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INAUGURATION BANTU ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE.

1. Compliment Johannesburg Road Safety Association on this development.
2. Is there a need?
3. Last six years 113,000 Bantu injured (1967 - 5965 people killed in Republic of South Africa).
4. Who were these people - somebody's father, mother, brother, sister, child.
5. 1961-1966 28% increase in casualties of all races : Bantu casualties increased by 32%.
6. Johannesburg - last five years - 15,275 Bantu injured, maimed or killed and of these 11,990 or 78.5% were adult males.
7. Casualties very often pedestrians: often because they cannot be seen.

8. Not only damage to persons, but to property.
9. Let us try and get our perspective. We think of wars as terrible things. In World War II the number of South Africans killed, or who died as a result of wounds, was 12,080.

In addition, people wounded totalled over 11,000.

In World War I the South African deaths were 12,770.

Contrast the above figures with our figures for deaths on the roads. It is conservatively estimated that since World War II 60,000 people have died on our roads in South Africa.

In a period of six years, 1961 - 1966, a period equal to the time of World War II, the casualties on our roads have amounted to 281,911.

.....READ EXTRACT FROM TODAY'S RAND DAILY MAIL.....

10. Good work in schools by trained information officers - 658 road safety lessons to 35,881 Bantu pupils.

11. Road Safety Officers made available to Johannesburg Road Safety Association by the Council in Soweto.
12. Members of the Committee 12 -- 5 of which are members of the U.B.C., 7 specialists - 4 from Council Departments
1 from PUTCO
1 from Radio Bantu
1 from Bantu Affairs Dept.
13. Very glad people of this calibre prepared to undertake this worthwhile work.
14. Again stress unnecessary loss of life.

JOHANNESBURG:

October 8, 1968.

Seven orphaned in car crash

Staff Reporter

FOCHVILLE. — Mr. Danie Pieter van Tonder, 31, and Mrs. Elsa Aletta van Tonder, 28, parents of seven children, were killed when the car they were travelling in overturned four miles from their home at Fochville early on Sunday.

Mr. Andries Frederick Dreyer, 35, who was also in the car was killed instantly and his wife, Annetta, 29, was admitted to the Fochville hospital. Her condition last night was reported to be satisfactory.

Both families lived at Fochville where the men were employed at Western Deep Levels gold mine.

Annette van Tonder, 10, the eldest of the Van Tonders' seven children, who was also in the car, broke her collar bone and a two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dreyer was taken to Johannesburg in a critical condition with head injuries.

The other six children of Mr. and Mrs. Van Tonder were at home at the time of the accident as was the eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Dreyer.

Neighbours who were alerted by the police and a local minister, opened their homes to the survivors early on Sunday.

Yesterday relatives of the victims arrived from Roodepoort to make funeral arrangements and to decide on future action for the care of the children.

The funeral will take place later today at Roodepoort.

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