# 210 ACCUSED IN S.A.'s BIGGEST MURDER TRIAL



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# WAGE BOARD AGAIN RECOMMENDS LOWER WAGES

JOHANNESBURG.

THE Government's Wage Roard, the main wage-fixing machinery for African workers has become completely outworn and a mere instrument helping employers to keep wages down

The Board's new determination for the laundry industry has just proposed wages lower than those being paid in the in-

It is proposing longer hours than those worked in the in-dustry today!

Wages for the laundry indus-try were last fixed by determi-

nation 14 years ago, in 1944, The most recent investigation was conducted last year and though the wages recommended are higher than those fixed in 1944 they are lower than those paid out today. Labourers today get £3 a

ek; the Board recommends

The industry today works a 44-hour week, the Board wants a 46-hour week.

"Is it any wonder," asked a union official, "that workers have no confidence in the Wage Board and seek other ways of pressing for wage increases?"

From Ruth First LYDENBURG

TWO hundred and ten accused in South Africa's largest murder trial ever sit in court beneath a noose hanging from the rafter in the ceiling.

Perhaps it's someonte's idea of a practical joke; or perhaps a careless electrician left the loose coil of long flex that looks so sinisterly like the hangama's rope as it dangles in the court, but there is no denying the grim camesiness that hangs over this

earnestness that hangs over thus mammoth trial.

From outside the buildings looks ordinary enough, for this is a farmers' co-operative store converted into a court. But as you enter the large barn-like structure where the proceedings drone on day after day, you recoil in

Solid rows of African facer Solid rows of African races drawn with concentration stare ahead; this is no church congrega-tion packed motionless on the benches but the accused in the

#### SOUND SYSTEM

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The court looks spruce enough.
The rough walls are a clean,
newly-painted cream; there is
fluorescent lighting above the
magistrate's bench and steel grey
microphones on the tables in the
well of the court. The sound
system works smoothly fafter some
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Schultus backless benches sit the Schulchuneland sillagers facing the capital chares. Scores of the men are old and grizzled, their limbs knotted, their eyes starting to elaze. Very many are shoeless, and their ragged clothes show their nitiful poverty: knees show through trouser legs and shoulder stuffine hangs from the nade of their iackets. Their numbers as accused hang from string around (Continued on page 5)

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## **CONGRESSES ON VERWOERD:** "Most Uncompromising Adherent Of Apartheid"

THE appointment of Dr. Verwoord as Prime Minis ter and leader of the Nationalist Party is yet another demonstra-tion of the extent to which the party is committed to reaction and extremism," said the Work-ing Committee of the A.N.C. in a statement to New Age. "Dr. Verwoerd leaves behind him in the Native Affairs Department a legacy of utter contempt for the African people." ter and leader of the Nationalist

a legacy of utter contempt for the African people."

Unless he is curbed, the state-ment continues, Dr. Verwoerd will impart to the new portfolio all the arrogance and despotism which were his marked characteristics as Minister of Native

Affairs.
"The white electorate che which they "The want electorate chose the ruling party which they de-serve," said the S.A. Indian Congress. "The ruling party has chosen the leader which it de-

The election of Dr. Verwoord emphasises the trend that exists in our country where political

power is vested in a minority group whose fears have resulted in the adoption of the policy of apartheid, the SAIC stated. "The Nationalists have chosen as their leader a most uncom-

promising adherent of anartheid just as the white voters at the last election chose the most uncompromising racialist political
party. This is the price South
Africa has to pay for not extending the frontiers of democracy to include all peoples of
the Union irrespective of race,
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relations is by common consent urgently needed, it seems un-fortunate that one who has been so closely identified with harsh non-European legislation should become Prime Minister of become Prin South Africa.

A New Bill to Tighten up the I.C. Act

# **MORE JOB RESERVATION** POWERS FOR DE KLERK

JOHANNESBURG.

THE Industrial Conciliation Act (father of job reservation and trade union apartheid) is barely two years old, yet registered trade union opposition to it has been so slight that this year the Government is going ahead to tighten up the measure even further.

A draft of the new Bill is at pre-sent circulating in certain select employers' and trade union circles and though not yet a public docu-ment. New Age can disclose that it will:

- · Give the Minister of Labour

"essential industry" outlaw all strikes there.

Prohibit all mixed trade union conferences or any form of contact between different races

#### Trade Union Apartheid

At present section 8 of the Act provides that registered mixed unions must hold separate meetings for the separate branches of the Union; but workers' conferences or other meetings of representatives (other than the Union Executive) do

(other than the Union Executive) do not have to observe apartheid.

The amendment in the new measure will insist on the holding of separate meetings by the separate branches, including separate conferences. (Multi-racial meetings between representatives of separate properties and properties of separate properties are not not recibilited.) absolute powers.

Prohibit Africans from sitting on any Industrial Council or conciliation Board.

Turn part of the food and ramping industry into an terror being elected officials of registered unions are not yet prohibits Africans from being elected officials of registered unions.

The Act will be amended to pro-hibit an African representative from serving on any industrial council, conciliation board or any commit-tee established by an Industrial Council.

Mixed unions will also not be allowed to extend the areas which they represent unless they change their constitutions so that this ex-tension covers Whites only or

# Food and Canning

Strikes Illegal

The present Act prohibits strikes in essential services and severe pocalities are laid-down for taking part in such strikes. Workers employed in the canning or processing to perishable goods are now included in "essential services." The Minister will have the power, once (once leaf the property of th

#### Job Reservation

JOD RESECTATION
The notorious section 77 is deleted and a new section inserted. In
future the Minister will direct the
industrial tribunal to investigate an
industry, but the tribunal will no
longer be required to make any recommendation. Its only duty will be
to sub. The Minister is then empowered to make any determination he pleases.
The Minister will have absolute.

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The Central Western Jabava branch of the ANC staged a fund-raising party recently in aid of the treason trial defence fund, the people of Zecrut and Schukhunseland, people's leaders who are deported from their homes and other tasks befare the people. Our picture shows some of those who attended. The four children in front who cntertained the nudience with nursic are B. Konza. E. Meskgor, A. Meskgor and D. Leepo, Also in the picture are Mrs. R. Konza and F. Rastianda, leaders of the choir, and Mr. Sitope, the challenge of the thorus of the brain of the property of the choir, and Mr. Sitope, the chairman of the branch.



# BASUTOLAND NEEDS A FIVE-YEAR PLAN

Much has been said by British officials about improving the pol-tical status of the Basuto people, yet nothing has been done to improve the economic and social

prove the economic and social conditions in the territory. Because those in authority— the Paramount Chief, Resident Commissioner, chiefs and Govern-ment officials—are getting their fat share, the fact that thousands of Rasuto families are starving

of Hasuto families are starving always passes unmotioned.

That is why although politically subject to harsh laws in the Union, the Basutos are unwilling to come home because they are economically and socially better off there than they are in their own country.

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It looking after the welfare of the people is one of the functions of a government it is the duty of the Basutoland Government to see that the Basuto people are well fed, well clothed, and well housed; in other words to raise the standard of living so that it keeps pace with the high cost of living.

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#### PETITION AGAINST BREAD PRICE INCREASE

A meeting of representatives of cape Town.

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self-government, but had to give up its constitution in 1933, owing to financial difficulties which compelled it to ask for aid from

NTSIE PHAFOLI

Branch Secretary, Basutoland African Congress, Mafeteng, Basutoland.

# Lutuli Assault An

By assaulting Chief Lutuli the people responsible acknowledged the fact that he is a leader of an oppressed nation which is striving for freedom, and they are about to reap the fruits of their work. We call upon the Chief to bear such things as they are meant be borne by leaders of the probe borne by leaders of the pro-

be borne by leaders of the pro-pressive movement.

It is below the dignity of a nation which claims to be cultured and civilised to show such a sign of indecency by assaulting a speaker without adequate reason. We also call upon the people to note that this act was an indica-tion of the primitiveness and in-decency of those concerned.

We have learnt with the greatest dismay and disgust the outrageous, and barbait partial properties with the contraction which our darling breather feneral of our African National Congress has been assaulted by a gang of Afrikaner tupes. And to add insult to injury they claim this was done in the name of the Afrikaner people. We must register our strongest protest against this obnoxious, barbair aracial arrogance and intolerance. The people must demand the most severe punishment!

barrans. The people must de-mand the most severe punishment for thugs who see fit to attack the people's leader.

P. BAPELA

Orlando West, Jhb.

New Age wishes all Jewish Readers a Happy New Year and Well Over the Fast.

526 Location. Queenstown.

MISS M. MARTINS

# Indecent Act

# HALT THE VERWOERD MADNESS

EDITORIAL

NOW even the Nationalists know that freedom is indivisible. that the denial of freedom to one section of the population means its denial to all.

Verwoerd's election as leader of the Nationalist Party and Prime Minister last week was only made possible because the will of the majority of the Cabinet was overborne by the enlarged Senate, Swart, Donges and Co. can now reflect bitterly that it was their own rigging of Parliament which cost them the day. Had there been true democracy inside the Nationalist Party, Verwoerd would never have got the job.

Not that we can expect them to change their minds about the franchise. Though they talk airily about democracy today, the Nationalists are quite prepared to sacrifice democracy, and everything else for that matter, to their apartheid idol. If dictatorship is necessary to ensure White supremacy, they will take dictatorship. And of course for the majority of the people it is dictatorship under which they suffer already.

Verwoerd sits in Groote Schuur today, honoured and re-spected amongst the Whites as the Prime Minister. But in the eyes of the Non-Whites, and indeed of all democratic-minded people everywhere, he is merely the most prominent representative of a party whose totalitarian policies must be held responsible for the race hatred which has been stirred to fever pitch during the ten years of Nationalist rule.

To the Black man, Verwoerd means section 10 of the Urban Areas Act, the breaking up of homes and families, mass re-movals of population, the disturbances in Zeerust and Sekhukhuneland, the deportation and exiling of ANC leaders, the banning of meetings of more than ten, ethnic grouping, the humiliation of Bantu Education, low wages and increased taxation, pass laws and police raids.

His information officers may print praise poems from stooges in the NAD magazine Bantu, but Verwoerd should be under no illusion about the attitude of the African people towards him. They hate his policies, and they will fight them to the bitter end.

Believing he is Divinely inspired, Verwoord has never been willing to tolerate opposition, least of all from the African people. Lives can be blasted, blood can flow, but he remains unmoved. His coming to power at this stage in South African history is a disaster; his intransigeance a guarantee of future disturbance and clashes between the Government and a disfranchised people

In his Hoernle Memorial Lecture in Johannesburg last week, Dr. David Thompson, of Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, said: 'It took the enormities of Dachau and Auschwitz and Hitler's experiment in genocide to demonstrate that racial supremacy is unattainable without destroying civilisation." The best hope of preventing racial tensions from increasing to fatal proportions. he said, lay in replacing the race or nation-state by multi-racial and multi-national communities.

We don't want Hitler's experiments continued in this country by his war-time admirer who is now in power. It is up to all who seek a multi-racial solution to South Africa's problems to join hands and call a halt to Verwoerd's madness before he destroyed civilisation here too.

# THIS BATTLE IS NEVER FINISHED

NEW AGE had to fight a NEW AGE had to fight a tough buttle over the last too months. You are reading his issue of our paper because the battle was won. Had it been lost there would be no new Age today. It was a battle of money against time, with time very often looking as if it were going to win. That we managed to survive at all was due en-

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going to win. That we managed to survive at all was due entirely to the wonderful support which we received from every part of the country.

Individuals came forward to help us collect (their efforts were the greatest single factor which was all of their contributions and, in addition, voluntarily guaranteed us specific monthly amounts. ANC and Indian Congress branches (though by no means all of them) also did their bit.

In Johannsburg, for instance, we now have £195 coming in each month from regular guarantors, the individual amounts ranging from £1 to very much

antors, the individual amounts ranging from £1 to very much more than £5 per month. Other monies came in from alses and parties—all of which, in the aggregate, raised a substantial total, and all of which demanded co-operation from many seople.

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# HANDS OFF CHINA

THE American warships, which only one month ago were menacing world peace off the shores of Lebanon, have moved half-way across the world in a hopeless attempt to intimidate People's China. Once again there is a dreadful threat of war.

The islands off China are Chinese territory. Of that there can be no doubt. It is time that the United States realised that in today's world situation America is no longer in a position to keep China out of her own territory.

Common sense demands that all foreign troops leave Chinese territory and that the Chinese people be left in peace to decide their own future.

# Heavy Jail Sentences For Congressmen in Incitement

JOHANNESBURG.

TWO Congressmen were sentenced to twelve months imprisonment without the option of a fine at the end of the incitement case, here, last week.

Twenty Congressites stood trial or their activities during the "stay-thome" campaign, and the

for their activities during the "taby-ar-home" campaign, and the majority though they had jail sen-tences imposed, were given the option of a fine.

"The laws of the country must be obeyed," said the magistrate in passing sentence. The legislature had expressly provided for heavy sentence for the contravention of sentence for the contravention of against the two laws in question and campaigning for their repeal the accused had committed a serious offence.

offence.

The magistrate also indicated that the sentences were meant to serve not only as a punitive measure but also as a deterent to others who might undertake a similar campaign.

POVERTY AND LOW WAGES

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Earlier Dr., Lowen, counsel for
defence pleaded in mitigation of
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sentences. An expert witness, Miss
M. A. Horell, from the Institute
of Race relations, gave evidence on
behalf of the defence on Nontentiques and the defence on Nonstrictive laws like the Group Areas
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poverty level as a result of low

wages.
"The accused have not acted criminally or subversively but as human beings," said Dr. Lowen in a moving address to the court. The Acts against which the accused had protested were vital to their livelihood and that of their children,

hood and the he said.
"To the man who has a full stomach it is easy to ridicule the

stomach, it is easy to ridicule the hungry." Evidence had been led showing how people had walked for three months during the bus boycott be-cause they could not afford to pay a penny increase, he said. It was shocking to hear that the standard how the said of the said of the will by Europeans, wages had not hen increase. been increased.

#### SEVERE SENTENCES

The prosecution urged the im-

A distinction was made between the sentences imposed on those who had addressed meetings urging who had addressed meetings urging the people to strike and those who had merely distributed leaflets. Three of the accused received sus-pended sentences, two of them owing to their age and the other because of her poor health.

thews both from Benoni, were sen-tenced to six months and five months compulsory labour re-pec-tively and Mr. J. Majola to four

tively and Mr. J. Majola to four months:

The rest were fined: John Tsele, A. Jassat and I Bhana were fined £20 or 30 days; G. Vawda, F. Manamela £10 or 20 days; Mrs. Margaret Gazo £10 or 15 days; Joe Alexander and D. Uha £20 or 30 days supended; Mr. Balfour, £20 days suspended; Mr. Balfour, £30 or 30 days suspended; Mr. Bhana, £10 or 15 days suspended; Mr. Bhana, £10 or 15 days suspended. In all cases the suspended sentences are for a period of one year providing that the accused are not convicted of offences under the Act.

Jacob Morocrane who was absent from court that day will have his sentenced passed this week. An appeal has been noted.

#### GOVT. TALKS WITH MURDER ACCUSED

At least fifteen of the men who, as reported in New Age last week, were rushed to Fre-toria recently for secret talks with government officials are men charged with murder.

The discussions — unprecedented in South African history
—are believed to have centred —are believed to have centred on government proposals ainted at bringing to an end the difficulties it has struck in Sekhu-khuneland in the face of the united hostility of the people there to the Bantu Authorities and Bantu Education.

Others who participated in the talks were men banned from the reserve by Verwoerd. It is rumoured that some agree-ment has been reached and that the exiles will return to their



women sentenced for incitement are (from the left) Mrs. Mabel Balfour, Mrs. Christina Matthews, Mrs. Margaret Gazo.

# Swazis To Launch National Fund For Economic Development

JOHANNESBURG.

FOLLOWING close on the dramatic announcement of consti-tutional changes in Ba atoland, the people of Swaziland Protectorate people of Swazitand Protectorate are astir. They are demanding the immediate undertaking of develop-ment schemes in their country.

On the 21st of this month a huge conference of representatives of the Swazis in the Transwall will assemble at the Donaldson Centre in Orlando to discuss means and in Orlando to discuis means and ways of accomplishing their ob-jects. New Age learns that the delegation will come from all over the Transvaal and will wear their traditional dress.

One of the schemes under con-One of the schemes under consideration is the launching of a "Swazi National Fund." The 75,000-odd Swazis working in the Union would be expected to contribute a small annual levy to it.

The funds raised would be used in establishing light industries such as clothing and textile industries in

the Protectorate for which there would be a ready internal market. The training of young Swazi men and women as designers and machinists is visualised. The profits

and women as designers and machinists virulaised. The profits would be used to promote such development schemes as ranching and other agricultural schemes.

Mr. MacDonald Massko, the Association, told New Age be was confident that their schemes had a reasonable chance of success. The Swazis were already running a burial society whose support was growing year by year.

"The task of financing development schemes in the Protectorate, however, lies four square on the standard of the British was the standard of the British of the British was the said.

Mr. Massko said that as soon as their industrial projects got going shares would be offered to other African groups as well and

as their industrial projessor, ing shares would be offered to other African groups as well and not just confined to the Swazis. Meanwhile some of the labour officials are though the state of the state of the swazis. Officials of the Swazi Association have been interviewed by N.A.D. officials and asked about the swazis of t

### Boulevarde East

# PROPERTY OWNERS TO SEE ADMINISTRATOR million would be affected. "The Action Committee has no objection to building a road link between sections of the city as proposed by the City Council." Dr. M. A. Ebrahim, Chairman of the Committee, told New Age. "But our objections have been against the fardship and great the fardship and great the fardship and great the conding to the Council's plan. Our deputation discussed alternative routes with the Council and pointed out that property owners would never be able to be fully compensated in goodwill or in the value of their properties which would have to go if Boulevarde East was built."

A MEETING between the Administrator of the Cape Province and a deputation from the Anti-Boulevarde East Action Combittee to discuss an alternative route linking the foreshore with De Wanl Drive will take place today.

Last week the Action Committee gained a victory in their campaign against the construction of the road through District Six and Walmer Estate when the Cape Town City Council threw out the plan to build the boulevarde.

A deputation of 20 people of all races representing the com-mittee addressed the City Council and placed their objections before it, after which the decision to con-truct the boulevarde was reviewed and rescinded. The Deputy Mayor presided.

POSSIBLE PLAN

The deputation was firm in its attitude that it was not beyond the powers of the City Engineer to draw up other plans involving much less financial loss and hardship. It hoped to convince the Provincial Administration that the Letine Committees received to £1 MILLION LOSS Among the main objections to the construction of the boulevarde was that thousands of people would be rendered homeless and that approximately 260 properties involving a market value of £1

4 Leaders Banished

UMTATA

There is anger in the Transkei following the deportation, on the creders of Dr. Verwoord, of four people's leaders. They are Messra nount Chief of Tembulandi, B. M. 1031, T. 1. 203 and M. Enger Chief of Tembulandi, B. M. 1031, T. 1. 203 and M. Enger Lind of Tembulandi, B. M. 1031, T. 1. 203 and M. Enger Lind of Tembulandi, B. M. 1031, T. 1. 203 and M. Enger Lind of Tembulandia and Tembulandia an

vaal.

Airested without any charge or trial, they had no chance to defend then selves.

The four men were among the

The four men were among the chief spokesmen democratically chosen by the Tembu people to express their rejection of the Banta Authorities Act.

In a letter published by the East London Daily Dispatch, condemning the deportations, Mr. R. S. Canca, Secretary of the Transket of the Comment of

powers of the City Engineer to detroin from occurring we call upon draw up other plans involving the oppressed to struggle uncommuch less financial loss and hard-promisingly for full franchies rights Provincial. Administration that the black proposal for an alternative route was a feasible where clistic proposal for many continuous proposal for the provincial Administration for the provincial form of the provi

# "NO COMPROMISE ON **GROUP AREAS**" -Dr NAICKER

"THE Indian people do not ask for group areas for themselves and those who mistakenly fall into the trap of making suggestions amounting to this are not represent-ing the views of the Indian people; dent of the South African Indian Congress, in an interview with New Age.

Congress, in an interpretation of the deforts of the Durban City Council and its committees to rezone Durban on more just lines, the Indian people are very concerned that these new suggestions still violate the principle that there should be no uprooting of settled communities," and Dr. Naicker.

PROCLAMATIONS ARE
DISASTROUS
"No effort should be spared by
our people and all those who have our people and all those who have seen the disastrous effects of the proclamations in making it clear to the authorities that the Group Areas proclaimed for Durban will rouin the Indian people unless the areas as a whole deproclaimed, "It is wrong for us to call for one area to be deproclaimed at unitedly call upon the City Coun-cil to make rowindraw the pro-clamations for Durban," stated Dr. Naicker.

PETITION TO PARLIAMENT

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"Our immediate task is to
undertake a door-to-door drive
among the citizens of Durban to
petition Parliament in terms of the
decision of the Mass Prayer and
protest meeting held on June 26
when 20,000 of our people clearly
and categorically protested against

proclamations of Group Areas in Durban. The mass petition will demonstrate to the authorities the

Dr. G. M. Naicker. unity and determination of our people against the recent procla-mations and the Group Areas

#### NO COMPROMISE

"We should leave no room for doubt that the Indian people as a whole are opposed to the declared group areas in Durban and that they will not accept any compro-mise which will result in the mass uprooting of our people or the loss schools and religious institutions, in schools and religious institutions, in any area where they have settled any area where they have settled for generations," concluded Dr. Naicker,

### He Has Closed More Schools And Opened More Jails

For Africans Than Anybody In History

# **VERWOERD** — "THE GREATEST

OF ALL INDUNAS"

THE moment when a man, in the debate on Native Affairs in jugation of the Atrican people pre-who, for a long time, was at the centre of fierce political conflict, has departed from this Africa had ever seen."

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presents a dramatic element of contradiction and profound tragedy. Under Mr. Strijdom, himself in the dark shadow of his Minister of Na-tive Affairs, the great racial and political problems of South Africa were left unsolved. Under Dr. Verwoerd they can only be aggravated and tentions increased.

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#### Dadoo to Verwoerd

JOHANNESBURG.

DR. Y. M. Dadoo, banned outh African Indian Congress, last week wired the new Prime Minister, Dr. Verwoerd.

Immediately lift the ban on meetings of more than 10 Africans in areas iffected by the proclama areas not in a recent Government Ga-

Allow African deportees to return to their own areas; Remove the ban on all per-sons banned under the

appression of Communism Take urgent steps to obtain

repeal of the Suppres-n of Communism Act. . Dadoo's wire refers to the Prime Minister's broadcast to the country in which he promised to uphold democratic institutions and to maintain 'the right of people who have

Unless the Suppression of Communism Act is amended and the liberties of people re-stored the Prime Minister's message can have no meaning said Dr. Dadoo

The solemn character of the hour s not suitable for cold objectivity,

Restless

A man of restless drive and improvement of the common, with the late Prime Minister, in common, with his successor, Dr. H. F. Verwoord, we have even less. In the property of the prime Minister, between the prime Minister, and the property of the property of the prime Minister, for he prime Minister, for he prime Minister, for the prime Mi

### A PROFILE bv SAM KAHN

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#### First President?

This ex-Professor of Psychology fired by the compulsion to be fired by the compulsion to be a success, is being attracted like a much to the flame of the presiden-ial candle. King of the Nationalist Republican Forces, he is not the property of the property of the rivals waiting to tep into his shoet, for Dr. Verweerd has a Messianic complex. The organ "Bantu", pub-lished by the Information Service of the Department of Native Affairs, printed an ode to Dr. Ver-woord in these words:

"Dr. Verwoerd, thou art the Shepherd of the Black races, Thou art the Defender of the Bantu, our rock, our mountain, Thou art our refuge and our shield,

The mountain that saves us, our

refuge, The Saviour who rescued us at the time of need . . . . "

Moses gave mankind the Ten Commandments. Dr. Verwoerd has given Section 10. His megalomania has been translated into statutes like the Bantu Authorities Act, Bantu Education Act, Prohibition of Interdicts Act, the notorious Church Clause, site and service camps, mass Hitler-like removal of tribes, deportations and banish-

Faced with the problem whether to hang or not to hang, to ban or not to ban, to enforce Draconic laws and to suppress, his single-minded selfless devotion to the sub-Lost the Case Verwoerd lost the case. In a weighty judgment, extending to

THE moment when a man, in the debate on Native Affairs in jugation of the African people pre-

#### White Baasskap

dimensions. This wordy warrior of parthelid has closed more schools and opened the doors to more jails for Africans than any other single for Africans than any other single individual in our history.

Restless

Restless

Profound Tragedy

The selection of Dr. Verword as Prime Minister by God and the assure prepared to admit that he was prime Minister by God and the caucus of the Nationalist Part vertoon for his actions which he is preing their own power, fear him less than they fear the darling world around them.

around them.

Wilfully ignoring the massive ebb
and flow of people, the emergent
social and political forces beneath
the opaque shell of events, this

"He did support Nazi pro-

paganda, he did make his

paper a tool of the Nazis

in South Africa, and he

IN 1941 our new Prime Minister, Dr. Hendrik Frensch Ver-woerd, was editor of the National-

ist Party newspaper "Die Trans-valer." In October of that year "The Star" published an article entitled "Speaking up for Hitler" accusing "Die Transvaler" of

falsifying news in support of Nazi propaganda and generally acting as a tool of the enemy.

Dr. Verwoerd didn't like this

article. He sued the editor, pro-prietors and publishers of "The Star" for damages. Eventually the case came up before the late Mr.

"The Star" claimed that what

it had said about "Die Transvaler" was true and its publication was

in the public interest. It supported this argument by numerous illu-strations from Dr. Verwoerd's paper, to show how it reflected

Justice Millin.

paper, to show h Nazi propaganda,

Mr. Justice Millin

13th July, 1943.

know it?

over 25,000 words, the Judge found that Verwoerd had in fact

"It is not necessary," con-cluded the judgment, "for the defendants to establish that 'Die

defendants to establish that 'Die Transvaler' propaganda agreed in every respect with that of Zeesen (the Nazi radio station). What they have proved is that the plaintiff (Dr. Verwoerd) caused to be published a large body of matter which was on the same general lines as matter of the same general lines as matter Afrikans transmissions from

coming to the Union in the Afrikaans transmissions from

Zeesen and which was calcu-

lated to make the Germans look upon 'Die Transvaler' as a most useful adjunct to this propagan-

"The plaintiff cannot really

"The plaintiff cannot really deny this.
"He says it is not his fault. He appeals to the principles of free speech and a free press in a democratic country. He argues that if he had to consider whether what he said would be useful to the Germans

the effect would be to silence him; and the law does not com-

"But the question in this case is not whether the plaintiff should be silenced. His legal

pel him to be silent.

da service.

furthered Nazi propaganda.





THE leaders of Britain's The Growing Economic Crisis, And Fears Labour, Conservative, Liberal and Communist Par-ties have all expressed their Of Unemployment. Lie determination to bring to an end the wave of racialist hooliganism which has swept the London suburb of Notting Hill and the town of Nottingham

White hoodlums flaunted Briwhite hoodinms hanned brian's normally efficient police force and launched a reign of terror against Coloured families.

They were spurred on by Sir Oswald Mostey's fascist British

Oswald Mosley's fascist British Union Movement. (Sir Oswald is a close friend of his South African political counter-part, Mr. Oswald Pirow Q.C.) At open-air meetings in Notting Hill, Sir Oswald's mineteen-year-old son Alexander declared to a crowd of excited Teddy-boys: "I's time something was done to stop Coloured people from entering the

School-children were mobilised to smash windows in Negro houses, Pencilled notes reading: "Niggers, we'll get you" were pushed under doors.

#### Large Cars

Evidence of fascist incitement is given by a London News Chroni-cle reporter who noted of white which rullied to assault iso lated Coloureds: "It appeared they had been called to the scene occupants of large cars-some them containing eight or ten

Outbursts of racialism are not a completely new phenomenon in Britain, But until now they have been isolated and quickly squashed. Two years ago at Birmingham, West Bromwich and Wolverhampion there were attempts to pre-

ductors and nurses.

But swift and firm action by the trade union councils and local authorities, backed by public opinion, squashed the efforts of the racialists. Coloured conductors and nurses were employed and quickly became accepted by and integrated with their fellow-

workers. It is generally true that racial-ism has been stirred up most

but deliberately excluded the Bu-

About this, Mr. Justice Millin

"The plaintiff is a very intelli-gent person. He must know as well as anyone else that no

government carrying on a war can be expected to authorise the publication of enemy propagan-da addressed to its own people

current news. He presented what

was said by the Bureau as news and he presented it falsely. . The effect was to support, or

help on, German propaganda. Certainly the Germans could have found nothing more convenient for their purpose than what the plaintiff did.

Falsifying the News

Mr. Justice Millin went on to

deal with a number of instances

reau's comment

MADE HIS PAPER

OF THE NAZIS

right to publish what he did is

not in question. The question is whether . . . he is entitled to complain if it is said of him

that what he writes supports Nazi propaganda and makes his paper a tool of the Nazis.

"On the evidence he is entitled to complain. He did support Nazi propaganda, he did make his paper a tool of the Nazis in South Africa, and he

A Very Intelligent

Person

The immediate cause of the "Star" editorial was the way "Die Transvaler" had dealt with a state-ment issued by the Government's

Bureau of Information. This state-

ment gave the text of a Zeesen broadcast declaring that the Hit-lerites "did not want to force their

state form on other countries.

The Bureau pointed out that this Nazi claim was "belied by what is happening in Europe." "Die Transvaler" printed the statement,

easily when there has been a fear by the white workers that the non-whites would displace them at On the general economic situa-tion, the Review says that unem-ployment has been rising in most cheaper rates of pay, and it is no accident that the present outbreaks have occurred at a time when countries and world markets show

ominous were they solely the out-But they are not." There is also a decline in European industrial activity and further falling off is to be expected.

### Wage Claims

Britain is facing an economic

Unemployment Fear

whether or not they are members of a trade union . . . Unemploy-ment is now a key political—as well as an industrial—issue.

safe, and over one in ten expects

Bankers View

Britain's economic crisis was hastened, according to London's

Bank Review (September), by the intervention in the Middle East.

from Britain, it says,
"Since Middle East countries

are important customers for such items as machinery, metal manu-factures, vehicles and aircraft, the upheaval has not been without a

disruptive effect on the flow of our

given by the "Star" of false re-ports in "Die Transvaler," pro-

About this, Mr. Justice Millin

'The conclusion is inevitable that the plaintiff (Dr. Verwoerd) when he published these false

when he published these table statements as current news was quite reckless whether they were true or false. He thus exposed himself to the imputation that he falsified current news. The

result, as he admitted, might have been most harmful to re-

"Die Transvaler" suggested, in July 1940, that Union forces had

suffered a military disaster against

the Italians and that the Govern-

ment had deliberately suppressed

companying heavy casualties. The Judge found that the suggestion was false.

"It has been shown to be

false and the plaintiff, who was

willing to adopt it when he saw

it in the paper, does not pretend that he thought it was true

Union.

It is a remarkable coincidence that on September 1—when the riots first received widespread publicity in the British press—the results of a Gallup poll were pub-lished which revealed, in the words of the News Chronicle: More and more countries are running into serious trouble with their development programmes and it looks as if their imports "Unemployment and a possible recession are the main fears in the minds of people in this country today, whatever their party and will have to be cut.

will have to be cut.

The review says the position is more serious than it appears because a world recession strikes earlier at the raw-material-producing countries than the industrial Until now Britain has gained an

"One person in every three lacks confidence that his job is advantage because while raw-material prices have fallen, and she has paid less for her food and to be unemployed during the next 12 months." materials, export prices have been maintained.

Now earnings are liable to shrink since there is a noticeable falling off in the inflow of orders, it concludes.

it concludes,

A decline in industrial activity
"is not without some good
effects," it adds. By getting rid of
too much call for materials and
manpower "it has been possible
to retard wage claims and rising
prices." The obvious results of the Anglo-American intervention in Jordan and Lebanon are the effects on Middle East purchases prices."

#### Fascists at Work

Britain's fascists take full advantage of the fear at the back of the minds of many white workers that when the crisis worsens the employers will use the Coloured

It is therefore correct to say that this is a faisification of current news which was approved by plaintiff. It was calculated to cause alarm and despondency and it is not open to doubt that it was of great service to the enemy in the way of supporting his propaganda for the damaging of the war

effort of the Union." There are a number of other examples in which the Judge found that "Die Transvaler" under the editorship of Dr. Verwoerd had told lies in order to help the Nazi cause

to put his Nazi ideas into prac-tice, on quite a wide scale. In 1958 he became the sixth Prime Minister of the Union.

# their necks as they sit in strict

insistence on the abolition of all racial discrimination, so that em-ployers can drive no wedge be-tween white and black workers.

In a group towards the back are of the women in the colour-print dresses, under-skirts, aks and turbans of the Pedi womenfolk. Only when you hear the subdued whimper above the voices of the witness and inter-preter over the microphone do you realise that there are two infants in court all day, nursed on their

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workers as a means of lowering mothers' lan ad backs. workers as a means of towering motions tap in tracks, wages and breaking strikes, As a counter to this propagnada progressive labour leaders are striking so show that the only real protection for the whites is by means of unity with the Coloureds and institutors on the shollting of all with the 199 then in the dock.

#### DIED AFTER ASSAULT

On August 14 one of the accused Jonas Lekwanakwe, died in hosnital But the right-wingers are a force which must be reckoned with and the move to introduce racialist laws in Britain is ex-

Reports have already been received or resolutions being presented for presentation to both the Conservative and Labour Party feet who was discharged from

Conservative and Labour Party conferences calling for government action to restrict the entry of Coloured immigrants.

Drafter of the Tory resolution is Mr. Norman Pannel, Mr. His demands in Parliament for the restriction of immigration have already been backed by about 30 Tory M.P.s and a few Labour members.

Labour Reply

Labour Reply

Left who was discharged from to the country and the decidence of the constitution of the country and the prosecution agreed to have him taken back to the constitution of the nocused in this strength of the country members.

Labour Reply

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made the most of the disturbances Government-supporters were killed. in Britain in an attempt to show that colour prejudice is a natural

that cotour prejudice is a natural thing.

In actual fact the riots merely reveal that in an economy which cannot guarantee jobs and decent wages for all there will always be close further field for criminal inciters of race haltered. The properties of the propert

a fertile field for criminal inciters of race hatred.

But in the next month; the British Labour Party will have the indication of the prepared to come out clearly with the demand for decisive action to make all forms of colour discrimination illegal,

SGT, VAN ROOYEN The notorious Sergeant Van Rooyen of Marabastad, in Pretoria,

# ARMED POLICE IMPOSE BANTU

# **AUTHORITY IN TRANSKEI**

Of course, all this happened a long time ago, in 1943. Dr. Verwoerd lost his case, and his fixed a meeting at Cala to install fixed sof Zeesen lost the war, and Hiller and Mussolini lost their lives.

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MICHAEL HARMEL

#### without seeking to refute the propaganda . . The whole ob-ject of the introduction (by the cruiting for the armed forces . It cannot be questioned that the A Long Time Ago "The result is that there must publication . . . was in fact, i Bureau) was to make an oppor-tunity for warning the public not to believe the enemy state-ment. In suppressing this warnbe judgment for the defendants, with the general costs of the PORT ELIZABETH. him. The few police who were there could not cope with the Of course, all this happened a support to the enemy in the propaganda he was then making (as appeared from the evidence) to weaken the war effort of the ing comment by the Bureau I think he (Verwoerd) can pro-perly be said to have falsified

placed Dr. Verword on trial for High Treason or helping the nemny or asything like that Dr. NAD adopts these tactics in order to give the impression of licitation to trucks. In the presence of the nemny or asything like that Dr. numbers because the people who was installed as the Bantu Authori-Transvaler, and later on the was ticked are on posted to the Bantu Authori-Verword was installed as the Bantu Authori

HISTORY OF THE LIBERATORY MOVEMENT By L Forman

# ANC AND SOCIALISTS

### LEARN FROM EACH OTHER

TOWARDS the end of 1915. the most advanced white socialists, led by David Ivon Jones and Sidney Percival Bunting began to urge upon the newly-formed Internation-Socialist League that it should pay attention to the

should pay attention to the needs of the Africans.

The chief obstacle they had to overcome was the fear of most Transvall socialists that any recupil would doom the ISI. to stagnation as a small 'debating-society' without influence among the white workers. In the Transvall, where the white socialists had identified themselves without a small of the property of th

fluential bodies.

To turn against the colour bar meant to lose all influence with the white workers and, this, in the eyes of most white socialists, was to cut oneself off from the entire labour movement.

iabour movement.

The African proletariat was still relatively very weak and it was most difficult for a white trade unionist to visualise a labour movement based on the Africans. In a few years time, with the meteoric rise of Clement Kadslie's great Industrial and Commercial Union, the Africans were to de-Union, the Africans were to de-monstrate how great a force they were, but, until they saw it happening, there were few white trade union leaders indeed who believed

#### Not Marxists

An advanced socialist—one who knew something of dialectical materialism and of political economy—would have understood the inevitability of the rapid part of the rapid that the clearly understood that the men who formed the new War-on-War League and then the ISI, were not advanced Marxists. They were socialists of many hues—fabians, co-operators, syndicalists, anarchitsts and a host of An advanced socialistdicalists, anarchists and a host of others including those who were pacifists and conscientious objec-tors rather than socialists. They were outside the mainstream of socialist theoretical ferment then socialist theoretical ferment then taking place in Europe, and being in the main new immigrants, were not sufficiently inside the mainstream of South African life to enable them to make any fundamental theoretical contributions as South African socialists.

On the war issue, however.

South African socialists.

On the war issue, however, every man who was a sincere socialist—no matter what brand of socialism it was—stood united. And as a result, the very thing which the militants had so feared,

which the millions had so feared, came to pass.

The anti-war socialists were stripped of all power in the white labour movement. They became a small, isolated group. The white workers broke up their newspapers and reviled them.

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But even so the old ways died

LOURED WORKERS.

But even so the old ways died hard. At the first conference of the ISL in January 1916 Bunting moved a resolution (called "Peti-

tion of Rights for the Native"):
"That this League affirm that the emancipation of the working class emakerpation of the working class requires the abolition of all forms of Native indenture, compound and passport systems; and the lift-ing of the Native workers to the political and industrial status of the white."

#### Opposition

A delegate tried to delay the decision by moving that the matter be referred to a committee and one of the ISL leaders, Colin Wade, put forward "biological evidence" on the inferiority of the Africans. When this proposal to delay the decision was defeated, delay the occasion. Wade moved the delay the decision was defeated, Wade moved the addition of a clause that the ISL would, until the African's status had been so lifted, endeavour "to prevent the increase of the Native wage workers, and to assist the existing Native wage workers to free themselves from the wage.

The resolution as amended— Bunting and Jones appear to have accepted the amendment—was Bunting and Jones appear to have accepted the amendment—was carried by an overwhelming majority, and Socialist theory, after a momentary grab at the sun, fell back into Alicein-Wonderland. Even so, the Interational re-corded, "There were some mis-givings on the result of the debate

. . . the misgivings arose from the inclusion of "political rights" in the status which Native in the status which workers should aim at



David Ivon Jones.

Nevertheless the resolution was a go-ahead signal for those who were trying to turn white socialist attention towards the Africans, and February 1916 saw a land-mark in the history of the libera-tory movement—the first coming together in the Transvaal of the white socialists and the African National Congress.

The occasion was a socialist meeting on the Land Act add-dressed by one of Father Huddle-ston's predecessors of the Com-munity of the Resurrection, Father Francis Hill.

He, correctly, described the Act as being aimed at driving the Africans out to work for the whites. Present at the meeting was Saul Msana, a leading figure in the ANC and one of the delegates sent by them in 1913 to protest against the Act. With him were several other ANC leaders.

Msane told the meeting that so strictly was the ANC observing its pledge not to criticise the gov-erament for the duration of the war that he did not feel that he should say anything about the

#### Socialists Learn

This meeting coming weeks of the ISL resolu within ation to revent the increase of the Native wage workers' served to reveal dramatically to the more advanced socialists the nonsense of their resolution. The Land Act had killed any illusions anyone might have about keeping the working-class 'white.'

The contact was showing that the white socialists had at least as much to learn from the black congressmen as the ANC had to

congressmen as the ANC had to learn from them.

In an article on Father Hill's lecture, Bunting declared ired to—"Perhaps if Marx had lived to—"Perhaps if Marx had lived to have founded his International Association of Working Men, not on the well-paid craft unionists who themselves batten on Native Labour and form the "Federation," but rather on such class conscious the black workers, who grown the black workers, who grown

but rather on such class conscious clements as he could find among the black workers, who groan under a hundred special and serious disabilities of their own, in addition to those attaching to maturally hinder them from jointing up with the white; and hinder the white from linking with them, who form the bulk of the South African prolestrais."

Now the role of the African worker became a regular editorial theme in the International, An editorial in March 1916 explained theme in the International, An editorial in March 1916 explained theme in the enternational, and editorial in March 1916 explained plat to keep the African worker out. It would require as much power to keep the African out as it would to smash capitalism. "But we have learnt that we cannot deliver any serious blow against capitalism without the co-operation of the kaiffir."

On social relations, however,

tion of the kaffir."

On social relations, however, the white socialists had not yet broken free. An "International" article spoke of "an ethnological article spoke of "an ethnological tendency... which makes for the natural apartness of white and black." Capitalism had "tampered" with this and brought them together. Socialists by destroying capitalism would allow natural apartness to reassert itself, said an editorial after May Day said an editorial after May Day 1916. "The way to healthy social segregation is through Industrial co-operation."

#### ANC Speaker

In June an African addressed a In June an African addressed a Johannesburg socialist meeting for the first time. ANC leader Robert Grendon, editor of the Congress organ Abantu-Batho spoke to the ISL on "The link between black and white." There were a large number of Africans present. The Africans startled the ISL Staburate. We proposed that the staburate was proposed to that the staburate was proposed to the the

stalwarts by proposing that the meeting begin with a motion of condolence at the recent death of one of the Allied field marshals.

one of the Allied field marshals. Jones, who was in the chair, turned the proposal down.

Saul Msane, in his contribution to the discussion said that the im-portant thing was to educate the white workers. "The trade unions had been formed to fight the Na-tives. Let them remove restrictions. had been formed to fight the Na-tives. Let them remove restrictions and the Natives would join the unions."

This was greeted with loud approval.

"The hilarity and good feeling

which these meetings produce in the mind," Jones wrote, "must be

due to the fact that socialism is beginning to right a great wrong."

The Grendon meeting was roundly condensed in the daily papers. One Labour Party MPC called for the deportation of the socialists for telling the Africans to organise.

#### The Indians

The ISL now began to consider for the first time the position of the Indians in South Africa, too S. G. Rich, a socialist attorned addressed the League on "Production of the Indians in South Africa, too S. G. Rich, a socialist attorned addressed the League on "Production of the Indiana". addressed the League on Froduc-tion for Profit and the Natal Coolie" and "The barbarities to which the Indians in Natal were treated prior to their great kick in 1913," were enlarged upon in the freated prior to their great area in 1913," were enlarged upon in the discussion by Mr. Polak. The discussion lost much of its interest the International reported, "through lack of information as to the present condition of the Indian Coolie, his habits of thought, custom, ambition, and what is most important to the socialist movement, his position, permanent or otherwise, as a wage-earner in South African in-

By the middle of 1916 the po-licy of the ISL as expressed through the International was firmly established as one of solida-rity with the Africans as fellow rity with the Arricans as fellow workers in a common struggle, although a beginning had not yet been made to the finding of effec-tive means of putting the policy into effect by the recruiting of

In 1917 the Native Administra-tion Bill was introduced to place the Africans at the mercy of the Native Affairs Department, without recourse to the courts. The Governor-General was given powers, by proclamation, to make laws affecting almost every aspect laws affecting almost every aspect of the life of the Africans.

The ISL called a protest meeting in March in the Trades Hall, a historic meeting, for it was the irst political action taken by the

socialists on a matter not directly linked with the white workers—a political protest against a law affecting the Africans.

#### New Struggle

The League was now beginning its struggle to win the Africans to its ranks, and press advertise-ments inviting all "irrespective of race, colour or creed" to come to race, cosour or creed to come to the meeting resulted in a packed hall. The crowd was, however, mainly white, with "a fair sprink-ling" of Africans.

Jones was chairman and Saul Msane was the main speaker, followed by Bunting and a young African leader Horatio Mbelle. "I hail you as conquerors of race prejudice," were Msane's opening words.

As was to be expected the so-cialists now found themselves al-most completely rejected by the white workers—and they were still making little headway among the Africans, "Notwithstanding repeated advertisements welcom-ing 'all irrespective of colour," ing 'all they are they are still too shy and suspi-cious of the white to attend except on rare occasions," the Interna-tional commented in 1917.

But as if in response to this comment, the paper was able, in its report a fortnight later, of a meeting in honour of the white workers killed in the strike of July 1913 to note that it was "most 1913 to note that it was "most gratifying to see a number of Natives, men and women, in the hall, a feature which, when it develops will inevitably widen our speakers' outlook and make real our professed repudiation of race or colour distinctions.

"Let each of our speakers ask himself: 'Did my address interest or appeal to those Natives in the audience? If not, is it their fault, or is it my fault for dealing with purely white man's affairs, pitch-ing my key to an audience of shopkeepers instead of proleta-rians?"

#### ALLEY UP

#### · WRITTEN IN THE STARS?

• WRITTEN IN THE STARS?
There are probably umpteen reasons why people expect a tightening of the apartheid screws now that the great white Chief, Herr Doktor, is P.M. but now that I've heard the result of the control of the probable of th

salesmas."
"Well," said I, "if we have to LA GUMA go by the stars, then things look pretty ominous. How's business?"
"Lousy," said he.

#### ♠ REPEAT PERFORMANCE

■ REPEAT PERFORMANCE

If my manory serves me right,
what F.M. Verwoerd said last
Wednesday night has been said
before. Listening to the usual
platitudes about God's will, cooperation, justice for all, and the
unique problems of our country,
I wondered whether the same
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of the one who puts it across.

However, Doktor Verwoerd has
a sense of humour, too. "The po
listing of the same of the same
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It is my desire to contribute to-wards this." But then, those jokes are pretty stale, too.

#### BULLSEYE

Hurrah! According to a shooter who has returned from the recent marksmanship competition in the Soviet Union a Russian team may

visit S.A. in 1960.

As far as I'm concerned they're welcome, even if they do come to



show our skietkommandos a thing or two. But I guess it all lies in the lap of the Minister of the In-

He might not like Marxist marksmen coming behind our iron

#### · FARE'S FARE

Whatever I've had against the S.A.R. administration in the past has been soltened somewhat by the courtesy of officials, inspectors, ticket examiners, chief steward and others on my trip down from Joburg to Cape Town.

I don't know whether that was just courtesy-on-the-rails-week, but I'm looking forward to it continuing.

# ICELAND DISPUTE EMBARRASSES NATO

THE dispute between Iceland and Britain over Iceland's insistence that she has the right to reserve for berself all the fishing within 12



# Atrocities In Jordan Continue

A VIGOROUS protest has been made to the British Prime Minister, Mr McMillan, at the tortures and death sentences tortures and death sentences which have taken place under the protection of British bayonets in Jordan.

Jordan.

An appeal signed by 15 trade union leaders, Labour M.P.s and other prominent people which was delivered at 10 Downing Street

stated:
"We are deeply concerned that
ince the entry of British troops
into Jordan, arbitrary arrests,
beatings and torture of opponents

beatings and torture of opponents of the Hussein regime have been accelerated and death sentences passed on 13 citizens.

"Apart from the horror roused by these incidents, the British Government's intervention makes it responsible in the eyes of the world for the actions of the Husseinsenting.

world for the actions of the Husselin regime.

"We therefore demand that pending the withdrawal of our troops, the British Government should make immediate representations to Jordan to stop these arabitrary arrests, beatings and death sentences."

#### NO PROPER DEFENCE

Reports from the Jordanian capital, Amman, showed that the 19-year-old girl Nadia Salti and four young men on trial for their lives were prevented from having a proper defence. Accused of responsibility for a series of bomb incidents, they all pleaded not guilty.

guilty.

The BBC quoted its Amman correspondent Charles Wheeler:

"At today's hearing two things stood out: the physical condition of the defendants and the lack of proper arrangements for their de-fence.

#### NEARLY COLLAPSED

"One man, when asked to plead, was unable to make himself heard and had to stagger forward to the president's table where he nearly collapsed," Wheeler reported.

miles of her shores is causing con-siderable embarrassment within the NATO war alliance.

NATO war alliance.

The controversy goes back to 1952 when Iceland first extended her territorial waters from the normal 3-mile limit to four miles. In retaliation Britain, formerly Ice-

man 3-mue timit to four miles. In retaliation Britain, formerly Iceland's biggest buyer, closed its markets to her fish. Iceland is completely dependent for her existence on the export of fish. It is the country's main means of levelihood, the Soviet Union offered to replace Britain as Iceland's biggest buyer, the offer was quickly accepted.

BETWEEN 1955 AND 1957 THE RUSSIANS INCREASED THEIR PURCHASES BY 40%. IN TURN ICELAND MORE THAN DOUBLED ITS BUYING OF SOVIET GOODS.
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Similar new trade links were established with the other socialist

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And now, comments the Economist, "Nato has to grasp the awk-ward fact that one of its members is economically dependent on the Soviet block . . . When Icelanders ask, rhetorically, why their friends should ban Icelandic lish and send should ban Icelandic lish and send with them. Nato so far has only come up with some sadly rhetorical answers."

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With increased trade has come increased cultural contact and a growth of friendship. It has affected the leclandic political climate. In fact Minister of Fisheries Josefsson is a leading member of the Communist Party—and his stand on the 12-mile limit has made him one of the most popular men in the country,

#### Schoolchildren in the Factories

Every East German school child over 11 will spend one day a week in a factory or farm. This "poly-technical education," according to Walter Ulbricht, East German Communist leader, aims at "train-ing our children to love work and the workers."

# France Won't Stop H-Tests

CENERAL de Gaulle's Foreign Minister has said that the Angle-American decision to suspend tests of nuclear weapons as from October 31, 1998, is not binding on France, which is deter-mined to go ahead with its plane to produce its own H-bombs.

General de Gaulle is determined to make France a nuclear power, so the French Government now insists that any halt in H-tests must be linked with a ban on nuclear weapons manufacture and the destruction of existing stocks.

This is the old Western position which blocked all progress by interminably linking all disarmament steps together.

One Paris evening paper France-Soir, said that the Govern France-Soir, said that the Govern-ment was actively preparing to explode its first atomic bomb in September or the first part of October at a test site south of Colomb-Bechar in the Algerian

Sahara.

The first bombs would be made of plutonium, and the nuclear research centres at Sevran, Bruyere-le-Catel and Saclay in France had produced a detonator for an atomic bomb as well as the control mechanism, the paper said.

All necessary research for making the thermonuclear composition for an H-bomb was well under way, it added.

#### BRITISH TESTS

The Anglo-American announcement led the Japanese Government to call for the immediate cancellation of Britain's current series of test at Christman Island, in the Pacific, where the first each of the A. Tokyo Government spokeman said Japan would submit a new proposal to the autumn

man said Japan would submit a new proposal to the autumn session of the U.N. General Assembly calling for an interna-tional agreement for the prohibi-tion of nuclear weapons.



89 workers and technicians from India are studying at a Ukrainian technical institute. Here, one of them. Narendra Singh, is seen with a Soviet companion doing his practical work at a factory.

# SOVIET AID TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES

THE Soviet Union is now build-ing or has already built, over 500 industrial enterprises in the Socialist countries as part of an intensified programme of industrial and technical assistance to these countries,

Enterprises built with Soviet help include 45 metallurgical plants, 35 chemical works, 70 electric power stations as well as oil refineries, more than 60 ma-chine building plants and motor-car and lorry factories.

#### BIGGEST POWER PLANT

China occupies first place in this industrial and technical effort with over 200 enterprises now being built with Soviet help.

Among the most important are the Wuhan and Paotow Iron and Steel Works, each of which will produce up to three million tons of steel a year.

West of Lanchow, Asia's big-gest non-ferrous metal plant is

being built according to Soviet de-signs and with the help of Soviet specialists, and in Loyang, Soviet specialists are helping to build China's biggest modern tractor works with an annual capacity of 15,000 machines,

The Soviet Union is also help-ing China to construct more than 20 big mines, quarries, ore-con-centration plants and nitrogen fertiliser factories,

It is also playing a big part in building the biggest power station so far in China on the Hwang Ho so far in China on the rawang rio River, with a capacity of more than a million kilowatts, which will banish the threat of flooding for ever for over eight million people living in the Great Plain.

#### OTHER COUNTRIES

The Soviet Union is also co-operating in the construction of 70 enterprises in Poland, 57 in Rumania, 39 in Bulgaria, 54 in Al-bania, 15 in Mongolia, 16 in Viet Nam, 23 in North Korea and eight in Czechoslovakia.

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The vice-chairman of the Soviet Committee for Economic Relations with Foreign Countries,
Mr. I. V. Arkhipov, said today:
Over the past period more than
190,000 specialists and workers
from the Socialist countries have received practical instruction at
factories in our country.

# Kerala Communists Deny Nehru's Violence Charge

THE Chief Minister of Kerala and the Indian Communist Party have replied to allegations against the Communist Govern-ment of Kerala by Premier Nehru and others.

and others.

"I am bortified at the cold-blooded murders that are being committed in Kerala for political reasons," Mr. Nehru told a Press conference II days ago.

Mr. E. M. S. Namboodiripad, Kerela's Chief Minister replied: "I am pained to read the references made by Prime Minister Nehru on the present situation in Kerala.

rain.
"The Prime Minister has based himself for his references on the highly exaggerated, half-ray estated to tally false reports presented to him by interested parties, who want to create the impression that the situation in Kerala is alarming and requires Central (Government) intervention to set it right."

The Chief Minister said that the main blame for the situation rested "on the Congress and other Opposition parties who, ever since the Communist Party got installed in office in the State through the ballot box, were out to oust it by fair means or foul."

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He cited several cases in which
Communists were murdered for
political reasons in the past sixteen months, and charged that
various armed para-military
groups had been set up in the
State "to combat the Communists."

The Chief Minister described the incident which led to Mr. Nehru's statement:

Nehru's statement:

A Communist demonstration at Varanthazepilli, protesting against an earlier attack on a Communist by Congress Party men, was met by a counter-demonstration organised by the Congress Party and others, who blocked the procession and threw stopes.

"A clash ensued, and in the clash five non-Communists were killed and 17 injured, of whom ten are pro-Communists.

#### HIRED CRIMINALS

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"A closs security of the iddntity of those who were killed reveals that they were notificated workers nor serious Congress sympathiesers; at least not of them were notorious criminals who were presumably hired or attack the Communist Jatha (procession)," the Chief Ministra Mary office that the Communist Jatha (procession), "the Chief Ministra you." He added that police sized from the local Congress Party office tins of chilli powder and grantle stones.

office tins of chill powder and granite stones.

"Any fair-minded person will notly draw the conclusion that the provocation was deliberate and was started by the Congress side: what transpired was not political murder as has been alleged by Congress leaders of Kerala and now unfortunately by the Prime Minister."

#### Pensions for Nazis

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Hundreds of Ieading Nazis, many of whom were directly implicated in Hilder's mass murders, are today drawing large pensions from the West of the Medical Company of the West of th

# STRIJDOM PAID HIS FARM LABOURERS ONLY £4 A MONTH!

IN a debate in Parliament six weeks ago, Dr. Verwoerd claimed that the AVERAGE MONTHLY CASH WAGE of African farm labourers was £6 10s.

I was reminded of this statement last week when I read in newspaper wall. Among his various bequests wall one to his farm foreman, with instructions that his African farm labourers should be paid a fixed wage for the duration of the re-

What was that fixed wage? IT WAS THE PRINCELY SUM OF £4 A MONTH!

What conclusion must one draw om this? Either that Mr. Strijdom What conclusion must one draw from this? Either that Mr. Strijdom paid his African farm workers less than most other farmers, or that Dr. Verwoord was wrong when he said that £6 10s. was the average cash wage. I think the latter con-clusion is the correct one.

#### Nat. Propaganda

The Nationalists have tried dur-ing this Parliamentary session to prove (a) that African workers (not on farms) are well-paid; and only on farms) are well-paid; and (b) that they do not deserve these "high" wages. This barrage of pro-paganda was in preparation for a Bill introduced this week raising African poll tax from £1 a year to £1 15s., and imposing other taxes on African men and women.

on African men and women.

A nation-wide protest is being prepared against the Bill in the form of a multi-racial petition to be presented to the Speaker and members of the House of Assembly.

The spontors of the petition should speed up their campain, now that Dr. Verweet is winding up the session so that he can get on with the job of reshuffling his Cabinet

#### Conference on Job Reservation

JOHANNESBURG.

The Trade Union Council to calling a conference on job reser-vation to take place in Cape Town during October.

The conference is to discuss the Bill to amend the Industrial

Bill to amend the Industrial Con-ciliation Act that tightens up trade union apartheid and gives the Minister absolute job reservation powers.

Non-affiliated bodies like SACTU Non-affiliated bodies like SACTU (which has been appealing for trade union unity against job reservation for years) have not been invited to the conference. The T.U.C. is also calling a conference on the Transwaal proposal to extend shop hours. It will take place on Monday, September 22. Some registered unions not affiliated to the T.U.C. have received invitations to the conference.

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and breaking the new members in. The taxation Bill might become law at any moment.

It might be necessary, too, to give Opposition M.P.9 a special reminder about the Bill, because a suspicious quiet has settled over Parliament on the topic. The United Party is rumoured to be looking to strenously. A leftly pattion might make it change its mind!

#### Are They Lazy?

Another preliminary skirmish over the pending taxation Bill cocurred in the Assembly last week when the Minister of Economic Affairs, Dr. A. J. R. van Rhin, made the insulting remark that African workers were lazy, that if they went to Russia, England or Germany the people there would show them what work was, that

#### PARLIAMENT by C.P.E.

they were the most expensive lab-our in the world because they did not do their full share, and that the average African worker "stands about, smokes his pipe and does not earn his money."

the dear his money."

How does Dr. van Rhijn know that African workers are "lazy" Because he once spent half-au-hour watching some of them at work! Opposition Mr.B. were quick to ask the Minister what he was supposed to be doing when he was idling away that balf-hour.

What a disgusting remark for the Minister to make! What would he say if an African worker were to ask him whether he earned every penny of the £4,900 a year he re-ceives as a member of the Cabinet? Imagine a Cabinet Minister, with £4,000 a year, a Ministerial house in Cape Town and another in Pre-toria, a Cadillac and White chaf-fettr, and all expenses noil, declar-fettr, and all expenses noil, declar-fettr, and all expenses noil, declartoria, a Cadillac and White char-feur, and all expenses paid, declar-ing: "You cannot expect me or anybody else to pay a Native or a White man £20 a month if he stands about and smokes his pipe and does not earn his money."

And then Dr. van Rhijn went on to contradict himself. He said that the gold mining industry was the only industry which "got the maxi-

### TAX INCREASE CONDEMNED

Cane Town

A meeting called by the Cape Town branch of the African National Congress on the Grand Parade last Sunday condemned the proposed increase in the poll tax and demanded no taxation without representation.

The increase in the tax would lead to misery and starvation among the African people, the vast majority of whom were already living below the breadline, the speakers said.

The meeting adopted a resolu The meeting adopted a resolu-tion viewing with concern the ele-vation of Dr. Verwoord to the premiership, and regarded hi-election as an indication of th Natonalist government's determina-tion to intensify its undemocrati-and oppressive apartheid policy.

Several members of the Special Kerii Branch were among the audience. M

mum work out of Natives," and that was because it "treated the Natives well, paid them well and fed them well."

What is Dr. van Rhijn trying to say? That other employers fail to get "the maximum" out of their

get "the maximum" out of their workers because they do not "treat them well, pay them well, and feed them well?" In that case, the fault lies with the employers, not with

lies with the employers, not with the African workers.

Dr. van Rhijn, of course, has a reputation for muddled pronouncements. I am sure that his Cabinet colleagues do not think he is worth £4,000 a year. Perhaps Dr. Verweerd will drop him from the Cabinet when he reshuffles it after the session

#### Long Hours

Mrs. Ballinger (African Represen-tative) pointed out to Dr. van Rhijn during the debate that many

Rhip during the debate that many Rhip during the debate that many 5 a.m. and return at 7 p.m.—and at the same time do not earn enough to keep body and soul together!

Admittedly, there was inefficiency, said Mrs. Bailinger. The fact remains that the conditions imposed which could not have been avoided under the circumstances.

Dr. van Rhijn was unrepentant, however. He said he wished Africans could earn more shades of the industrial colour bath, as it would and buying power, but the reason for these low wages was that the Africans had to be driven to do an ofer these low wages was that the

for these low wages was that the Africans had to be driven to do an honest day's work." What callousness! From 5 a.m. to 7 p.m.: expending more energy than most White workers; returning to bovels and shacks, inndequate meals and sleep-disturbing surroundings; and then being rewarded with a few miscrable pounds.

#### A Myth

The "inefficiency" of African workers is one of South Africa's most treasured myths. Dr. van Rhijn's allegations are not born out by his own experts. A report of the Board of Trade, quoted by Dr. Frans Cronje (U.P.), reveals that the productivity of Africans is from 20 to 100 per cent of that of similar part of the productivity of Africans is from 20 to 100 per cent of that of similar part of the productivity of Africans is from 20 to 100 per cent of that of similar part of the productivity of Africans is from 20 to 100 per cent of that of similar part of the productivity of Africans is from 20 to 100 per cent of that of similar productivity of Africans is from 20 to 100 per cent of that of similar part of the productivity of Africans is from 20 to 100 per cent of the 20 p workers overseas. The wages of Africans, however, were 50 per cent less than those of workers in simi-lar industries in Western countries, and for this reason labour costs in and for this reason labour costs in South African factories were lower than in similar factories in the West. South Africa's industry rested basically on African labour, and one did not do the country or in-dustry a service by belittling the productivity of South African lab-

Well, Dr. van Rhijn, what is your reply to this?

#### Racing at Kenilworth

Following are Damon's selec-tions for Saturday:

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# SPORTLIGHT

"DULEEP"



# Cricketers Triumphant

March

The S.A. touring team have at ast found their true home form, and have been winning their recent games with a lot to spare. How quickly they have adapted them-selves to the faster wickets and different matting, can be borne out by the good scores they have been registering of late.

registering of late.

After their decisive Second Test win against the Kenya Association, they have subsequently swept everything before them, with the mounting encouragement and the opportune striking of form of some of the batsmen. The Uganda team opportune striking of form of some of the batsmen. The Uganda team were in an exciting finish defeated by 99 runs with half an hour to spare, and then against the all-White Kenya Kongonis, our "boys" simply ran through them and convincingly defeated them by 119 respectively. runs.

On Saturday, Sunday and Mon-ay, they play the Third and nal Test against the whole of East final Test against the whole of East Africa, their strongest opposition to date. If they win this match, then the future of S.A. Non-White cricket can be assured of a terrific boost, for if one has to compare the results of the Pakistani Team, the Sunder C.C. (Indian) and the M.C.C. who in succeeding the last three years, then our record thus far is better than any of them.

Iar is better than any of them.

Coming back to our team itself, who are the players responsible for the success of the side? A serutiny of the detailed score sheets (which I fortunately receive direct from East Africa) shows that D'Oliviera is head and shoulders above any of his team mates, having scored 50 and over in every match he has played in on the tour, including a century. ntury. Then follows A. I. Deedat,

Then follows A. I. Deedat, who is lending excellent support to his captain. J. Neethling, who was primarily chosen for his pace bowling, has turned out to be the most ing, has turned out to be the most outstanding all-rounder in the team and his name often figures prominently in the batting list with scores of thirties and forties in most matches. Cecil Abrahams, although disappointing with the ball, is playing a lion's share in the batting. ball, is pla

the batting.

The big disappointments are no doubt "Tiney" Abed and Raziet who have not yet shown their true worth. Let's hope they regain the home touch in the Final Test. Solomons, after a brilliant debut, has simply faded into oblivion with feeble scores.

Our bowlers are in top form, especially Petersen, Neethling, Langa and D'Oliviera. Owen Williams, left-hand spinner, probably finds the East African whickets unresponsive, for he has failed to improve, but he is still our best spinner. His chance will come against the West Indies on our

#### Curries Fountain Ground

For sportsmen throughout the Union, whether they be soccerites, cricketers, athletes or cyclists, who have been to Durban at any time, the name "Curries Fountain" will no doubt revive pleasant memories, for on this memorable ground

for the Durban Indian Sports Ground, under that great sports man Mr. S. L. Singh, has built a modern stand, the entire field has been returfed, and it will be the first Non-European ground to have a turf wicket. I am given to understand that it is a £100,000 project. The seating arrangements around the ground, although suitable at present, are far from adequate, and Mr. Singh and Co, are working in the direction of building one of the finest stadiums in South Africa. Africa.

Africa.

To mark the opening, the Transvaal Inter-Race team played a Natal Inter-Race XI two weeks ago, the former winning decisively 6-1. Last Saturday, the Natal Inter-Race final between the Indians and Coloureds took place, with the Management of the ground the product of the ground Tackson.

the Mayor of Durban, Cllr, H. W. Jackson. Fifteen thousand spectators crammed the ground in the Natal-Transvaal match, while a bigger crowd is expected for the opening. To wind it up the S.A. Coloured S.A. All Black clash at the end of the coloured special colours of the coloured special colours of the colour colours of the colour colours of the col

#### We Hear It Said . .

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That since the SA. Coloured
Beard's decision to overlowk
Transwal's walking off the field,
and make them joint-holders of
the Stuttaford Cup without taking
action against them, the disease has
spread. The crack Acrials learn of
the Alliance League walked off in
a match against Ridgeville at Cape
Town. The blame is being placed
at the feet of the Beard for not
taking appropriate measures to dycourage such measures by teams

That the SA. Bantu Cricket
Tournament will take place in

That the S.A. Bantu Cricket Tournament will take place in Johannesburg, at the Natalsputul Indian Grounds, in December Centres to take nart will be Western Province, Eastern Province, Carter Browner, Eastern Province, Cartern Cartern

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That the rumours of D'Oliviera turning professional are pure balderdash. He has no such ideas, for I personally got this informa-tion from him on the eve of his departure. He is determined to help

Genature. He is determined to help SA, cricket to world recognition.

That Althea Gibson, Non-White American tennis star, is still smashing all opposition in world tennis. By the time this goes to print she will have been crowned queen of the American courts as well.

ell.

■ That Elijah Makone, SA

sther-weight champion, is not feather-weight champion, is not considering retirement, but wants to lose the title in the ring, if he has to lose it at all.

### Appeal to De Gaulle

A number of prominent Frenchmen have sent a letter to General de Gaulle pleading for the release of conscientious objectors who have been sentenced to various nave been sentenced to various terms of imprisonment for refusing great battles have been fought.

Today that selfsame ground, include Andre Breton, Albert although reduced very much in size, has a completely new look, Bernard Buffet and L'abbe Pierre.

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