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## TRIUMPH OF ASIA-AFRICA CONFERENCE

### U.S. SABOTAGE FAILS

BANDUNG, INDONESIA.

**DESPITE** all the attempts of the imperialists and their puppets to sabotage the great Asia-African conference held here last week, the conference, which was attended by 340 delegates from the Governments of 29 Asian and African countries, was an outstanding success. It placed on record its determination to promote world peace and its condemnation of colonialism and racialism in all forms as evils that must be ended.

The conference was attended by South African observer delegates Moses Kotane and Maulvi Cachalia, and observer delegates from French North Africa, whose views made a big impression not only on the other delegates, but also on the army of world pressmen who had come to Bandung to cover the conference.

In an attempt to counter the strong tide of anti-colonialism and anti-racialism which was running at the conference, the United States sent a representative, Congressman Powell, also to do some lobbying on its behalf. Angered by some of the remarks made about his country, Mr. Powell held a Press conference to defend his Government's policy towards the Negroes; but his efforts did not meet with a very enthusiastic reception.

Nor did the attempts of the imperialists to break the unity of the conference through the stooge delegates of Iraq and Ceylon succeed. On the contrary, the conference was greatly angered by the blatant anti-Communism and obvious wrecking tactics of these delegates.

#### CHOU EN-LAI

Chinese Premier Chou En-lai, by contrast, emphasised that he had not come to the conference to quarrel, and he refrained from discussing the internal policies of other countries.

"The just cause of peace and friendship is indestructible," he said on his arrival. "I believe that our conference will certainly be able to overcome all sorts of disruptions and make a valuable contribution towards the promotion of friendship and co-operation among Asian and African countries and towards safeguarding peace in Asia and Africa as well as the world over."

Mr. Chou was greeted by the Indonesian Premier, Dr. Sastroamidjojo and, as he stepped from his plane, he received a great round of clapping and cheers. The three-mile route from the airport to Bandung was lined with crowds, cheering, waving flags and shouting their welcome.

Opening the conference, the Indonesian President Soekarno said: "We can mobilise all the spiritual, moral and political strength of Asia and Africa on the side of peace."

#### SOUTH AFRICA

The Egyptian Premier Nasser stressed that it was "regrettable that racial discrimination is still



Maulvi Cachalia.

practised in South Africa," and the conference unanimously extended its warm sympathy to "the victims of racial segregation and discrimination" in South Africa.

### Another U.S. Sabotage Plot

The Indonesian paper Berita Indonesia reported that the Indonesian Government had uncovered a plot to use the "Darul Islam Movement" to attack Bandung while the conference was in session.

Reuter reported that these bandits had become very active and that raids on villages near Bandung had become a daily occurrence. During the conference it was reported that Indonesian Government forces had clashed with the bandits only 30 miles from Bandung.

The Delhi Times had reported earlier that armed forces of the "Darul Islam Movement" were equipped and controlled by the United States. An F.B.I. man in the U.S. Embassy in Indonesia had been in close touch with the headquarters of the movement, and according to statements made by members of the movement who had been captured, the U.S. Embassy and an oil company in Indonesia had on many occasions sent aircraft to drop arms, food and money to the rebels.

## THIRD WEEK OF BOYCOTT

### Increased Campaign is Reply to Verwoerd

**THE** boycott of schools as a protest against Bantu Education has the Government badly shaken. By the end of the second week of the boycott, with Benoni, Germiston, Brakpan and Nataalspruit still standing solid as a rock and the schools in Johannesburg's Western Areas and Moroka joining in, the action of the parents and children is making this campaign one of the high points of the African liberation struggle.

At the beginning of the third week the boycott campaign in some areas like the East Rand having achieved its protest purpose and pioneered the boycott struggle, the children returned to school as planned. In other areas there was renewed effort, and thousands of additional children joined in, particularly in the Western Areas of Johannesburg.

On the very day that the Verwoerd ultimatum took effect (Monday), school enrolment in the Western Areas dropped. One school had only 60 out of its normal 635 pupils.

The boycott spread to the Dube School, where only 80 out of 400 children attended, and grew in Moroka, where a mere trickle of pupils came to school, and there was a partial boycott in some Orlando schools.

Mr. Tambo, the acting secretary of the A.N.C., said—"Verwoerd's bullying threats to penalise the children by closing the schools is a typical act by a tyrannical Government, but no kind of intimidation can frighten the African people from their determination to fight the Bantu Education Act.

"Each new reprisal against the people merely stiffens their resistance and sharpens their will to fight for a decent future for themselves and their children."

The A.N.C. has complimented the people of the areas on the Reef which had already gone out on a boycott. Their magnificent role, said the Congress, will come as an inspiration to those areas which have not yet begun.

In the second week of the boycott the police and the Native Affairs Department took their cue from Minister Verwoerd's threats and tried one method after another to break the boycott. These were some of the events of the week:—

● The police took over in the locations to try to force the children back into the schools, and a new kind of compulsory education was inflicted on the African children as patrol vans and armed police converged on young people standing at street corners or near their homes and coerced them back into the

classrooms. This happened particularly in the Benoni and Germiston locations.

● In Germiston a brutal and unprovoked police baton charge was ordered on a peaceful procession and 21 people were hurt, some very seriously.

● Location regulations were used on the East Rand to ban all gatherings.

● Arrests were carried out on every pretext.

● Teachers were openly intimidated into becoming boycott-breakers.

● Dr. Verwoerd's bullying threats to close the schools if the children were not back in their classrooms by the 25th were carried even further. All schools were notified that lists of children attending on Monday had to be made and the absentees would be debarred from future schooling. Further, boy pupils over 16 years of age will be compelled by law to register for employment within 72 hours. Those who do not do so are to be charged as "loafers" and sent to labour camps.

**THIS LAST ULTIMATUM HAS ROUSED THE FURY OF AFRICAN PARENTS EVERYWHERE: EVEN IN THOSE AREAS NOT YET AFFECTED BY THE BOYCOTT.**

## POLICE FAIL TO FORCE CHILDREN INTO SCHOOLS

**DURING** last week some managers and assistant managers of municipal Non-European Affairs Departments left their desks to patrol their locations in broadcast vans, announcing Dr. Verwoerd's ultimatum to children to return to school in English, Zulu and Sotho.

**IN JOHANNESBURG'S WESTERN AREAS** some schools remained completely closed, without even a single pupil attending. The Roman Catholic schools on one day had about 10 pupils in all in their classrooms. Six schools in Newclare and Western Native Township experienced a total boycott. Teachers remained in their empty classrooms, correcting exercise books or sitting around.

The police arrested ten people, nine women and a man.

**IN ALEXANDRA TOWNSHIP** there was a partial boycott at some schools.

**IN NATAALSPRUIT** in an attempt to break the boycott at the two schools, where it was complete at one, and partial at the second, the police arrested 42 women, in two batches.

**IN GERMISTON** the authorities banned all public meetings last week.

It was in Germiston that the police baton-charged a peaceful procession. Towards the end of one of the regular location meet-

ings the people formed into procession and started to walk round the location, from street to street, calling on parents to maintain the boycott. The people were followed by a number of police vans. As they approached the location charge office the people in the procession saw the police lined up there suddenly jump to attention, and the next minute the charge was upon them.

They were given absolutely no warning, they told "New Age." As the whirling batons converged upon them the people scattered in all directions, and police began to

First Nat. tactics were to be disparaging about the boycott.

The campaign was in the hands of the "loafers and tsotsis," said N.A.D. officials, and the Press, as usual, obligingly took the hint. But as the boycott spread instead of dying down the Government began to treat it as an emergency and issued an S.O.S. to municipal authorities to help break the boycott.

Johannesburg's City Council called an urgent meeting of its advisory boards to try to induce them to help the Government break the boycott. These were described as "truce talks."

The public was told only as much as was considered wise. Not a single newspaper described how patrolling police in one location made school children walk in front of a police van back to their schools; or how the police have gone from house to house looking for school-age children and then shepherded them into the classrooms.

The Press announced the baton charge on Germiston location residents, and accepted the version that the demonstrators were armed with knives and were out to attack some municipal police.

Those who organised the Germiston procession say this is just propaganda to justify the police action. There has been no mention anywhere of the injuries inflicted on 21 people in the charge, and a curtain has been dropped over the whole incident. On two occasions Pressmen and photographers were ordered out of East Rand locations. **SEE ALSO SPECIAL ARTICLE BY TITSHALA ON PAGE 7.**

baton all those who could not get away fast enough. Two young men are in hospital. Nineteen others, among them four women, have received medical attention.

#### POLICE ROUND UP CHILDREN

In Germiston policemen have been stationed outside, and even in the schools. Police have rounded up all children in sight and taken them back to school. Some were told to walk in front of the police van and were escorted to their classrooms.

In Germiston the Congress flag was flown in the public square from the start of the boycott. One day last week police van TCD 76 drove up to the school and police jumped out and tore up the flag. They then drove off. Children standing nearby ran to the spot, picked up the flagpole, and replanted it in the centre of the square.

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## WHY I RESIGNED FROM THE LIBERAL PARTY

THE Liberal Party is very sensitive about the merciless manner in which New Age lays bare its opportunism.

The outburst of the chairman of the Transvaal Liberal Party Congress against New Age, reported by Bob Hepple last week, is evidence that the paper is hitting the target—awakening the many rank and file Liberals who would like to see the party follow an uncompromising policy of alliance against the Nationalists with the African and Indian Congresses, SACPO and the C.O.D., and angering the "I like Parliament" Liberal leadership which is holding the party back from any participation in the progressive movement.

I joined the Liberal Party when it first was formed in Cape Town as an association, yet to-day I have reluctantly posted my letter of resignation from the party. The reason for the decision lies in my experience as a member of the party—never once did the leadership permit it to come out unequivocally in any worthwhile action for democracy. Many of us were shocked when it turned down the invitation to sponsor the Congress of the People.

Only once did the party really swing into action — TO WORK FOR THE DEFEAT OF RAY ALEXANDER AND LEN LEEWARDEN!

It is not enough to fight the Nationalists' discriminatory laws in and through Parliament only. The people who are discriminated against do not elect the Parliament nor do they have direct representation in it. As a result each session of Parliament passes more repressive laws.

There is an urgent need to organise the people to fight such laws. But instead of seeing that it will be the people, who by standing together in unity, will win their freedom from Parliament, the Liberals have the picture in reverse. They have the fantastic conception of winning a majority in Parliament and then "giving" the Non-Europeans the vote.

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A policy based on fantasy is one which encourages non-activity and a multitude of armchair fighters. In this way the Liberal Party can be dangerous, for it encourages many who would otherwise be actively engaged in the struggle to replace practice with theory.

Senator Rubin's belief that "the people of South Africa stem from two stocks, English and Afrikaner," is a striking example of the White supremacist attitude which insultingly ignores the very existence of the Non-European people.

And how can Africans be satisfied with a Mrs. Ballinger as representative when she refers to them as a potential fifth column?

JUDY IMMERMANN.

Cape Town.

### Prayer—and Work

What is religion? Is it to sit down and pray or to work as well as pray?

There is a story of a man who was travelling on his wagon, when suddenly it got stuck in the mud. He got out and knelt down and prayed that God should release it. Then he heard a voice from above saying—"You miserable young scamp, lift up the wheel with a jack with your own hands!"

The man did so, and the wagon was free.

Africans, we are in this mud to-day, and we are praying to be released from it.

Our leaders say that freedom is in our own hands, just as God said in the above story. By saying so our leaders do not mean we should stop praying—but we must work as well as pray.

ALFRED XOBOLOLO.  
Engcobo District, Cape.  
(Translated from Xhosa)

### Will Nats. Be There?

Dr. Eiselen and the Minister for Native Affairs, Dr. Verwoerd, maintain that the presence of the Africans in the urban areas is unnecessary and that we must be deported from the towns.

They are restricting our movements; jails are full of people who are without passes.

Every establishment in any town stands as a result of Black man's labour, and therefore Black men have to say they are also entitled to live in towns just like everybody else. To me it appears that White governments of this country still have voortrekker mentality.

We are to-day told of the coming assembly where everybody is going to air what he or she wants in South Africa, Black and White alike.

We wish to know whether one of the tyrants from the Nationalist side will be there to oppose and criticise the wish of South Africans.

The sponsors of this getting-together say to all South Africans—"Let us speak together of freedom."

Forward to the Congress of the People; shame on the Strijdomites!

T. ESITANG.

Cape Town.

### Basuto Teachers

The case on the dismissal of Messrs. Khaketla, Mokhehle and Mothopeng from the staff of the Basutoland High School will soon be heard. This will involve a great deal of expense, which we may not be able to meet unless we receive generous financial support from the public.

We are, therefore writing to request you, if it is possible, to insert in your columns an appeal for financial aid so that we should be able to fight the case to the bitter end.

All donations can be sent to—The Editor, Mohlalani, P.O. Maseru, Basutoland.

B. M. KHAKETLA.

Maseru.

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### English Workers Disgusted

Let me congratulate you on your splendid paper, New Age. I have taken out a regular order for it from Collett's Bookshop.

Recently we had Albert Sachs to speak to us on Widnes Trades Union Council. The delegates were really angry to hear of the indignities and suffering that was being meted out to our African brothers by the South African Government.

I took the opportunity of relating all Albert Sachs had told us at the next meeting of my branch, Widnes branch of the National Union of Railwaymen. We straight away drew up a resolution, which stated that we were fiercely opposed to the fascist Government of South Africa, which was depriving our African brothers of the elementary rights to form trade unions and was also depriving them of the basic democratic rights.

We were disgusted at the attitude of the White trade unions in their lack of support to their brother Africans, and called upon them to unite with their African brothers in this grievous fight for freedom, the right to organise and the right of a say in the running of the land of their birth.

It is to the honour of Widnes N.U.R. that this was passed unanimously and sent to the Trades Council to be passed as a resolution from the Widnes Trades Unions.

I wonder if you could find through your pages one railwayman who would drop me a line now and again in which he could let me know of the fight over there, and I could reply with details of the fight over here.

DAVID HALLSWORTH.  
105 Princes Road,  
Liverpool, 8, England.

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### Festival

The Saturday night the Cape Youth Festival opened, when the youth all marched, led by torchbearers, to kindle the symbolic words "Peace, Friendship and Racial Harmony," was a historic night.

Sunday was one of the happiest of days, when everyone was busy with sport and play. There was no room for apartheid. All played soccer, cricket and netball together. Monday, the day of good-byes, was greeted with sorrow.

We look forward to an even more successful festival next year.

J. BUSA.

Worcester.

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### Appeal

I appeal to you, dear Africans, to read New Age, the paper that takes a firm stand in your interests. From it you learn the truth about the outside world.

Persuade others also to do so, and support the paper financially with every bit you can afford.

S. Z. XAMLASHE.

Langa, Cape.

## MAY FIRST IS OUR DAY

WE, the workers of all nations, want the same things in life. We don't want war in which we have to kill our fellow men.

We want full employment.

We want to see our children born in well-equipped maternity homes.

We want decent houses at cheap rents, free transport to and from work.

Our children must have the right to receive the highest education.

We want to live where we like.

The things which we want do not come by themselves.

They do not drop from the sky like manna from heaven.

No one will give them to us—we have to fight for them.

Every fight in our daily lives, a strike, a petition, a demonstration, meetings, protests, demands, etc., is the fight for the things which we want.

On May Day (1st May) we, the workers throughout the world, demonstrate our unity in our common fight. In every corner of the earth there are meetings, demonstrations and parades of working people. May Day is our day.

About 70 years ago the working people of America were fighting for an eight-hour day (at that time the working day was from 12-14 hours), and they decided to hold a big demonstration in Chicago on May 1. From all over the United States of America the working people flocked to attend this demonstration. The police attacked the demonstration, and some workers were killed. Since then the workers of the world have taken the 1st of May as their day.

The employers of all nations hate the working people. We are only the means of their enrichment as far as they are concerned. They force us to live in slums. When it suits them they throw us out of work on to the streets to starve. In our own country the majority of us have to carry passes and suffer the indignities of the colour bar. We are kicked, beaten and pushed around at the will of our masters. But our masters fear our progress, and in spite of what they do our fight goes on and will be successful.

Because the employers hate us they also hate May Day. They hate to see us unite in a common struggle. Our victory means their doom. The employers have consistently tried to destroy our May Day. They sent their police and soldiers to break up our demonstrations. But May Day has remained, and we have grown stronger. In the same way as the employers have failed to destroy May Day so they will fail to destroy our march to a better life.

(From the South African Congress of Trade Unions)

AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (NATAL), CONGRESS OF DEMOCRATS (DURBAN) AND NATAL INDIAN CONGRESS

salute all workers and all oppressed peoples on the occasion of

**MAY DAY, 1955**

**Afrika! Mayibuye!**

FORWARD TO THE CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLE!

ONWARD TO FREEDOM IN OUR LIFETIME!

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**SOUTH AFRICAN INDIAN CONGRESS**

May Day is a day of commemoration and re-dedication. The workers and the oppressed nations of South Africa and the world remember and honour their leaders, founders and the sacrifices of the people. We commemorate those who have died in the struggle for trade unionism and national liberation, so that everyone can have freedom to live decently and have the right to free speech and assembly. They have won certain liberties. Those are now being threatened. It is for the people of today to carry on the great task. We wish to thank New Age for its fine services.

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THE NATAL PEACE COUNCIL calls on the people of South Africa

on the occasion of

**MAY DAY**

to redouble their efforts towards the banning of Atom and Hydrogen Bombs.

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TRANSVAAL INDIAN YOUTH CONGRESS

The T.I.Y.C. greets the world of labour on this great and significant international day of solidarity with workers.

This May Day will see another milestone in our fight for freedom as African, Indian, European and Coloured will pledge to fight for the rights of man as they march triumphantly to the Congress of the People, where a Charter of Freedom will be drawn up to include the demands of the "common man." We call the workers of our land to ring a call to liberty and to make the Congress of the People the greatest assembly of freedom in the history of South Africa's Liberatory struggle.

LONG LIVE THE CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLE!

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BELLEVUE AND YOUTH BRANCH, C.O.D. JOHANNESBURG, greets all democrats, workers and fighters for freedom on this May Day, 1955.

Looking forward to the Congress of the People and a free democratic South Africa!

# LONG LIVE MAY DAY!

## A Message From **LESLIE MASSINA**, Secretary of the South African Congress of Trade Unions

**F**OR the vast majority of the South African working class, next Sunday's May Day celebrations are most significant, for during this year, with the establishment of the South African Congress of Trade Unions, the workers took a great step forward.

At last a home has been found in which the true aspirations of the working people can find adequate expression. At last a genuine step has been taken to organise the hundreds of thousands of unorganised workers into trade unions, to educate the workers towards trade unionism, and instil in them a spirit of enthusiasm and determination to win improvements in their working conditions and wages, and to inspire them to win their freedom.

True to the principles of democratic trade unionism the world over, S.A.C.T.U. knows no discrimination of race, colour, creed or sex.

Our task this May Day, therefore, is not to mourn the passing of the South African Trades and Labour Council, but to reaffirm our pledge to build S.A.C.T.U. into the mightiest trade union organisation in South Africa. Only in this way will we be able to stop

the fascist onslaught on our workers' rights.

### ATTACK INTENSIFIED

In the past years, the Nationalist Government has intensified its merciless attack on the South African working class. It has removed dozens of working class leaders, it has prohibited militant action, it has passed laws such as the Suppression of Communism Act, Criminal Laws Amendment Act, Native Settlement of Disputes Act. It has stepped up its persecution of the workers under the Urban Areas Act.

And now the Government intends to pass the Industrial Conciliation Amendment Bill—all in the hope that the opposition to their oppressive laws will be crushed and that the system of baasskap will be perpetuated.

But the harder the lash of the fascist whip becomes, the more the people are determined to resist; determined not to submit to a life of slavery, insecurity, poverty, homelessness and want.

Throughout last year, a wave of strikes occurred among dock workers, tobacco workers, food workers, railway workers, engineering workers, golf caddies and

others, despite the cruel consequences which the strikers had to experience.

### NEVER SURRENDER

The workers will never give up their struggle for the abolition of the colour bar, for a living wage, for full employment, for decent houses, for proper education, for full and equal rights for all in South Africa, and for world peace, without which the working class cannot progress.

When we celebrate May Day on Sunday in South Africa, let us take courage from the fact that throughout the world workers are standing firm on that day, that in many countries they are joyously celebrating their past achievements.

Let us resolve to incorporate the workers' demands in the great Freedom Charter of the Congress of the People!

Let us resolve to bring the principles of true trade unionism into the homes and lives of every worker in South Africa.

Let us unequivocally make our voice heard on the side of world peace.

**Long live May Day!**

**Long live the unity of the oppressed people and the working class!**

### Y. M. DADOO

May Day greetings to the workers of the world in the struggle for peace and better standards of living for all. On this May Day working peoples of South Africa are called upon to put up a bold and united struggle against anti-working class apartheid policy of the Nationalist Government and must give all support to South African Congress of Trade Unions.

### JOEY FOURIE

No oppressive laws can ever erase from the hearts and minds of our oppressed peoples the justice of their cause. Let us therefore pledge ourselves anew on this May Day to fight—in whatever way we can—to secure freedom, equality and justice for everybody in our country.

### THE SOUTH AFRICAN COLOURED PEOPLE'S ORGANISATION

Extends May Day greetings to all Freedom Fighters.

S.A. TIN WORKERS' UNION (Cape Town Branch) sends May Day greetings to all workers. Rally to your Trade Unions; build a mighty working class movement that will achieve higher wages, equality and peace.

CAPE TOWN STEVEDORING AND DOCK WORKERS' UNION: Greetings to all workers in South Africa! Workers unite! Struggle for a happy life for all races and the attainment of full democratic rights for all. Defend world peace!

AFRICAN LAUNDRY, CLEANING & DYEING WORKERS' TRADE UNION—Cape Town Branch

We extend May Day greetings to all workers. Let May Day usher in a period of real unity between workers of all races.

AFRICAN FOOD & CANNING WORKERS' UNION

We greet the workers of South Africa! Let us stand together for peace and better living conditions.

AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS YOUTH LEAGUE AND NATAL INDIAN YOUTH CONGRESS

Call on working youth to pledge their full support for the struggle against:—

the Western Areas Scheme  
the Bantu Education Act  
the Group Areas Act  
AND ALL OTHER DISCRIMINATORY LAWS on

**MAY DAY, 1955**

(More Messages on other pages)

### TEXTILE WORKERS' INDUSTRIAL UNION (S.A.) JOHANNESBURG, and AFRICAN TEXTILE WORKERS' INDUSTRIAL UNION (S.A.), JOHANNESBURG

South Africa as we know it today, is the common effort of the people who built it. Our farms, our mines, our factories have been built by the common toil of the workers of all races.

It is the undisputable right of the people who have built this country to have a share in the way in which it is governed. Let this be the demand of the workers this MAY DAY, namely, a common share in the Government of our country for all its people, irrespective of race, colour or creed.

### ARNOLD'S XMAS HAMPERS

On this May Day let us resolve to build up our paper New Age. Let us endeavour to introduce new readers to the paper. Let us remember that to win Freedom we must have knowledge as well as courage and organisation.

### ARNOLD SELBY

We must not forget that May Day is our Day. May Day is an important day in the struggle of the oppressed people throughout the world. On this day we, the working people, demonstrate our unity in our common struggle for a better life. We demonstrate our determination to win freedom in our time. Down with fascist tyranny and long live May Day.

### SAM KAHN

Greetings to all Workers and Freedom Fighters! No power on earth can stop the workers' march to a better social order. Let 'Unity is Strength' be our slogan this May Day. Forward to Freedom!

### LONDON READERS AND SUPPORTERS OF NEW AGE

Warmest fraternal greetings to all workers in South Africa. Your struggle against racialism and fascist oppression excites the admiration of democrats the world over. Your victory is certain.

### EDITOR AND STAFF, NEW AGE

May Day greetings to all readers in South Africa and abroad. The great principles of human brotherhood, freedom and justice will triumph over all obstacles. Long live May Day!

### FOOD & CANNING WORKERS' UNION (Port Elizabeth Branch)

Let May Day be celebrated by the solidarity and unity of all workers, and make a contribution towards peace.

### TRANSSVAAL INDIAN CONGRESS

The Transvaal Indian Congress sends greetings to the workers of South Africa and the world. On this May Day, 1955, may the forces of the working class play an even greater role towards achieving world peace and freedom for all oppressed peoples.

### CAPE TOWN PEACE COUNCIL

Greets all workers and urges them to continue to fight for the preservation of peace throughout the world, and the building of racial harmony and friendship in our own country.

### TRANSSVAAL LEATHER AND ALLIED TRADES' INDUSTRIAL UNION

#### TO ALL WORKERS!

We wish to extend our congratulations to all workers in their fight for a united effort for a peaceful future. May Day should be remembered as a day for all races to unite against the tyranny of the capitalist class from oppressing the workers.

REMEMBER — UNITED WE STAND, DIVIDED WE FALL.

Vice-Chairman, A. Butler.

### AFRICAN IRON & STEEL WORKERS' UNION (Cape): Greetings to the workers of South Africa! Unite for your right to organise! Forward to Freedom!

### NATIONAL UNION OF DISTRIBUTIVE WORKERS (Witwatersrand Branch)

The National Union of Distributive Workers sends messages of solidarity with all other Unions who are celebrating May Day as a workers' day.

We welcome the opportunity of meeting with these Unions to pledge anew our resolve to serve the cause of all workers, in the firm belief that that can be done best by a strong combined effort.

Every success to the "May Day Committee" in their efforts to unite all workers on May Day.

### LEN LEE-WARDEN, M.P.

To all my constituents and to all people who believe as I do in the equality of mankind, I extend on this occasion of May Day my sincere good wishes.

### MAY DAY GREETINGS!

May Day greetings to working and oppressed people and S.A. Congress of Trade Unions, Congress of the People and National Liberation movements, the peace movement and other democratic organisations, and their voice New Age.

Success in the fight for peace and the building of the united front, which can and will defeat the fascist Nationalist Government and achieve freedom and democracy—a better life for all.

Louis C. Joffe.

### N.E.C. of the A.N.C. REGIONAL COMMITTEE (Cape Western)

Greets all our members and fellow workers and appeals to them to rally round Congress in defence of Democracy and Peace and against tyranny and war. By united action we shall gain freedom in our lifetime. AFRIKA!

### W. KODESH

Greets all friends and workers. Stand firm and unite to smash fascism and bring equal rights to all in South Africa.

### RAY ALEXANDER

May Day greetings to all working men and women, to all National Liberatory fighters and lovers of peace.

May we go forward in the struggle for real liberty, equality and world peace.

### TEXTILE WORKERS' INDUSTRIAL UNION (S.A.) (Port Elizabeth & Uitenhage Branch)

May Day greetings. Let May Day ensure that the struggle for better living and working conditions, for freedom and a stable peace become the watchwords of this great day.

### FOOD & CANNING WORKERS' UNION (Worcester Branch)

The Food and Canning Workers' Union, Worcester Branch, wish to extend fraternal May Day greetings to all trade unions and best wishes for a future of well-being and peace.

### FOOD & CANNING WORKERS' UNION (Head Office)

The Food & Canning Workers' Union National Executive Council greets all our members and workers and appeals to them to stand firm in defence of their Trade Unions against fascism and war.

Through united action we shall bring civilised standards of living and equal rights in the land of our birth. Forward in the struggle for liberty and a lasting peace!

### S.A. CANVAS AND ROPE WORKERS' UNION: Greetings to all workers. May we all win greater successes in our struggle for rights, liberty and lasting peace in the whole world.

### SOUTH AFRICAN CLOTHING WORKERS' UNION

May this year's May Day bring hope and encouragement to all the workers throughout the world, irrespective of race and colour.

The Executive of the Union calls upon all members of the Union to honour May the 1st as an international workers' day by closing their ranks and strengthening the Union.—G. Makabeni, Secretary.

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