

FRIDAY  
21st March  
(cont.)

RESOLUTION 11

N.C.W.S.A. REQUESTS THE GOVERNMENT TO REPEAL THE RELEVANT SECTIONS OF THE NATIVES (ABOLITION OF PASSES AND CO-ORDINATION OF DOCUMENTS) ACT, No.67 of 1952 AS AMENDED, AND THE NATIVES (URBAN AREAS) CONSOLIDATION ACT, No.25 of 1945 AS AMENDED, WHEREBY AFRICAN WOMEN ARE REQUIRED TO CARRY REFERENCE BOOKS AND/OR PERMITS AND, BECAUSE OF THE DISCONTENT CAUSED BY THE DISRUPTION OF FAMILY LIFE CONSEQUENT UPON UNNECESSARY IMPRISONMENT FOR TECHNICAL INFRINGEMENTS OF THESE ACTS, AND THE "ENDORSEMENT OUT" OF URBAN AREAS OF AFRICAN WOMEN UNDER INFLUX CONTROL REGULATIONS.

Cape Town Branch

RESOLUTION 12

N.C.W.S.A. DEPLORING THE DECAY OF BANTU FAMILY LIFE AND THE LOSS OF ITS VALUE IN CHARACTER TRAINING RESOLVES TO STUDY

1. THE PROMOTION OF LEGAL MARRIAGE BY (a) GRANTING MARRIAGE ALLOWANCES TO MEN (b) MAKING QUARTERS FOR FAMILY LIFE AVAILABLE WITHIN REACH OF EMPLOYMENT
  2. THE REDUCTION OF ILLEGITIMACY BY (a) ENFORCEMENT OF PATERNITY PAYMENTS (b) DISCOURAGEMENT OF THE PRACTICE OF CONSIGNING INFANTS TO THE CARE OF GRANDPARENTS QUITE INCAPABLE OF TRAINING THEM
  3. THE DESIRABILITY OF RESTORING BELIEF IN THE VALUE OF PARENTS AND CHILDREN LIVING TOGETHER
- AND TO WORK IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE, PUBLICLY AND PRIVATELY, TO PROMOTE IMPROVEMENT IN BANTU FAMILY LIFE.

National Adviser for African  
Affairs

Report of the National Adviser for Coloured Affairs

Report of the National Adviser for Indian Affairs

Report of the National Adviser for Soil Conservation

RESOLUTION 13

BECAUSE THE WATER ACT OF 1956 IS CAPABLE OF MANY INTERPRETATIONS, AND BECAUSE OF THE VITAL IMPORTANCE TO OUR WHOLE NATIONAL ECONOMY OF THE RESTORATION OF OUR ERODED UPPER AND MIDDLE VLEI SPONGES, THE N.C.W.S.A. REQUESTS THE GOVERNMENT TO CARRY OUT A COMPLETE, IMPARTIAL INVESTIGATION AS TO THE MOST EXPEDITIOUS METHOD TO ATTAIN THIS END.

Graaff Reinet Branch

RESOLUTION 14

SINCE THE PHYSICAL AND BIOLOGICAL COMPOSITION OF THE SOIL IN WHICH FOOD CROPS ARE GROWN HAS NOW BEEN DEMONSTRATED TO HAVE AN IMPORTANT INFLUENCE ON THE NUTRITIONAL VALUE OF THE FOOD PRODUCTS FROM THAT SOIL, AND SINCE SOIL QUALITY AND FERTILITY MAY BE DEPENDENT ON FARMING SYSTEMS AS A WHOLE, N.C.W.S.A. REQUESTS THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE TO INITIATE WHOLE-FARM ECOLOGICAL EXPERIMENTS, WITH A VIEW TO DETERMINING WHETHER THERE IS A CORRELATION BETWEEN GOOD FARMING METHODS AND HEALTHY FOOD.

National Adviser for Soil  
Conservation

Adoption of the Reports of the  
National Advisers

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Venue of next Annual Conference

Votes of Thanks

INSTALLATION OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT AND TRANSFERENCE  
OF HEADQUARTERS

1 p.m.

LUNCH

2.15 p.m.

POST-CONFERENCE MEETING OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE

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First Session of Conference.

Conference. 16/12/50.

Opening. Rev. Matsobane opened the Conference by leading devotions. He gave a very inspiring talk after which the President thanked him.

Recording Secretary. It was proposed and agreed that Mrs. L.S. Ngobo should be the recording Secretary.

Greetings. Telegrams of greetings were received from Nyanga and Sharpville. A telegram of regret was received from Miss. Louw stating that, through illness she was unable to attend. The President suggested that the time Miss. Louw should have taken would now be used to hold the Executive Meeting. (agreed).

Buying a wreath for Mrs. Old John's grave. At this juncture the President told Conference about the decision of the Executive of buying a wreath for Mrs. Old John's grave. Members were asked to make contributions towards the buying of the wreath. A sum of £1. 8. 2. was collected.

Mrs. Siyo's tombstone. The President stated that today at East was the unveiling of Mrs. Siyo's tombstone and that the N.C.A.W. has been invited to this function, but as there was no one who would be able to attend she suggested that a telegram should be sent to the Siyo family from Conference.

Mesdames Moreka and Mousi were asked to draft the telegram. After some difficulties in sending a telegram it was decided that the two ladies draft a letter.

Tribute to the late. Past Members. A tribute to the late Mrs Old John. Mrs. Mqubali's husband Mrs. Tshingila's husband and Mrs. Swart, the President asked the house to rise *in a*

The Magistrate. The President introduced Mr. Bovey the local Magistrate who had come to address Conference.

The magistrate thanked the local branch for having invited him to come and speak. Mr. Bovey spoke as under follows:- *the following heads:-*

1. Unity and strength, - Unity is strength, the N.C.A.W. united *is strong.*
2. Liquor.
3. Health.

Commenting on 2. the magistrate said that 75% of the crimes in this country are caused by liquor directly or indirectly. Health in rural and urban areas among Africans was very poor, he hoped therefore that an organisation such as ours would help to prevent its people from drinking *skokian* *seshimeyane* *seshimeyane*. As well as that to try and educate them and save them from superstitions and infectious diseases. *On the front page of the programme* the magistrate read these words, "I serve my home, I serve my people, I serve my country with high ideals." Mr Bovey concluded by saying that this council should be able to help its country.

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