

# LUTULI WINS NOBEL PEACE PRIZE



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Chief Albert J. Lutuli, banned President-General of the banned African National Congress, has been awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for the year 1960. *New Age* offers its heartiest congratulations to a brave leader of the African people whose selfless work and sacrifice in the cause of liberation and equal rights for all South Africans has won recognition from men and women of goodwill throughout the world.

## "TIME FOR BOLDNESS AND ACTION", CHIEF TELLS DURBAN WORKERS

**DURBAN.**  
AT a mass meeting in Durban last week-end, Chief Lutuli called for fearless and active opposition to the Nationalist Government "BY TRANSFORMING TIMIDITY AND

**INDECISION INTO BOLDNESS AND DETERMINATION, AND SILENCE INTO SPEECH AND ACTION."**

The occasion was a conference of over 1,000 people called by the South African Congress of Trade

Unions to discuss low wages and unemployment.

Chief Lutuli was compelled to open the conference in absentia because of his banning order which confines him to the Lower Tugela area.

Referring to the recent general election, Chief Lutuli said:

"Now that it has a fresh mandate to rule with an iron hand the Nationalist Party Government will stop at nothing to ensure our enslavement for the benefit of the Whites."

White minority rule, said Chief Lutuli, "has meant to us poverty wages, most depressed income in rural areas, endemic unemployment, now most acute and severe, most stringent pass laws, that needlessly land in gaols thousands yearly."

### FED TO PIGS

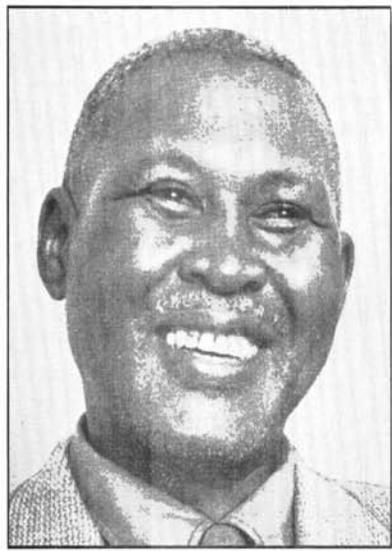
Mr. G. S. Naidu, an executive member of the Natal Indian Congress, said that more than 30,000 Indians were unemployed in Durban and that thousands faced eviction for the non-payment of rent. Property owners, said Mr. Naidu, have to sell their property "for a song" because they are unable to raise loans due to Group Areas Proclamations.

"Our children do not drink milk because we cannot afford it. Yet surplus milk is fed to the pigs in the Cape."

In a paper submitted to conference, Mr. G. Mbehele, former Organising Secretary of the banned ANC, discussed the problems of the rural people.

Mr. Mbehele declared that the immediate task of the African people is to smash and render un-

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CHIEF ALBERT J. LUTULI

## "Vorster's Threats Will Not Cow Us" —Desai

### Drastic New Restrictions Planned By Government

CAPE TOWN.

THE announcement of the Minister of Justice, Mr. Vorster, that new laws are being drafted to deal with "agitators" has been received with indignation by leaders of the Congress movement.

"These blusterings on the part of a man who was himself

interned for three years during the war because of his pro-Nazi activities will not stop the mighty movement of the people to smash baasskap in this country," declared Mr. Barney Desai, banned vice-president of the Coloured People's Congress, in a statement to *New Age*.

"WE SHALL CONTINUE TO FIGHT FOR OUR FREEDOM, AND NO MATTER WHAT THE GOVERNMENT DOES TO TRY TO STOP US, WE SHALL WIN," HE SAID.

The threats were contained in an article in the Johannesburg Nationalist Sunday paper "Sondagnuus" last week-end.

The paper said: "Next year agitators, especially Whites, will be curtailed and made harmless. A law is being prepared that will take drastic steps against those who incite or undermine the security of the state."

Before the election Vorster promised drastic steps against White "agitators." He repeated this last Saturday at Vereeniging.

Reporting this, "Sondagnuus" continues:

"A person can be restricted to certain districts and towns specified by the Minister. A new innovation is house arrest."

"The form of house arrest was used during the war years. An individual could go to work but in the evenings and at week-ends he was under order to remain at home."

"Sondagnuus" says that such legislation is indispensable in "the difficult years ahead."

### CPC Men Arrested

CAPE TOWN.

THREE members of the Coloured People's Congress appeared in the Magistrate's Court last Thursday in connection with "One Man, One Vote" slogans and stickers which appeared in the city on the eve of the general elections.

The men are Clir. George Peake and Mr. Ebrahim Desai, CPC executive member, who were charged under the Post Office Act of 1958, and Mr. H. Lawrence who was charged with malicious damage to property.

All the accused were remanded to November 1, and released on R50 bail. Conditions of the bail are that they do not take part in any demonstrations where placards are displayed, that they do not distribute pamphlets or address political meetings, and do not publish slogans under the auspices of the Congress Alliance or in support of the Coloured People's Congress.

A youth, also a member of the CPC, was arrested on the evening of October 18, and later released after spending the night in the cells.

## 12 African Leaders Sentenced

### "Freedom At Stake", Says Counsel

JOHANNESBURG.

ON election day when White South Africa returned the Nationalists to power for another five years, the 12 African leaders who sponsored the All-In African Conference at Pietermaritzburg were sentenced to one year in prison under the Unlawful Organisations Act.

The 12 leaders represent all shades of African political opinion, and in the dock were leaders of the now banned African National Congress, the Liberal Party, the Progressive Party, and the Church.

Not in the dock was Mr. Joe Molefe, of the former Pan-Africanist Congress, who has left the country.

Arguing in mitigation before sentence was passed Mr. J. Slovo said: "The accused stand guilty of inno-

cent acts . . . of raising their voices against the unjust treatment of their people. Today while other sections of the community elect their rulers, they have no voice."

Mr. L. Lazar handed in election manifests of the Progressive, Liberal and United Parties to show that they stood for similar basic principles as the Freedom Charter.

The magistrate's verdict in the

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# NEW AGE LETTER BOX

## Protest From A Member Of The D.R.C.

As a member of the D.R.C. I very much regret the practice of racial segregation followed by the D.R.C. I assure you that there are many of my fellow members of this church holding the same view. And we look forward to the day when this colour bar will be lifted.

Let me also assure you that our allegiance to this church is not due to its colour bar (as so many may think), but to its religious confession, of which the colour bar forms no part at all.

The incident at Bulawayo (New Age 5/10/61) is another of these occurrences which grieve us. Everyone should be free to worship God at any church and no one should be excluded on racial grounds. But I must add that "Operation Religion" has gone one step too far. Mr. Takurah reports: "The attempt to worship at a colour bar church was part of a general campaign... to expose to the world the true meaning of 'partnership' as it is practised in S.R." Was this indeed the purpose of the freedom worshippers?

## All The Way From Switzerland

IT is always nice for us to receive congratulatory letters with our donations. We aren't always able to publish them, but we feel that one received from 'Zeke' and Rebecca Mphahlele, all the way from Switzerland, deserves special mention.

They have been away from South Africa for many years, which made it doubly good to hear that the seven dollars that they sent to us is to be a monthly contribution. "We wish your paper all luck and do hope it will continue to voice the opinion of the oppressed people of South Africa," they wrote.

We have always tried to establish our donations on a monthly basis, as this gives us a more accurate indication of our income. So if this support from far away acts as an incentive to our readers as they enter home, it will serve a twofold purpose.

We would also like to thank a very old supporter of ours, Mr. Charles Muscard. He is 87 years old and has spent his life fighting against oppression. He has always sent us and other worthy causes whatever he can manage in spite of the fact that he and his wife have to come out on his pension.

Follow these splendid examples! SEND YOUR DONATION TODAY!

### Last Week's Donations:

**Johnsbury:**  
Orange Grove R2, Yetta R2, Intellectual R10, Glen R2, Greenidge R1, Parkview R2, Beensid R2.

### Capetown:

B. McG. 85c, RF R190, Unity R10, R & E Mphahlele R48.30, D.M. (Bara) 25c, K.P. R10, C.M. R1, Johnson (rummage) 86c, L.F.K. (Book on Germany) R2.

TOTAL: R119.30.

When a man enters any church with the express purpose of causing a disturbance or fishing for trouble, he deserves to be kicked out. I strongly protest at Mr. Takurah calling this part of the campaign an attempt to worship and in the same breath an attempt to expose.

This type of action is definitely not going to promote the cause for which we are working, and as an observer from the inside I assure you that the doors of the D.R.C. will not be opened by political campaigns devised to irritate and thereby to "expose".

While apologising to anyone who has been wronged by my church I do not apologise to the freedom worshippers, because they got what they wanted. "MEMO"

East London.

## Don't Just Blame The Nationalists

How long are we black South Africans going to be the underlings of the Whites? I believe that the key to change lies in the Black politician who cannot be bribed.

I appeal to those who work for Bantu Authorities as teachers and our honourable stooges to try some other way of making ends meet. It really hurts our feelings to see how some of us allow ourselves to be fooled.

I denounce the criticisms of the leaders of our national liberation movement.

I believe that we Blacks should not just blame the Nationalists for our bad conditions. They themselves are the tools of English and American capitalist, who are the best highway robbers, pirates, crooks and hypocrites in the world.

The Afrikaner owns land and cattle, but big business owns the rest. The Bantustans are introducing the robbers to our people. Where do we stand?

S. KOTI

Springs.

## Francistown Beerhall Is a Menace

I would like through your columns to express my views on the Tati African Beerhall in Francistown which is a menace.

This beerhall remains open from 9 a.m. until 7.30 p.m. Until just before closing time the cashier will continue to accept money for vouchers to buy beer and so many of these still have drinks in their hands when the policeman rings the bell at 8 o'clock and collects the lamps from the hall, which has no electric light.

The people who collect the mugs hand them back to the barman without washing them and he just fills them again and hands them to the next customer.

Not only can these unhygienic conditions lead to illness, but since the beerhall opened, the men stand around drinking all day and the women are forbidden to brew beer at home.

We don't want stale beer, we don't want rusty mugs and we don't want to be expelled from the beerhall as if we were babies.

G. LEDGE

Francistown, Bechuanaland.

## Communism And Mr. Mokhehle

In the issue of September 21, New Age has stated that Mr. Mokhehle has been subjected to a bitter attack by the Basutoland Anti-Communist Organisation (Mesa-Mohloane). It has also been alleged that "in a long pamphlet containing personal criticisms of his family, Mesa-Mohloane has accused Mr. Ntsu Mokhehle, of all people, of being a tool of communism and a friend of Mr. Khrushchov."

The pamphlet referred to by New Age has also touched at our doors as it has done nearly everywhere in Basutoland. While those who have tried to establish the authorship of this pamphlet, which bears no signature, have come to the conclusion that Mr. Mokhehle's enemies within his party have fabricated this piece of anti-Mokhehle propaganda, I find the affirmation made by the New Age miscalculated.

It is true that when our organisations come out as anti-communist, Mokhehle did not hesitate to say that it was against him. Some concluded that Mokhehle was therefore telling the whole world that he was a communist. What we retained from all that was, at least, that he was no friend of ours.

B. M. LESETLELI  
Secretary, 'Mesa-Mohloane  
Anti-Communist League

Maseru.  
(I print this letter because we understand it to be a denial that 'Mesa-Mohloane was responsible for the pamphlet referred to. At the same time, certain portions of Mr. Letseteli's letter have been omitted because it is contrary to New Age policy to print anti-communist propaganda which Communists are prevented by law from making any reply.—Ed.)

## Mr. Mase Refutes Report

Mr. Zalfie Malindi should have made absolutely sure that what I was reported in the daily press to have said at the recent Provincial Consultative Conference was not one of the oppressor's political tricks.

Nevertheless I wish to let him know that the report to which he referred in his letter (New Age last week) was corrected by me later in the same newspaper, in which I pointed out that I had really said: "Those who stand for qualified franchise, let them do so by all means... provided they will get universal support. However, our stand as Africans is for one man, one vote."

At least I know what is the Africans' demand.  
C. V. MASE

## Peace Army For South Africa?

Recently a "Peace Brigade" or "Peace Army" was called for by President Kenned. This is another example of double talk. Gandhi first placed the idea of "Peace Brigades" before the Indian people in 1938, when he suggested an army of non-violent people to deal with the communal riots.

In South Africa such an army would be open to all races. Its only purpose would be to demand the removal of injustice, oppression and fear in the political, social and economic fields, by the means of non-violence.

Each one of us should try to be a "one-man peace brigade," unknown soldiers of peace at their lonely posts, brave and there, unafraid, dedicated, self-disciplined, and at last combining to form a body that can and does withstand all racial discrimination.

T. KLOPPENBURG  
Durban.

# EDITORIAL JUDGMENT AGAINST DEMOCRACY

THE African Leaders' Continuation Committee was formed for the purpose of organising an all-in African Unity Conference, a conference which, in spite of obstacles, was subsequently successfully held at Pietermaritzburg in March this year.

Spokesmen for the Continuation Committee stated, quite openly, that the aims of the all-in conference would be to "lead the African people in their demands for full democratic rights and to demand a National Convention in which all people, regardless of colour, would participate to shape the new South Africa."

Last week Advocate Duma Nokwe and eleven other members of the Continuation Committee, all prominent African leaders of various shades of opinion, were convicted under the Unlawful Organisations Act and sentenced to twelve months imprisonment. They were found guilty of propagating the aims and objects of a banned organisation, the African National Congress.

Their conviction, if upheld by the higher courts, would open the gates to a veritable flood of prosecutions. No opponent of the government who is against white supremacy, or who in any form supports any of the demands which may also have been that of a banned organisation, would be safe from legal persecution.

IT WILL BECOME A CRIME TO DEMAND EQUALITY FOR BLACK AND WHITE. TO DEMAND VOTES FOR ALL. TO DEMAND A SOVEREIGN NATIONAL CONVENTION, TO DEMAND, IN FACT, ANY OF THE DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS FOR WHICH THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA ARE STRIVING.

The fact that the twelve leaders were sentenced to a year's imprisonment on the very day that the white people of this country were going to the polls to elect a new government, vividly highlighted the sorry state that South Africa finds itself in.

For not only are the Africans denied any right to participate in the choice of who is to govern them—they are also to be forbidden to demand that they be given that right.

It is not only former members of the African National Congress and the Pan-Africanist Congress who are threatened. Included amongst the accused were members of the Progressive Party, an official of the Institute of Race Relations, members of the Liberal Party, and Ministers of Religion who were associated with no particular political party.

Note well: they were not convicted for mounting any stay-at-home campaign, or for trying to overthrow the State—they were convicted merely because some of their objectives happened to coincide with some of the many demands of the now banned ANC.

As things now stand, there is no doubt that the Unlawful Organisations Act, twin brother to the Suppression of Communism Act, will be used as a bludgeon to beat all open, legal opposition out of existence.

We say legal and open opposition deliberately, for history furnishes ample proof that no law, however vicious in intent or operation, has ever succeeded in forcing a people to give up the fight for what they know is right and just.

The oppressed people of our country are no different from any other. They will not give up their struggle under any circumstances or however great the cost. The Nationalists are as much aware of this fact as anyone else: that is why they are strengthening the army and the police force.

The conviction of the Continuation Committee members exposes once again the great danger inherent in legislation such as the Unlawful Organisations Act and the Suppression of Communism Act. By preventing the free exercise of democratic rights, they place almost insurmountable obstacles in the way to a peaceful solution of our political problems.

THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR BARRING THE ROAD TO SUCH A SOLUTION RESTS SQUARELY ON THE NATIONALISTS.

## Diamonds Exploited We Have Had Enough By Foreigners

It happened that while African people were sweating and working in bitter conditions to dig for diamonds, the British officials come and told them that Her Majesty's government had instructed the chief to stop them from digging.

It seems incredible that while people are starving, there exist the precious stones that can bring them riches and yet they may not dig for them. How can there be peace here? Our fathers died for their country yet we are foreigners in our own land.

MICHAEL NZIMANDE  
Basutoland.

## We Have Had Enough

The Africans are suffering by the misty laws and rule of terror of White Supremacists. It is time for the Nationalist rulers to pack up and go to Holland. It is their racial policy which causes the unrest day by day in our country.

I'm greatly impressed by the proposal for the expulsion of S.A. of human kind. Our problems cannot be solved by this Nationalist Government. We don't recognise their reborn; they are wasting time with election.

SPENCER SANDILE NCALO  
Capetown.

# FREEDOM at STAKE

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## Convicted Leaders



The Reverend N. B. Tantsi of Bloemfontein.

trial of the 12, said Mr. Lazar, was startling for anyone not in support of the Government. The judgment could affect any South African who did not accept the policy of the Government.

The 12 were charged under the Unlawful Organisations Act (which declared the African National Congress unlawful), and the Magistrate found that they had, by sponsoring the All-in Conference, committed acts calculated to further the objects of the ANC.

Giving judgment the Magistrate, Mr. P. J. Koen, compared clauses in the Freedom Charter and the aims of the African National Congress with the publicity material issued in the name of the Continuation Committee.

## SIMILARITIES

He found similarities in the call in all the documents for the abolition of the pass laws, for universal adult franchise, against Verwoerd oppression, equal education for all. He also found it significant that the Continuation Committee had called for the lifting of the ban on the African National Congress.

The acts of the accused, said the magistrate, showed that the accused intended to further the achievement of the objects of the ANC.

The 12 will take their conviction on appeal, it was announced.

The prosecutor applied for a warrant of arrest for Mr. Joe Molefe.

The Defence asked that the 12 be allowed out on bail pending the appeal, and the prosecutor argued that in view of the fact that Mr. Molefe had not stood his trial, bail should be raised from R50 to R1,000 for each accused. After argument, bail was fixed at R100 each.



Mr. Julius Mail

## DURBAN CONFERENCE

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workable Bantu Authorities both in the rural and the urban areas.

## PEASANTS

With reference to the peasants, Mr. Mhhele declared that they are the natural allies of the urban proletariat.

"Ours is a National struggle, and the vanguard in this are the workers. No one section can go it alone in South Africa. It yet becomes an urgent task of SACTU to organise the peasants and the rural workers. Properly organised, we shall be able to shake and crush the oppressor," concluded Mr. Mhhele.

Other speakers included Mrs. F. Mtshize (Federation of South African Women), Mr. B. Chablow (S.A. Congress of Democrats), and Mr. S. Dlamini (Chairman of SACTU). The conference, which was attended by 368 delegates from 66 factories and organisations representing over 50,000 people—

● Called for a ceaseless campaign against the pass laws and warned the Government that unless these laws were abolished an explosive situation will arise for which it will be solely responsible.

● Demanded an increase of all unemployed benefits by 75%, and the cessation of the exporting of "surplus" butter and cheese at a loss, and the establishment of food depots for the distribution of such "surplus" food to the families of the unemployed and those living on starvation wages.

● Demanded the lifting of the state of emergency in Pondoland and the release of all the people's leaders in detention.

The militancy and enthusiasm of the delegates was apparent throughout the conference.

Over 20 White and Non-White Special Branch men sat throughout the two-day conference taking down notes.



Mr. 'Congress' Mhata

## Bewilderment

An examination of some of the children's literature produced by the Communists induces bewilderment in most loyal Americans, for they can discover nothing wrong with these books. The stories are well told, beautifully illustrated, and do not teach Communism in any way. The trouble with these books is that there is nothing wrong with them.

—St. Louis 'Globe-Democrat' (2.4.61)

# DURBAN WORKERS' MEETING



A portion of the large crowd which attended the SACTU conference in Durban last week-end. There was standing room only at the opening of the proceedings. (See story on page 1.)

## After The Election, Parliament Looks Like Piet Retief's Lager!

WITH 105 Nationalist M.P.s, Parliament is going to look more like a White laager than anything since Piet Retief's time.

But it is a laager supported by 370,000 Whites out of a total population of 15,000,000.

Only 800,000 Whites voted in the first election of the Great Republic.

Of them—

● Nearly 70,000 rejected the colour bar, and called for rights on merit, not skin colour.

● A substantial group swung from the U.P. to the Nationalists, or boycotted the elections as hopeless.

The Nationalist supporters closed their ranks and prepared to do final battle for White supremacy.

Dr. Verwoerd won a smashing victory, increasing Nationalist majorities everywhere. He successfully demonstrated that the unity of Afrikanerdom is as solid as ever, notwithstanding opposition blandishments.

## SOUND THRASHING

The opportunistic U.P.-National Union pact received a sound thrashing. In a sense this was inevitable, since Sir de Villiers Graaff played

## Segale Banned

JOHANNESBURG.

Mr. Stephen Segale, former President of the banned African National Congress Youth League, has been served with two banning orders by the Special Branch.

One order prohibits Mr. Segale from attending meetings or gatherings in South Africa and the other confines him to Emdeni Township where he lives.

Mr. Segale is also prohibited from visiting any Native village, location hostel or the premises of any factory as defined in the Factories, Machinery and Building Work Act of 1941.

into Nationalist hands with his "kafferboesie" propaganda. His "black peril" and "Banustan bogey" only scared Afrikaner voters into Dr. Verwoerd's arms.

## By A Special Correspondent

The failure of the Pact's "do-or-die" attempt to woo Nationalist voters proves again that the Nationalists cannot be broken by appeasement.

## PROGRESSIVE VOTE

At the other end of the scale nearly 70,000 voters rejected the colour-bar franchise. This is the first time in South African history that a substantial section of the White electorate has decisively rejected the colour bar at an election.

To its credit, the Progressive Party did not disguise the consequences of its policy in order to placate voters. It crusaded against the colour bar with great fervour and effect. A crowd of 3,000 people in the Johannesburg City Hall cheered thunderously when Dr. Steynler said that a Black Prime Minister would probably be more democratic than Dr. Verwoerd.

## PROGS DILEMMA

However, the P.P. now faces a major crisis over its future. With only one member in Parliament it can hardly focus all its energies on the Parliamentary struggle.

Logically this means that it should now evolve extra-parliamentary methods. But its leadership has emphatically condemned the extra-constitutional struggle. Professor Pieterus recently denounced strikes, stay-at-homes and boycotts in very vigorous terms.

Thus there is the dilemma of the P.P. To use its own favourite slogan, it will have to "adapt or perish."

As for the United Party, it has had its moment of truth—that the "moderate Nationalist" whom they have been chasing for 13 years, does not really exist. Whether they have the sense to realise that the only way to beat the Nationalists is to fight them, on matters of principle, we doubt very much.

So the U.P. will disintegrate further, but it will not disappear; for there will always be people who will support its under-the-skin racialism and policy of expediency.

At the same time, the U.P. will become increasingly irrelevant, as the struggle clarifies itself into one between the forces of democracy and reaction. Only parties which rest on these trends will survive as viable forces; others will have no role to play.

For democrats this election has been a grim warning that the forces of reaction are mobilised as never before and are determined to push their policies to utter destruction.

We must expect the Nationalists to tighten the machinery of oppression in the next five years.

# Telma Soups are Tastiest

# HERE I STAND

## By CHEDDI JAGAN (The Fighting Premier of British Guiana)

Everybody admires a fighter, particularly if he fights on the side of the poor and the humble against the rich and the mighty. Such a man is Dr. Cheddi Jagan, leader of the People's Progressive Party in the South American colony of British Guiana. Where others would have given up in despair, Cheddi Jagan kept on fighting, regarding every act of oppression by the British colonial authorities as a greater spur to the freedom struggle. Not that he struggled alone—far from it—he was the spokesman for his people, and the leader of his party, the People's Progressive Party. Yet in him was symbolised all that was best in his people, and in particular his defiant determination to rid themselves of the British yoke and to march along the high-road of progress.

Dr. Jagan has for many years been a strong supporter of the South African liberation movement. He saw to it that his country was one of the first to extend to the call for the boycott of South African goods. He sent donations to the Treason Trial Defence Fund and messages of greeting to the Congress and New Age.

We are therefore very pleased to be able to print excerpts from a speech made recently by Cheddi Jagan—the last speech made by him in the recent election campaign from which the People's Progressive Party emerged victoriously with 20 out of 35 seats.

### Book Review

#### Who's Who In "Political Africa"

A pioneering effort in the sphere of an African Who's Who is Ronald Segal's "Political Africa," published recently in London. Containing details of the political parties and personalities of all the territories in Africa, it is a mine of information, not previously accessible in convenient form, which will be warmly welcomed by all interested in political developments in Africa.

Mr. Segal's selection of personalities for the biography is perhaps a little arbitrary, and one feels it might have been better for him to have spread his net wider and included more people, even though providing less information in each case.

Nevertheless, the information he has so carefully garnered from all all corners of Africa is extremely valuable, particularly in respect of the origin and policies of the various parties and movements. That Mr. Segal's initiative has been widely appreciated is proved by the fact that the first edition of 20,000 copies has already been sold out.

"Political Africa" is due to be revised every two or three years, which will ensure that future editions will be as informative and up to date as the present one. He is certainly to be congratulated on a very fine effort.

S.B.

Political Africa by Ronald M. Segal. Published by Stevens & Sons 1961. Price £2.10.0.



**AFTER THEIR RELEASE FROM JAIL**, eight years ago Cheddi Jagan and his wife were posed together happily for this picture. Mrs. Jagan (maiden name Janet Rosenberg) was an American whom Dr. Jagan met while studying dentistry in the USA. She returned with him to British Guiana, and has thrown herself unreservedly into the freedom struggle alongside her husband. In recent years she has been Minister of Social Welfare in the British Guiana Government.

WHAT, then, is the real reason behind the opposition to us? It is because we are utterly opposed to the powerful, the privileged, the few. These great men know that our programme includes reforms and far-reaching social changes. They do not want change. Why should they? For years they have enjoyed privileged positions in schools and churches, offices and clubs. They fear the competition from their less lucky brothers, which will come with lowered barriers. And so they fight against us. They have fought us now for twelve long years—and with some success.

Between them they defeated us in 1953 when British bayonets smashed our legally elected government and saved the great men's privileges. But violence only rallies our supporters to return us to the government when they get back the right to vote in 1957.

Our enemy changed their tactics then. They gave us office without power, plans and problems without money. They caused and fostered a racial split between the Africans and the Indians in our unhappy country. For four long years they directed at our Party a press campaign of slander and abuse which for scurrilousity and dishonesty could hardly ever have been equalled.

Recently the United States of America has joined the battle also. The imprint of McCarthy still lies heavy on that land. Events in Russia and Cuba have deeply wounded their national pride and made their fear of Communism psychopathic. No wonder the great politician Aneurin Bevan wrote: "Fear of Soviet Communism has led the United States and those who follow her lead to take a distorted view of the world situation and the forces which are at work in modern society." The slogan of our enemies is: "The PPP is Communist." They ignore the record of our acts and deeds, the laws we passed, the plans we have in hand. They shut their eyes and ears and scream: "The PPP is Communist."

They work on your emotions, these enemies of ours. They try to frighten you about the future. Well, cast your memories back. As the colonial peoples rose to freedom, have not their leaders always been dubbed Communists? Were not Nehru, Nkrumah, Sukarno, Sekou Toure, Jomo Kenyatta, Lumumba, all called Communists? This is an illustrious company.

If these are Communists, then I take my place beside them gladly. Let me say to those who try to frighten you. I do not propose to establish any form of dictatorial regime in British Guiana. I believe in, and will cherish, parliamentary democracy with its expression of the people's will at regular free elections. I stand by the provision of the new Constitution by which the fundamental rights of all, including freedom of conscience, and religion, and expression are protected by the courts. Indeed these provisions were inserted into the new Constitution at the request of my Party and for my people . . .

I believe that my first charge is to raise my people from the mire of poverty in which, for too long, they have suffered. In this great project I will look for help wherever I can find it. We reserve to ourselves the absolute right to get assistance wherever we can and from whomsoever the offer comes. This, however, we guarantee, that such aid will be taken whether from the United States, Britain, or Russia, without committal of any sort. Our new found freedom is, to us, too dear to be bartered, even for the bread our people need.

I have never made any secret of my views. I have been thrown out of office. I have been subjected to violence, indignity and jail. I am willing to face these things again, and gladly, in the fight to free my people and to aid them.

HERE I STAND. HERE I WILL STAND TILL I DIE. IT IS FOR YOU TO DECIDE WHETHER YOU WILL STAND BESIDE ME.

### Happy Birthday

#### Picasso JOHANNESBURG.

THE South African Peace Council has sent greetings to Pablo Picasso on his 80th birthday.

The letter says: "During your long and productive life you have not divorced yourself from the world around you, nor tried to isolate yourself or your art. We are familiar with your paintings of the Spanish Civil War, and who is there who has ever associated themselves with the peace movement who does not know the Picasso dove of peace?"

"Although the peace movement in South Africa operates under difficulties, there is still a great desire among the people to see an end to war and racial oppression. Therefore, we join hands, with you across the seas and the continents, and wish you long years in which you may still paint for all humanity, demonstrating in your art the universality of all mankind."

## LOVELY BUS — UGLY POLICY



African and Coloured workers stood shoulder to shoulder in the bus queues. Their solidarity defied apartheid.

## WHY U.N.O. LAUGHED AT ERIC LOUW

In South Africa, the Nationalists separate White from Black. Abroad, Mr. Eric Louw turns Black into White. He told UNO how well treated the 'Bantu' were. Delegates were not impressed. This article, quoting him, tells why.

40% who can 'afford' the economic rent get away? Desperate searching for the cheapest possible home at current prices has resulted in houses for £200 or less. They are mere shells. They are built with concrete screed floors, corrugated asbestos roofs, 4 1/2" internal walls, no ceilings, no internal doors. At Nyanga, not a single bath has been provided by the Local Authority in a single house. Minimum standards for drinking water are that where only stand pipes are built they should be so situated that no dwelling is more than 500 feet from such pipe. Pail latrines must not be built nearer to the houses than 12 feet. There are no minimum standards for electric light.

Even in the highly urbanised area of Nyanga West there is no resident doctor, no hospital, no District Surgeon or District Nurse, and no general daily clinic. Everywhere there is a shortage of nurses, of doctors, of hospital beds for Africans.

There is no institution for the African mentally ill in the whole of the Republic—only prison cells.

They are Messrs R. O. Dudley (General Secretary), E. L. Maurice G. L. Abrahams (Executive member), Mr. F. Landman and Miss J. Gool, all of whom have been prohibited from attending gatherings for a period of five years. Four other leading members, Messrs A. Fataar, W. Wessels, C. Pieterse and Mrs. J. Meissenheimer were served with similar banning notices last month.

The statement says that the banning of these members is part of a sustained attack on the 'TSA, intended to clear the way for the complete control of education by the Coloured Affairs Department.

The real target in this savage offensive are, in fact, the children, adds the statement. "It is to be the victims of slave schooling. It is because the teachers have come to the defence of the children that they are being persecuted . . ."

The utter contempt with which standards and values in education and the status of the teaching profession are being brushed aside, is an indication of the ignominious way teachers will be called upon to play in the new order of CAD schooling."

More Banning Orders  
CAPE TOWN  
MEMBERS of the Special Branch served banning orders on three more non-white leaders in Cape Town last week.

They are Mr. Tofie Barden, executive member of the Coloured People's Congress and secretary of the Taxi Drivers and Owners Association; Mr. Zolile Malindi of the Garage Workers Union and Mr. Archie Sibeko, another African trade union leader.

All three men are prohibited from attending gatherings anywhere in South Africa and SWA for the next five years, in terms of the Suppression of Communism Act.

In Port Elizabeth similar banning orders were served on Mr. Dennis Brutus, secretary of the S.A. Sports Association, and a member of the Communist Party, and a member of the S.A. National Convention Movement, and Mr. F. Landman, also a member of the Convention movement.

## BUS APARTHEID THAT FLOPPED

### Africans and Coloureds Defeat Racialists

A BUS COMPANY COLOUR BAR TO SEPARATE AFRICANS AND COLOURED—INTRODUCED THROUGH THE BACK DOOR IN NOORDGESIG AND DIEPKLOOF—HAS FAILED.

After nearly two months, freshly painted buses of different colours for the two groups, different bus stops and other tricks have failed to induce the Africans and Coloureds to accept separation and race relations remain as good as ever between them.

This bus apartheid story begins with the 1960 election battle over the Noordgesig Tenants Committee. The Civic Party (taking a leaf out of the Nationalist Party book) and led by lanky furniture worker Jan Harris, let loose the election war whoop that the Africans were overwhelming the Coloured folk.

The newly established African township of Diepkloof had as yet no bus service and the nearest was that of Noordgesig, a mile and a half away.

Speakers trying to work up feeling against Africans and Coloureds using the same buses said "Our women folk are being trampled." "We can't get on our own buses." "African thugs are assaulting our men and elders live in fear on Fridays when they hear their weekly pay packets."

SHADES OF VERVOERD!  
Plots and plans were made behind the scenes. A delegation was formed to interview PUTCO, the bus company. "We want separate buses" was the cry.

PAC Men Released  
JOHANNESBURG.  
FORTY-TWO former PAC men, the last of a batch of 142 who were sentenced to 18 months imprisonment after their participation in the anti-pass campaign at the time of Sharpeville last year, were released last week from Witbank jail. The other 100 had been released earlier after paying their fines.

Among them was Mr. Joseph Mashaga, a former petrol attendant who is assisting the many who have no job to go back to. Tragedy struck Mr. Mashaga's family while he was in jail. The baby that was born shortly after his arrest and that he had never seen died at the age of six months.

Mr. Reginald Pede, who worked as ailing clerk for over ten years with one firm, told New Age that he was having great difficulty in finding another job as there were so many applicants whenever he tried.

ORDERED TO BASUTOLAND  
Mrs. Ellen Molapo, who was released a short while earlier after serving a sentence on a similar charge, has been ordered by the Secretary for Bantu Administration to return to Basutoland. Mrs. Molapo lives in Johannesburg for 16 years.

She has no means of earning a living in Basutoland, as she has worked as a clerk on a similar job, and is deeply concerned about the education of her 17-year-old daughter, who will be unable to continue if she cannot pay the fees. In his letter the Secretary said that she was an 'undesirable element', and that there was no possibility of appeal against her judgement.

All the families of those released have been assisted by the Defence and Aid Fund with rent payments and money for food and clothing.

PUTCO wisely bowed out of the situation and talked of the need to get the approval of the Department of Transport, raised fares, and all that. Three members of the Civic Party duly kow-towed to the Minister and got a go-ahead signal.

One month later, August 1961, a sleek, ultra-luxury bus was presented "as a sample" to the people of Noordgesig by PUTCO. This, an accompanying pamphlet informed the people, "is the type of bus, driven, conducted exclusively by Coloured drivers and conductors and passengers only . . . For Coloured and Asiatic persons only . . . what you will get if you consent to pay one penny extra."

The buses started their run immediately. Africans queued up as usual. A light green and dark green coat of paint, freshly uphstered and a deep groov from a conductor that these buses were for "Coloureds and Asiatics" only . . . An African worker was refused but he staunchly replied . . . "I am an Asian." And months of convincing collapsed . . . because the bus conductor was in no position to be a race-classifying officer.

A few days later a fresh rose was tried. The main bus terminus, situated near Diepkloof was changed to its present place near the Communal Hall. "It's more central," Tenants' Association men explained.

But Africans from Diepkloof were restless; no amount of ractack or bar could stop them from their right to use whatever bus service was convenient for them.

In an interview with a spokesman for PUTCO, I learned that there is nothing that can stop any African from using the bus service between Noordgesig and the city, although the licence plate stipulates that the service is "For Coloured and Asiatic persons only."

JOHANNESBURG.  
THE Nationalist offensive against Africans in the urban areas has been turned on to the women of Alexandria Township. Last week, for the first time ever, over 50 women were rounded up, put in the kwa-kwa, and taken to the charge office on permit offences.

PROTEST PLANNED  
Among them was one with a critically ill baby.

Mrs. Christina Mabaso, of 68 Nineteenth Street, told New Age that she was on her way to the clinic, as her baby had a high temperature, when she was stopped by the "Peri-Urbans" (the municipal police) and told that she was under arrest.

She pleaded to be allowed to go to the clinic first, but was abruptly told to get in the lorry—and was released again until 4.30 that afternoon.

In many other cases crying babies were left at home as their mothers disappeared suddenly.

People's Progressive Association commented: "The bus apartheid of the present Tenants' Association has been a flop."

"In their eagerness to catch votes," he continued, "these men have followed a line that could only reap the bitterest fruits for the Coloured people. We live in a horse show, surrounded by African townships and it is only with the maximum amount of goodwill and friendship that we hope to achieve race harmony."

"Admittedly," Mr. B. Brown, a leading resident of Noordgesig commented, "it is a good thing that we have an improved service. We don't mind paying that penny extra. But for those who think that this will convert us into raving racialists . . . they have another thing coming."

### Helped Defeat Racialism



Mr. J. J. Maree, Chairman of Transcopa.

## Mother's Plea For Sick Baby Ignored

### Arrested On Way To Clinic

The new move stems from Government policy—the plan that all Africans are ultimately to be moved out of Alexandria. Until now it is only the men who have been harassed and victimised, but obviously the next stage in the plan has now been reached, and families are now to suffer because the mother, as well as the father is to be hauled before the courts.

It is impossible to get a permit to live in Alexandria unless:

- A pass is produced first—this despite the fact that there is no law that African women must carry passes.
- A married woman came to the township before 1958. Her husband's papers must also be in order.
- An unmarried woman has been in continuous employment for 15 years.

A protest has been planned against this new step. Those arrested have complained bitterly about the injustice and harshness of the 'Peri-Urbans' action in implementing Government decree.

## WHITE WORKERS FEEL THE PINCH



These are some of the unemployed white workers who gave Department of Labour officials a rough time in Johannesburg recently.

## African Unemployed Hit Hardest

SACTU Memo To P.E. Council

PORT ELIZABETH.

A SACTU deputation was informed that the Deputy Mayor of Port Elizabeth was busy playing host to the American Navy, when they presented a memorandum on unemployment to the municipality last Monday.

The Mayor of Port Elizabeth was recovering from an operation and was also unable to meet the delegation.

The SACTU memorandum said: ● That it was alarming that the municipality was stepping up prosecutions for rent at a time when many people were out of work;

● That the police were also stepping up arrests of "idlers" and filling the jails with people who had committed no crimes;

● That the Labour Bureaux were serving primarily the employers and not the workers, and was the central point of the pass system restricting the movement of workers from job to job and from town to town and therefore creating a surplus of labour, the unemployed, in many areas;

## Nkomo Invited To India

SALISBURY.

Mr. Joshua Nkomo, the President of the National Democratic Party, has been invited by the Indian Government to attend a conference convened by the London Council of African Affairs. The conference will be held in New Delhi at the end of this month.

Also expected at the Conference are Mr. Kenneth Kaunda, President of the United National Independence Party of Northern Rhodesia, and Dr. Hastings Banda, Nyasaland's Minister of Local Government and Natural Resources. The Nationalists leaders will be the guests of Mr. Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, and the Council of African Affairs.

## Arnold's Xmas Hampers

The following agents have each won a free hamper for bringing in the greatest number of customers in August-September: Mr. Petrus P. Maqurube—Sharpeville, Vereeniging Mrs. Beatrice Radebe—Senoaene, Johannesburg Mrs. Esther Khumalo—Wattville, Benoni.

● That unemployment hit the low wage group the hardest as the greatest number of African unemployed were not entitled to Unemployment Benefits as they earned below £5.34d.

### UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

SACTU demanded that all workers irrespective of wage or salary earned, should be entitled to Unemployment Benefits, and stated that an increase in wages would accelerate the economy generally and raise the living standard of the workers.

All rent prosecutions should stop, the memorandum stated. The pass system and police raids should cease, and in order to secure a healthy economy and security for workers, a minimum wage of R3 a day should be paid.

## TIC Exposes Group Areas Plan

JOHANNESBURG

THE Benoni branch of the Transvaal Indian Congress has issued a hard hitting pamphlet exposing a grade plan by the Benoni Town Council and the Group Areas authorities to isolate the Indian people of Benoni.

Proposals by the authorities were made to the effect that the Coloureds of Actonville and the Africans of the old Benoni Location be moved out, leaving only the Indians.

"The Indian people condemn this sinister and provocative plan," the pamphlet reads, "We are part and parcel of the oppressed people and this can only promote race hostility and create a wedge into the unity of the people. We condemn the handful of self-seeking individuals who profess to speak on our behalf...they have no right to speak in our name." The Transvaal Indian Congress reiterates its total opposition to Group Areas and apartheid.

## UP MY ALLEY

LAST Saturday night was Jazz Festival night at Pampoen-ender-die-bos. This of course was quite a new innovation, but it all came about as a result of Basie Bizabo's trip to Alabama, USA, as a delegate to the annual convention of the KWW (Keep the World White).

The idea of a Jazz Festival certainly got the cool cats of Pampoen-ender-die-bos latching on to that rhythm. Especially Oom Mieliebaer who has been aching to render his own composition "Concerto for Piano—White Keys Only."

This of course presented some difficulty as Oom Mieliebaer insisted upon finding a piano which had no black keys, and since it was impossible to find such an instrument in Pampoen-ender-die-bos, let alone anywhere else, it was decided to ask the audience to shut their eyes when the Concerto number was presented.

Young Dixie Agerplaas' Jew's harp solo was turned down as was Pampoen-ender-die-bos, and more consternation was caused when Mervou Borstrok threatened to walk out if anybody so much as dared to suggest including the Indian Love Call in the programme. She felt the same about Red Sails In The Sunset.

However, the situation was saved when Geritje Sonderswaart suggested that gaps in the programme could be filled in with extracts from his own musical production, KING KOOS. So it was decided that she and the piano Concerto (White Keys Only), plus a good wallop of boere-musiek should complete the programme.

But some of the gang from the Pampoen-ender-die-bos Jeugbond threatened to come around and wreck the joint if they were to be debarred from doing some rock-and-roll.

The Festival Committee, in a panic, agreed, provided that they wore corduroy trousers and Voortrekker kappies instead of zoot-suits and duck-tails.

So the Pampoen-ender-die-bos Jazz Festival went off with a bang to say nothing of the explosion which some saboteurs caused right in the middle of a white-hot rendition of Jail House Rock by the quartet provided by the local Special Branch.

The only character who was disappointed was Colonel Paperbotham (Kaffir Wars, Rtd), who stalked out in the middle of the programme muttering that the Committee could have at least included White Till The Sun Shines, Nelly.

ALEX LA GUMA.

# T.U.C. MAY DROP COLOUR BAR

## Hammering at I.L.O. Takes Effect

DURBAN.

AS a result of the rebuff received by South Africa at the International Labour Organisation conference this year, when apartheid was strongly criticised and the threat of expulsion made, the colour-bar Trades Union Congress may open its ranks to trade unions of all races.

The TUC, which was formed in 1954 by the more reactionary White unions when the Trades and Labour Council succumbed to Nationalist pressure and finally dissolved itself, has as at present a 90 per cent White membership and a few Coloured unions.

When their official delegate to the I.L.O. Conference, Mr. Haldane of the Bank Officials' Union, reported on the hostile reception that he and the South African Government officials had had in Geneva, the National Executive Committee immediately began discussing the possibility of changing their structure.

It is now general knowledge in trade union circles that even if the NEG does not bring a motion to this effect to the next annual conference, the National Union of Distributive Workers or the Garment Workers' Union will do it instead.

### S.A.C.T.U. INTEREST

The South African Congress of Trade Unions, which is the biggest trade union co-ordinating centre for Non-Whites in South Africa, and which has made tremendous pro-

gress despite Government persecution, is watching this new development with interest. A spokesman told New Age:

"Although this would be a step in the right direction the mere dropping of the colour-bar from the constitution without a declared policy for the African unions would still leave the whole thing open to question."

"THE TRADE UNION MOVEMENT MUST REALISE THAT THE AFRICAN WORKERS' STRUGGLE FOR TRADE UNION RECOGNITION, FOR THE MOST SIMPLE RIGHT TO ORGANISE, BRINGS DOWN THE WHOLE MIGHT OF THE STATE ON THEM. FOR THIS REASON THE WORKERS' STRUGGLE IS ALWAYS A POLITICAL ONE—ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL RIGHTS ARE TIGHTLY LINKED."

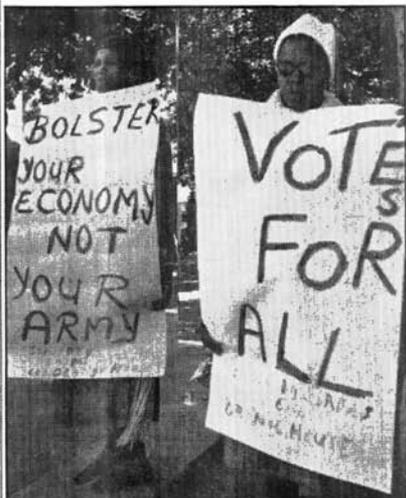
The South African Congress of Trade Unions, which has among its members the vast majority of African trade unions in South Africa, feels that the TUC would be well advised to consult it now so that its motives if it takes this step are not misinterpreted.

## African Detective Stabbed

PORT ELIZABETH.

Five people have been arrested in connection with the alleged murder of Anderson Nqali, described in police reports as a "very good detective," who died at Livingstone Hospital on Saturday last week. He had been stabbed the previous night at Zakele while on his way home from work.

## If Only They Could Vote!



While Cape Town's White electorate went to the polls last Wednesday Non-White demonstrators lined up in Adleyer Street to voice their demand for equal democratic rights for all. Soon after the demonstrators took their places, the Special Branch did their bit for White South Africa by seizing all the placards and taking names and addresses.

# "Everything in Man's Name, for Man's Benefit"

# KHRUSHOV OUTLINES PLAN FOR SOVIET'S FUTURE

When Spaceman Gherman Titov was asked what he thought of the programme for the Soviet Union presented at the 22nd Congress of the Soviet Communist Party, held recently, he said (naturally): "It is genuinely COSMIC!"

Here are extracts from Mr. Khrushchov's speech to the "Congress of the Builders of Communism" in which he portrays the USSR's road to happiness.

"TODAY it is not imperialism with its wolfish habits, but Socialism with its ideas of peace and progress that is becoming the decisive factor in world development.

There has been a noticeable weakening of the positions of Britain and France. The defeated countries have made a big leap forward, especially Western Germany and Japan.

in the affairs of insurrectionary peoples would constitute acts of aggression endangering world peace.

"WHAT YE SOW . . ."

"We must state outright that in the event of imperialist export of counter-revolution, the Communists will call on the peoples of all countries to rally, to mobilise their forces and, supported by the might of the world Socialist system, firmly repel the enemies of freedom and peace.

"In other words, as ye sow, so shall ye reap."

Turning to questions connected with the entry of the Soviet Union into the period of full-scale Communist construction, Khrushchov said that the USSR had made a great advance towards the fulfilment of the basic economic task of overtaking and outstripping the most highly developed capitalist countries in production per head of population.

Keeping far ahead of the United States as far as the rate of growth is concerned, the USSR has begun in recent years to outstrip that country in the absolute growth in the production of many important items.

The Soviet Union now accounts for almost a fifth of the world's industrial output.

It spends three-quarters of its national income on the satisfaction of the personal requirements of the working people.

### NO TAXES

● At the end of 1965 there will be no taxes levied on the population in the Soviet Union.

As regards the volume and rate of housing construction the Soviet Union holds first place in all countries.

● About 40 per cent of the country's workers and over 23 per cent of its collective farmers now have secondary or higher education.

The average annual rate of industrial growth in the Soviet Union in the 1956-61 period amounted to 10.2 per cent, that of the United States to 2.3 per cent.

The average annual output of manufactured goods per head of population increased by 8.2 per cent in the Soviet Union and by 0.6 per cent in the United States.

The annual average increase in investments in the past six years has been 12 per cent in the USSR, and in the United States there has been no increase, just the reverse.

Industrial output in the USSR today amounts to more than 60 per cent of American output.

Khrushchov recalled that some ten or eleven years ago Soviet industrial output was less than 30 per cent of that of the United States.

### U.S. OUTSTRIPPED

At the present time the USSR has already outstripped the United States in the extraction of iron ore and coal, the production of coke, prefabricated concrete elements, heavy diesel and electric locomotives, sawn timber, woollen textiles, sugar, butter, fish and a number of other foodstuffs and manufactured items.

● At the present time there are over 100,000 construction sites in the country, a half of them for industry.

● Total agricultural output has gone up 43 per cent in the past



Oh dear, the news from Russia looks bad again!"

five years as against the preceding

years. Khrushchov said that the rate of growth of agricultural production is still lower than that of industrial production and still does not meet the growing requirements of the population.

● Khrushchov said that within the next few years not less than another 20 million acres of virgin lands are to be developed in the USSR, which will raise the total of new lands in use to 125 million acres.

### INCOME INCREASED

Khrushchov told the Congress that on the basis of the growth of the national income, the real incomes of factory, office and professional workers (per employed person) increased by 27 per cent in the past five years.

Those of collective farmers increased by 33 per cent.

● Under the Seven-Year Plan the real incomes of factory, office and professional workers and collective farmers will increase as much as 40 per cent.

In recent years the USSR has been building twice as many flats per 1,000 inhabitants as have the United States and France, and more than twice as many as Britain and Italy.

"But we still have a housing shortage, the housing problem remains acute," Khrushchov said.

● In the remaining four years of the Seven-Year Plan about 4,300 million square feet of housing floor space will be built—60 per cent more than under the fourth and fifth Five-Year Plans taken together.

Over four million homes will be built in the countryside.

"Class relations in our country have now entered a new stage of their development. Proletarian democracy is becoming Socialist democracy of the whole people.

"Every Soviet citizen should take an active part in the management of public affairs—that is our slogan, our task."

## Portuguese Guinean Patriots Deal Heavy Blows To Enemy

CONAKRY.

THE patriots of Portuguese Guinea and Cape Verde islands had great success in their direct struggle against the colonialist forces and the bases of colonial exploitation in Portuguese Guinea during last month.

This was announced by the African Independence Party of Portuguese Guinea and Cape Verde Islands (PAIGC) in a communique issued in Conakry recently.

The communique stated that direct action against the bases of colonial exploitation and the colonialist forces in Portuguese Guinea was developed satisfactorily in accordance with predetermined aims.

It said that during last month the Nationalists damaged and destroyed more than a score of bridges and many of the principal highways so that the colonialists were repeatedly compelled to make repairs. Many local administrative organs of the colonial authorities were continually isolated due to sabotage of telephone and telegraph wires, it added. The communique said that during several ambushes the Nationalists captured a considerable number of weapons from the enemy. The number of African soldiers crossing over to the side of the Nationalists from the ranks of the colonialist troops was increasing, the communique said.

The armed struggle against the Portuguese colonialists in Portuguese Guinea was launched last August under the leadership of PAIGC. At that time, a statement was issued saying that in view of the Portuguese Government rejection of a peaceful solution and its obstinate clinging to colonial domination, PAIGC proclaims August 3, 1961, the day of transition in our National Revolution from the stage of political struggle to that of national insurrection and to take direct action against the colonialist forces.

## WHAT PLANET IS THIS?



WAS YOUR GUESS RIGHT? It's a picture of Mother Earth taken by Cosmonaut Gherman Titov while on his space trip around the world in the rocket ship Vostok II.

## Lovely Leading Lady



Miss Rose Lekgothoane, the heroine of "Frustrated Black Boy," a play by Godfrey Slosana which returns to the Johannesburg City Hall for a second run from November 15-18.

## TRANSVAAL UNITED WIN U.T.C. CUP

A GOAL 10 minutes from full time saw Transvaal United become the first team in the country to win the professional R2,000 U.T.C. League Cup, when they beat Avafon Athletic at Currie's Fountain Stadium last week.

Transvaal still has one match to play, however, and that is against the powerful Moroka-Swallows. Should they win this their score for the season will be 16 points, with Durban's Aces United coming runners-up with 13 points.

In last week's match, Transvaal was not the dominating side however, for Athletic came close to upsetting the apple-cart. It was only through a weak forward line that Athletic failed to bring down Transvaal.

In the first half it was Athletic doing the spade work. They came near to scoring, but either found that they did not have their shooting boots on or that Transvaal keeper Mennie Davis was just too much for them.

At the other end of the field, the visitors, too, could have scored a

## FRAMED PICTURE of CHIEF LUTULI

Obtainable at 5s. each from the Johannesburg office of New Age, 6 Mercantile House, 155 President Street, Johannesburg.

## "We Don't Want Paupers' Wages!"

Musicians Walk Out Of Show JOHANNESBURG.

"DINGAKA," the musical show running at Brooke Theatre in Johannesburg, was threatened this week with folding up. Nine of the musicians from the orchestra pit walked out of the show after they had an argument about wages with its producer, Miss Bertha Egnos.

The musicians' walk-out was followed by two placard demonstrations outside the theatre on Wednesday and Thursday nights. The placards read: "We Don't Want Paupers' Wages."

Mr. Bivh Mbitjana, who acted as spokesman for the musicians, said the musicians were made certain promises which the management of the show failed to honour. They were promised £12.10 a week, he said, but when they received their pay on Saturday night they found only £10.

"When we made representations," he said, "no attention was paid and no explanations were given as to why we were short-paid."

Later the eight musicians (one of them black-legged) held the poster demonstration. A crowd of 200 milled around the demonstrator... they were, of course, dispersed by the police. The next night's demonstration attracted very little attention.

In an interview Miss Egnos, the director and co-producer of the show, said that she had told the musicians that she could not afford £12.10 a week.

"The show will go on for as long as people want to see it," she said. "Some of the musicians have come back for their jobs but I refused to accept them."

Mr. Dan Phoho, secretary of the Union of Southern African Artists has been elected "peace-officer" between the striking musicians and the harassed theatre management. A "peace meeting" is due to take place soon. Meanwhile "Dingaka" is showing to continually thinning houses.

## SPECIAL BRANCH SWOOP IN JO'BURG STREET

JOHANNESBURG.

SPECIAL Branch detectives suddenly swooped on two leading political figures and searched them in the street in the centre of this city one day last week.

Mr. Walter Sisulu, formerly secretary-general of the African National Congress was arrested on the spot, ordered into the police car, driven to the Grays, the headquarters of the Special Branch and served with an order banning him for a further five years, and then charged under the pass laws.

Mr. Michael Harmel, who was walking with Mr. Sisulu, was approached by Dr. Sgt. Dirker who said aggressively: "Ah, I see you have documents. Let me see them." (Mr. Harmel was carrying a buff envelope in his hand.)

Asked for a warrant Sgt. Dirker said: "I am Dr.-Sgt. Dirker and I am after Communism." He started going through the papers carried by Mr. Harmel on the pavement, retained three of the documents, and wrote out a receipt,

still on the pavement in President Street.

The receipt was for "Constitutional Reports on Swaziland"; "Notes on Discussion on Constitution in Swaziland"; and "Constitution (draft) of the Bechuanaland People's Party."

"POLITICS, MAN, POLITICS" Mr. Harmel told New Age: "While Sgt. Dirker was writing I said to him 'Why are you taking these documents?' He said rudely 'Politics, man, politics.' Then he flew into a temper. 'Why are you questioning me?' he shouted. 'I should be cross-questioning you.'

"Then he turned to a third detective in the car 'Just for that,' he ordered 'Search his pockets.' The young detective fished through my pockets. He found a business account, read it and gave it back to me. Then Sgt. Dirker gave me his receipt and the car went off with Mr. Sisulu and the three detectives."

Mr. Sisulu spent the night in Marshall Square. Bail was fixed at £8, and he now faces a charge in the Native Commissioner's Court of not producing a pass on demand.

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## RACING AT ASCOT

The following are Damon's selections for Saturday:

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Juvenile Plate (Colts): No Selection.

WALDEN PLATE (3 and 4-Year-Olds): W/LORD, Danger, Afrolyra.

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2. Taurus  
3. Baywood.

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