PEOPLE'S

Apartheid, Police Terror Drive Africans to Desperation

From M. P. Naicker

DURBAN.

THE situation in Natal has reached a dangerous state. Following bloody clashes between the people and the police in Maritzburg and the surrounding districts, the people's anger against the authorities is growing. The agita-tion throughout the province against Bantu Authorities, passes and for £1 a day is reaching new heights.

THE ONLY SOLUTION IS NEGOTIATION BETWEEN THE AUTHORITIES AND THE PEOPLE. RELIANCE ON BRUTE FORCE AND MASS IMPRISONMENT WILL ONLY PROVOKE FURTHER DISTURBANCES.

The women in the New Hanover district whom I interviewed last

week told me that they did not fear jail or death any more as they cannot put up with the starvation conditions in the reserve.

When they were asked by the Native Commissioner why they had destroyed the dipping tank, they replied:

"We did not intend to destroy the dipping tank. We were really writing a letter to the authorities which they could read. If we had written an ordinary letter you would not have replied."

A significant feature of all the demonstrations is that they are aimed at Government and municipal officials and police, and in no case has there been any attack on other local inhabitants. Attempts young to turn the anger of the Atricans against the Indians have failed completely.

Here are reports from the main trouble centres:

* Maritzburg

Trouble began early last Friday morning when two bus-loads of African women from the Table Mountain Reserve, about 15 miles from Maritzburg arrived in town for a meeting with the local women. They were met at the bus terminal in Maritzburg by compens attorneys Messrs. R. I. Arenstein and N. T. Natcker who were on their way to defend 600 women

13 Congressmen Arrested in Port Elizabeth

Sequel to Zakele Killings

PORT ELIZABETH.

FOLLOWING the recent clashes

FOLLOWING the recent clashes in Zakele (Site and Service) is which five people died, J3 Congressmen, including the Vice-President of the Cape ANC, have been arrested on a charge of public violence.

They are being kept in custody pending their appearance in court, which has been set down for The third properties. Alwern The thirty of Mondoloti, Kolisile Medwayi, Arnold Maliwa, Mali, Douglas Sikwana, Freddie Nel. Sipo Bala, Jackson Boot, Hobson Bayuma, Wilson Kaingo, Maxwell Mayekiso and Edmund Komanisi.

The men were mostly arrested at Continued on page 3

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ain trouble centres:

at New Hanover. On the advice of Mr. Arenstein, the women, who were all armed, disposed of their weapons and proceeded to the meeting place at Edendale, a local suburb. Here they were informed it that the local women who had a gathered for the meeting place at the suburb. Here they were informed in the suburb. Here they were they we

arrested women.

the arrested women.
Their spokesman made it clear
that if the women were not released they would all court imprisonment. After discussion with
the police they were met by the
sioner and police officials. They
pointed out that they had merely
intended to have a meeting and to
present their grievances to the Native Commissioner. After much discussion the arrested women were released.

BATON CHARGE

The women then decided to hold their meeting in the quadrangle at the Maritzburg Municipal Beerhall. Soon after they assembled a strong force of armed police arrived and according to several eye-witnesses I interviewed the same evening.

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POTATO BOYCOTT



May End in Sept.

JOHANNESBURG.

THE potato boycot is still on. It will go on, said the African National Congress last week, till an official notice of the date of its ending is announced by ANC head-quarters. This date is now under consideration.

consideration. New Age understands it will probably be the end of September. The boycott is not to continue "indefinitely" as some newspapers announced last week. It has also not been called off, as other newspapers announced. (Continued on page 5)

LEFT: This shell of a house was all that was left of the Resha's home in 134 Good Street, Sophiatown, after the Resettlement Board demolition team had done its work.

While Robert Resha was in Court, They

PULLED DOWN HIS HOME

JOHANNESBURG.

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WHILE Robert Resha sat
in the dock of the treason
in Perform and his wife
Maggie, a midwife, was on a
call in the south-west townships, a demolition squad of
the Resettlement Board set to
with crowbar and chopper and
pulled down the house in
which they had been living in
Sonhiatown. Sophiatown.

By the time the Reshas returned to Sophiatown after 6 p.m. that day they found only the shell of a house, their furniture and clothing standing out in the street, and their two little girls taken in by Mrs. Resha suiter nearby. The Resha house was demolished the day after the 30 accused in the treason trial, Robert Resha among them, had heard the Crown outline as part of the treason case against them their active campains the campains the

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Mrs. Maggie Resha and her two little girls took temporary shelter in a friendly Indian shop nearby their wrecked home. Bed and belong-ings were piled against the shop showcases,



BRITISH IMPERIALISM WILL BE DESTROYED

Last March Congress leaders and their supporters were brutally assaulted and arrested and put inassaured and arrested and put in-to detention camps under the false accusation that Congress planned a massacre of Europeans. In April the British Government sent a commission of inquiry un-der Justice Devlin to investigate

e disturbances.
The Devlin Commission has bmitted its report and has found

The Devint Commission has found submitted its report and has found that Nyasaland is a police tatle, Now the British Government and the Governor of Nyasaland deny let report of the Devint Commission because it did not do injustice to the Africams. Colonial Secretary and the Governor only shed crocedile tears over the \$2. Africans killed and 70 wounded. They pretend to regret the death of poor Africans, but in fact they are pleased to suppress and murder the Natives of the Commission of the Natives of the Commission of the Natives of the Nat

but they carry bibles and guns together. We shout, "shame on the im-perialists". We are bound to suf-fer all consequences for the sake of our land, but every thinking African in Nyasaland is deer-mined to resist the imperialist ag-gression and brutality. We are

TO CONGRESS

Symbol of hope, unyielding To force, tempered like steel, You are firmly and resolutely Cleaved to the exalted ideal. Cleaved to the exalted ideal. The steel of the exalted ideal and the steel of the

Johannesburg

sure that the British Empire is losing its prestige in Africa as a whole and will finally vanish

British Government The British Government en-courages its colonists to do every-thing possible to gain Africa, but we are sure that they are declin-ing and will be eliminated from the African soil for the evil they e pursuing.
Nyasaland N. Z. S. J.

Police Visit Our Readers in S.W.A.

It has become a habit for the police to visit any person who reads New Age or writes to or receives letters from Mr. Konzon-guizi and Mr. Getzen who are in

guizi and Mr. Getzen was America.
America.
You are asked why you read New Age and whether you know these two men. When saying that you know them your name and address are taken by the CID and a nieht your house is watched

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woerd. NORTHERN OBSERVER

AUGUST 9 IN BLOEMFONTEIN

I heard from the President of the Women's Federation that the city fathers of Bloemfontein re-fused to allow the women to hold a prayer meeting on August 9.
Their excuse was that the police objected to meetings being held on Sundays and week-ends generally. This was condemned as a rally. This was condemned as a sheer restriction on the freedom of prayer. The President then made an application to hold the meeting on Friday 7. The officials agreed to this but the time sti-pulated made it impossible for the people to be able to attend, so the prayer meeting was held on the prayer meeting was held on the Square. African churches were asked to observe the 9th as a day of prayer against the inhuman pass laws.

An afternoon service was also conducted in St. Patrick's Church, conducted in St. Patrick's Church, Bloemfontien, by the Rev, Father Martin. In his sermon he said that freedom was the freedom to love mankind, to do good to others and to hate evil. Prayers were said and a few minutes' silence observed in the church.

Bloemfontein, O.F.S

NEW CONVERT TO CONGRESS

It is through the impetus of appreciation bred and born in the human being that I express these words of joy.

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doubts.
As a man who has been taken as an agitator, and visited twice by the Special Branch. I have been compelled to join the chorus of the ANC. I therefore surrender myself to Congress, wishing its offorts. May the spirit that permates me be felt by others.
MayYboye Afrika.
MayBoye Afrika.
S. TSHAWE
Durban Natla.

Durban, Nata!

ARE THESE RUMOURS TRUE?

Recently there were reports about anonymous intimidation and violent vandalism carried out and violent vandalism carried out by a secret terrorist society— called the "Ku Klux Klan"— against opponents of the Govern-ment. Mr. Swart has described these reports as "rumouts"—and ment. Mr. Swart these reports as I agree with him.

Rumour indeed! This country is full of wicked "rumours", all calculated to "smear" South Africa's "good name" both within and abroad. The following are but a few examples:

a few examples:

It is "rumoured" that South
Africa is a minority dictatorship;
that the rulers flout all democratic principles: that the rulers
ride rough-shod over their opponents; and that over 80 per
cent, of the people are denied
even the elementary human rights.

even the elementary human rights, It is "rumoured" that there is no equality in the administration of justice when Blacks and Whites happen to be involved in the same case; that a White found guilty of murdering or raping a Black gets away lightly; while a Black found guilty of murder-ing or raping a White is always executed.

It is "rumoured" that the proposed separate universities for blacks will be "brain-washing machines"—intended to drill inferiority into the students.

It is "rumoured" that the blacks of South Africa are the victims of "axation without re-resentation.".

The aforementioned "rumours", needless to say, are "unfounded" They have been "concocted" by "liberalists", "leftists", "agitators", "half-educated Natives," "turbulent priests" and other "enemies" of "democratic" South

"MOSSOLB SUTOL"

Stanger, Natal

EDITORIAL

WHAT IS TO BE DONE?

THE so-called "rebellion" of the African people in Natal once again highlights the deepening tragedy of this country.

In the Natal country districts an outburst has taken place over the issue of the dipping tanks. In Maritzburg there has been another clash between the women and the police, once again, as at Cato Manor, over the issue of the beerhalls. But of course these were only the last straws.

What has got the African people of Natal into a ferment is simply this: they are desperately poor, and getting poorer as the country's economy plunges deeper into the slump. They are overburdened with restrictions—pass laws, removals, police raids. What remains of their tribal independence is being destroyed by the Bantu Authorities Act. Their past is gone, the present is an agony and they have no future. The slightest extra prick can touch off the explosion.

It is not as if the African people haven't tried. They have endured mountains of repression with astonishing patience. They have taken their grievances to authority, peacefully and respectfully, over and over again. They have gone on deputations, made representations, forwarded memoranda. They have elected people to represent them on advisory boards and in Parliament.

But to the apartheid maniacs in power, it hasn't made one single atom of difference, African opinion and African protest single atom of underence. Arrivan opinion and Arrican protest has been steadfastly ignored. On top of everything, those few channels through which Africans were legally permitted to convey their views have been abolished. The old formula used to be: "We will hear you before we decide." Now it is: "We don't want to listen. We have already decided."

Possibility of Change

The South African social and political system seems already to have been gripped by rigor mortis. There seems no flexibility left, no room for expansion or contraction. Authority is not even prepared to make concessions to widespread public clamour which Black protest is joined by a considerable section of the Whites. Since the bus boycott of 1957, for example, the country has been swept by a demand that African wages should be raised. Even organised industry and commerce have agreed—but how many Africans have, in the last two years, had wage increases? Only the tiny minority,

The Government and the forces which keep it in power have set their faces against any form of progressive social change, regarding this as the inevitable prelude to "integration" and the consequent destruction of White supremacy. The most they are prepared to countenance are minor adjustments within the present set-up. Wider African aspirations are fobbed off with the fraud of Bantustan.

Naturally, this policy builds up terrific tension and frustration among the various sections of the population of this country. The demands and complaints from the people become more insistent, more strident. The Government's answer is more repression, treason trials, banishment, bannings and Saracens. The body politic is racked with ever more severe stresses and strains.

body pointe is racked with ever more severe stresses and strains. In this framework, Cato Manor, Harding and Maritzburg are only the beginning. We have already had Zecrust, Sekhukhuneland and killings in the Transkei. A show of police force may bring about a temporary calm, but beneath the surface the tensions will remain, and far worse and more bloody outbreaks will be stored up for the future.

Who can save our country from this continual conflict and bloodshed? Not the Government, which provokes it. Not the United Party opposition, whose frantic spokesman, Mr. Mitchell, blames the Government for not acting tough enough against the poor, hounded, desperate victims of apartheid in Natal,

United Crusade

What is needed in this country is a united crusade of the sane, a crusade which will bind together all men and women who believe in two simple propositions:

- a there must be a half to the present apartheid madness, which threatens to destroy us all;
- there must be built a new South Africa based on justice and freedom for all.

Let us not haggle over the details. The basic principles of such a new South Africa were agreed upon by a wide assortment of people of all colours and races at the Multi-Racial Conference held in Johannesburg in December 1957.

IT IS HIGH TIME THAT ALL THOSE WHO TOOK PART IN THAT CONFERENCE GOT TOGETHER AGAIN AND DECIDED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. CAN WE DARE CONTINUE TO FIDDLE WHILE ROME

HELP US TO FIGHT FOR PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP

WITH each month that passes, the political situ-ation in our country steadily deteriorates. The old order is coming apart at the seams and people's political ideas are in a ferment.

The Nationalists—and Mr.

The Nationalists—and Mr. Mitchell—imagine they can stitch things up with sten guns; an illusion fraught with danger for all South Africans. No one can be either safe or happy in a bullet-riddled country. More and more thinking people are beginning to realise to realise the need for fighting for the only possible alternative policy—the policy of peace, friendship, equality and consultation. onsultation.

New Age stands in the fore-front of those who are helping to show the way out of the present impossible situation.

New Age points the way for-ward, fights for the victory of those ideas that will, in the end, prove stronger than all

end, prove stronger than all the bullets and batons. That is why we ask you to support our paper. That is why we ask you to give us your donation today. HELP US TO FIGHT FOR YOUR POLICY!

Last Week's Donations:

Johannesburg: R. £3, A.L. £2, M.H. £2, Shoemaker 10s., X £10, Collec-

R. Actions £12.

Port Elizabeth:
Friend £1, Arnold, £1,
Annce 10s., Friends £5.

- Cweeney £1,
- Cweeney £1,
- Ale

Friend £1, ATDONS, E., Chance 108, Friends £5, Cape Town:
NPDT 55., McSweeney £1, B.H. £20, Dr. K. £1, Double Yolk £2, Ken £1, Crockery £1.10, J.Z £8, Lists £2.7, Brains £51, E., TOTAL: £79 3 L 8d.

JUDGES TRY TO SHORTEN TREASON TRIAL

But Crown Seems Unwilling

THE six organisations, African National Congress, South African Indian Congress, South African Coloured People's Organisation, South African Congress of Trade Unions and Federation of Section 1981 of Trade Unions and Federation of South African Women, all strongly opposed apartheid and Government legislation and denounced the Gov-ernment. They criticised the present constitution of the Union and de-manded a new and radically dif-ferent Government. In particular they advocated universal adult suffrage and the abolition of all

These admissions were made by Mr. I. A. Maisels, Q.C., leader of the defence team, at the Treason

Mr. Maisels made these admis-sions to the Court in an attempt to shorten the Trial in the interests of the 30 accused and following a sug-gestion to this effect by the Bench.

gestion to this effect by the Bench.
He said that the defence would
admit that in 1932, the ANC and
the SAIC conducted a Defiance
Campaign of certain "unjust" laws
to bring about social and political
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supported the Congress of the
People, the collection of demands
and the adoption of the Freedom
Charter,

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These organisations further opposed the Group Areas Act, Na-tives Resettlement Act, Bantus Edu-cation and Pass laws. The African National Congress conducted a campaign for the boycott of Bantus Education Schools and called upon

the people not to move voluntarily from the Western Areas and Afri-can women not to apply voluntarily for Reference Books.

EXTRA-PARLIAMENTARY ACTIVITY

Mr. Maisels stated that these or-anisations accepted that extra-par-amentary activity was needed, and advocated and carried on such ac-

tivity,

He said that the ANC, SAIC,
S.A. Congress of Democrats and
SACPO recruited or supported the
racruiting of "Freedom Volunteers."
They also criticised the colonial
system and sympathised with the
efforts of the colonial countries to
obtain self-government.

obtain self-government.

After this the Crown continued to lead evidence on the documents seized at the offices of the African National Congress during the nation-wide raids of September 27, 1955. Former Detective-Sgt. T. E. Woeller handed-in the documents found at the offices on that day.

HOW LONG IS THIS TRIAL GOING TO LAST?

The reading of the minutes of the 1954 Conference of the South African Indian Congress by Mr. Liebenberg, a member of the Crown team, led to cross-examina-tion by the Bench.

Mr. Justice Kennedy: Are you going to read the whole of that chormous volume?

Mr. Liebenberg: Only the por-tions we are going to rely on to prove our case.

Mr. Justice Rumpff: The view of the court is that the Crown should draw up a summary of facts on these documents and submit them to the defence. If this could be handled with consent, it would shorten the trial handled with of shorten the trial,

Confirmation of the Basutoland Congress Party's charge has been confirmation of the Basutoland Congress Party's charge has been who told the Press last week that the first drafts of the Basutoland constitutional documents "were defective and needed revision to bring them fully into line with the main provisions of the London conference agreement".

Professor Coven said he had made suggestions on these lines to the British Government and had every expectation that the necessary charge European Party Party State Party shorten the trial.

Mr. Liebenberg: A letter has been written to the Defence.
Mr. Justice Rumpfi. Why a letter! Has it been posted?
Mr. Liebenberg: I am not sure if it has been posted but I am sure it so being drafted this morning.
Mr. Jebenberg: Mr at both only one serious thought as to how long this case is going to last?
Mr. Liebenberg: My Lord, it's difficult to say, but using the experience of the Preparatory Examination it should not be more than six months. A further resolution passed unanimously at the Basutoland Congress Party meeting in Maseru

"I DID PARAPHRASING IN STANDARD SIX*

congress Party meeting in Masterior rotested against the grant to Col. Jack Scott of rights to prospect and dig for diamonds for 21 years, subject to automatic renewal for another 21 years, contrary to an earlier decision of the Basutoland Reading a document on the elec-tions for delegates to the Congress of the People, Mr. Van Nickerk, who became a QC. in the course of the first week of the Trial, was questioned by the Bench as to white replied that it was very difficult for the Crown to know everything at this stage. The resolution also objected to Col. Scott's request to be allowed to cede his mining rights to the Bermuda Company, contrary to the decision of the Basutoland Council

this stage.

The presiding judge, Mr. Justice
Rumpff then asked: "Why does the
Crown not know at this stage?
What is the case of the Crown?"
Mr. Van Niekerk said that this
document was going to be dealt
with
Mr. Justice Rumpff then said that
Mr. Justice Rumpff then be was stage.

he remembered that when he was in Standard VI, VII and VIII they were asked to paraphrase. Why did the Crown not paraphrase these documents?

documents?

Dealing with other documents
Mr. Justice Rumpff said that the
Government might be asked to put
stamps on these exhibits. The Court
might get tired of hearing the same
evidence over and over again.

On Monday of this week Judge

Rumpff added that the Crown gave the impression that it was very ug-willing to make moves that might shorten the trial.

Mr. Terblanche, another member Mr. Terblanche, another member of the Crown team from Natal, addressed the Bench for the first time in this trial. But the document he intended dealing with was withdrawn. Detective-Sergeant T. E. Moeller said that the document did not bear his marking. The document was then withdrawn and Mr. Terblanche resumed his seat.

INADMISSIBLE EVIDENCE

Mr. S. Kentridge (for the de-fence) asked that two documents, one a pamphlet entitled "Road to one a pamphlet entitled "Road to Higher Wages" issued by the Coun-cil of Non-European Trade Unions, and the other the "Constitution of the People's Republic of China", be declared irrelevant and inadmis-sible. He said that apparently the Crown thought the first booklet had Crown thought the first booklet had been issued by the South African Congress of Trade Unions, but this was not so. With regard to the Constitution of the People's Republic of China, he said that this document was found in the briefcase of a servant of the organisation who was not even a co-conspirator.

If this type of thing was to be accepted the position would be intolerable, because if the "Rand Daily Mail" or the "Transvaler published an article about trade unions or China, that could also be used as evidence.

The Crown argued that it was relevant and that it would later show the relevancy, Judgment on this issue was postponed,

CROSS-EXAMINATION OF WITNESS MOELLER

Mr. Maisels: All the documents you seized at the offices of the ANC were kept openly on the desks, shelves and drawers? There were no secret cabinets, not so?

secret cabinets, not so?

Mr. Moeller agreed it was so.
Mr. Moeller also admitted that the
search of the offices was not a
novelty to the ANC. He agreed
further that there were a lot of
newspapers, magazines and other
further that he did not seize at the
offices of the ANC such as the
Times". "The Observer" "New
Times". "The Observer" "New
Affairs). "Digest of South African
Affairs' (issued by the S.A. Government). ernment).

He did not remember seeing a copy of "Die Transvaler" nor a book entitled "When Smuts Goes", by Kepple-Jones. He admitted that as far as he knew Congress policy was non-violent.

By the beginning of this week the treason trial had reached the second Crown witness. The first detective had been in the box reading docu-ments and under cross-examination for one week.

Racing at Milnerton

The following are Damon's selec-ons for Saturday:

Au-Revoir Handicap: IRRADIATE Danger, Carn Feast.

Milnerton Handicap; ANGOLA. Danger, Nonchalance. Ascot Handicap, Tops; RED COP

PER. Danger, Lampfly.

Ascot Handicap, Bottoms: VINO. Danger, Queer Love, rial Handicap: DUNCKLING SELECTED. Danger, Thunder By

Maiden Plate, 7 furlongs: STONE HAVEN. Danger, Wall Street.

Maiden Plate, 5 furlongs: KEBREN. Danger, Dear One.

A. RUPERT BACKS BANTUSTANS

CAPE TOWN

Support for the Govern-ment's Bantustan policy was expressed by Mr. Anton Rupert, managing-director of Rembrandt, in an address to the Worcester Sakekamer re-

on relations with the Afri-On relations with the Afri-cans, Mr. Rupert said: "We have seen what happened to the Netherlanders in Indonesia the Netherlanders in Indonesia and now is happening with the French in Algetia. Against that, we know that the Jews are still maintaining their ex-istence in Israel as a result of partition.

partition.

"Broadly speaking, therefore, one cannot but agree with the policy of the State, and the latest steps in that regard can introduce a new period in our history. It can avoid crowding together like Harlem in New York.

together like Harrish ...

"Unfortunately, however, it is the case that policy is tested by its practical implementation, We often fall short there,"

13 Congressmen Arrested in Port Elizabeth

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their places of work. Their homes are in New Brighton and Zakele.

The situation at Zakele is now quiet although wild rumours of impending attacks continue to be spread, so that the police have been keeping Saracens ready nearby.

The ANC alleges that hoodlums are spreading these false rumours to mislead the police and so create a situation where it will be possible to maintain a war of nerves.

WOMEN TOO

The arrests of the men were pre-ceded by those of five women, who were released after several days in the cells on bail of £30 each. They are being charged with robbery.

are being charged with robbery. Some women are accusing them of robbing them of their dom passes and destroying them. Mrs. Florence Matomela, who is charged with inciting the other four to rob the complainants, was found not guilty and discharged in a similar case only a fortnight ago.

A further five people were rested over the week-end.

TAMBO'S VISIT

Interviewed in Port Elizabeth over the week-end, Mr. Oliver Tam-bo, Deputy President-General of the ANC, said he had come to other information on brakele situation, about which the ANC had been disturbed. After meeting the leaders of the organisation, he gained the impression that the situation was well under control.

After expressing sympathy with the relatives of the deceased, he said he was issuing an appeal to ANC members and the public at Zakele to co-operate in efforts to restore the position to normal. He said he would place the facts obtained during his wisit before the National Working Committee, which will decide on what course of action to take. action to take.

Mr. Tambo was accompanied by fr. Tom Nkobi, National Orga-

PARTY HITS OUT London Agreement Violated by Draft Proclamation

don Agreement.

COWEN AGREES

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BASUTO CONGRESS

THE draft Local Government
Proclamation for Basulonal
contradicts the Cowen Report and
the London Agreement as embodied
in the White Paper presented to
the White Paper presented to the London Agreement as embodied in the White Paper presented to the Basutoland Council in July, 1958, says the Basutoland Congress

Party.

In a resolution adopted unanimously at a public meeting held
at Maseru on August 5, the charge
is made that the Local Government Party. is made that the Local Government Proclamation "gives very extensive powers to the Commissioner of Lo-cal Government which he may use to hamper the proper growth of local government in Basutoland and makes nonsense of Basotho self rule:

rule;
"Reduces the status and powers

"Reduces the status and powers of the Paramount Chief;
"Introduces subordinate councils which are not subject to the control of telected) District Councils and perpetuate the night had concluded Government reserves are little Crown colonies within Basutoland over which the Paramount Chief and the Basotho nation have no control; and
"Will serve to stiffe the growth

STEN GUNS TO STOP A CONCERT

the concert to close.

While a discussion took place on the reasons for the order eye-witnesses say he hit one man on the head with the

In the meanwhile other po-lice had started attacking the people indiscriminately with staves. Outside the hall the police opened fire, but it is not known if there were any casu-alties from bullets although a known if there were any casu-alties from bullets although a number of people received severe wounds on their heads.

PORT ELIZABETH.
One night last week the police walked into a quiet and peacefully conducted concert at the T. C. White Hall. One, holding a sten gun at the ready, mounted the stage and ordered the concert to elose. the concert to close.

that he and he alone should enjoy that he and he alone should enjoy those rights.

Objection was also lodged to "the introduction of South African capital to be supplied by De Beers Company to the new Bermuda Company which is now taking over from Col. Scott as this spells daneer to our country and our freedom from the tyranny of the Union of South Africa."

South Africa."
Finally the meeting expressed its lack of confidence in the Resident Commissioner, Mr. A. G. T. Chaplin, and called for his removal.
"This irresponsible manner in which British officials work contrary to the wishes of the people is the cause of merciless and wanton destruction of the lives of innocent and detenceless Africans 1000000. out all British dependencies," stated

The full background to the LAOS crisis

PEOPLE'S PRINCE ARRESTED **AS CIVIL WAR RAGES**

"One of the world's richest areas is open to the winner in Indo-China, That's behind the growing U.S. concern . . . Tin, rubber, rice, key strategic raw materials are what the war is really about, U.S. sees it as a place to hold—at any cost."

THIS statement in the U.S. News and World Report in April 1954, just before the catastrophic defeat for the French and their U.S. backers at Dien Bien Phu, gives a wonderful clue as to what the present crisis in Laos is all about.

Here is a second clue. That mirror of what is called "Western opinion," the OBSERVER, wrote in October 1957.

". . . Laos has been regarded by the Western Powers as a strategic buffer between China and Communist Viet Nam on her northern frontier, and the pro-Western Asian States to her south of the pro-Western Asian States to her south overdented that the pro-Western Asian States to her south overdented that the pro-Western Asian States to her south overdented that the pro-Western Asian States to her south overdented that the pro-Western Asian States has been considered to the Covernment would pursue a firm and Communist. Government would pursue a firm anti-Communist

to this the fact that this small country (by Asian standards—in fact it is twice the size of Bel-gium, Holland and Switzerland combined), with its three million population, has untapped and extensive mineral resources, including tin, iron, antimony, copper and gold.

True, the dubious intentions toward Laos of the West, and particularly of the U.S., have always been clear to the Laotian people, as well as to their neigh-bours, the Vietnamese, Cambodians and Chinese, who have repeatedly drawn attention to them. But a tin from the borse's mouth is also useful.

9 VEARS' WAR

Alongside the Victnamese and Cambodian patriots, the Laotian people and their Resistance forces, the Pathet Lao, fought valiantly for nine years under the leadership of Prince Souphanouvong against the French colonial invaders until peace was established at the Geneva Conference of July 1954.

at the Geneva Conterence of July 1954.
During this period, in an attempt to split their national unity, the French had set up a shadow national State with a king, who became the recipient of American aid and set up a so-called "national" army loval to the French.

Under the Geneva Agreements the Pathet Lao forces were required to withdraw from the ten central and southern provinces they had liberated from the French into the two northern provinces, which they would administer until agreement for integra-tion was reached with the Royal Laotian Govern-

Negotiations dragged on for nearly three years as sort of tug-of-war with the International Control

ommission (set up at Geneva) as umpire.
PRINCE SOUPHANOUVONG, who led the nego tiations for Pathet Lao, worked unceasingly for a peaceful, united and truly independent Laos

He had the support of the mass of the Laotian people, for whom he was, and still is, the leader.

NEUTRALITY

Against such an outcome were ranged those who had worked with both the Japanese and French invaders and the pro-U.S. elements who, once the fighting was over, had returned from their self-imposed Dollars were nound out to subvert the waverers

and during the whole time a barrage of propaganda was unleashed from the U.S. and British embassies. From December 1956 and over 1957 agreements

were come to by stages.

Pathet Lao members were to be included in a coalition Government, to be followed by supplementary elections, and the coalition would pursue a neutral foreign policy based on reaceful co-existence.

It would reject any military alliance and the setting up of foreign military base.

The Pathet Lao administrative and fighting

forces would be integrated into a unified Laotian

forces would be integrated into a unified Laotian administration and army.

Reaction in the Western world was swift. The thought of a neutral Laos aroused fear and anger, expressed clearly once again in the OBSERVER:

"There is a general feeling in Western circles that this development strikes a heavy blow at Western political and strategic plan in South-East Asia."

HOW IT IS THAT THE WEST HALL, WONDER HOW IT IS THAT THE WEST HALL, WONDER FAR-AWAY SOUTH-EAST ASIA.

TO POLITICAL, OR STRATEGIC PLANS FOR FAR-AWAY SOUTH-EAST ASIA."

The "political and strategic submers of the West."

The "political and strategic planners of the West'

got busy. Through intimidation and the work of their agents, who had been introduced in growing numbers, they succeeded in sowing discord among the people.

ASSASSINATIONS

The Government fell and was replaced in August 1958 by the Americanised Sananikone, who pro-

ceeded to wreck the agreements. In June 1958, on the basis of these agreements, the International Con-trol Commission had wound up its activities and

Sananikone launched attacks on the patriotic and Resistance forces, who were arrested in large num-bers and many assassinated. In place of ordered inte-gration, Pathet Lao battalions were instructed to surtheir arms, which would have meant their

IN FEBRUARY 1959 SANANIKONE RE-NOUNCED THE GENEVA AGREEMENT, THE U.S. WAS JUBILANT.

HAVNES MILLER, of the U.S. International Co.

operation Administration in Loos, wrote:

"Laos is the only national army whose budget is
entirely met by U.S. taxpayers. The decision to make
Laos a jumping-off place against Communism in
S.E. Asia was taken three and a half years ago,
Slace then the U.S. have given Laos more than 135
million dollars, more than fire-sixth of which went
to smoothing and maintaining the army." to supplying and maintaining the army."

The NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE wrote:
"Under the Geneva terms we have not been able teach the Laudians how to use the militare marks." The NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE wrote: to teach the Laotians how to use the military equipment we have been sending them. Now we shall be able to train the Laotian army."

PRINCE ARRESTED

Alongside the savage onslaught on the former Resistance fighters, attacks along the frontiers of the Viet Nam Democratic, Republic were carried out during the winter of 1958-59, and facilities afforded differ."

WORLD STAGE

Special Correspondent

to Chiang Kai-shek remnants to disturb the Chinese border. Then followed full-scale military measures against the Pathet Lao forces, which have been valiantly resisting. Hundreds more have been arrested, including Prince Souphanouvoogal To cover their guilt in plunging Laos into civil To ever their guilt in plunging Laos into civil The Yiel Nam Democratic Republic of invoding, "peaceful" Laos and the Pathet Lao of organising an armed upraine against the Governmen.

5 MORE WEEKS OF "NO POTATOES"



The August 9 women's prayer meeting in Sophiatown gave n

Above: "These po-tatoes," said Mrs. Lilian Ngoyi, holding

Right: A man arrested under the pass laws and forced into farm labour lost the middle finger of his left hand following an assault on him with a sjambok, He was called to the plat-form to hold aloft his injured hand as a sign of the brutalities



PEOPLE'S REVOLT IN NATA

Two Bantu Education schools were burnt to the ground and the superintendent's home at Sobantu But superintendent's But superintendent's But superintendent But superintendent's But superintendent But superinte

window in his house.

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The statement, which was signed

* Harding

Nearly 300 White women and children barricaded themselves in- Over 2,000 people attended a

Talk of the lives of Europeans in the area being endangered has by Mr. A. Gumede, chairman of the Maritzburg ANC, and Dr. M. M. Motala, chairman of the Maritz-polite and municipal officials have burg Indian Congress, re-emphasized the Congress policy of nonviolence and called for calm.

burg Indian Congress, re-emphasized the Congress policy of nondisturbances are directed against
the Government and "local townsfolk have no cause for alarm".

* Estcourt

collections are being made for the defence of the women and for com-forts for the children of those jailed.

The Beerhall boycott is still on! It is eight weeks since it began. Municipal buses are still being Municipal buses are still being boycotted by the people in the Cato Manor and Umlazi Glebelands

(Continued from page I)

ing demonstrations against the local
authorities. Suggestions were circuitation in the area last Friday
lating that all Bantu Education
schools and Bantu Administration

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The attack followed the conviction of the properties of the properties. The attack followed the conviction of the properties of The police on Saturday and Sonday, and the situation became so scrious that the police from Saturday and Sonday, and the situation became so scrious that the police brought as Saracen into action. Two Africans—George Radebe, a worker, and Gordon Nchlovu, a teacher—were shell the service of the Structure of the service o

of the people on the urgent task of

POTATO GLUT

The Dept. of Economics and Markets has announced that Union markets are glutted with low-grade potatoes and has appealed to farmers not to plant any more potatoes at the moment.

hitting the Nationalists more directhitting the Nationalists more urrect-ly, by boycotting Nationalist-con-trolled institutions and products. New Age prints the full text of the ANC statement on the potato

boycott: FARM LABOUR

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NO BUYERS IN P.E.

The report which was circulated throughout the main centres that an announcement would be made at the Women's Prayer Meeting on August 9 to call off the potato boycoll was taken seriously by the potato farmers, who are desperate to get rid of their produce. Tons of potatoes were sent to the P.E. to get rid of their produce. Tons of potatoes were sent to the P.E. market in anticipation of a big rush

for potatoes, On Tuesday there were stacks and stacks of potatoes from the O.F.S. and the Transvaal, Market

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"The Ovambos are very happy and satisfied with the existing administration," said the Chief Bantu Affairs Commissioner for South West Africa, Mr. Bruwer Blignaut, last week. But in a memo to U.N.O.

Ovambos Complain "We are Treated Like Slaves"

WINDHOEK

AN appeal to the United Nations to take immediate steps to remove the territory of South-West Africa from the administration of South Africa, to place it under United Nations trusteeship, and ultimately to grant it independence, as contained in a memorandum sent to the Scertaty-General of the to the Scertaty-General of the Posteriary-General Office of the Posteriary-Gen

"We are treated like slaves by the Union Government," says the memorandum, which accuses the Government of authorising labour associations "to sell our young men to White settlers in the Police Zone as contract cheap labourers".

as contract cheap labourers".

All Ovambos, Ovakavangos and
the Ovahimbas of Okaokoveld are
not allowed to go into the Police
Zone to seek work, they are allowed
to enter the Police Zone on contracts which last 18 months. The
people are not allowed to choose
the type of work they want to do;
are going to work is decided for
them by the labour association.

"We are sold like poor slaves in our homeland. We have no rights, nor do we have any choice about the wages for which we are going to work... The wages are 1s. 3d. per day without increments through the whole period of 18 months."

PAYMENTS AND REPRISALS

The Europeans pay the labour association "£8 for an inexperienced young man, £12 for a man with one are shown by young man, £12 for a man with one are shown by the state of t

demands his money back, but it often happens that he takes reprisals on the labourer who breaks his contract or tries to abscond.

The memorandum gives a list of The memorandum gives a list of some of the people who are alleged to have lost their lives in this way. In 1944 Mr. Kume Kimene was beaten to death by his master on a farm in the Globabis district. In June, 1952, Mr. Imanuel Johannes top the state of t overtime for which he was not to

In December, 1955, Mr. Shanika Nunjange and another were shot dead by their master on a farm in the Bethanie district. In June, 1953 an Ovambo was shot dead and two others were seriously wounded because they refused to work overtage of the seriously wounded by the police at Tsumeb because they refused to work overtime without payment. Two other Ovambos were badly wounded by police at Brandberg mount of the seriously of the serious of the

"This is a very clear indication that we have no security in our homeland at all."

BANTU EDUCATION

P.E. NURSES BOYCOTT APARTHEID ELECTIONS

Port Elizabeth

A second attempt by representa-tives of the South African Nursing Association to persuade the Afri-can nurses at the Livingstone Hospital to elect advisory boards and committees under the Nursing Act failed dismally,

In a circular letter, the Organis-ing Secretary of SANA, Miss D. H. Radlof, had appealed to the nurses to turn up at a meeting which the officials of the local branch would convene

She asked the nurses to elect peo-ple to form: --

A Bantu Advisory Board for SANC.

A Bantu Advisory Committee for SANA.

for SANA.

Early in the month a local member of SANA called a meeting at which less than 10 nurses turned up. When they were asked to elect they advised that the meeting postponed to a faire date. The second meeting was then set down for the 14th

Two days before this date the Eastern Cape Branch of the non-racial Federation of South African Nurses and Midwives (FOSANAM) released a statement setting out its attitude to the establishment of Advisory Committees and Boards un-der the Nursing Act:

"As we are not prepared to com-

ing the universally accepted mora and professional standards through out the civilised world we decided out the civilised world we decided to establish the FOSANAM which represents nurses and midwives of all racial groups and is dedicated to fighting racial discrimination in the profession."

The statement then warned in ad-

"Accordingly the local branch of FOSANAM calls upon all the Non-White nurses to disregard the invitation to attend the meeting of August 14 at which they will be asked to elect people to operate the machinery of discrimination."

To participate in the implementa-tion of the discriminatory Nursing Act would mean the betrayal and abandonment of those principles.

DON'T SOIL HANDS

DON'T SOIL HANDS
In a leaflet distributed amongst the nurses FOSANAM referred to the boards as "tribal committees".

The leaflet advised the nurses: "DON'T SOIL YOUR HANDS. Let those who have planned this evil deed do their own dirty work. Whinster appoint his word and the proposition of the propo

stooges as he has already provided under the Act."

Not one of the 500 nurses turned up at the sitting room where the SANA representatives, who were accompanied by the Matron found neatly arranged rows of empty

Bantu Education is in force—the pupils are taught through their mother tongue and the only foreign language taught as a subject is Afrikaans. "English is completely unknown there".

"The system of Bantu Education has been introduced by the Government of the Union of South Africa in order to prevent the people from reading good books and newspapers in which they might be informed about the world situation or even what is going on at the United Nations."

COURT OF JUSTICE

The memorandum asks the Uni-The memorandum asks the United Nations "to refer the question of South West Africa to the International Court of Justice for compulsory jurisdiction by this year," and authoriess the Rev. Michael Scott, Mr. Jariretundu Kozonguizi and Mr. Mburumba Kerina to speak for them at the United National Countries of the Marchael Countries

SHANTYTOWN REVUE IS AN OUTSTANDING SHOW

PORT ELIZABETH.

SIR, there's something wrong with my horn, please give me a chance," said Humphrey Njikelana the trumpeter. But the talent-scout Norman Ntshinga was not interested in his plea and sent him packing with typical Yankee wisecracks.

wisecracks.

The story of Shantytown Revue is a simple one. It depicts in music and drama some aspect sof African urbanisation. The opening scene quite appropriately shows a love-making scene—boy-incotes gin and how the appropriately shows a love-making scene—boy-incotes gin and how the appropriately shows a love-making scene—boy-incotes gin and how the appropriately shows a love to the control of the contro

GIFTED ACTOR

Gordon Naka is a gifted actor and singer in all the parts he played — as a "nampy" who sells liquor in the parks whilst looking after baby, as a tribal boy who uses love potions to win the queen of hours. of hearts

Velile Ngqondela is another star of the show whose singing and act-ing ability were well-cast by the producer Stanley Nathan. Norman

Ntshinga steals the show as talent-scout who went into slums of Shantytown, ho went i slums of Shantytown, met Humphrey who brought him the talent which he required to form his "Klub Kangaroo". From this point to the end Shantytown Re-vue is the story of Norman's ef-forts to find the stars of his Klub. forts to find the stars of his Klub. He rejects Humphrey who then challenges him to see his own show in Shantytown. Humphrey takes him to Mabel's shebeen where all the talent lies dormant. In this shebeen he meets Dennis Manawho thrills him with a rendition of "Lucky old Sun". Norman invited all the talented singers to his "Klub Kangaroo" but turns his back on Humphrey.

TRUMPETER

The curtain falls as Humphrey plays "Oh my Papa" on his trumpet. This he does with a touching restraint and softness as he blows the high notes. Humphrey Nijkelana is a trumpeter of class and a man who brings back sad memories of the late Zulu-boy Cele who was murdered in the slums of Pinwille. The underlying theme of Shanty-town Kevue is epitomised in

The underrying theme of Shanty-town Revue is epitomised in Humphrey's plea "Give me a Chance". This is an outstanding show which has minor faults but which deserves full public support, especially because it is in aid of charity organisations.

TEMBA D. MOOTA

ALLEY UP

ALL we need now is for the Herr Doktor to divide up the air into black and white, It is now air into black and white. It is now possible (!) for the Minister of Lands to reserve for the use of any racial group "the whole of the sea or any specified portion of

such sea."

It might also now be a good idea for him to add to his tile and call himself the Minister of Lands and Sea. On the other hand I hear that a feed has a rise ne between him and the Minister of Water Affairs who thinks the job should have come his way. This might lead to a serious crisis in Bed to a serious crisis in the Cabinet and Herr Doktor Verwerd is contempalative anoeleties.

Cabinet and Herr Doktor Ver-word is contemplating appointing an Under (water) Minister in order to solve the problem.

The biggest problem I suppose is how the State Information Bu-reau is going to explain the rid-culousness of sea-apartheli to people overseas who I am sure mut be spluttering, along with us, at the depths to which racial pre-judic can silve

A DAME who got her come A DAME who got her come-upance was the one who was told by a magistrate in Rho-desia that every member of the police force was an officer of the law, regardless of rank or colour. Because she was brought up in South Africa, she said, she did not

South Africa, see sale, see use use regard Africans as gentlemen.

But she was still a little mixedup when she said: "Africans in
South Africa are treated like human beings, but not as gentlemen.

BANNED book, "Lolita," said to be very, very objectionable, is being smuggled into South Africa marked "religious matter" and addressed to a fictitious domi-

Who said a dominee was a good cover-up?

WHICH reminds me that re-ports say that contraventions of the Immorality Act are increas-

Sounds almost like a defiance

A READER said to me the other day that no one would dare to steal the magic sceptre of Pharoah Tutankamen Verwoerd, Pharoah Tutankamen Verwoerd, since a Saracen would be difficult to hide, Tut. Tut.

THERE might not have been any split in the vote over De





Villiers Graaff's statement "these primitive people (of Ghana, Sudan and Indonesia) were incapable of applying the parliamentary democratic system as it has been developed in the western world," but if he means that South Africa is the best example of the appli-cation of that "democratic sys-tem," then I am afraid that there are a lot of primitive people in this country, and they're not Non-White, either.

In any case, who says people must be wedded to the western world in order to practise demo-

Sekou Toure Message to Indian Congress

to Indian Congress
DiHANNESBURG.
Premier Sekou Toure, of Guinea,
in a message to the Transvaal Indian Congress general meeting last
week-end, stressed that only the
efforts of all the persecuted people
will bring an end to oppression in
Africa. He called on the Indian
people in South Africa to continue
their struggle with their African
people in the Control of Segregation.
The general meeting, which took
place in the Gandhi Hall, elected
Maulvi Saloojee as President,

They Pulled Down His Home

(Continued from page 1) paigning ngainst the Western Areas removal scheme.

Areas removal scheme.

This is the second Sophia-town home the Reshas have seen wrecked about them. They moved to 134 Good Street after a house in Bertha Street in which they had been sub-tenants was pulled down last wear. They have lived in Soyear. They have lived in Sophiatown since 1940.

Sophiatown these days looks like a bombed out township and the joy and pride many of its residents found in its vtal, exuberant—and rowdy—life has turned to bitter gall. "Sophiatown is finished" they murrue these days as they look at the ruins of homes, the hetper of rubble, and the flatten of rubble, and the flatten of rubble, and the flatten of the properties of the p Sophiatown these days looks

The township is already half-murdered.

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"SAME DAY SERVICE"

IRAQ COMMUNISTS MIDDLE EAST CRITICISE OWN MISTAKES, CALL FOR UNITY

THE unity of patriotic forces and the correction of mistakes which endangered unity, was the subject of a recent editorial in the paper of the Iraq Communist Party, Ittihad el Shooh

The editorial was a sequel to a sharp deterioration in relations between Prime Minister Kassem and the Iraq Communists follow-ing on the recent Kirkuk inciing on the recent Kirkuk inci-dents, Kassem is reported to have toured Kirkuk and to have been "sickened" by what he saw there as a result of the street fight-

Taking advantage of this, anti-Communist elements in the Gov-ernment proceeded to arrest more than 1,000 Communists and sym-pathisers, including leaders of trade unions and peasant associa-tions.

According to reports in various British newspapers, the paper said: "In the act of crushing con-spiracies, some mistakes have oc-curred due to the over-zealousness of some simple people to defend the Republic and its democratic achievements."

The article dealt with the way the democratic organisations had exercised discipline in the course of the Iraq revolution and limited the number of excesses, which are inevitable in any great change.

INEVITABLE IN ANY GREAT CHANGE.

THE REAL REASON FOR EXCESSES, STATED THE ARTICLE, LAY NOT IN DIRECTIVES GIVEN BY WHATEVER QUARTER, "BUT IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ENEMIES OF THE REPUB-



Brigadier Kassem

The editorial said that to con-The editorial said that to con-centrate on criticising patriotic or-ganisations did not help the Re-public. The people should instead be warned that dangers would re-sult from attacks on democratic organisations and on civil liber-ties.

"All loyal patriots," it stated, "are called upon to realise that the intensification of reactionary

the intensification of reactionary activities are directed not only against the Communists but against the Communists but against all patients of the communist have always declared their mistakes in order to learn from them, called on the people to of disagreements and reunite national ranks in order to march forward with the revolution.

The newspaper said that the central committee, at a meeting in mid-fully, had adopted resolutions that reflected "the determination to pusue a policy maintended to the communication of the comm

nation to pursue a policy of solidarity with the national rule

cementing the unity of patriotic forces for defending the Republic and the gains of the revolution."

and the gains of the revolution.

The party's demand (later dropped) for participation in the Government was said to have "back-fired" because its consequences were not carefully studied quences were not carefully studied and it was presented to the masses wrongly. Insistence on the con-tinuation of party life through the creation of the United Na-tional Front also led to differ-ences with the "highest authori-ties" and other national forces.

"MISTAKEN UPSURGE"

The party must bear some re-sponsibility for the "mistaken up-surge of the masses because the Communist Party and other poli-tical forces could not give the masses full political education."

It was admitted that the party ad "miscalculated the political situation and the nature of the highest authorities and the na-tional forces which proved cap-able of defending the Republic,"

able of defending the Republic."
Irresponsible acts by some were
due to their disregard of Leninist
principles of collective leadership.
Thus all criminal acts attributed
to Communists were acts of illadvised individual leadership. The
party severely condemned this attitude, and would remain loyal to
the rerolution and the Republic
months of the respective of the Prime
Minister.

CONCEIT

"The party," said the news-paper, "has done great deeds, but due to the drunkenness of victory and the conceit resulting from its great achievements, it has wrongly assessed its own powers, ex aggerated its own importance and given insufficient attention to the

roles played by other national forces." Furthermore, the paper itself has "dealt in an inflam-matory manner with certain events

The London Observer comments

on the situation;

"It is noteworthy that neither General Kassem nor his National Democrat supporters have ever attacked the Communists by name. They always use the circumlocution of 'anarchist elements'

"This suggests that General Kassem still hopes for Communist support, and judging by the pre-sent tone of the Communist Press he is likely to get it, at any rate in the short run." in the short run.

TOGOLAND FREE NEXT YEAR

PREPARATIONS for celebrating the indepen-nce of Togoland are dence of being made in Lomo, the capital, and other cities in

capital, and other cities in this territory.

Togoland, at present under French Trusteahip, will become independent next April.

The chairman of the Togoland Inndependence Celeproticon Committee told a correspondent of the Ghan Times recently that about 500 distinguished euests would be in-

recently that about 500 distinguished guests would be invited to the celebrations.

Before the guests arrived, the capital would have electrification laid on, and the roads would be tarred, he said,



nence—but they must first learn to stand on their own feet."

SOVIET AID FOR . . .

1. GUIANA?

THE British Guiana Minister of Trade and Industry, Mr. Cheddi Jagan, said in Boan recently that the British Government had "more or less indicated" that British Guiana could accept loans from any country.

Dr. Jagan was on a two-day visit to discuss West German participa-tion in British Guiana development projects. He flew to America the

projects. He flew to America the next day.

Asked whether he would accept a Soviet loan if one was offered,
Dr. Jagan said: "Why 90? After all. I want my country to be developed. There are people starving in my country." He said he had taken no steps to get a Soviet loan.

2. Cyprus?

MAYOR Costas Partasides told a Press conference in Limassol recently that both the Soviet Union and China had offered unconditional aid to Cyprus when it becomes an

nid to Cyprus when it becomes an independent Republic next year, independent Republic next year. Mr. Partasides said that in Peting, Marshal Cheng Yi, Vice-Ptemier, had said China was ready to offer financial and technical aid to a Cyprus Republic. He said that Mr. Kruschov had told the delegation in reference to the Zurich Agreement on Cyprus: "You Cypriots saved the situation to stay in Cyprus for ever. In their wish to do so they were belped by the Greek Government."

Why doesn't the West take Action when the "RED HAND" TERRORISTS STRIKE AGAINST AFRICAN FREEDOM?

HOW long will the Western nations tolerate in their midst the political murder organisation known as the Red Hand?

the political murrer organis-Formed initially by men who fled from France in 1945 to e-cape being put on trial for crimes committed on behalf of the Nazis, and joined alter by other French fassitst, in the last few years the Red Hand has carried out mur-ders in Paris, Rome, Bonn, Ham-burg, Frankturt, Geneva, Tunis and Rabat. ITS VICTIMS ARE THOSE

ITS VICTIMS ARE THOSE WHO IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER HAVE ASSISTED AFRICAN FREEDOM.

AFRICAN FREEDOM.

The record of its activities reads like an ultra-sensational detective story. Had the crimes been committed by an organisation of the Left, newspapers would scream out the story day after day in solash headlines.

splash headlines.

But the Red Hand is very respectable. It is said to have the protection of the Deuxieme Bureau, the French secret police

Bureau, the French secret police organisation.

The Red Hand's most recent crime has aroused more public indignation than most. A traphomb, placed under the car of a Tunisian journalist in a Rome street, went off prematurely and killed a boy of ten who was playing nearby. Five other children were injured, one seriously.

tion known as the Red Hand?

TWO MONTHS eatlier, in May
1959, a member of the French
Bar, Ould Aouida, was murdered, On the evening before he
was to defend some Algerian students accused of having restarted
a banned organisation he was
talking to some of them in his
chambers. He then left to consult
his colleagues associated with him
in the defense.

But he never reached them. As he stepped out into the deserted street—it was eight o'clock in the evening—he was killed by two 9mm. bullets.

This was the work of a special-ist in murder. When the body was found in the morning there was no evidence but the body and the bullets.

THIS CRIME meant that any barrister who had the courage to get up in court and argue their their clients had been tortured by French troops in Algeria now felt they were threatened. All those who habitually defended those who fought for the freedom of Algeria felt themselves threatened.

The day after the assassination of Aouida the seven other defence counsel of the Algerian students received letters numbered from two to eight with a message com-posed from letters cut out of news-papers, spelling out "You, too! Also you!"

"Of course, independence

Some Paris papers said the po-lice held the theory—an absurd one—that the crime was the work of "Algerian terrorists".

But there were precedents for this murder. On November 5, 1958, Ait Ahcene, head of a semi-official delegation of the F.L.N. (Algerian Liberation Movement) to Bonn, got in his car to visit the Tunisian Ambassador,

A GREEN MERCEDES fol-lowed him and a Volkswagen in front of him blocked his way, de-spite repeated signals.

As Ahcene turned to go into the Tunisian Embassy a burst of light machine-gun fire shattered the back window of his car and he fell over the steering wheel, fatally wounded.

The green car was found to have been hired from a Frankfurt garage by a man named Ben Ali Mohdani, who was born in Al-geria but lived in Paris.

AFTER INQUIRIES in France, Interpol declared that Mohdani's papers and name were false, but as this was a political crime it did not lie within its sphere of in-vestigation. The inquiries pointed in the direction of a French secret organisation.

organisation.

According to the West German paper Der Spiegel of November 19, 1958, a deputy president of the West German eriminal court, Dr. Dickopf, while visiting the French Sarete in Paris on other business, examined the file under the name of Ben Ali Mohdani.

Contrary to what had been said at Bonn, this man existed, as the files of the Surete showed. But the French police then, said Dur Spiegel, "in defiance of all inter-Spiege, "in defiance of all inter-national conventions, refused to put the photograph of the pre-sumed murderer at the disposal of Dr. Dickopt".

THESE TWO MURDERS are typical of many others. Some of the victims have been arms manuthe victims have been arms manufacturers who sold their goods to the Algerian Liberation Move-ment. At Frankfurt in 1958 an arms merchant named Puchert, alias Capt Morris, was killed by the same kind of trap bomb under a car as was used in Rome. He Hamburg the mother of another arms merchant, Otto Schluter, was killed.

was killed.

On April 14, 1959, Heinz Wolf, Frankfurt Public Prosecutor, said: "inquiries have established that they (the murders) were committed by a secret organisation called the 'Red Hand.' which works in co-operation with the French Deuxieme Bureau or is given a free hand by it."



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HOLD S.A.S.A. TO ALL-IN CONFERENCE

THE South African Sports Association will be holding one of the biggest conferences in the history of sport on Saturday, October 3, 1959, at Port Elizabeth. All the mational units, affiliated to it, will be present with direct representation, but any other providents or cities of the property of the providence of the

this great opportunity to play their part in our sports renaissance.

Mr. Reg Honey, Chairman of the S.A. Olympia Games Association, has been invited to open this event, after which from 10 a.m. they will get down to serious business. The agenda will include elections of a conference chairman and a secrediscussions of the problems in the development of S.A. sport, and finally solutions and resolutions.

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SASA is only convening this conference, but the actual conduct of the sessions will be undertaken by

those present.

What will conference discuss? What will conference discuss? Firstly, the consideration of candidates for the Olympic Games in Rome next year, ways and means of liaison between the White and the Non-White bodies and the final selections, issues like the World Cup soccer series, Davis Cup (tennis), Commonwealth Cup (golf), international rugby, cricket, hockey, baseball and inhie-tennis (afready accepted in the world

body).
Footnote: Table-tennis authorities should retain an active interest
in SASA, for being already recognised, they can be of enormous
value to SASA in obtaining international recognition for other
branches of sport. Their fight is by no means over until other sports gain similar status.

The Rugby Test

THE RUBUY 1 CSt.
THE rugby Test between the S.A.
Coloureds and S.A. Africans
played at Cape Town a fortnight
ago, which the former won by the
odd point in seventeen, proved
above all that there is unbounded
talent in Non-European ragby. The
national sides was both attractive
and entertaining.

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The game started off slowly which can be expected, for it was the first time the members were playing as a team; but gradually it developed into a sparkling af-fair, and towards the end many fair, and towards the end many backline movements were seen in which forwards combined as well. The Africans were unfortunate in that their penetrative three-quarters were strucked to the proof position of fly-half, gave a masterly exhibition of intelligent play, outclassing his opposite number. G. Abed, who had a completely "off-day," Had the forwards been able to win the ball the weight advantage. It is doubtful whether the Coloureds would have won.

doubtful whether the Coloureds would have won.

On the other hand, the winners although getting the ball with monotonous regularity from the scrums, failed to get going, partly through Abed's play, but mostly

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through the great defensive work put in by the African backs. At the same time, they took all the

the same time, they took all the opportunities that came their way. Elsewhere, it has been said that referee Basadien and linesman Bohardien helped the Coloureds to victory. Let this thought be completely eradicated from our minds, for together with a number of other for together with a number of other press reporters, we adjudged this game as one of the best handled by one of our young referees. Bohar-dien, the injured Coloured captain, has been renowned for his sportsmanship, and never at any stage did he fail to hold up his flag, as has been alleged.

Non-White Golfers

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IT is good indeed to see that the
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enthusiasts.

"Papwa", as a professional coach at the proposed club in Durban, is going to do just that.

Penalty

THE Border Bantu Rugby Union. THE Border Bantu Rugby Union, an alleged "rebel" unit who upset the plans of the proposed tournament in East London, will not be playing against any of the affiliated units of the National body, it was decided at the Board's meetine. The S.A. Coloured Body were likewise informed of this star-

Will Sandra Join Althea?

Will Sandra Join Aithea?

M'UCH concern has been voiced
in certain circles over rumours that Miss Sandra Reynolds,
South African tennis wonder, is
planning to join Miss Althae Gibson's professional troupe of female
tennis players. First of all it will
be a bitter blow to South African
tennis, for Sandra is thus country, for
troupe, they would never be able
to perform in this country, for
Althea, being a Negress, is not permitted to play against Whites here.

Channee for Mahena

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COMING nearer the home front,
our own Sexton Mabena, who
is considered one of the best prospects for years, even better than
Jake Tuli, has finalised plans to
campaign in England, where he will
hallenge the British Empire
Lewis. If he succeeds in getting a
shot at the title, then South Africa
can add another name to its growing list of Empire title-holders.
Like Joe Ngidt, Mabena is definiteyin world class, but somehow or
our talented fighters. Let's hope he
gets a break. like Tuli did, in his
first fight in London.

Ageless Archie

A GELESS ARCHIE" Moore has A done it again, and confounded critics by his phenomenal run of success, even at the retiring age of 46, which he is presumed to be,

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though others say he is 48. Yvon Durelle, who was knocked out in the third round, was no match for the will Moore, who looked good enough to fight for many more years. He is busy negotiating fights with either languar Johansson, the Redyweight champ, or Sugar Ray Redynder of the Lincols middle-weight title the could lick both.

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"NON-WHITES VOTING WITH THEIR POCKETS"

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CAPE TOWN.

"THE non-white people have decided to vote with their pookets," said Mr. Thomas Newenya, member of the regional acceutive of the ANC, speaking at a lunch-hour symposium on "The Beyoott" organised by the Institute of Citizenship.

Eleven million people in South Eleven million say in making the laws of the country, Mr. Newenya told the audience. For that reason they had to use extra-parliamentary methods, and had embarked upon a campaign to boycott Nationalist goods.

The boycott would affect guilty and non-guilty alike and furthermore its reaction could be to make Nationalists more conscious of their nationalism, and Afrixaners of their Afrikanerdom, and further disturb much feeling. She was sure that the strength of the strength of

Boycott" organised by the Institute of Citizenship.

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