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Alleen vir die adres
For address only



Mrs. G. B. Puma,
85 Toby Street
Tophiatown
Johannesburg.

Crimé wave - 1942.

ABX. 430526a

Vocational Training Centre,
P. O. Box 5382,
Johannesburg,
N. S. 43.

Dear Dr Yuma,

I listened with interest to your address on "Crime Wave," the causes of juvenile delinquency, the non-existing (as far as the African is concerned) solution of the delinquency problem.

I take this opportunity therefore of writing to you on the above school, asking if you will not consider it a part solution at least for the Orlando/Pineville area, & help to get the people of these areas, who no doubt follow radical leadership, to accept & support same.

A report of on this school which is still in the experimental stage was given by the Director of N.A. early in the session & it appears extending this scheme to further areas or discontinuing it depends on the success or failure of this school here.

The number of boys attending here is 35, a drop from some 60 boys last

Year, due to some mistake
in the administration or
misunderstanding on the
part of the boys. Tuition is
free and the subjects
taught so far are Building
Carpentry & Agriculture - but
for the war leatherwork &
~~husbandry~~ tin-smithing
would have been added to
the curriculum.

In my opinion more
skilled labour on the part
of Africans should be our
slogan in and an
inspiration to supporting,
and jealously guarding
the progress of, this scheme.
After all as taxpayers
we are entitled to a
return of some sort from
the Government & they will
support a scheme, which
keeps the less privileged
African child & lessens
unskilled African
labourers.

I will be appreciate
a visit by you to this
Centre, for ~~an~~ inter-
alia I visualize a S.A.
Tuskegee as conditions
make it quite possible,
with providing the necessary

African sports. Some small obstacle than this
caused our African intelligence to show this
School ^{kindergarten} Africa to be so poorly placed that
small ~~schools~~ should be an encouragement that
more ~~schools~~ should be an encouragement that
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KGOTLA EA KGOSI,
GAMANWATO.

TK/GSS

ABX. 430.5266



SEROWE,
PALAPYE ROAD,
BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE.

26th. May, 1943.

Dr. A.B. Xuma M.D. D.P.H.
104, End Street,
Johannesburg.

Dear Sir/

I have been intending to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular letter of the 6th April last together with the annexures in connection with the African National Congress.

I have read the contents with interest but frankly speaking the matter is new to me and I would therefore have valued little more explanation as to the purpose of this new African National Congress. Without little more explanation I am afraid I would not be in a position to consult with some of my people who may be interested in the movement.

Would you therefore please give me a little more explanation?

With greetings,

Yours sincerely,

Meheti Thama

A.N.C.

ABX-430527a

Tauswood

Cyrene;
Potchefstroom. 39

May 27th, 1943.

Mr. Peter Sabula,
Sr. A.B. Xuma's Secretary,
104, End Street,
Johannesburg.

Dear Sir,

Re: A.N.C. Membership Cards.

Pardon me for failing to send you this Report earlier.

On December 2nd, 1942 I received 50 A.N.C. membership cards from the President-General. I have enrolled 26 members and I am the 27th member in Potchefstroom. The following are the names of the members. —

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| 1. William Mokobane. | 2. Sam Ditsie. |
| 3. William Lusiti. | 4. Lucas Letlhake. |
| 5. Isaac Mathapo. | 6. Henry Seboko. |
| 7. Frank Molefe. | 8. Headman Mpata. |
| 9. John Pretorius. | 10. Piet Mgaba. |
| 11. Daniel Moxidi. | 12. Zephania Ndhlouu. |
| 13. Ben Make. | 14. Philip Derbyshire. |
| 15. Simon Mthibeli. | 16. William Makubalo. |
| 17. Daniel Sekhute. | 18. Paul Ngaba. |
| 19. Gert Lekoe. | 20. Petros Menyacho. |
| 21. Isaac Lodewyk. | 22. George Mhlaba. |
| 23. Taylor Mgaba. | 24. Henry Langford. |
| 25. Stephen Sekhute | 26. Alfred Mtetwa & 27. James Mdatyulwa. |

Each one of the 26 enrolled members paid in 2/6 making a total of £3:5:0.
 I was enrolled by E. Masetsele in 1942 and paid to him then. But now I have again paid my 2/6 subscription for 1943. This, added to the 26 members' fees brings the Total Amount to £3:7:6.

At the Emergency Executive Committee Meeting of the T.A.C. held at the Cultural Club on April 11th. I met Mr. Ramchane the Provincial Secretary. Among other things he informed me that out of these half-crowns the 2/- was required to be sent to headquarters while the 6 remained in the Branch. I hope this information is correct.

Now, acting on this information, I am sending you 27 Florins and retain 27 sixpences (the latter representing an amount of 18/6 retained).

So kindly receive Money Order for £2:14:0 made out to "African National Congress c/o Dr. A.B. Xuma, 104, End Street, Doornfontein Johannesburg".

With best regards,

I am,

Yours Sincerely,
 James Z. Mdatyulwa,
 Organiser.

ABX. 430527b
Social Welfare
- General

P. O. Wilberforce Inst.,
Evaton

27th May 1943.

Dr. A. B. Xuma

Empilweni

85 Joby Street

Sophia Town.

Sir,

The Evaton Branch of the National Council of African Women invites you to a meeting which will be held at the Wilberforce P. Sch. hall on Wednesday 9th June at 3. P. M., to discuss a way of developing Child Welfare work here at Evaton.

Should the Doctor be very busy on that day we humbly beg for Mrs Dr Xuma's presence. The letter herein enclosed will explain everything.

Thanking you Sir,

I am,

Yours humbly,

(Mrs) L. B. Mkwanazi Sec.

N. C. African Women

27/5/43

UNIVERSITY OF THE WITWATERSRAND,
JOHANNESBURG.

TELEPHONE No.
44-3781

MILNER PARK,
JOHANNESBURG

27. V. 43.

amendments: then Plez has been incorporated, Re Lenneman
with Dr. & Mr. D.L. Smith. Meanwhile, if you happen to be in A.T.,

you may care to look at
Mr. Groll's or
Mr. Groll's copy.

R.F. [initials]

Dear Dr. Luma,

I have only just seen a
copy of the Minority Report of
the Crime Commission, and
write this line to congratulate
you & your colleagues on an
excellent statement. It should
encourage the Government to
make it a principle to in-
clude, in future, African
members on any Commission
or Committee investigating
any problem which touches

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UNIVERSITEIT VAN DIE WITWATERSRAND.
JOHANNESBURG.

TELEFOON No. 111
44-3781.

MILNER PARK,
JOHANNESBURG.

The meeting, particularly afternoon, enough to supply one copy to each

Africans. I hope your Report and recommendations will have some effect on the Minister.

With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

R. F. Alfred Hoernle

P.S.

As soon as possible, I would like you to see the draft of my reply to the Municipality's proposal to abolish A.T. Unfortunately, only six copies of the document (which runs to over 40 type-written pages) could be produced - just

of the members of the A.C. made some additions -

CRIME WAVE - 1942

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UNIVERSITY OF THE WITWATERSRAND,
JOHANNESBURG.

TELEPHONE NO.
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MILNER PARK,
JOHANNESBURG.

Department of Social Studies.

27th May, 1943.

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

Dear Dr. Xuma,

Thank you very much indeed for sending me a copy of your Minority Report of the Crime Committee. I have read it with great interest and very general agreement. It will be of considerable value to me in my work.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. L. Gray

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JOHANNESBURG.

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Military matters.

ABX. 430528a

28th May, 1943.

Albert Malo Esq.,
The Secretary,
Bakwena-ba-Mogopa Committee,
P.O. Box 5933,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Sir,

re: PHILIP MACHELE AND MOSES KAU.

I had given all the important statements that were made during the interview to Mr. Phillip Machele to pass on to their lawyers while their case was pending.

As you will remember there was a Special Deputation on this affair and it is just quite possible that this statement was made to them and they must have, no doubt, given you a written report on the representations made.

I do not recollect this statement being made to the General Deputation.

I had reported to Mr. Machele accordingly.

With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

PRESIDENT-GENERAL.

ABX/pd.

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SOUTH AFRICAN INSTITUTE OF RACE RELATIONS (Incorp.)

Race Relations

P. O. Box 97,
JOHANNESBURG.
28th May, 1943.

CONFERENCE ON NATIVE EDUCATION.

The Executive Committee of this Institute feels that early representations should be made to the Government to adopt a Ten Year Plan to bring all African children into school, and to place the finance of Native Education upon a sound footing now that the whole of the Tax has been absorbed.

With a view to securing unanimity of views and the adoption of a Plan with its financial implications among the bodies which have concerned themselves with Native Education, and also to arranging joint representations to the Government, the Executive Committee invites your organisation to send representatives to a Conference to be held at the University, Milner Park, Johannesburg, on Thursday, 8th July, 1943 commencing at 9.30 a.m. Will you please be so kind as to do this and let me know the names and addresses of your representatives? The number of the representatives is left to the discretion of each organisation.

A forthcoming number of Race Relations will contain articles intended to help discussion at the Conference. Copies may be obtained at 1/- each from this office.

On behalf of the Executive Committee.

J. H. M. Jones

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
AND ADVISER.

The following addresses are booked:

- August 25th Address Rotary Club, Benoni --"S. Africa and Geneva".
- " Springs Joint Council - "Native Economic Commission Report".
- 26th " Gamma Sigma Club, Bantu Men's Social Centre, Johannesburg on "Native Economic Commission's Report".
- Sept. 6th) Study Group at Bantu Men's Social Centre, on
27th) Practical Problems in Race Relations - once a week.
- 9th Address Wesleyan Sunday School Union on Native Economic Commission's Report.
- 12th " Johannesburg Joint Council on the Work of the Institute.*
- 17th " Jeppe (Victoria) Guild (Wesleyan) on "Native Economic Commission's Report".
- 27th) Lectures in Vacation Course on Non-European Social
28th) problems.

* Since postponed because of Dr. Phelps Stokes' address.

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CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT.

1st FLOOR-ANNAN HOUSE-COMMISSIONER ST.-JOHANNESBURG-PHONE 34-1301-P.O. Box 4577-TELEGRAMS "UNILAND"

28th May, 1943.

Rae relations

Dr. A.B. Xuma,
104 End St.,
Doornfontein.

Dear Sir,

In view of the great contribution which the medical profession has made in manpower to the war effort which has created a shortage of medical practitioners on the home front, we have decided not to interrupt their activities by personally contacting doctors, as we are aware that their time is fully occupied. We are therefore making our appeal direct to you through this medium. As will be seen from the specimen copy of our war magazine "Libertas" which is posted to you under separate cover, subjects dealing with social and medical problems are from time to time being brought to the notice of the South African public.

Our monthly journal "Libertas" is a pictorial magazine of the first importance. Its propaganda value to the war effort is incalculable. It is therefore highly desirable that it should be as widely circulated as possible, and it is in this connection that we ask your aid.

Three mobile film units are continuously touring South Africa and in the near future South West Africa will be included in the itinerary with anti-Nazi propaganda films, having to date shown in over four hundred towns and to over half a million persons. The majority of films shown are photographed and produced by our own staff. A complete new programme is sent on tour every four months, immediately after the conclusion of the previous circuit.

Approximately/ . . .



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Approximately 250,000 circulars, pamphlets, illustrated brochures etc., are being despatched free from this organisation monthly. It is hoped shortly to increase this quantity to half a million.

Mass meetings, social gatherings, personal contacts etc., are only a few of the several functions conducted by us to combat the Fifth Column activities in our country.

Present and post-war reconstruction problems are being carefully and methodically dealt with and we need your support to continue with these essential services.

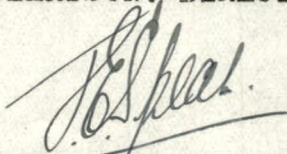
The Truth Service came into being as the result of an appeal made by General Smuts, a copy of which is attached. All monies accruing to the Truth Service is used for propaganda purposes and the accounts are strictly controlled by a Control Committee and audited by Messrs. Deloitte, Plender, Griffiths, Annan & Co., copy of whose certificate is attached.

The annual subscription is 13/-; a sponsorship one guinea. It is possible however, that you may wish to increase your donation with a view to furthering our efforts. We leave this decision to you and feel sure that our appeal will meet with your usual enthusiastic and careful consideration.

WITH YOUR AID WE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM.

Yours faithfully,
LIBERTAS PUBLICATIONS.
T. C. ROBERTSON: DIRECTOR.

Per:


CIRCULATION MANAGER.

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C O P Y.

DELOITTE, PLENDER, GRIFFITHS, ANNAN & Co.,

84, Annan House,

Fox Street, JOHANNESBURG.

P.O. Box 1152.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE ACCOUNTS OF THE UNION UNITY TRUTH SERVICE, WITH WHICH ARE INCLUDED THOSE OF THE MONTHLY JOURNAL "LIBERTAS", ARE SUBJECT TO A COMPLETE MONTHLY AUDIT BY THE UNDERSIGNED.

(Sgd.) Deloitte, Plender, Griffiths, Annan & Co.,

HON. AUDITORS.

5th November, 1942.

WAR ON THE PROPAGANDA FRONT.

WHAT THE UNION UNITY TRUTH SERVICE IS DOING.

AN APPEAL BY GENERAL SMUTS.

What is the object of the Union Unity Truth Service? For what purpose is the organisation being built up and are funds and other forms of support being asked?

The answer is simple. The object of the Service and of all efforts on its behalf is to meet the new attack now being made against South Africa and South Africans.

What is the attack? The question shows that in our old-fashioned way we do not yet realise what is happening in the world. In all directions we see vast changes, but perhaps in no sphere is the change greater, more insidious and more dangerous than in the forms and technique of psychological warfare now coming into vogue. A generation ago international law still called for a declaration of war, which was then followed by armed attack, invasion and all the rest. To-day international law is flouted, and many of the old forms and preliminaries of warfare have equally passed into the limbo of the obsolete. Propaganda has become a more dangerous method of attack than rifles and guns. Radio is the new scientific weapon with which small and weak peoples are sapped, undermined and finally overthrown.

Through the air, the press and all the other insidious forms of propaganda a sustained attack is made against people singled out for attack.

Their minds and their very souls are drenched in a foul stream of poisonous propaganda, until they become an easy prey to the aggressor. They are deceived with continuous lies until their minds are utterly confused, their will-power undermined and their resistance internally overcome.

This is the new scientific, psychological technique of aggression. How well and effectively it is all carried out is shown by what has happened in the case of several small European Powers which have during 1938 and 1939 disappeared from the map and are to-day a prey to the most unspeakable oppression.

That new technique is being applied to South Africa to-day, and has been in process of application for a good while back. The unity of South Africa has to be disrupted, its will to resist broken, and in that way it is to be made an easy victim for the coup de grace which will come in due course.

For the purpose lying-propaganda is being continually spread and the power of the lies, reinforced by endless repetition, is being exploited; until people come to believe in the lie and to accept it as the truth. Secret agents are employed to scatter rumour among the public, scares are worked up, small groups are set in motion and subsidised for subversive purposes.

The passion and prejudices of people are being continually mobilised, racial feelings are exploited and exacerbated, the past is continually being distorted and raked up in order to set the various sections by the ears and to create internal dissension and strife. And over it all, and linking it all up into one continuous barrage of aggression, is the Zeesen radio which pours out its daily poison gas over the unsuspecting public.

/It is this

It is this insidious lying propaganda, using for its means the most modern weapons of science, that we have to fight in South Africa. If we sit down passively to this attack there is no saying what the end will be, but we have the European cases mentioned above as a warning to us.

We cannot retaliate in kind, we cannot meet lie with lie. In any case, our feeble voice would not reach the aggressor in Central Europe. The only means of defence left us is to organise as effectively as we can for the truth.

Spread the truth against the lie; create goodwill as against the mischievous, insidious malice, hold aloft the light against the mental darkness and moral black-out with which we are menaced. Let us have faith in truth and in its all-conquering power. And organise the campaign for truth more effectively than the aggressor organises his campaign of falsehood. On equal terms a propaganda of truth should prove a match for the propaganda of lies.

And so we are organising for the truth, for spreading it broadcast over South Africa, for proclaiming it in public on the platforms in the press and by means of pamphlets, and carrying it into the scattered homes of the people living far away on the veld.

Wherever the lie of Zeesen can penetrate, the truth of the Unity Movement should follow and overtake it. And in order to do so we are enlisting willing helpers; we are enrolling the forces which will carry forward this campaign of truth, until the danger and the menace have passed.

This is our organisation of the Unity Truth Movement. We mean to create a Legion of Truth and to set it in motion, in the firm faith that

TRUTH WILL PREVAIL

That Legion of Truth may yet play its proper part in the defence of South Africa alongside the Defence Force now in process of forming and training.

I am proud to be connected with both and have confidence in their combined power to defeat the aggressor, however powerful he may be.

J.C. SMUTS.

A.N.C. (Tol.) 31/5/43

ABX-9305316

AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS
Transvaal Province

The President-General,
104, End Street,
Doornfontein,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you in order to acquaint you with the position of the Congress in the Transvaal, with particular reference to the events which took place between 1942 and this day, I should in the ordinary way of doing things submit this report to the Secretary-General, but since you have initiated negotiation with a view to bringing Unity in the Congress, I think it is only proper that I should submit this report to you, and also send a copy to the Secretary-General for his information. I propose to report as follows:-

In July 1942, there appeared in the press a notice convening a meeting of the Executive Committee of the African National Congress, which caused Mr. J.L. Ntshudisane to write to you in his capacity as organiser of the Mphahlele-Ntshudisane section, better known as the "M" Section of the Congress. In his letter he regretted his inability to attend the meeting of the Executive. Later, the President-General caused the Provincial Secretary to arrange a meeting at which Mr. Ntshudisane would also be present, This meeting was arranged for the 29th November 1942 at the B.M.S.C. The following were present at this meeting:- Dr. A.B. Xuma (President-Genl) C.S. Ramohano (Prov. Secy.) S.S. Maloka (Prov. Treas.) and Mr. Ntshudisane. After mutual discussions the Pres.-Genl. left the matter in the hands of Mr. S.S. Maloka to carry out further negotiations with the other party and thereafter submit a report to the Presd.-Genl.

On the 10th January, 1943, the Executive Committee (so-called Cabinet) of the T.A.C. met at the B.M.S.C. At this meeting Mr. C.S. Ramohano the Prov. Secr. who presided in the absence of the Acting President, reported that at the Annual

Con. ...

Conference of the T.A.C. it had been agreed that a Conference for the election of a Provincial President should be held on the 17th January, 1943. But on the 21st November, 1942, the Executive (Cabinet) had agreed that this Conference be called in April, 1943.

At the meeting of the 10th January 1943, referred to above, it was further agreed that the venue of the Election Conference be Alexandra Township on the 24th-26th April, 1943.

Mphahlela-Ntshudisane Congress

At this meeting of the 10th January, 1943, Mr. S.S. Maloka reporting on the Mphahlela-Ntshudisane Congress or "M" Section, said that the leaders of this Congress had agreed to meet representatives of the Congress on Sunday 17th January, 1943, to discuss the possibilities of Unity between the Congress proper and the so-called "M" Section.

The following were elected to represent the Congress at the meeting just referred to:-

S.S. Maloka; E.P. Moretsele; L.J. Choene; and J.B. Marks. Mr. S.R. Mokoape was later co-opted by the said delegation.

This meeting of the representatives of the two sections of Congress which styled itself "The Round Table Conference" met at Pretoria on the 17th January, 1943.

Meanwhile, I arranged a meeting of the Executive (Cabinet) which met on the 31st January, 1943, at Benoni. At this Executive (Cabinet) Meeting Mr. J.B. Marks submitted a report of the "Round Table Conference" on behalf of the delegation sent to meet the other Congress ("M" Section).

The report, unfortunately was not surrendered to the Provincial Secretary.

After some discussion the report was, however, referred back to the delegation for further explanation, as it was wanting in some details.

Meanwhile, I issued notices to all Branch-officials, organisers, and members of the Executive Committee (Cabinet)

summoning them to a meeting to be held on the 14th February 1943, to prepare for the Election Conference, and to hear further reports on the activities of the T.A.C.

Messrs. A.H. Mbelle, J.L. Ntshudisane and the Provincial Treasurer S.S. Maloka said that the circulars summoning the meeting just referred to were out of order. The meeting could never be called.

I went on with my plans of calling the Conference for Election. This was in keeping with the decision of the Executive Committee meeting of November 1st 1942, and January 10th 1943 respectively.

A further meeting of the "Round Table Conference" took place on the 28th February, 1943. At this meeting there were further co-options to the original Congress delegation to the "M" Section, of Messrs. A.A. Mbelle and L.E.S. Gama. This meeting made a recommendation that a new Executive Committee with Mr. S.S. Maloka as President, Mr. M.K. Mphahlele Secretary and Mr. E.P. Moretsele as Treasurer with their respective assistants, should be constituted to substitute the existing Executive Committee. The recommendation was submitted to a joint Meeting of the two Sections of Congress on the 14th March, 1943. But the joint Meeting of the Congresses did not accept the recommendation, and instead it recommended the formation of an Election Committee.

The Election Committee met on the 21st March, 1943, for the election of a Chairman and Secretary. It appears, at this juncture, that the Election Committee reverted to the recommendation of the 28th February, 1943, viz: That the Executive Committee consisting of S.S. Maloka (President), Mr. M.K. Mphahlele (Secretary) and Mr. Moretsele (Treasurer) and their respective assistants, be constituted, and as stated already, this latter recommendation was turned down by a Joint Committee Meeting held at Benoni on the 14th March, 1943.

This was followed by a letter dated 22nd March, 1943, from Mr. A.A. Mbelle, who designated himself Acting Assistant Provincial Secretary, and demanded all the documents of Congress from me (the Provincial Secretary). I also received a letter dated 22nd March 1943, from Mr. J.B. Marks who requested me to forward him as Secretary of the Election Committee all branch addresses and any other particulars that might help in the work of arranging for the Election Conference.-----There were signs of unprecedented confusion ahead. When matters came to this pass I felt at once that it was incumbent upon me to take a decisive action. I thereupon summoned an Emergency Meeting of the Executive Committee which met at 44 Diagonal Street on the 11th April 1943.

At this Emergency Meeting, I explained the reasons that had impelled me to call the meeting. There was an urgent need for the election of a Provincial President, since so much time had been allowed to pass between the death of the last President and the Election of a new one. The need had been intensified by the activities of certain groups that, for their own ends, sought to postpone the Election day from the 24 - 26th April to some unknown future date.

After lengthy discussion the Meeting decided to elect a Select Committee to inquire into the whole position of Congress in the Transvaal. One of the most outstanding decisions of the Select Committee was that an Election Conference be held at 44 Diagonal Street, Johannesburg, on the 31st May, 1943. Mr. S.S. Maloka was instructed by the Select Committee to call a meeting within 14 days for the purpose of electing a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of an Organising Committee whose task would be to arrange for the Election Conference. Notwithstanding the instructions referred to above, Mr. S.S. Maloka failed to call the
/ meeting ...

meeting within 14 days, and no arrangements are being made to convene the Election Conference.

The above report reflects the true nature of the most recent developments in the Provincial Congress - developments which are in themselves most interesting and revolutionary, and which are capable of exciting the most diverse speculation as to the future prospects of the Congress in the Transvaal.

G. S. Ramokana
.....
Provincial Secretary
140, 6th Avenue,
Alexandria Township.

ABX. 430531c
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TRANSVAAL AFRICAN CONGRESS.

BRANCH OF THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS.

140, 6th Avenue,
Alexandra Township,
JOHANNESBURG.

31 May, 1943.

Dear Member,

Appended herewith please find the text of resolutions passed at the Annual Conference of the African National Congress, held at Bloemfontein from the 20th to 22nd December, 1942.

The resolutions have been forwarded to me by the Secretary General with instructions to communicate them to the members of the Congress in the Transvaal, through branch officials and organisers. Your attention is particularly directed to Resolutions numbers 1, 2, 4, 23 and 28.

I must at the same time bring to your notice the decision taken by the Provincial Conference of the Congress, held at Pretoria on the 5th October, 1942.- "That the Provincial Secretary must suspend those branch officials who do not do their duties."

Yours fraternally,

C.S. RAMOHANOE
PROVINCIAL SECRETARY.

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