.

There are M.P.s and Senators within the Nationalist Party who fear Verwoerd, who fear him because they believe he will destroy the Nationalist Party one day. For their part, Dr. Verwoerd's supporters are equally alarmed about the future: their fear is that, unless Verwoerd is applied immediately, effectively and without reservations, not only the Nationalist Party, but the whole of Afrikanerdom, will go under.

The stage is set for a clash of a fundamental nature in the Nationalist ranks. To recognise this, however, it is not to suggest that the Nationalist Party is about to split, or that Nationalist Afrikanerdom is virtually on the rocks. The Nationalist Government, whoever leads it, is a powerful machine of oppression, and whatever differences there may be among Nationalists over the exact method and content of apartheid, they are all in full agreement that oppression must continue.

As for United Party talk about a split in the Government, to be followed by a coalition, this is sheer nonsense—it is not even worth discussing.

To sum up: let no one delude himself that the Nationalist Government is about to collapse; but let no one delude himself either that the Nationalist Party is a mighty, united party, marching irresistibly from one success to the next.

Racing at Kenilworth

Following are Damon's selections for Saturday:

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Wyng Stakes: FINER FINISH. Danger, Minstrel Cat.
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SPOTLIGHT



by "DULEEP"

S.A. All Blacks—S.A. Coloureds Soccer Final

THE eagerly awaited clash between the S.A. Coloureds and S.A. All Blacks, for the Kajee Trophy, took place at Cape Town last Saturday at the New Town Stadium, Athlone, Cape. This was a new venue for such an important game, but selected mostly for the convenience of the African patriots, who in turn responded well by turning up in full force to give the necessary encouragement that enabled their team, the All Blacks, to defeat the Coloureds, and thus win outright, for the first time, this coveted premier trophy.

Never before have soccer fans seen such a fine exhibition of classical football, with ball being swung from one end of the field to the other, accurately passed and equally well distributed. In this respect both teams must be commended on this brilliant display, for it takes two teams to produce a great game. The Coloureds, although victorious, were far from disgraced, for they played like real trojans and surprised even their own critics.

The All Blacks, on their past record, were ruling favourites to win, but it did not deter Adams and his men from rallying as magnificently as they did. But it was the team-work, understanding and good positional play of the All Blacks that won the day.

Players who excelled in this meritorious victory for them were "Remember-My-Promise" Bophela, the crack centre-forward, who scored two beautiful goals, P. Zulu (left-back) who put in a sterling display in outwitting the wily Coloured forwards, and the indefatigable Dhlomo, captain and left-winger who was conspicuous for his gesticulations to his team-mates to cover up any gaps that were discernible, besides initiating many of the forward raids.

For the Coloureds, there was no player more in the picture than the youthful "Whitby" van Dieman, of W.C.P., who showed some of his more experienced team-mates that soccer should be played with intelligence and common sense, and of course a sense of distribution. All this van Dieman had, and a great future has been predicted for him by Mr. S. L. Singh (president of Federation) in his Presentation-of-the-Trophy speech.

Vernon Julius played one of his best games in the Cape and thus again saved miraculously shots which seemed certain goals. Only a player of his calibre could have made those saves.

All in all, it was one of the best games seen in the Cape and thoroughly enjoyed by the large and appreciative crowd. A climax to the night was the presentation of the £500 Cup to Darius Dhlomo, captain of the All Blacks, who in his speech said it was indeed a proud privilege for him to receive the trophy on behalf of the All Blacks, and also felt that with the talent seen on display, the Federation could hold its own against any other side from overseas, if such a tour does materialise.

Mr. S. L. Singh informed the gathering that an overseas team

tour of this country was proposed, and more or less finalised, except for Government restrictions. If these plans do materialise, then Non-European soccer will receive a terrific boost, for the standard of play is indeed high and should receive world recognition in the not-too-distant future.

We Hear it Said . . .

- That the W.P. Coloured Soccer Board is determined to eradicate the racial clauses in the constitutions of units affiliated to it.
That the Cape District F.A. emphatically denies Moslems and Africans the right to become members of the Association. This is embodied in their constitution.
That the Alliance League sees the position in a different light, and is working in the direction of eradicating the racial question and opening its doors to all, whatever their irrespective of colour or creed. A welcome sign indeed, and thoroughly commendable.
That if such discrimination does exist in units affiliated to the S.A. Coloured Soccer Board, then it is the duty of the Federation to intervene, before they think of seeking world recognition. We must sweep out the dirt before trying to sweep our neighbours.

That at the Coloured-All Blacks final, we noticed Mr. S. L. Singh, Mr. Magoot (president, S.A. Coloured F.A.) and the managers of the two participating teams presented to the players. But why was not the president of the S.A. Indian F.A., Mr. G. Munsook of Cape Town invited to the first of all the Welcome Reception and then to the final itself? Is it not common decency for presidents of all national bodies to be invited to attend Federation games? Then why rebuff a national president who is resident at the venue of the final. (It was officially informed that Mr. Munsook was neither informed nor contacted by the Federation on this big occasion.)

That the magnificent victory of the S.A. cricket team in the second Test against the Kenya Association has placed them on the cricketing map, thanks to a brilliant display by "skipper" D'Oliveira who scored the first and only century of the tour.

That our cricketers will be playing against the Kenya Konginis, a completely European XI, this week. In the Kenya Association XI there were also two Europeans.

That the third and final test game of the combined East African XI will be the most difficult hurdle for the touring team, but being now acclimatised and accustomed to the winter wickets, "our boys" should pull it off.

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