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## Colonel Reitz On Two Needs To Be Met

IN OPENING THE SIXTH SESSION OF THE NATIVE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL IN PRETORIA ON MONDAY, COLONEL DENEYS REITZ, MINISTER OF NATIVE AFFAIRS, DISCUSSED THE VITAL PROBLEM OF RELATIONS BETWEEN EUROPEANS AND AFRICANS. HE SAID THERE WERE TWO IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS WHICH MUST BE BORNE IN MIND TO SECURE THE UNINTERRUPTED PROGRESS OF OUR EFFORTS FOR THE UPLIFTING AND ESTABLISHING OF THE AFRICANS.

"FIRSTLY, WE MUST CARRY THE EUROPEAN POPULATION WITH US TO AVOID ANY ACTION OR DEMANDS WHICH MIGHT ALIENATE THEIR SYMPATHY AND SO HAMPER OUR ADVANCE; AND, SECONDLY, WE MUST ADOPT OUR IDEALS TO EXISTING CONDITIONS SO THAT THEY MAY BE EDUCATIVE AND INFORMATIVE AND NOT LEAD TO EXCESSES OF EXPRESSION OR CONDUCT SUCH AS WOULD AFFORD AN OPPORTUNITY FOR CRITICISM OR CONDEMNATION.

## Freedom From Oppression

"European opinion, I am confident, has been moving more quickly in recent years towards a fuller realisation of what is implicit in our assumption of trusteeship for the African people, and there are many good friends of the African races who are doing their best to foster and hasten this movement. The vast majority of the African people are, however, still uneducated and unable to appreciate or take advantage of all that modern civilisation has to offer.

"While counselling moderation, I do not fail to recognise, however, that there are certain fundamentals which we must endeavour to secure for the African people. These things are best summed up in the cardinal points of the Atlantic Charter for post-war reconstruction. They are: Freedom from fear, freedom from want and freedom from oppression. You may be sure that as Minister of Native Affairs I shall exercise all the influence and power I can command to see that our hopes and aspirations for a better world when victory has been won will be extended to, and will include, the economic security of the African people."

The Minister referred to the splendid work of the Native Military Corps in North Africa, which had earned the respect and admiration of all who had come into contact with it. The awards which had been made to members of the corps for gallantry and devotion to duty on the field were a source of pride to the whole South African nation, both European and African.

"I wish again to thank the African people through you, their accredited representatives, for their loyalty and trust in these abnormal times. I feel sure we can rely on their support in fullest measure till these principles of right and justice for which we are fighting are finally triumphant. I also thank you for the many gifts and contributions to war funds which have been made in the past year. This continued generosity is evidence of the sincerity and loyalty with which you support the Government in its prosecution of the war."

A matter which was causing the Department of Native Affairs some difficulty was that in some areas in which trust farms had been provided for the extension of existing locations, the Africans who had been settled there had shown resentment at the measures of control which the department had found necessary to impose for the prevention of soil erosion, overstocking and denudation of the veld.

It was the anxious care of the department to ensure that the land which had now been acquired in trust for future generations should not be allowed to deteriorate, and it was therefore essential that the measures now being taken to prevent such deterioration should be given full effect.

Colonel Reitz said he looked to the Council for its co-operation in this policy, and in making the African people realise that in their own interests the control which was being exercised could not be relaxed.

Recently there have been published, as you are no doubt aware, the Reports of two important enquiries affecting Africans in urban areas. The Report of the Inter-departmental Committee on the Social, Health and Economic Conditions of Urban Natives contains a large number of valuable suggestions and recommendations which, if given effect to, should do much to improve the lot of the urban Native. I need only say that the Department of Native Affairs,

the Secretary of which was Chairman of the Committee, is doing its best to secure the co-operation of other Departments and of local authorities in carrying out these recommendations.

The other enquiry was that by the Native Affairs Commission into the working of the Kaffir Beer sections of the Natives (Urban Areas) Act. This report also contains a number of valuable recommendations, the most important of which will necessitate legislation to bring them into operation. Unfortunately it will not be possible to introduce this legislation during the forthcoming session—the Parliamentary programme is already overburdened—but a Bill is being drafted which will be placed before this Council for discussion at next year's session.

In spite of the War and financial and other difficulties which have resulted from it, the Department is endeavouring to carry on with the work to which it has set its hand for the benefit and improvement of the Native people. This will be indicated by the Estimates of Expenditure from the South African Native Trust Fund which will be placed before you. The estimated expenditure on Native Education in 1943/44 (including the supplementary amounts) totals £1,546,632 which is a net increase of £140,380 over the revised Estimate for 1942/43. Of this increase, £112,851 represents additional payments by way of salaries, wages and allowances, and £9,350 additional cost of living allowances. The estimated expenditure on General Services in 1943/44 totals £464,000 which is an increase of £12,690 over the revised Estimate for 1942/43.

While these figures indicate the endeavour of the Department at least to maintain what it has already undertaken and in some directions to advance, this has had to be done at the expense of the Reserve Funds of the Trust. It has not been possible to budget for increased Revenue and the estimated amounts for 1943/44 remain, both in respect of Education and General Services, at the same figures as last year. The result is that we shall have to draw from Reserve Funds for Education an estimated amount of £237,052. The account for General Services is in a better position for it shows an estimated surplus of £27,500. The estimated net amount which will have to be met by Reserve Funds is thus just under £200,000.

## Russians Make Slow Progress

Steyner German resistance to Russian attacks is the tenor of the news from Moscow in the last 24 hours, and it is becoming clear that not only have the Russians now reached the hard core of the German defences, as a correspondent said on Monday, but also that the Germans are recovering from the disorganisation which flowed from the initial successes achieved by the Russians.

Fighting of the bitterest kind, but on varying scales of magnitude, is going on from Velikije Luki to the Caucasus, with the initiative every-where achieved by the Russians.

The correspondent of The Times at Stockholm writes on Tuesday that the greatest Russian activity in the Stalingrad area since Sunday has been in the northern suburbs of the city and north-west of it towards the upper part of the Don river, where positions have changed several times without much change in the territory held by either side. South-west of Stalingrad, similar activity has brought similar results, though there the scale of the fighting has been smaller.



The fierce battles now raging in Libya call for a steady stream of reinforcements. Here we see empty trucks returning to the depots for reloading with the necessities of a modern army.

## Hard Fighting Goes On In Tunisia

An Axis attack which began in the Tabourba area on Sunday penetrated one of the Allied positions on Monday. A strong counter-attack by the First Army on Monday night forced the enemy to withdraw, states a communique quoted by Reuter. Light bombers gave our forward troops good support, says the communique.

Reuter's special correspondent says that growing Allied air strength and

the increasing volume of reinforcements are permitting the Allies to hold the furious German tank onslaughts just west of Tabourba.

Hard fighting goes on in most of the triangle. The First Army, strengthened by additional infantry and artillery, is holding a semi-circle of dominant hill positions west of Tabourba, and is mopping up what is expected to be a decisive drive on Tunis and Bizerta.

## Dakar Given To Allies

Dakar has been handed over for use by the United Nations. The future employment of French naval units there is to be decided at a conference.

A special announcement issued from General Eisenhower's headquarters on Tuesday afternoon said: The Governor-General of French West Africa, M. de Boisson, has agreed to co-operate with the United Nations in the prosecution of the war against the Axis.

"Allied shipping held in French West Africa, as well as all United Nations internees, are to be released at once."



Mr. D. L. Smit, Secretary for Native Affairs, who is presiding over the Native Representative Council.

## Great Allied Air-borne Force In Training

British and United States parachute and glider troops are building what will probably become the mightiest striking force of its kind in the world.

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The British and American air-borne detachments now in action in North Africa were trained in Britain, where part of the training consists of mimic battles in which live ammunition and automatic weapons of all kinds are used.

## Municipal Africans Return To Work

The one-day strike of about 2,000 of the 12,000 Africans employed by the Johannesburg municipality was settled on Tuesday evening when Africans agreed to return to work on condition that their case was taken up by the City Council.

The strike was a protest against the delay in applying the terms of the recently gazetted wage determination for unskilled workers.

Late on Tuesday afternoon a meeting of representatives of the Government Labour Department and senior municipal officials was held together with representatives of the Africans, and it was agreed that work should be resumed on Wednesday morning on the conditions stated.

## WIDESPREAD R.A.F. RAIDS

Widespread attacks were made by R.A.F. bombers and fighters on points in north-western Germany, northern France, Holland and Belgium on Tuesday afternoon.

An Air Ministry communique says: "This afternoon Mosquitoes of the Bomber Command attacked industrial and railway objectives in Holland and north-western Germany."

"Fighters on offensive patrols over northern France and Belgium attacked a number of ground targets during the day, including railways, barges and enemy airfields."

"One aircraft of the Bomber Command is missing."

## "TURNING POINT OF THE BATTLE ABOUT TO BEGIN"

"The battle about to begin will be one of the decisive battles in history," said General Sir Bernard Montgomery, commander of the Eighth Army, at a Press conference on Tuesday.

"It will be the turning point of the war and will swing our way. It may be a hard battle, and the Germans will fight, but we will drive them out of Africa. There is no alternative. Rommel is a good soldier, but we will beat him."

General Montgomery said that there should be no tendency to underestimate the enemy's strength. The German soldier was good, but "once you get him down he cracks up. We must smash him on the battlefield."



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Ngomfikazi M. Mahlanza

(Ngu S. M. Mahlanza)

Sishiywe nguma wethu ogama lingu Margaret Mahlanza... (Fourth article text block)

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### Fish-Bones

Fish-bones sometimes stick in the throat. In a good light you may be able to see the bone at the back of the throat and pick it out; but if the bone is out of sight, then only a doctor can get at it by using special mirrors and forceps.

Ofcourse, a bone should be taken out at once. If it is left in even for an hour or two it may set up a swelling, which gives rise to obstruction in breathing.

### Fig Pudding

Put 1 cupful of chopped figs into a basin with 2 tablespoonfuls of shredded suet, 1 cupful of peeled and chopped apple, 2 tablespoonfuls of brown sugar, 2 tablespoonfuls of breadcrumbs, 3 tablespoonfuls of self-raising flour, and a pinch of salt. Beat 2 egg-yolks with 2 tablespoonfuls of milk and mix into the pudding. Whip the 2 egg-whites stiffly and stir into the mixture. Turn into a greased mould of basin and cover with greased paper. Steam from 2 1/2 to 3 hours.

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It is a dangerous habit to hold pins or needles in the mouth, as they may be swallowed by accident. The greatest danger is that the pin may stick in the throat or by a sudden in-drawing of the breath, be sucked into the windpipe.

This, however, is a rare accident. It is much commoner for the pin to be swallowed right down into the stomach. In these circumstances do not be over-anxious. It is not pleasant to swallow a pin, but in the great majority of cases no harm follows.

The wrong thing to do is to give an emetic, as very likely the pin will not come up at all, and, if it does, it may stick in the gullet, or even be sucked into the windpipe in the gasping spasms of the violent vomiting.

There is only one thing to do, and that is to eat a large plate of porridge or a quantity of bread, the idea being to get the pin embedded in the pulsatious mass so that it may progress down the intestines safely.

The pin should be watched for, so that all anxiety may be finally removed when it has completed its journey through the body. If it is retained it may do no harm.

The X-rays are useful in searching the throat and neck, especially in thin people or in children, but it is worse than hunting for a needle in a haystack to search by the X-rays for a needle that has been swallowed by a grown-up person.

### Crumb Pudding

Put 3 egg-yolks into a basin and beat until light and frothy. Stir in 2 tablespoonfuls of farina or cornflour, 2 tablespoonfuls of castor sugar, 3 tablespoonfuls of fresh breadcrumbs, 1 tablespoonful of chopped nuts, and 1/2 teaspoonful of vanilla essence. Beat the 3 egg-whites to a very stiff froth and stir lightly into the mixture. Turn into a greased mould, cover with greased paper, and steam in the saucepan of boiling water for about 45 minutes, standing the

### To Mr. S. Malaza

Editress, Allow me a space to reply to Mr. S. Malaza's article on "woman writers".

Mr. Malaza, old contributors only sacrificed themselves for sake of their race. On finding that their attempts were in vain, they have given up. Ofcourse, some are discouraged when they learn that their suggestions are not carried. Now, they decided to give chance to young ladies to express themselves. Mr. Malaza, although you think that some ladies do not write because they are old, it is not exactly so. But perhaps they play "old" because they are reminded often by clever people that they are old.

Some people can talk nonsense about others when they are absent. Especially women. "Mandalina"

P.O. Setlagole.



Mrs. Pauline Vilakazi, of Alexandra Township, is assistant Secretary of the Mothers' Union, Bantu Methodist Church. Mrs. Vilakazi will leave the city in January for Clermont Township, Natal, to bring a report of the Synod that will be held there. She will be accompanied by Mrs. Sarah Z. Mokhele, who is Treasurer of the Mothers' Union. I hear that Mesdames Sarah Mokhele, vice-president, Daughters of Africa, and Pauline Vilakazi, a member of the D.O.A. will form part of a delegation to the D.O.A. Conference that will be held at Hambrook, Natal.

Mrs. Maud Piliso, President of the Daughters of Africa, will also attend the Conference.

### THIS WEEK'S THOUGHT

He who shuns suffering will never win victory. —Charlotte Bronte.

### "Your duty Calls You"

(REPLY TO S. MALAZA)

(By R. S. Petje)

I think our former lady contributors have had enough rest now, for it is high time they resumed their work. I can hear people complaining everywhere about them.

If at all they had gone on a holiday, I am sure they are back already. Simon Malaza and many others are complaining. You cannot leave your work half-done. We shall be very pleased to have you once more.

So, "Lady Porcupine", "Lady Bird" etc., your duty calls you.

basin on a pastry cutter.

Serve with jam sauce. To make jam sauce, put 3 tablespoonfuls of jam in a stone jam jar with 2 tablespoonfuls of water and stand the jar in the saucepan of boiling water. Stir until thoroughly hot.

### Mutton Curry

Lean chops trimmed of all fat; 1 large onion; 1 apple, 1 green tomato; chutney, 2oz. butter, 2 dessertspoons curry powder; a spoonful seeded raisins; juice of lemon and a little grated lemon peel; salt, weak stock or hot water.

Slice onion apple and tomato and fry lightly in portion of butter; put them aside to keep hot. Add more butter and fry the chops until browned a little on both sides, then stir in the curry powder and rest of butter; fry agn. Now add the vegetables and stir well until all curry is absorbed. Season with salt, add chutney and lemon juice and grated peel, then stir in gradually enough stock or hot water to make the sauce which must cover the meat. Simmer for an hour or until meat is tender.

Serve with rice, and fresh tomato chutney made thus: Half-green tomatoes are best. Skin tomatoes, chop into small dice, add chopped shallots, chopped green ginger, and a clove of bruised garlic. Sprinkle with teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon sugar, 1 teaspoon chopped mint, and cover with good vinegar. Cover and allow to stand for an hour or two till wanted.

### CURRIED EGGS

A hard-boiled egg for each person, 1 small onion, 1oz. butter, 1 dessertspoon curry powder (to serve 4 people; reduce quantity for lesser number), 1 dessertspoon flour, salt, stock or milk.

Melt the butter and lightly fry the onion; stir in the curry powder and flour which have been mixed together; when butter has been absorbed add very gradually enough warm stock or milk to make a smooth sauce, season with salt to taste, and then add the shelled eggs cut into halves. Allow to simmer for quarter of an hour. Serve with hot boiled rice and chutney.

### Baked Banana Pudding

Grease a piedish and put a layer of fingers of bread and butter into it, then put a layer of sliced bananas. Cover the bananas with a little apricot jam (melt with a little water, but do not make it too liquid). Then put in another layer of bread and butter, banana and jam. Do not quite fill the dish. Heat 1 cup of milk, mix 2 teaspoon cornflour to a paste with a little cold milk, add to the hot milk with 1 tablespoon sugar and a pinch of salt. Stir while it boils 2 minutes then cool slightly. Add 1 teaspoon lemon juice and 1 beaten egg. Pour over the bread and banana and bake 30 minutes in a moderate oven. Serve hot or cold.

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