

AFRICA Resigned as Premier to build TANU

NYERERE CHEERFUL, NO CRISIS IN TANGANYIKA

Report From
James Hadebe

THE announcement last week that Julius Nyerere had resigned his position as Prime Minister of Tanganyika to devote more time to building up the Tanganyika African National Union caused far more of a furore outside Tanganyika than in. According to this special report received from New Age correspondent James Hadebe the people of Dar-es-Salaam, the country's capital, have received the news of the reorganisation with calmness and understanding.

In his despatch Hadebe quotes from the text of an official government release which is headlined: 'New Tanganyika Government will be guided by TANU policy.'

The release quotes the new Prime Minister Mr. Rashidi Kawawa as saying that there was to say about recent changes. "I only want to add that we, his Ministerial colleagues and members of the TANU National Executive Committee, considered for a very long time the proposals which Mr. Nyerere put to us, but that we were finally completely convinced that this bold, challenging and unusual step was in the best interests of Tanganyika at the present time," Mr. Kawawa said.

The Prime Minister told the Press that he had nothing new to say about policy because that had not changed.



TANU President Nyerere

He continued: "I believe that the changes are a challenge to us to bring renewed vigour and inspiration to the building of our country. We have been given once again an example of the spirit of service with which we must attack the enemies before us, I believe, too, that we shall be able to go forward with more confidence because the handclasp between the Government and the people is being strengthened."

He said the whole country would benefit from this; the civil servants, including the expatriates—whose services Tanganyika still needed—because they would find that their work could be more fruitful. Through these changes they could expect that there would be ever-closer co-operation between civil servants operating the machinery of Government, and the people for whom the machinery worked.

The new Government intended to encourage the growth of these close and active links between its paid servants and the people, because it was only by co-operative effort, with the people taking an active part in the work, that the development of the country could proceed as rapidly as they all wanted it to do.

The Prime Minister said: "I know, too, that the peaceful progress we maintained in our fight for independence will be maintained as we undertake the battles in the war against ignorance, poverty and disease. We know from our own experience that battles can be won more easily if they are fought with good humour, and without time or energy being wasted on angry quarrelling among ourselves about things which are much less important than the main objectives. The action of our President will increase the effectiveness of our own struggle to a better life, and no trouble-makers can be allowed to take from us this opportunity to work more closely together."

"IT WAS UNITY WHICH ENABLED US TO WIN OUR INDEPENDENCE, AND IT IS BY UNITY THAT WE SHALL TRIUMPH IN THE FUTURE."

Our struggles are not over; as colonialism was our common enemy in the past, so now poverty, ignorance and disease are the enemies of us all. There is no division of interest between us; the problems of farmers, fishermen, wage earners, and all other people, are inter-related."

Mr. Kawawa said that interdependence should be realised by everybody in Tanganyika. Through such realisation their unity would undoubtedly be strengthened and their progress therefore made more rapid.

"Let all of us in Tanganyika accept the challenge offered by our President—a call for greater unity and harder work," he said.

Good Spirits

The change-over, unusual though it is, has been received in an ordinary way, writes Hadebe. There was neither jubilation nor sadness to mark it. The change-over is according to plan. It has the approval and the support of the TANU National Executive, and generally speaking, is being appreciated and understood by the people of Tanganyika. There has been no disorder of any kind anywhere. There were, however, a few expressions of surprise and bewilderment noticeable after the first announcement of the resignation—but this has now disappeared as everybody now understands the situation and the change.

MR. JULIUS NYERERE, WHOM I HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH TWICE SINCE RESIGNING, IS IN VERY GOOD SPIRITS. I met him in the company of Mr. Oscar Kambona, new Minister of Home Affairs, formerly Minister of Education, and also Secretary-General of TANU, as they were walking into the new TANU headquarters building, from where Mr. Nyerere, President of TANU, is now to operate full time. They were both happy. They chatted freely with other TANU officials in the office and held brief discussions with some members of the National

Executive, also present being Mr. Nsilo Swai, new Minister of Health, formerly Minister of Commerce and Industry, who is also National Treasurer of TANU.

Life goes on much as before in Dar-es-Salaam—as if nothing has happened.

● To illustrate this point, I could quote as instances out of many, that Mr. Nyerere, a day after resigning Premiership, addressed a hall full of TANU elders meeting to hear why he had resigned, and everybody came back much satisfied.

● The Dar-es-Salaam City Council elections held a day or two after Mr. Nyerere's resignation were all won by TANU candidates by overwhelming majorities.

● To indicate further how normal and ordinarily things are going on, Mr. Nyerere has tentatively and gladly agreed to receive at his house the 20 newly arrived South African nurses to welcome them to serve Tanganyika in the fight against one of the three common enemies of Tanganyika—namely, disease. Such a matter could hardly be thought of if there were disorders or turmoil of any sort.

Reasons for the change have been indicated at the press conference called by Mr. Nyerere on Monday, January 22, 1962. He intends to reorganise and strengthen TANU.

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END RACIALISM!

The Dar-es-Salaam City Council has decided to withhold trading licences from any shop, hotel or club found practising racial discrimination in their city.

The Mayor, Sheikh Amri Abede, said that the move would help bring together different sections of the people on the basis of "mutual respect and understanding."

ASIA

King of Nepal Laughs at Fears of Chinese

KATHMANDU.

KING Manendra of Nepal has recently refuted provocative remarks on the Sino-Nepalese agreement on China's assistance in building the Kathmandu-Lhasa highway.

"Some interested persons are spreading rumours saying that the projected Kathmandu-Lhasa highway will be tantamount to an invitation to Communism," he said.

"I find it worth a good laugh, for this road is nothing new at all. This north-south road is to be built in an up-to-date way where there has existed traditionally a commercial mule-track.

"I have no reply to these persons who blindly shout that Communism immigrates in a taxi. I can only convey to them my regretful sympathy," the king added.

Young Russia Discusses Love and Marriage

From DENNIS OGDEN
MOSCOW.

SOME 3,000 replies have already been received to a questionnaire on the problems of young married couples put out recently by the Institute of Public Opinion.

The institute—which is sponsored by the youth newspaper Komsomolskaya Pravda—put 12 questions covering preparation for marriage, bringing up children, equality between husband and wife and why young marriages break up.

A reply comes from Tatiana and Eduard Orlovsky, students at Leningrad University, aged 22 and 27 respectively. They have been married three years and have a little girl.

"Often children live in one room, sometimes very cramped, with grown-ups," they write in reply to the question on the difficulties of bringing up children.

"The second difficulty is the immense expenditure of time on getting and preparing food for the child.

The Grannies

"The vast majority of young parents are unable to devote time to bringing up children and entrust them to grannies. But often old people bring up children in the worst traditions of their genera-

tion."
Tatiana and Eduard see the solution in a flat for every family—the aim set by the current Soviet housing programme—and also suggest special children's cafes.

All the questionnaire's suggestions for ending women's inequality in the home, such as the extension of public catering, more help from husbands and more gadgets, are important, they say, but what really matters is "genuine, constant and convinced respect for women".

The majority of young people on the threshold of marriage "are completely uneducated regarding the physiological relations between man and woman", they write.

About Sex

"Knowledge" usually acquired on the streets, from jokes or from people of their own age, instead of intelligent, tactful and experienced people, is a prime cause of difficulties and problems at the start of married life.

"This is a reproach to our parents' generation, who often consciously evaded this important problem," write Tatiana and Eduard.

As regards possible changes in marriage and divorce procedure, the couple take the view that "the time will soon come to discuss whether registrars' offices are necessary at all.

"No registration will prop up the walls of a family that is col-

lapsing if the main thing—love—has disappeared. And children, for whose sake these procedures are said to exist, sense the collapse of the family no matter how skilful the parents."

The In-Laws

Tatiana and Eduard believe "unintelligent and tactless interference by in-laws" to be the prime cause of the break-up of young families, and this view is shared by many others who have sent in replies.

One 27-year-old Moscow engineer believes that it will soon be a question not of the "emancipation" of women, but of the "emancipation" of men.

"Our mothers 20 or 30 years ago had more children, and there was nowhere for them to expect help from, but they coped with everything—the washing was always clean and dinner ready in time.

Poor Husband!

"But now? I judge from some young families I know and my own.

"The husbands take the children to and from nursery school, look after them and do the shopping.

"The bulk of the washing goes to the laundry, the rest stays unwashed or unironed until there is nothing left to wear.

"I think it time to stop shouting about help for women," he declares.

SPORT

"Don't Evade Real Issue"**S.A.S.F. Opposes Rous Tour**

DURBAN.
"THERE is no sense in sponsoring multi-racial matches across the borders of South Africa when the real issue is being evaded right here at home," declared the non-racial South African Soccer Federation in a statement issued here last week.

The decision of the all-white National Football League and the Football Association of South Africa, also an all-White organisation, to invite Sir Stanley Rous for a "see-for-yourself-tour" arising out of FIFA's decision to ban their teams from international soccer is also strongly opposed.

The statement said that Sir Stanley is Acting-President of FIFA and will not be able to flout FIFA's decisions and injunctions.

The statement added: "If FIFA does decide to carry out any further on-the-spot investigations, it must send out a committee of at least three Executive members as it did in January 1956.

"Sir Stanley has already given

public expression to his sympathies for FASA and his regrets at its recent suspension by the FASA Executive and consequently it would be wholly unfair if he had to accept the invitation to visit South Africa in his personal capacity and without reference to FIFA."

Referring to the 12 months grace given to FASA to show signs of co-operation with Non-White soccer circles, the statement says that "FASA has not only failed to pursue its invitation to the SASF for a joint meeting but it has moved in the opposite direction by making attempts to disrupt established Non-White soccer administration by encouraging and sponsoring the splinter Transvaal African Professional League.

"We are reporting strongly on these moves which no doubt are going to prejudice the case of FASA and may lead to its expulsion in May at Chile."

"The sending of a Non-White delegate who will apparently come from a splinter organisation will also not help FASA. Such a delegate will not have the support or mandate of the SASF," concludes the statement.

Mr. John Gama died, yet

Family Not Told Of Death Or Burial

JOHANNESBURG.

MR. John Gama, from Malawi (Nyasaland), was run over and killed by a lorry in the streets of Johannesburg on December 22. He was buried by the Government on January 11, although his family had not been informed, either of his death or of the burial plans.

Mr. Gama, who was a cousin of Mr. Kondi Kulisewa, the General Secretary of the Malawi Congress Party in South Africa, and himself the Chairman of the Alexandra branch, did not have a pass on him when he was killed. The police mortuary told the family of the bereaved man, when they finally went there on January 26 after searching everywhere desperately for him, that he had been identified from fingerprints.

UPSET

The family is greatly upset that no attempt was made to find them before the burial. They wonder why the matter was not given some publicity by the police in the Press (as is always done when a dead White person cannot be identified), and why they and their possible wishes were completely ignored.

It is now hoped that sufficient money can be found to send Mr. Gama's five-year-old son back to Malawi for schooling.

FOOTNOTE: The Alexandra Branch of the Malawi Congress Party will hold a memorial meeting in the township on February 3.

The Mines Objected!

JOHANNESBURG.

"THE mine authorities take the strongest objection to the distribution of leaflets among Bantu miners and is against them joining trade unions. The mine police have been instructed to prevent people from giving out leaflets on mine property."

This policy was stated by mine Detective Van Staden when he gave evidence against Mr. R. Tukalo, a trade unionist, when he appeared in the Magistrate's court here last week. Mr. Tukalo, who had distributed leaflets outside a Concession store, was found guilty of trespassing on Robinson Deep mine property and fined R10.

Mr. Van Staden said that he had handed Mr. Tukalo over to the Special Branch after he had arrested him.

In sentencing Tukalo, the Magistrate said that his action had been like "invading a man's castle."

Members of the Special Branch were present throughout the hearing.

SCHOLARSHIPS

South African Committee for Higher Education: Bursaries valued at R200 per annum, renewable yearly (5 or 6 years) offered Non-White matriculants wishing study externally for London B.A. or B.Sc. (Economics) degrees. Applications invited from residents of Cape Peninsula area and should be addressed to Secretary, "Vista," Buchan Road, Newlands, Cape by 18th February, 1962.

YOUNG FIGHTERS

"We want schools where we live" reads one of the banners displayed by this youngster and his class-mates when the Students' Protest Committee held a demonstration outside the offices of the Witwatersrand Central School Board last week to protest against the shifting of all Indian children at High School out to Lenasia.

"BUILD SCHOOLS WHERE WE LIVE!"

JOHANNESBURG.

OVER twenty children stood outside a building in crowded Commissioner Street one lunch-hour last week with posters to show their opposition to the Transvaal Education Department's plan to close the Indian High School in Fordsburg, and forces the children to go to Lenz, 20 miles away.

The posters carried slogans saying:

- 'JHS 20 yards, Lenz 20 miles.'
 - 'Build schools where we live.'
 - 'Accept our parents' R100,000.'
- The school is to be closed because of the Government's Group Areas

plan, under which it is hoped to banish the whole of Johannesburg's Indian community to Lenz. The excuse made by the Education authorities is that the school is overcrowded, yet the parents' offer of R100,000 for the building of additional premises on another Fordsburg site has been rejected.

From this year onwards it is planned that Standard 6 children will no longer be admitted to the school, so that after four years there will be no pupils left.

The demonstration was broken up by the police after ten minutes—'We've got to keep the building clear'—and one poster was confiscated. Mr. Essop Pahad had his name taken, as a representative of the organisers.

HE LAUGHED LOUD AND LONG

DURBAN.

LEONARD MDINGI, Pondo leader and a part-time employee at the Durban offices of New Age, was released from a Pondoland prison last week after having been detained for three months without trial.



Mr. Leonard Mdingi

It will be recalled that Mr. Mdingi was first arrested in Durban on October 19, on a charge of contravening the Emergency Regulation pertaining to the Transkei.

He appeared in the Magistrate's Court, Durban, on the same day, was granted bail and ordered to appear in the Magistrate's Court, Bizana on the following day.

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When he appeared in the Bizana Court, the charge against him was withdrawn but was arrested as he left the courtroom and detained under the Pondoland Emergency Regulations.

A few days before the three-month period for such detention expired, a letter demanding that legal representatives be allowed to see Mr. Mdingi were made on his behalf to the Minister of Justice.

The letter, which was written by Mr. Mdingi's attorney, Mr. R. I. Arenstein, pointed out that should the Minister refuse permission for legal representatives to interview Mr. Mdingi, steps would be taken to once again apply to the Supreme Court for relief.

PLANS

On January 22, exactly three months after his detention, Leonard Mdingi was unconditionally released.

In a telephonic statement made exclusively to New Age he said that he was fit and well and will return to Durban soon to take up where he had left off.

Asked what his plans were, he laughed loud and long and asked in reply, "What plans?"

"Man, I made my plans a long time ago. They have been interrupted . . . I shall start where I left off . . . One of them is to see that my job for New Age goes on," he said.

CHARGED UNDER SUPPRESSION ACT

JOHANNESBURG

Mr. Aaron Molete, a member of New Age staff, was released on bail of R100 on Monday after having been detained for twelve days under the no bail Act.

Mr. Molete has been charged with furthering the aims of Communism and will appear in court again in two weeks time.

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