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Aug. 24th. 1936.

To Organisations
Affiliated to the
All-African Convention
Transvaal.

Dear *Sis*,

The "South African Worker" and Umsebenzi" wishes to give the All-African Convention every support it can, because it recognises in the organisation a force for the liberation of the African People from the oppression which they suffer.

It is publishing the notice of the Transvaal Convention in October, and wishes to include the views of the organisations affiliated to the Transvaal Convention in the paper before that date. The Editorial Board invites a representative of your organisation to write an article for the paper (300 words) on the practical value of the Convention from the point of view of your organisation, for the African People and on the conditions of the people in your area.

Every success and greetings to the All African National Convention,

yours fraterhally,

E. J. Mofutsanyana
(for the Editorial Board .)

D. A. B. Luma,
City.

Personal

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Dr Xuma

Bro

First-I must pass thanks for the pairs sent us, I have not given Frank his as yet, as he is not home yet, still at his dipping. our mother is never tire of doing good, you are a great relief to your fathers family. We have engaged a lady at Umyanyane for father & banns will be published on the 20th Sept. She is of the Maganiso's family. You know its a wonder to tell you that the letter you wrote me on 1st August came to my hands on the 27th August, I let's got the memorandum of an unstamped & never cared for it, & it happened to be the letter you wrote, I got it with the parcel on the 27th sorry I was when I read the contents. At present Clarke is still away at Rhodesia on leave & wont be back until the 20th Sept, all you can do is to remit

£30 which will pay for a little
more than 50 bags, by the time J.B.
Clarke arrives I'll give him the
money as mine to make the order.
When that quantity has come, I'll
let you know what to do again,
as I must at least fill my tank
which holds 100 bags. Yes, the
meals must go by my name to
avoid the alertness of the traders
against any unlicensedⁿ speculator.
I beg to remain with regards to
all in the house truly yours
Ben Xuma

Location Advisory Boards' Congress, South Africa. Lokasie Adviseurende Raad Kongres, Suid-Afrika.

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2nd Sept. 1936.

Dr. A. B. Xuma,
49 Toby Street,
Sophiatown,
JOHANNESBURG.

*Politics - local Govt - Location
Advisory Boards*

Dear Doctor,

The annual conference of Location Advisory Boards is due to meet at Queenstown on or about the 18th to 21st December next, and as is the custom in our congresses, certain heads of the Department of Native Affairs, experts in municipal government and urban Bantu affairs as well as specialists on public health matters are being invited to address Congress.

As intimated to you in conversation sometime last December it has ever been my fervent desire to include full-blooded Africans in the above list.

With that object in view, I therefore take this early opportunity of asking you if you could not see your way clear to spare a couple of days to come and address us on health matters, more especially the devastating scourge of tuberculosis.

I have taken it upon myself to write you this personal note before I instruct my Secretary to send out ^{forwards} letters of invitation this year..

Much as I realise that you are one of the busiest men in South Africa, I shall be sorely disappointed if you are unable to accede to our request this time.

Allow me to "dry up!"

With warm greetings.

Yours sincerely,

ADAMS COLLEGE

ABX 36 0903

THE AMERICAN BOARD MISSION
IN SOUTH AFRICA

P.O. ADAMS MISSION STATION,
NATAL.

RAILWAY STATION:
AMANZIMTOTI (8 MILES)

TELEPHONE:
ADAMS MISSION STATION, No. 1.

X.S

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE
ADDRESSED TO THE PRINCIPAL

September 3rd, 1936.

Personal

Dr. A. B. Xuma,
104 End Street,
Doornfontein,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Sir,

I write to remind you that the examination
entrance fee for the Junior Certificate (£1/10) is due
and that I cannot enter your son/daughter without it.

I should be glad if you will be kind enough to
let me have it at your earliest convenience, if possible
not later than the 15th September.

Yours faithfully,

Edgar Bailey

PRINCIPAL.

Dear Dr Xuma.

*Pro forma! Of course, I
shall enter Mellicent - but this is
just a reminder re the fee
EB/*

undated

FORM No. 2.

AMANZIMTOTI INSTITUTE,

EDGAR H. BROOKES,
PRINCIPAL.

ADAMS M.S.
NATAL.

Dear Sir / Madam:

1. I send you herewith information about our fees and the system of collecting them.

At present we charge students nothing for their tuition. The fees cover only board and the actual cost of books and supplies. They are as low as possible, and as you will see when you look at the figures we are trying hard to make it as easy as possible for parents to pay them.

In the past we have had great difficulties with some parents, who have been very backward in paying fees. We should like to be able to charge even less than we do, for know that many parents are poor and that it means a great sacrifice on their part to send their children to school. But we cannot afford to feed students for nothing and provide them with books, and therefore we have decided to lay down certain simple rules about payment and to apply them strictly. Parents are asked to read these rules carefully and, when they send their children to the Amanzimtoti Institute, to do so understanding that **THESE RULES WILL BE STRICTLY APPLIED AND THAT EXCEPTIONS WILL NOT BE MADE.** Parents must, therefore, not feel a sense of grievance if their children are sent home in cases where fees are not paid. They send them to us on that understanding.

2. Fees are payable according to any one of the four schemes A, B, C and D set forth below. Parents may choose which scheme they wish to adopt. Where no preference is expressed, scheme D will apply.

(i) Scheme A.

Boarding fee	...	...	£10	0	0
Deposit for Books, etc.	...	...	5	0	0
Total	...	...	£15	0	0

This amount to be paid in advance for the whole year.

The whole of the money must be paid before the student arrives, or on his arrival, for this scheme to operate. Otherwise he will be transferred to Scheme B, C or D at the discretion of the Principal.

(ii) Scheme B.

Boarding fee	...	...	£10	10	0
Deposit for Books, etc.	...	...	5	0	0
Total	...	...	£15	10	0

This amount to be paid in advance in two equal instalments of £7/15/-.

Each instalment must be paid before the student arrives, or on his arrival, in each term, for this scheme to operate. Otherwise he will be transferred to Scheme C or D at the discretion of the Principal.

(iii) Scheme C.

Boarding fee	£11 0 0
Deposit for Books, etc., ...	5 0 0
	<u>£16 0 0</u>

To be paid as follows:—

Before arrival or on arrival:	Boarding fee:	Deposit for Books, etc.	Total.
	—	£4 0 0	£4 0 0
5th. April	£2 15 0	—	2 15 0
5th. June	2 15 0	—	2 15 0
5th. August	2 15 0	1 0 0	3 15 0
5th. October	2 15 0	—	2 15 0
Total...	<u>£11 0 0</u>	<u>£5 0 0</u>	<u>£16 0 0</u>

(iv.) Scheme D.

Boarding fee...	£11 0 0
Deposit for Books, etc. ...	5 0 0
	<u>£16 0 0</u>

To be paid as follows:—

Before arrival or on arrival:	Boarding fee:	Deposit for Books, etc.	Total.
	—	£4 0 0	£4 0 0
5th. March	£1 7 6	—	1 7 6
5th. April	1 7 6	—	1 7 6
5th. May	1 7 6	—	1 7 6
5th. June	1 7 6	—	1 7 6
5th. August	1 7 6	1 0 0	2 7 6
5th. September	1 7 6	—	1 7 6
5th. October	1 7 6	—	1 7 6
5th. November	1 7 6	—	1 7 6
	<u>£11 0 0</u>	<u>£5 0 0</u>	<u>£16 0 0</u>

3. The deposit of £5 for books etc., is dealt with as follows:

Careful note will be taken of every issue of books and equipment and of every other expense incurred on behalf of the student.

Any balance left at the end of the year (if other fees are fully paid) will stand to the student's credit, and the amount of his Deposit for the next year will be reduced accordingly. Thus in some years it may well happen that only £1 or £2 may be called for as deposit.

If the student's expenditure on books, equipment etc. come to more than £5 he will have to pay cash for new items. But this should not often happen if the student takes proper care of his belongings.

4. No student will be admitted to classes who arrives with less than the minimum payment of £4. Any student who does not bring this minimum sum will be put to work until the money arrives. If it does not arrive within two weeks of the date, the student will be sent home.

If he has no means of returning he will be kept at work until he has earned enough for his ticket.

Even if the student brings some money these rules will apply, unless and until he is able to pay the full £4.

5. If any instalment does not arrive on the due date, students will

still be permitted to remain in classes for three school days, but after that will be withdrawn and put to work for a maximum period of two weeks. After this period, the student will be sent home, all books etc., furnished by the School being retained as a partial credit towards any sum that may still be due.

If fees arrive late three times during the year, the student will be sent home, even though he may not actually be in arrears.

6. Students held out from classes will receive food and lodging only. They will be under school discipline, and must attend evening study periods in order to try to keep up with their work.

7. Hospital, dental or optical bills incurred on behalf of individual students should be paid for at once in full, if possible, but may be divided into instalments and added to the amount of the payment due on the instalment date.

8. Students who take Building and Joinery will pay a fee of 10/- only, instead of £10, in the third year.

9. Students in the T3 or Matriculation Courses may eat at the higher table, where better food is provided, by paying £2/10/- extra in advance, at the beginning of each term.

EDGAR H. BROOKES,
Principal.

AMANZIMTOTI INSTITUTE,

EDGAR H. BROOKES,
PRINCIPAL.ADAMS M.S.
NATAL.

Dear Sir / Madam:

1. I enclose a copy of a Memorandum showing the new system of fees, which is to come into operation at the beginning of 1935. If you read it carefully, you will see why the system is being introduced. It will apply to all students, including your son or daughter.

2. If you send your son or daughter back next year, as I hope you will, you will have to do so on the basis of the new scheme, and also to make an effort to pay off part of his or her arrears in instalments.

3. We are asking that £... 8/- of the arrears should be met by the end of the year in instalments according to Schemes C or D.

4. This means that you will be asked to pay, not the figures shown in the Fee Memorandum, but the following figures, viz.,

(1) If paying under Scheme C.

Before arrival or on arrival:	Boarding fee:	Deposit for Bks., etc.	Arrears	Total.
5th. April	2.15.	4.-	.8/-	7.3.
5th. June	2.15.	—	—	2.15
5th. August	2.15.	1.-	—	3.15
5th. October	2.15.	—	—	2.15

(ii) If paying under Scheme D.

Before arrival or on arrival:	Boarding fee:	Deposit for Bks., etc.	Arrears	Total
5th. March	1.7.6	4.-	.8/-	6.15.6
5th. April	1.7.6	—	—	1.7.6
5th. May	1.7.6	—	—	1.7.6
5th. June	1.7.6	—	—	1.7.6
5th. August	1.7.6	1.-	—	2.7.6
5th. September	1.7.6	—	—	1.7.6
5th. October	1.7.6	—	—	1.7.6
5th. November	1.7.6	—	—	1.7.6

5. If payments are late or smaller than the total amounts shown here (including arrears) the Rules shown in Paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 of the Fee Memorandum will apply, that is, your son (or daughter) will be withdrawn from classes and put to work and, if after a fortnight the fees have not arrived, will be sent home.

If, therefore, you find it impossible to pay the fees, it will be better to let your son or daughter work for a year, and then send them back to us when you can pay. We shall be delighted to welcome them back again.

6. We appreciate having had your support in the past, and hope to keep it. We are compelled to insist on prompt payment of fees in order to keep the School in a sound position, but that does not mean any change in our attitude towards those whom we are trying to help.

7. The Certificate attached must be signed before your son or daughter returns to the School, and returned to us.

D. A. B. Culu

EDGAR H. BROOKES.
Principal.

FORM No. 4.

AGREEMENT.

I undertake to pay the amounts shown on Form No. 3 (including arrears) according to Scheme..... and on the dates stated.

I understand that if I am late in my payments or do not send the full amounts shown my child may be put to work or sent home according to the rules laid down in Paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 of the Fee Memorandum (Form No. 2), and I send him (or her) on that understanding.

.....
Signature of Parent or Guardian.

Date.....

ABX 360907

CAREY MILLER & FRANZ,

P.O. Box 8.

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW
NOTARIES PUBLIC

ERHARD VICTOR FRANZ
(SWORN APPRAISER)

LANCELOT CAREY MILLER

TELEPHONE 9

TELEGRAMS: "GWETA."

Engcobo, C.P.

7th. September, 1936.

EVF/BD

Dr. A.B. Xuma,
85 Toby Street,
Sophia Town,
JOHANNESBURG.

Personal - business matters

Dear Sir,

We have been requested by your borther, Mr. Ben Xuma, to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 27th. ultimo, in regard to the proposed transfer of the vacant stand. From the information given us, it would appear to be necessary to first pass transfer into your name and then into the name of the proposed new transferee.

Before we draw the necessary power of attorney, we will require the following:-

- (1) The Deed of Transfer in respect of the vacant erf.
- (2) Your full name.
- (3) The full name and address of the party to whom the further transfer is to be passed.
- (4) The value at which this erf is being taken over by the proposed transferee.

Kindly furnish us with the above, and we will then be able to proceed in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

CAREY MILLER & FRANZ,

per..

Erhard Victor Franz

undated.

1. The vacant erf is Std 1513. Sophiatown -
2. My name is Alfred Bitini Xuma
3. The name of party to whom further transfer is to be passed
Nathaniel Moulani
Ngwekazi
address Stds 2506/7
Molisoane &
Pumolle

John Wood
If the value at which the erf is taken is an exchange of stands, plus a consideration of £50 in his favour this amounts roughly to £110.

Nathaniel Mouloni Ngwekazi

Land 2506/7 Mokoane St.

Pimville Location
Johannesburg

Std 1431

Cr Cert of Victoria
Sophatone

Cuzcoba

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Dr. AB Xuma

Yours to hand & contents mastered, I at once went to Mr. Franz to do as you requested, he stated that there should first be a transfer from me to you & then from you to the next man, I said he had better explain the matter himself to you & he promised to do so at once. We are all well & father's engaging business is soon to come to an end. They promised to publish the 'banos' on the 20th Sept, but will let you know again what has happened. I beg to remain truly yours, Ben Xuma.

Bulise intatshana esikumba
uKuba ibetete no amul-way.

the
PARENTS'
MAGAZINE

9 EAST 40TH STREET, NEW YORK

Group movement

ABX 360911

September 11, 1936

ON REARING CHILDREN FROM CRIB TO COLLEGE AND SUCCESSFUL HOME MANAGEMENT

Dear Group Leader:

Planning meetings for an organization like yours carries with it a tremendous responsibility. If they are live, interesting, helpful, you can be sure that the year's activities will be a tribute to your vision and leadership.

But programs can be dull -- disappointing, and instead of praise and recognition, there may be the difficulty of dealing with critical, disinterested members.

This year you can be relieved of all the worry and uncertainty that goes with this important part of your work. The editors of THE PARENTS' MAGAZINE have arranged TWO OUTSTANDING PROGRAMS FOR YOU.

With their knowledge of child study and parent education, their keen insight into the needs of parents of growing children, and their contact with the foremost authorities in the country, our expert staff has developed two study courses that will win the everlasting gratitude of your members.

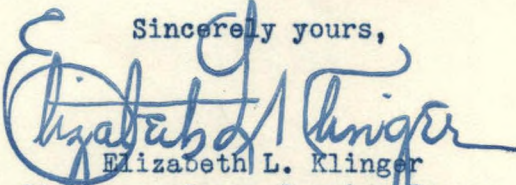
WISE GUIDANCE FOR THE PRESCHOOL CHILD is the title of the program that deals with the interests of parents of younger children; GROWING UP FROM FIVE TO FIFTEEN is especially planned for groups interested in school age children.

Both programs are attractively printed folders that list the subjects for discussion for each monthly meeting. They are available without charge, in any quantity you may need. Many organizations distribute them as their official programs, for members are always eager to attend meetings that promise such helpful discussions.

The enclosed folder explains more about the free programs; it tells how other leaders value this service, and it names a few of the eminent authorities who will present the topics in interesting, practical articles which will appear in the corresponding monthly issues of THE PARENTS' MAGAZINE. Other material is available too, and of course it will be good news to announce the SPECIAL HALF PRICE SUBSCRIPTION RATE we are offering to groups like your own.

We want to help you in this important work you are doing. A return card is enclosed for your convenience in ordering all the material you need. Just return it promptly, please, so there will be no delay in starting a year of outstanding achievement for you and your organization.

Sincerely yours,


Elizabeth L. Klinger
Director, Group Service Bureau.

Politics - Local Govt - Native Location Advisory Boards
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GENERAL SECRETARY.

"EKUPUMLENI",
P.O. PIMVILLE,
JOHANNESBURG.
14TH. SEPT., 1936.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF CONGRESS : 1936.

Greetings,

You are hereby notified that the Ninth Annual Session of the Location Advisory Boards' Congress of South Africa will be held in the Community Hall, Queenstown, C.P., on Friday, the 18th., 19th. and 21st. December, 1936, commencing at 10 a.m. on the first day. Sunday, the 20th. is being reserved for an official visit to Tarkastad by all the Delegates attending Congress.

Your Native Advisory Board is invited to send TWO Delegates to this meeting, and is further requested to prepare and forward through its Secretary, ALL NOTICES OF MOTIONS intended for the Annual Session of the Congress, to the General Secretary, at the above address, NOT later than the 1ST. NOVEMBER, 1936. Late Notices of motions will not be included in the Agenda, but will be deferred to the 1937 Congress.

Subscriptions for the current year of two guineas (£2. 2. 0) as well as arrears are now due and cheques for that amount should be forwarded and made payable to : The Treasurer, Location Advisory Boards' Congress of South Africa, 1437 Community Avenue, Bloemfontein, O.F.S.

Accommodation will be provided by the Queenstown Advisory Board at a charge of 3/6d. per delegate per diem to cover boarding and lodging.

Local Authorities that have Native Advisory Boards in their Locations but have not yet affiliated to the Congress are hereby invited to send the requisite number of Delegates, and that the Annual Subscription, rail fares of two delegates to Congress and the subsistence allowance are borne by the Location Native Revenue Account. The Native Affairs Department, Pretoria, in its minute dated 20th. December, 1932, informed the Congress that, where a Municipality places upon its estimates from the Native Revenue Account, an item to cover the expenses of members of Native Advisory Boards, attending the Location Advisory Boards' Congress, the Native Affairs Department will pass the amount as being in order.

Native Advisory Boards which are not yet affiliated to the Congress, are therefore, requested to place this invitation before their respective Municipalities at their earliest convenience.

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A limited number of the General Secretary's Report of 1935 are still available and could be sent on application.

Yours faithfully,

S.P. MQUBULI.
GENERAL SECRETARY.

ALL AFRICAN CONVENTION.

Prof. D.D.T. Jabavu, B.A.,
President.

H. Selby Msimang,
General Secretary.

10, Adam Arcade,
37, Commissioner St.,
Johannesburg.

18th. September, 1936.

Dear Sir,

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the All African Convention will be held at Johannesburg on the 20th January, 1937, at a time and place to be fixed later.

It is imperative that each member should arrive in Johannesburg on the 19th idem to permit of the proceedings comencing early next day.

There are several matters arising out of the last Conference minutes which call for the immediate attention of the Executive Committee as well as the question of general policy.

Before sending out the agenda I shall be pleased to receive from you any notice of motion you may want placed thereon so that I may see that each member gets a copy thereof a month prior to the meeting. Such notices of motion should reach me on or before the 1st November, 1936.

Members are requested please to raise their own fares and subsistence from the province they respectively represent as the finances of the Convention cannot at the moment permit of such heavy call.

Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Yours faithfully,

H. Selby Msimang,
General Secretary.

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Sophiatown

22nd Sept. 1936

My Dear N' Xuma,

The meeting of the Executive Committee will be held at your place on Sunday at 2.30 pm. You are asked to prepare a paper on "The Govt's Native Policy and ^{what} the Convention stands for". This paper to be approved by the Committee on Sunday. Mr. Thema's opening address "Why the Conference has been called" will be written for approval. I am to prepare a paper on the Findings and Programme of Action of the Convention and Mr. Mofutsanyana on "Organisation" and Mr. P. A. M. Bell on "Local Administration". The Committee will then deal with my proposed resolution. Each member has been asked to prepare a counter-motion or to improve the motion. The intention is to have these papers printed & translated for propaganda.

Yours faithfully
H. S. M. M. M. M. M.

ALICE. C.P.

September 23rd, 1936

Dr A.B.Xuma
Mr H.S.Msimang
Johannesburg

Gentlemen,

(1) In view of your Transvaal Provincial rally on Monday week, I write to congratulate you on the move and to wish it all success. I assume the agenda will include the selection of names approved for representing the Transvaal (& the O.F.S.) in the Senate, ~~the~~ the ~~the~~ three members of the N.R. Council. Such names will enter the elections on the All African Convention card, so that all people opposing them will be marked down as opponents of the A.A. Convention.

It has been hinted that unanimity in these selections is to be desired. This is the ideal that will be attained when the whole Bantu population work as a team, but I am afraid that local ambitions for leadership may somewhat thwart that good object. To meet that situation it will be wise to include in your agenda the matter of arranging for Provincial funds to enable the Transvaal Province to enlighten its chiefs and rural areas as Natal and the Cape have done. The A.A.C. funds are not yet strong enough to do that for they are hardly yet sufficient to cover the office expenses of the Convention itself.

In Natal Mr Dube and Mr Mtinkulu are working the rural areas, while in the Cape the Voters' Convention is doing all the needful.

The O.F.S. seems quiet but your own work will cover that Province if you immediately get into touch with its provincial Committee men and get them to ratify the selections you make at your rally. You might therefore correspond with them at once if you have not done so already.

(2) While the Convention funds are still meagre we must restrict their use to conjoint purposes, and call upon each Province to manage and finance its own internal propoganda and activities.

My own office expenditure to date stands thus :- Printing of the Minutes of the A.A.C., £18-17/6 (1,000 copies); Presidential Address in English, 2,000 copies, 16 pages, £8-16/-; ditto, Sesuto version, 1,000 cop. ~~pages~~, 16 pages, £7-13/3. ditto, Zulu version, 1,000 copies, 14 pages, £5-19/-, Total £41-5/9; Postages of the above printing, as detailed in ledger book, £4-4/3; Correspondence stamps already used, 12/-. TOTAL EXPENDITURE, £46-2/-; Income by hand sales £1-13/3; leaving balance of £44-8/9 due to be paid.

As the A.A.C. Credit last July stood only at a little over £100 and we have another fifteen months to go before we can legislate further for additional funds, it is clear that we have to be rigorously economic if we are to save ourselves from the old song of Native organisations that "the funds are exhausted".

The public will trust us only if we exhibit the ability to be economical in the use of public funds. It is therefore not wise to plunge into risks and chances with money until the Convention itself decides how to raise more money, and dictates how that money is to be disbursed.

(3) After a careful consideration of the suggestion to employ at once a full-time paid agent to conduct propoganda in the Provinces for the A.A.C., I feel this is a major problem fit to be launched by the Convention itself which will then guarantee the venture against possible loss in case of failure. I cannot personally assume the risk of taking such a step without being protected by the whole body of the Convention which supplies the money for such enterprises.

Yours fraternally,

D.A. Jabavu

Dr Xuma

Confidential

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For t Hare, ALICE, C.P.
28th, September 1936

Dr A.B.Xuma
and Mr H.S.Msimang
All African Convention
JOHANNESBURG

Gentlemen,

I am just back from Queenstown where I was conducting the Cape Native Voters' Convention under the Instructions of our head body, the All African Convention.

Our ~~job~~ job was to arrange for nominations of members who are either identified with or in sympathy with the objectives of the All African Convention (hereinafter referred to as the A.A.C.).

For the House of Assembly we succeeded in getting in the names of Advocate D.B.Moltano (Cape Town, for the Western Province circle), and Advocate W.H.Stuart (Port Elizabeth, for the Border & Midlands), but when we came to the Transkei we came to a deadlock, because the members from there, representing a small fraction of the Transkei, came inflexibly resolved to push in the name of van Coller, who is the very author of the notorious "compromise" in Parliament. We spent half the night over this matter trying all possible devices to produce united action but in vain. Ultimately we had to agree to give the Transkei further time in which to settle the problem in a way that will secure the approval of the A.A.C., and in a month's time we shall get that, or else have two names competing for that seat, one with an A.A.C. card, the other being the pro-Government man van Coller.

Of course the first two will be unopposed, so far as we are concerned. That situation is so bad in our eyes that I must ask you please to treat it as CONFIDENTIAL information. For if it leaks out, especially through me, it will do infinite harm and act as a damper even to the Transvaal meeting. Disquieting rumours are abroad to the effect that there are two Government Cabinet Ministers busy at work to wreck the power of the A.A.C. in the Transkei, which they regard as "loyal territory".

For the Provincial Council we got in the right men, and ~~as~~ also the two for the Senate.

In the Native Representative Council ("N.R.C.") we in the Cape control six seats under the A.A.C., of which three are to come from the Transkei, and I am sure we shall get the right men there, as A.A.C. is unchallenged in popularity there. The remaining six belong to the non-Transkei side of the province and we straight away put in our own Committee members of the A.A.C., namely Mr R.H. Godlo (Cape Advisory Boards), Rev Z.Mahabane (West) and Mr Alexander M. Jabavu (East) all by unanimous acclamation.

The Transvaal-O.F.S. and the Natal side will of course be filled in by you, in the North.

In my opinion the most powerful element in both Assembly and N.R.C. will be that of the A.A.C. as we shall have a big majority in each case. I do not attach much importance to the Cape Prov. Council and the Senate as both those places will wield very little influence when major Native questions and budgets are discussed. It is the House of Assembly and the N.R.C. that really matter.

Let me conclude by saying this is all confidential information to help guide you as to how things are developing in the Cape.

Yours fraternally,

DAT Jabavu

NB Please tell me
what happens at
your meeting
DAT

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61 Albert Stree
Johannesburg
16/10/1936

Dr. A.B.Xuma,
104 End Street,
Doornfontein,
Johannesburg.

Dear Sir,

The members of the Executive Committee of the All African Convention have decided to meet ~~next~~ next Sunday the 18th inst., at your residence at 2 p.m. You are kindly asked to permit the members to hold this meeting at the said place and also to be present.

Hoping you will excuse ~~our~~ our purely African way of arranging for these meetings.

Your obedient servant,

~~XX~~ SECRETARY (PROVINCIAL)

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- 1) Report of provincial conference
- 11) Convening of General Committee

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