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Office letter

An address by Mrs Martha MotlakoanaOrganising Presidentof
The O.F.S. A.N.C. Womens' League.

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Sons and daughters of Africa... It gives me the greatest pleasure to meet the Cape's Womens League. I, greet you in the name of AFRICA AFRICA AFRICA NAIBUYE
FREEDOM IN OUR LIFETIME.

Daughters of Africa we of the O.F.S. are with you in the struggle for FREEDOM and LIBERATION of all oppressed in Africa and the World over. We have pledged ourselves to fight this struggle side by side with you to achieve this FREEDOM and the bad laws of Strydom and his party are overthrown.

Dr H. F. Verwoed has raped the freedom of women in the Free State province of WIMBORG by having enforced passes onto them. His right hand men and he claim that they are not passes but reference books and that Europeans are also carrying a government document which is referred to as an Identity Card. But my dear women to my greatest surprise the so-called reference books have the same pass-provisions as that of our men-folk.

With regards to the European women carrying these cards or whatever they may like to call them I am not concerned because they have the vote, and we have not, they then voted for the Nats. not us.

Daughters of Africa I, make bold to say that though having no power under the present government and its heartless sell-outs, with co-operation the oppressed black masses will successfully push their way to Freedom. The Bible says that to get to the Kingdom of Heaven a soul has to encounter many difficulties. The road to success is often very thorny and narrow. Don't let us tire we the women of Africa have got to stand together and the push the wagon of Africa to Freedom.

Let us walk together in this path of struggle where we are going to encounter tears, death, imprisonment, illegal separations from our loved ones. Our trust is in God, and he is with us. therefore, let us fearlessly march together to Zion, to Jerusalem to Canaan. If we are one heart and soul, our liberation will not be very far-off.

On this day, let us think of our beloved president-general Chief A.J. Lutshuli who is confined in Mr Swart's concentration hospital. he is not allowed to meet us personally but his spirit moves amongst us, he is with us heart and soul. May The Almighty God be with him at all times of stress and strain. May God bless his house guide and guard his cabinet, fill it with knowledge dear God to guide us in this struggle for our liberation.

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Let us therefor as children of our Great African Chiefs Chaka, Moshoeshoe Moroka and Luhtuli join hearts and hands together and sing whilst fightn for our FREEDOM..... Freedom in our Lifetime

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Makapele amapasi sithole inkululeko.

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National

Working Comm.

A N C. W. League.

Barkly Arcade

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Dear Madam

Cape A N C. Womens LeagueReport

The Cape A N C. Womens League held its first conference in Port Elizabeth on 19th. June 1955.

Mr Tshunungwa presided over 42 delegates from 21 branches. The hall was packed to its capacity by other men & women members of the A N C.

The chairman explained the need for the establishment of such an organisation which of course is not an independent organisation but a section of the mother body.

He reported on the Durban Womens League conference and another conference held during Mrs Lillian Vigoris (National President) absence.

II

over seas under Mrs Doreen Motkhalis' chairmanship.

He made clear the decision to hold the leagues national conferences every year in April: encouraged the Cape Womens League to send as many delegates as possible to the Congress of the People conference; Read correspondence from Mrs V. Mngoma - National Secretary, and introduced Mrs Sekwe who gave a brief report on that she had to wait for this provincial conference before she could do anything.

Against the fact that Mrs Ishumungu (National Organizer) had told the C. League conference that they were not allowed to elect a treasurer, as women are supposed to raise monies for the mother body only, the conference elected their own treasurer and gave her a sum of £1.00 x 4.75d.

Further, Mrs Matomela - P.E. and Mrs Tzolweni, ^{of Uitenhage} were elected delegates to the conference.

III

Congress of the People's conference, and Mrs Matthews and Mrs Ishunungwa were asked to get their fares from Mr Matthews - the Cape Treasurer.

Mrs Kuse outlined the demands for the Congress of the People, and Mrs Florence Matomela seconded by Mrs Walitain proposed their adoption: They were carried unanimously.

Election Results were as follows:-

1. Mrs Freeda Matthews - President, Fort Hare.
 2. Mrs Tzolweni - Vice President, 1 Dlamini St. Uitenhage.
 3. L. N. Kuse - Secretary - Treasurer. Quantan
 4. Mrs Agnes Mandela - Recording Secretary
No. 4 Tsewen Street, Port Elizabeth
- plus nine more members of the Econ. Com. Activities - Boycotte - Commorage Regular
Mayibuye !!!

Luccilia N. N. Kuse
Secretary

Passed in P.E.

Meeting of N.A. 91

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109 Ray Street

Agenda

The Passes for Women

Correspondence

General.

Present L. Ngoyi, B. Mashaba, R. Matsewane, the President reported the confusion in Winburg & that we should make means of seeing to that case and that a letter be written to the Bloemfontein to see the women and the Vice President and the Secretary to go to Winburg it was suggested that minutes of the N.A.C. be set to all provinces explaining that we have taken the Winburg a letter be written to the N.A.A.N.C. asking them of a dispatch in Winburg. Passes for Women, women should be mobilize and go to the Native Commissioner and demand their reply. ~~letter~~ was suggested that since both men & women have not yet been given passes we should visit such places a letter be written to the S.A.C.T.U. asking them to mobilize their workers. it was agreed a letter be written the N.A.A.N.C. asking them for a green light about federation, and that we should wait for the National Conference. a letter be written the N. Secretary for their conference; preferably a day before the conference because the last time we ~~were~~ had it difficult an early reply. Bloemfontein women are having a conference on the 28/9/56. and that they want the N. President, the ~~data~~ report by Mrs Jubiliza ~~letter~~ be written to members of the National Working com. Cape Province want the N. President for three weeks. Beth Sugg reported that women are all waiting for her. ~~the~~ and that its in December its a fruit season and that the women are busy and that Mrs Jubiliza must tell the women that the President would only go on ~~the~~ a Wednesday up to Sunday a letter & that a report be sent to the National Executive.

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