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# TRANSVAAL AFRICAN TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

TO : PRINCIPALS OF ALL AFRICAN SCHOOLS IN THE TRANSVAAL.

The Committee organising the "Teachers' Salaries Campaign" needs statistical information for its appeals.

Will you please assist by filling up the form below and posting it back PROMPTLY to Market

Mr. S. Lesolery

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Mr. S. Losoleng, c/o P.O. Box 97, BOHANNESBURG.

NAME AND POSTAL ADDRESS OF SCHOOL :

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#### NOTES ON NATIVE EDUCATION 30564.

## Page 2 School Fees.

I think some publicity should be given to the fact that private teachers may be appointed if they can be locally paid. In some cases I believe that parents would willingly pay fees again to get children in.

I note that "expansion will not be stopped", provided necessary accommodation and funds are available, etc. This is worth the paper it is on, and no more if there are not funds.

Pimville, the only Government school, has two empty rooms and cannot take the children, because there are no teachers.

## Pages 2 and 3. African School Nurses.

I note I have been put on this sub-committee, so I need not expound my views here. I feel, however, that such nurses should have some "method" training. Such appointments would be a blessing at places like Morgenzon.

## Page 3. Finance.

I note you had a statement submitted. Can you tell me (a) What is spent on staff for urban schools

- (b)
- What is spent on staff for farm schools What is spent on staff for rural schools in Native areas, (c) Res. and Rel.

and average attendance per teacher in each of the above.

11 What number of non-registered schools or new schools can be registered next year.

111 Was anything said about the question of "accommodation available"? Will the Chief Inspector in view of the difficulties in getting building materials accept "traditional" building in rural areas provided this is modified to give light and air sufficient.

#### Page 4. Matriculated teachers.

I shall within a few days be putting forward for your consideration a "Day Training" scheme for teachers.

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TRANSVAAL AFRICAN TEACHERS ASSOCIATION.

NEWS LETTER. 12 Our Salary - Compaign Month ending May 1942.

OUR SALARY CAMPAIGN. (By South Western district.)

## Progress - but we want more!

At last we can announce some results of our demands for higher salaries and better conditions., The Government has replied through Mr. D.L. Smit, Secretary for Native Affairs, You will find Mr. Smit's letter attached to our April newsletter. He tells us that "a further sum of £121,000" has been appropriated of which £93,000, it seems, will go to us teachers in the form of an increment, cost of living allowance on the 1928 scales, and good service allowance.

How exactly the payment will work out is not quite clear. We had hoped for an explanation from Mr. Esselen at the S.W. District conference on May 16th. Unfortunately he did not come.

What are we teachers to think of this new grant? Mr. Smit calls it "a substantial measure of relief" and hopes that it "will go a long way to alleviating the position of teachers". We take leave to disagree with this. It is not that we are ungrateful - every shilling added to our paltry incomes is something to be thankful for. But the simple fact is this: We ask for a change in our basic slaary rates. We want a living wage. And we are given only a few minor allowances. This is very far from "substantial reflief" and will not go a long way but a very short way indeed to "alleviating the position of teachers."

Teachers are justified in feeling strongly, especially after many years of sacrifice and loyal service, that they are entitled to a new order in native education, an order which will ensure them an income in keeping their their needs and status. It is for this reason that the campaign committee is resolved to urge the comtinuance of our campaign on an ever growing scale. Our efforts have carried us a step forward. We must go on now till our aims are achieved.

TEACHERS!DON'T FORGET THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE T.A.T.A. IN JULY. (See net on page )

#### Further Campaign Activities.

#### DR. XUMA SPEAKS:

The S.W. District Association held its conference at the B.M.S.C. Jo'burg on Sat. 16 May. Dr. A.B. Xuma, President-General of the African National Congress, addressed the teachers and reported on the recent deputation which we led to meet the Depity Prime Minister. He expressed his gratefulness to see our teachers getting on the move. He praised them for their keenness to organise and strengthen their own organistion. He reminded them that the unity of African teachers was an important matter not only for themselves but for the future of the African people. A vote of confidence and full support of the campaiging committee was passed after the committee had given its report of the campaign. The conference passed a resolution that the campaign should be continued and the mother T.A.T.A. be urged to draw up a definite plan of the action which should be carried out to the letter immediately after the July annual conference.

#### B.M.S.C. FUNCTION:

A function in aid of the campaign fund was organised at the BMSC JO'Burg on May 8th and a sum of just about £12 after payment of all expenses was realised. At this gathering Mr. W.F. Nkomo, B. Sc, of the Wit. university, seized the opportunity to make an appeal to the public for a full support of teachers in their struggle for a decent living and better conditions of service. Similar appeal was made by S.J.J. Lesolang at a Graduation Reception at BMSC on Friday 22nd May.

#### BRANCH NOTES.

We are pleased to note the activities of many of our branches and the revival of defunct branches. The Phekeng Branch held an interesting meeting on May 9th. Mr. S.HJ.J. Lesolang addressed the teachers. A vote of confidence in the campaigning committee was passed. We wish this branch every success. The Zwartruggens-Marice Granch at its meeting held at Silverkrans on Sat. 9th after long and tough discussion of Mr. Smit's reply, passed the following resolutions:

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(a) In view of the fact that the Government's reply to the justified and well supported proposals for teachers' salaries is so unsatisfactory, this branch urges that the campaign be continued and carried to its bitterest end.
(b) That the Zwart. Marico branch fully associates itself with the resolution passed bt the central DistuctAssociation at its conference recently held at De Wildt and supported by the S.W. District Executive, that the sum representing additional money voted for native education in the estimates 1942/43 be expended entirely on improving the salaries of African teachers and that there should be no other expansion considered by the T.E.D. until further funds are vailable for such an expansion.

## T.A.T.A. ANNUAL CONFERENCE:

The conference takes plance in July

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This conference will be perhaps the most important conference in the history of the Association. The future of our campaign will be decided there. The strengh of our organiseation will be tested there.

The campaign committee seriously urges the following points on every single teacher:

- \* Study carefully the programme of the co ference as soon as it is published in the Good Shepherd magazine.
- \* Hold branch meetings to discuss thoroughly the questions which will be brought up at the conference.
- \* Attend conference WITHOUT FAIL.

A living wage for teachers mist be in the forefront of the discussions at conference. For particulars about the conference please write to Mr. Sol. T. Malaze, Evaton Branch, Secretary, St. Lukes School . P.O. Wilberforce.

# GET ON WITH THE JOB!

Teachers q You know how urgent it is to get improved salaries and conditions. With the cost of living risiging, it is becoming more urgent than ever. We must have more activity and more organis tion.

It is up to you. Give wholehearted support to the salary campaign. See that you have regular and frequent branch meetings, that every teacher joins the association and attends meetings. Send in reports of meetings to the organising committee. WE WANT UNITY.

# WHAT ABOUT FINANCE?

Up to now, expenses of the salary campaign have been covered by donation from branches from teachers themselves and from sympathisers. The.T.A.T.A. Executive has contributed nothing!

Think of those teachers who have been carrying out this campaing since November 1941. often paying their own travelling expenses to meetings, a loyally carrying out the duties allotted to them for our sake! It is only right for the T.A.T.A. to refund their expenses and to provide financial support. We cannot hope to go on relying on the self-sacrifice of individual teachers. It is the responsibility of the T.A.T.A. and of all of us.

The following is a statement of campaign expenses and receipts from September 1941 to May 30th 1942. Receipts. By donations.

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