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the N.A.D. to robb the people at the protectorates ..... we say we  
whant education not B. Education ..... remember when the Hotten-  
tots were shoot and robb of their land and cattle. When these people  
did whant to take their cattle back then they were shoot When they  
say they are removing the W. Area we are prepared to meet them at the  
cross roads they said they will bring the B.D. I whonder if will it  
stan for the rights of the African but even so we shall get freedom.

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COPY OF REPORT MADE BY N/D/CONST. JOSEPH NYATHI OF A MEETING OF  
THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS HELD AT WESTERN NATIVE TOWNSHIP (COM)  
MUNAL HALL - 23.3.55.

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Joseph Nyathi 'F' N/D/Const. 32415

States:-

I am a N/D/Const. in the South African Police, stationed at Newlands. On the 23.3.55 at 7.30pm I attended a African National Congress meeting at Western Native Township (Communal Hall)

The meeting was opened by singing a hymn and then a prayer was given by a priest.

CHAIRMAN - MVUNDLA.

SPEAKERS : MPEKA AND MTWANA.

SUBJECTS : Bantu Education and Congress of the People.

MPEKA addressed the meeting and then started saying :- Education is a great gift to every person and its a fortune. The white people have now realised that we are equal in education and now they produce this Bantu Education so that our children must not know anything in Education.

Let me tell you about Bantu Education, it is a system that in future will oppress our children, that they must only respect a whiteman and fear him that he is the only living person on earth

Some time back the Late Gen Smuts when he was at Oxford he addressed the europeans there and told them that the natives at South Africa are *agreeing* everything .... that is being said and professors Coetzee of Potchefstroom, said in Parliament that the natives should not be permitted at the University.

What is this Bantu Education, because there is no education that states the race of colour, for instance there is no English, Coloured, Indian or German education but education is only one, This one *mentioned* is a new thing. So people do you want this Bantu Education if, let the teachers revolt and stand still *so* that the Government must call upon them.

CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLE : MISS MTWANA.

The meaning of Congress of the People is only <sup>a</sup> unity and understanding each other. There will be great meetings in future and at this stage people must elect one person that will go to the great meeting and that person will express the views of each person that has made a report about his situations.

*So* people must leave to sit on their common sences but to shake the up, in this area there is no congress of the people this system started at Cape Province in 1953 and that great meeting will be held in Johannesburg but the people must elect their wanted person before the said date.

J. Nyathi N/D/Cst. 32415.

Newlands 24.3.55 at 1pm.

Above statement taken by mee J. Nyathi N/D/Cst.

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AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS TRANSVAAL:

DUBE BRANCH:

A PUBLIC MEETING OF ALL RESIDENTS OF DUBE VILLAGE WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY THE 10TH APRIL 1955. AT THE SAURE BEHIND DUBA DUBA STORE. AT 9.30 A.M. MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND THIS IMPORTANT MEETING ON BANTU EDUCATION.

YOURS IN THE STRUGGLE.  
H. SHIKWANE,  
Secretary.

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COPY OF NOTES MADE BY NO. 19844 N/W/SERGT. JOHAN TABETE AT A MEETING OF THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS, HELD AT NO. 1 SQUARE, JABAVU ON THE 15TH OF MAY, 1955.

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Sunday 15th May 1955 I attend A.N.C. meeting at Jabavu No. 1 Square. The meeting commenced 11.30 a.m. to 4 p.m. about 50 attend. W.M. Shope Chairman following speakers .

Mane Doreen Motsabe.

Lukosi L. Masina.

European N. Sijake.

Shope said is now long time before we hold a meeting here. We got a permit today from T. Clerk we shall speak about Bantu Ed. which Government introduce to us that our children should have it whether they like or not also about packed trains which stop only 3 minutes in the station but that is Railway regulation about trains. I shall call my speaker who will tell you about things in this country and what is happening today in this country.

Mane said I would like to tell you that the Nationalist policy is out of the way for 300 years this Government do not want to give us freedom to day Government is recruiting new police every day to fight us they can do what they like but we want our freedom. Hitler did the same where is Hitler to day? This Nationalist Government do not want Indians Jews people of Kenya are killed every day because they want they freedom. we been talking English Afrikaners this Government do not understand us what happened in Korea and America Korea said we are fighting for our mother land friends we must unite police to day are only looking after us Some police official were sentenced by Judge last week for theft - to day Government say there is a place where is sending all Agitators Dutch people were oppressed but they were never called agitators or Communist Government say black man have no right in this country but the day will come will be no saying by ~~the~~ Government Government can ban all our leaders new leader will be born every day Government is taking people from Farms to Parliament when they making these dirty laws to oppressed us.

Doreen Motsabe. She said chairman and people of white city I don't see people in this meeting Further I would like to say this I know you all heard that a native woman was arrested during school boy cott at Donaldson School that was ~~me~~ some people are asking every how is the case I don't tell them I always tell to come to the meeting I would further tell you this the case is coming on 17th May 55 at Kliptown Court I appeal to you all to tell/...2.

tell your wives to come to court on 17-5-55 if you people dont attend meeting who is going to fight for you you remember our leader GWETHA who was deported from CP. to Northern Transvaal is now send to Mafeking one Monare of Benoni is deported to CP. left his family at Benoni for what this Government doing it shows that shevering he do not know what to do Vundla at W.N.T.S. he told the parents to take children to school after the decision of the A.N.C. that no children shall go to school. Vundla N Komo Le~~ngena~~ Xuma are Government Spys to day those people are always in G.G. car to pretoria every day we say away with Bantu Education we want universal educ.

L.Nkosi said some people joined S.A. Police and Municipality Police also Advisory Board school Committees all these are the people employed by Government I will say something about a child of Africa who will die for Africa is E. Monare of Benoni who is been deported to some where I dont know just is been talking about freedom of Africa I will read a message from him he then read the letter from E. Monare of Benoni who is been deported.

L. Masina said I am the leader of trade union I been over seas but I wont tell you every thing about because police are here they want to know what I been doing there you long ago in South Africa were no one working for some one when white people came here they make some one to work for them to day if you <sup>see</sup> ~~see~~ a African having a shop you can always say this man is a robber where did he get money from to build a shop its because you know that Africans got no money in this country when European came to this country they make others slaves they pay them low wages to keep them down as we are today in Russia and Moscow I saw a big building which is been build by women no poor people no rich people <sup>then</sup> ~~these~~ people are all equally there I am not talking about Dutch people they got no <sup>business</sup> ~~business~~ these municipality police are only getting £2 per a week even Tabete and his company they must tell Sgt. Moeller that they must get same salary the only thing you must all join trades union if you all under trades union every thing will come all right We must ask Government not to employ 16 yrs boys that why today many <sup>factories</sup> ~~factories~~ employ young boys to pay less wages even in the factory to day if you are impimpi informer like Tabete and his company you can get more money to sell your people by selling your own people you get more money as Tabete does this is a time that we should have our trades union in every branch wherever you working there is a new name called S. African congress Trade Union which I am the Chairman of it.

~~work~~ in this country in the Parliament house they only speak for rich people in some factories some Dutch people will say choose your own Committee and that man will act as your manager he will go and tell the boss of that factory not to pay you enough money.

European speaker said Congress of the People is not a thing to join only to go about and speak to your people about it and tell your people what do you think about it Freedom Charter is the Congress of the People elect some delegates and send them to the Congress of the People you write to your friends in the reserves and talk about Congress of the People also ask them what is happening there why they have no cattle no land you cannot do anything without unite. Government is doing things without telling you to day Some people say children must go to school some say no Congress of the People is for everybody about Sophiatown Bantu Ed. these people seated in the fly squad car which Government bought with stolen from you they are sitting there like monkeys eating monkey nuts (before he said further he was arrested taken away.)

N.Sijake said I speak as one of the slaves in this country I am speaking about Bantu Educ police can shoot kill arrest I remember one of our leaders Gwetshe was deported from C.P. to Northern Transvaal now is again deported to Mafeking because when he came to Northern Transvaal he tell the people there the truth that's why is again deported to Mafeking Teachers are to be warned not to teach Bantu Ed in schools Tabete & Vundla does no matter how they ~~are~~ spying for Government but they cannot stop people spirit to day Verwoerd is prepared to arrest and deport any of our leaders.

Just this afternoon <sup>our</sup> ~~one~~ speaker was arrested because he was telling you the truth We shall fight this Bantu Education till the end if we A.N.C. failed to defeat this Government we shall ask other countries to help us with guns a man like Tabete and Vundla we shall deal with when the day come one day we shall say to Tabete & Vundla we do not want any more oppression we are oppressed by cruel enemies like Tabete & Vundla- knowing that Verwoerd will never listen to us what is happening at Bethal? People are killed every day time has come bells are ringing now People feel pain shall break No. 4 jail we want universal education not Bantu Ed.

Resolutions pass.

- (1) Protest against deport of Monare.
- (2) Condemned Bantu Educ.

- (3) Welcomed Trades union Congress.
- (4) Protest against arrest of European speaker.
- (5) Send all your demands to the Congress of the People

(Sgd.) J. Tabete

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SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPT.  
(GOLD STAFF) : BRAKPAN,  
~~2nd~~ JUNE, 1955.

1.6.55

The Deputy Commissioner,  
South African Police,  
P.O.Box 1058 : JOHANNESBURG.

AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS MEETING : HELD AT BRAKPAN LOCATION 1.6.55.

I have the honour to report as follows :-

- DATE AND TIME OF MEETING :- 1.6.55 <sup>p.m.</sup> a 7.45<sup>h</sup> to 10.45 p.m.
- PLACE :- Public Square, Brakpan Location.
- ATTENDANCE :- About 300 Natives.
- PURPOSE OF MEETING :- To discuss Bantu Education Act.
- PROPAGANDA :- People were notified about the meeting by a few members of the A.N.C. who went round the location.
- COLLECTION :- Money collected but amount raised not announced.
- REMARKS :- Meeting was orderly.
- OFFENCES :- No offences committed.
- POLICE DUTIES :- Meeting was attended by No. 21145 N/D/Sgt. Johannes and No. 33838 N/D/Cst. Clement. There were no objections to ~~the~~ Police attending the meeting.

(1) Charmon native male

~~(1)~~...SAMSON Khusola of 17 Single quarters, Brakpan Location, said, This meeting has been called under the auspices of the A.N.C. to discuss the Bantu Education Act. Today we have got our chief leader who is going to be a speaker and tell us all what has to be done. He will be the only speaker for this night. It might happen that some of you do not know who he is. This Robert Resha from Johannesburg. After his speech I invite each and everyone to question him.

(2)...ROBERT RESHA of Sophiatown, Johannesburg, said, Sons and Daughters of Africa, Mothers and Fathers of Africa, in the first point I thank you for persevering in your struggle of the <sup>high</sup> ~~light~~ rent. I also thank those who <sup>had</sup> ~~have~~ withdrawn their children from the schools of the Bantu Education. I also make an appeal to those parents who still send their children to schools to withdraw them. Teachers which have been expelled from schools have been admitted in other schools, but I wonder because this boycott is going on all over South Africa. The Government takes some of the leaders of the A.N.C. and put them in special farms. I see ~~is~~ no success in that because all over South Africa there are some Africans. Today I want to see those men who formed a Caucus meeting here in Brakpan Location to come and tell me what they are telling people here in Brakpan. I do not care what language they <sup>can</sup> speak but I am there to face them. The Government has got its <sup>own</sup> ~~own~~ informers <sup>which</sup> are working on us, The A.N.C. has got its informers who are working under the Government. We even know that amongst us there are some whom the Government has to banish. These children around us will still go on ~~in~~ our steps.



On the 25th and 26th June there will be a big conference in Johannesburg, which will be attended by all Nations in South Africa.

I invite the whole of Brakpan to come and attend to that conference.

*u/w*  
(3) SDMDN RAMAKHULA of 1787 Manala Street, Brakpan Location, said, Africans I am not going to say anything. Our speaker has said everything. I only want to tell you that as you have elected us to be members of the advisory Board, there is a change I have noticed. We are no more allowed to speak. I will give you a report on Friday night.

There were no resolutions passed.

The meeting closed at 10.45 p.m.

*Clement Mahanjana*  
(SGD) CLEMENT MAHANJANA.  
NO. 33838 (F) N/D/CONSTABLE;

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AFRICAN TEXTILE WORKERS' INDUSTRIAL UNION (S.A.)  
Witwatersrand Branch

The African Textile Workers' Industrial Union (S.A.) supports the boycott of schools run under the Bantu Education Act. It supports the right of parents and children to protect African youth against the effects of an education designed for slavery.

The African Textile Workers' Industrial Union (S.A.) stands for the right of African workers to do skilled work and it stands for equal opportunity to do such work. Education in terms of the Bantu Education Act will cripple for many years the progress of the African workers to employment as highly skilled workers and technicians.

No nation can be expected to take such a blow to its dignity and its material progress without making a protest. The boycott of schools now going on is the only form of protest available to our people. It has been carried on, despite provocation, in a peaceful and orderly manner.

The threat to close African schools does not frighten us. It is a challenge to the African people to stand on their own feet, and to organise for the proper education of their children.

**THE AFRICAN TEXTILE WORKERS' INDUSTRIAL UNION (S.A.)  
CALLS ON ALL ITS MEMBERS, AND ON ALL INDUSTRIAL WORKERS,  
TO SUPPORT THE BOYCOTT OF THE BANTU EDUCATION ACT!**

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