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	A.N.C. meeting, New Ermelo Location, Ermelo (cont.)	<p>R. E. Press 43 (cont.)</p> <p>Johanna Tshabangu.....</p> <p>B. Hlapane 6.....</p> <p>G. Sibande 50.....</p>	<p>You remember the story of the camel. It was overburdened and then it sat down and refused to move. The people will not sit down like the camel. They will say: 'We want freedom'. We want the Freedom Charter. All shall be equal. I don't want to work for the Government. I want to work for the people. There shall be freedom and security for all. . . . Why are we never told what is being done for the people in the U.S.S.R.? Why were the English thrown out of India? We have brothers and sisters in Bechuanaland, in Kenya and also in U.S.S.R. and China. What did our friends do? They told the Soviet Consul to leave."</p> <p>"It is time that there should be one common weapon to crush this fascist Government. They are afraid of the African National Congress. If they were not afraid they would not have sent those spies in the car. . . . Those black natives in that car are selling their own nation. But don't worry, they are in the minority and we in the majority. We will fight them with all their laws, and the time is just tomorrow. . . . Even that tree over there will demand them. The spear of freedom is behind every reactionary. . . . You in that car, let your women carry the passes you have printed for us. The wheel of freedom shall crush you. You cannot stop the youth of the African . . . Down with this fascist government. The black which I wear around my neck means the African nation. The yellow is the gold for which my people die in the mines. The green is our country which they have stolen from us. We are determined to take over everything. Come now children and join this liberation movement."</p> <p>Read all the clauses of the Freedom Charter and urged the persons present to evolve tactics best suited to counter every move of the Government.</p> <p>"I also want to say a few words about the pass laws and the Bantu Education Act. This foul Government wants to extend the passes to our women. I say to native mothers and daughters: 'don't carry passes'. We must fight them with every weapon at our disposal. . . . I say to you: 'join the African National Congress', and fight this fascist Government to the bitter end."</p>	



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4/3/56	S.A.C.T.U. meeting, Parade, Cape Town	<p>J. Mahlangu.....</p> <p>L. Masina 24.....</p> <p>L. Levy 15.....</p> <p>P. Beyleveld 4.....</p>	<p>“ Friends, we are really people of the land who are demanding the right to legislate for our own selves. To voters of South Africa, they vote for their employers, we have to vote for workers ourselves. How can we expect a voter to vote for his employer to represent him to reserve our votes for open hands, and to represent only his own open mind, how can you vote for that person to legislate for you, and not to legislate yourself in the Freedom Charter as per design?”</p> <p>Discussed the position of workers and said, <i>inter alia</i>: “ Comrades, before I conclude, it is useless criticising the Native Labour Act, the Disputes Act, and criticise them all, all the working class legislation. Why we don't put forward something constructive? Now we, of South African Congress of Trade Unions, are putting forward something constructive. We have a certain section in the Freedom Charter which has been adopted by the people of South Africa. It reads as follows: ‘ There shall be work and security. All who work shall be free to form Trade Unions, to elect their officers and to make wage agreements. The State shall recognise the right of all to work and to draw full unemployment benefits. Men and women of all races shall receive equal pay for equal work ’. And of course, comrades, I want to make this statement, that, in all capitalist countries there is no such a thing as equal pay for equal work for men and women. . . . You only get that in socialist countries.”</p> <p>Discussed position of workers and said <i>inter alia</i>: “ Let us lead the workers to freedom. Comrades let us lead the workers to the South Africa of the Freedom Charter.”</p> <p>“ Those people gathered there (Kliptown) to draw up the alternative, the alternative of the Government that we have to-day. They conferred for two days and they produced the Freedom Charter. I want to read to you this preamble.” He then proceeded to read the Freedom Charter. He also said: “ We have been asked on many occasions ‘ How are you going to bring that about? ’ We are going to bring it about by mobilising the people, by mobilising the people in their fullest support for the aims and objectives as set out in this great document (meaning the Freedom Charter). Let us now go forward to freedom, equality and a true democracy in South Africa.”</p>	<p>P. Beyleveld 4</p> <p>L. Masina 24</p> <p>L. Levy 15</p>



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	S.A.C.T.U. meeting, Parade, Cape Town (cont.)	C. Sibande.....	<p>“ Those people who stand in the middle saying that instead of saying apartheid we say separation, they better excuse us right now and stand away, because we will crush them. Instead of crushing our enemies, the nationalist government, we will crush them first, because they are our obstacles. Everyone knows in every country what has happened to traitors and spies. The death penalty of a spy is the death sentence and nothing else. So these people who stand between us and the enemy and keep on saying that we are with you and yet they are only with you with their big eyes and big ears, to carry information to the enemies, they will be the first to go.”</p>	
13/3/56	S.A.C.P.O. meeting, Parade, Cape Town	A. La Guma 60.....	<p>“ Now, we have had several meetings here on the Grand Parade, South African Coloured Peoples Organisation, the African National Congress, the Congress of Democrats, and we have always stressed that the time would come when the Coloured People will have to make a decision to take part in the struggle for democracy in South Africa. We have always said that once the ruling class has finished with the African people they would turn to the other section of the population, and in 1936, when the African people began to feel . . . the oppression we said . . . we said that the Coloured people would be next in line, and our words have come true. . . . And our organisation has always stressed that the only salvation of the Coloured people is to fight in line with the African people in the great struggle for democracy in South Africa. We will go on saying it, and we will go organising the coloured people towards these ends. . . . And we have seen that with remaking the political rights of the Coloured People and the African People, the non-existent right of the Indian People, that the only alternative for the non-European people of South Africa is to organise a struggle for liberation outside of Parliament, not through Parliament, but outside of Parliament, that is where their struggle lies. And it is for the non-European People to begin to realise, if they have not done so in the past, that the time is drawing near for them to get up on their hind legs and gird themselves for battle. . . . And the path to freedom in this country lies open to everybody, because the doors were opened when the great Congress of the People were held, and the Freedom Charter was drawn up. The doors to freedom lie</p>	A. La Guma 60



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	S.A.C.P.O. meeting, Parade, Cape Town (cont.)	A. La Guma 60 (cont.)	open, it is for you to step through that door and take the road to—back to South Africa, where there will be no more apartheid and no more pass laws, where you will be able to govern, yourself, to take part in the Government of the country. It is only that way that you have—there is no other way. . . . It is only by supporting the Congresses that—to join the Congresses—that you will get on the road to freedom.”	
18/3/56	A.N.C. meeting, Newclare, Johannesburg	S. Malupi 22.....	“So I say unto you must decide when to die as the war is on fighting. We must fight because the enemy sees us alive.”	J. Matlou 27 H. Tshabalala 54 A. Chamile 5 S. Tyiki 53 P. Molaoa 30 T. Mmusi 28 S. Malupi 22
18/3/56	A.N.C. meeting, Lady Selborne, Pretoria	H. Moossa 33.....	Agitated against the extension of passes to native women.	H. Moossa 33 J. Nkadimeng 39 S. Shall 48
		S. Shall 48.....	Analysed the provisions of the Freedom Charter, urged the support and adoption thereof, and said: “We must fight the Government by all means and we will beat the Government. We must strike them such a blow that they will never recover. That is the way we must work. Down with the pass laws. Make the people join the Congresses. Then we will give the Government a blow.”	
		J. Nkadimeng 39.....	“Once more the people of Pretoria had struck a blow at apartheid. They refused to be removed from Lady Selborne. . . . I must tell you of a resolution by the women of Transvaal, to go and meet Strijdom half-way. . . . Sweep Strijdom and his mad men here aside.”	
25/3/56	A.N.C. meeting, Sophiatown, Johannesburg	R. Resha 44.....	“Because they are so evil, they start with a small town. How many dirty Europeans we find in the market, bitten by lice, but they will never ask them passes. Friends, why our women must be identified by dirty, vicious and insultable policemen, not by us? How many non-Europeans are being raped by Europeans? How many of them?”	S. Tyiki 53 R. Resha 44



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25/3/56	A.N.C. meeting, Newclare, Johannesburg	F. Keitsing 11.....	Agitated against the extension of passes to women.	B. Seitshiro 45 F. Keitsing 11
25/3/56	A.N.C. meeting, Daveyton Location, Benoni	J. Makwe 20.....  L. Ngoyi 38.....	“ Daveyton People boycott Bantu Education. The only way is to boycott. . . . Verwoerd, Strijdom are running away from the Parliament. Teach these Boers that they are fools. We are the people of South Africa. We will fight till late people shall govern. People shall share the inheritance of the country. People shall be equal at law. There shall be work and security. Doors of culture shall be opened.”  “ We don’t want Bantu Education.” Resolution adopted at meeting: Endorses Freedom Charter and recommends the African National Congress Conference to adopt it.	L. Ngoyi 38 J. Makwe 20 R. Resha 44
31/3/56 to 1/4/56	S.A.C.O.D. Annual National Conference, Johannesburg	Resolution adopted.....	“ 1. POLICY.  Deeply conscious that the urgent strategic needs of the people’s struggle to defeat the Nationalist Party and its fascist programme, require the mobilisation of all sections of the population for an extra-parliamentary struggle to replace the Nationalist Government with a People’s Democratic Government, and to replace the present denial of social, economic and political rights with a constitution guaranteeing to all the rights embodied in the Freedom Charter, and conscious too, that the Congress movement . . . is the historically correct instrument for this task Conference recognises that the South African Congress of Democrats has a general and collective responsibility to and for the Congress movement as a whole but a specific responsibility for the task, which historically and because of its nature and character, it alone is best equipped to undertake . . .”  “ Conference therefore resolves that the main task of the South African Congress of Democrats shall be to make the Congress movement and the Freedom Charter a living force amongst the European population, and the same time to deal with specific issues affecting the white population.  Conference is confronted with reviewing the legislation of the current session of Parliament, exposing the undemocratic manoeuvres of the Nationalist Government and placing its alternative, the Freedom Charter, before the people.”	F. Adams 1 Barsel 2 Beyleveld 4 H. Joseph 9 Levy 15 Masina 24 L. Ngoyi 38 Moossa 33 Press 43 Shall 48 Dhlamini 81



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8/4/56	A.N.C. meeting, Sophiatown, Johannesburg	<p>J. Chabaku.....</p> <p>P. Mathole 26.....</p> <p>H. Tshabalala 54.....</p>	<p>“ So arise, my African people, I see the African People rally around Congress. Join in thousands the liberation movement. I see the African people going forward step by step, crushing every enemy, to unity and friendship. I appeal to the youth to go forward. The fight is always won by the youth . . .”</p> <p>“ ‘The people shall govern’ says the Freedom Charter. ‘The people shall share in the wealth of the country’. That is what this Government does not want. . . . The African National Congress is making a country-wide call. Our children must be prepared to refuse to go to Verwoerd’s schools. . . . We don’t want Verwoerd’s Bantu Education. . . . We are moving towards freedom, nothing can stop us. The wheel of the people shall crush our opponents.”</p> <p>“ We say we Africans are educated today, we will look after ourselves, we want to govern ourselves. They can never act against us, we are in the majority, we outnumber them far. I want to remind the African youth that this land belongs to us, the women, the cattle, the farms, everything, it belongs to us. They were left to us by our ancestors . . .”</p>	<p>P. P. Nthithe 41</p> <p>J. Modisi 29</p> <p>H. Joseph 9</p> <p>H. G. Makgothi 21</p> <p>S. Tyiki 53</p> <p>P. Mathole 26</p> <p>H. Tshabalala 54</p> <p>J. Matlou 27</p> <p>B. Mashaba 25</p> <p>R. Resha 44</p> <p>E. P. Moretsele 34</p>
15/4/56	S.A.C.P.O. meeting, Parade, Cape Town	<p>A. La Guma 60.....</p> <p>A. Sibeko.....</p>	<p>“ . . . We had speaker after speaker condemning the apartheid policy of the Nationalist Party and all these people have asked ‘when are we going to do something about it’. Well, we of the South African Coloured People’s Association say that now the people must do something about it. We say that you must not be prepared to use any of the buses on the City Tramways and the Golden Arrow Bus Services as from tomorrow. . . . We will give a lead, but you people, you use the buses, it is your task to boycott, and in boycotting the buses, refusing to use the buses, is going to entail a sacrifice on your part . . .”</p> <p>“ . . . I have got pleasure to tell you that on behalf of the committee of South African Congress of Trade Unions we pledge ourselves to support whatever this meeting decided to do. . . . I appeal to all the workers black, green, yellow to support this boycott. . . . I appeal to you all especially the workers. I stress this because as you all know that this Government is the Government of the bosses. It is not the Government of the workers. They are anti-workers.”</p>	<p>D. Mgungunyeka 61</p> <p>L. Forman 58</p> <p>A. La Guma 60</p>



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	S.A.C.P.O. meeting, Parade, Cape Town (cont.)	D. Mgungunyeka 61...  A. La Guma 60.....  L. Forman 58.....	<p>“ Now we appeal to all this nation from today. They are not in the struggle for one day. They are not in the struggle for one year. We are going to join this and we will go on to fight on this struggle with the yellow nation until the victory is won. We are prepared. We will prepare them, and we are going to organise these other people and tell them what is going to happen. We are going to be in the House of Assembly one day, all of us, sitting there as the Freedom Charter says: ‘ The people shall govern ’, not the minority shall govern this world.”</p> <p>“ Friends, we’ve all heard of the Freedom Charter passed by the Congress of the People now that has been distributed amongst you and your lady is going around with signature forms. Those in support of the Freedom Charter please sign these forms.”</p> <p>“ Sometimes it is said that the Nats are able to get away with what they are doing and that they are able to do even more, because the forces against them are so small. But that is because we think only of the forces inside Parliament. In fact the forces against the Nationalists, the forces against apartheid are very mighty and very strong. There are 8,000,000 non-European people in South Africa, 2,000,000 Europeans. . . . There are more and more people ready to take for themselves their freedom ”, and proceeds to urge concerted action to defeat apartheid on the buses.</p>	
22/4/56	A.N.C. meeting, Newclare, Johannesburg	F. Keitsing 11.....  B. Seitshiro 45.....  T. Mmusi 28.....  S. Malupe 22.....	<p>“ In these days we want a person to choose between oppression and freedom which one do you agree (and the audience said ‘ Freedom ’) so if is like that let us go back to the Freedom Charter, which says ‘ The people will govern ’.”</p> <p>“ Let us not be frightened by the sten guns. I am sure the sten guns will not refuse if you take it from the owner and point it to him . . . ”</p> <p>“ Under the Freedom Charter the people shall govern. The people shall share the country’s wealth.”</p> <p>“ We don’t want Kenya here. We don’t want Mau Mau here. The Nationalists are deceived by hatism (?) because they had been told that their fathers had been killed by Dingaan and Moshesh. We were not there. Yes, these people have been bluffed because they have guns but they forget that 1,000 men</p>	F. Keitsing 11 A. Chamile 5 T. Mmusi 28 S. Malupe 22 B. Seitshiro 45



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22/4/56	<p>A.N.C. meeting, Newclare, Johannesburg (cont.)</p> <p>S.A.C.T.U. meeting, Johannesburg</p>	<p>S. Malupe 22 (cont.)</p> <p>J. Nkadimeng 39.....</p> <p>L. Levy 15.....</p> <p>P. Beyleveld 4.....</p>	<p>managed the war in China; and in Kenya, the English people are sleepless. The panga is shining by night. My people, I do not want to waste your time. You must know there is war in this country. This war has been started by the ruling classes . . .”</p> <p>Referring to South African Congress of Trade Unions he said: “ We must work side by side with other organisations in its fight for the aims set out in the Freedom Charter and the coming into being of a new democratic South Africa.”</p> <p>“ Comrades, today I want to talk about the Parliament. Not the Parliament that you know of Cape Town that sits there. Not the Parliament of Strijdom and Verwoerd, but the Parliament of Congress. I want to talk about. Comrades, the Conference that was held in Cape Town by the South African Congress of Trade Unions was the workers Parliament, and my task today, comrades, is to tell you what that Workers’ Parliament decided and to tell you how we must carry out the wishes of that Workers’ Parliament. Comrades, this is a challenge to the workers of South Africa. Are we going to accept these laws lying down or are we going to meet them standing up organised and fight back. Are we going to submit to slavery, the sjambok and the whip, or are we going to form powerful Trade Unions and force the employers to give way to the wages demands. I believe, Comrades, that we are going to build those powerful Trade Unions. That we are going to do the same as our fellow workers have done overseas in fighting for freedom, and that we shall win our freedom through organising the workers into powerful Trade Unions. . . . Comrades, we must inspire the people that there is a great future for them in South Africa. The future of the Freedom Charter. Comrades, the future of South Africa lies in the hands of the workers and it is for us to win it.”</p> <p>“ I say to you that if people had one co-ordinating body of Trade Unions in South Africa, representing all the workers in South Africa, whether those workers are Africans, Coloureds, Indians or Europeans, we would be able to rule this country. (Applause). And that must be the aim. That must be the object of the South African Congress of Trade Unions, to achieve that object. We are the only Trade Union co-ordinating body in South</p>	<p>L. Levy 15</p> <p>P. Beyleveld 4</p> <p>J. Nkadimeng 39</p> <p>O. Motsabi 35</p> <p>S. Shall 48</p> <p>P. Molaoa 30</p> <p>J. Matlou 27</p> <p>A. Mahlangu 18</p>



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	S.A.C.T.U. meeting, Johannesburg (cont.)	P. Beyleveld 4 (cont.)	Africa that swung its ranks open to people of all races, of all workers in South Africa. . . . The struggle in South Africa is a working class struggle. The struggle for better wages, better conditions in the factories, all these things that the workers want for themselves, inseparably link up in the struggle for democratic freedom for all the people in South Africa. . . . We in the South African Congress of Trade Unions and in the Congress movement in South Africa, we can win the struggle for liberation, and it is our duty to lead the workers in that struggle for liberation. And to encourage the workers to work within the congress movement to achieve that. And I want to repeat that I think the workers whose only role that they take in the congress movement is to criticise the congress movement, instead of going there and do the work, we will be glad to see them. The time has arrived that we must let that type of people know that we have no place for them. And that they are in fact enemies of the movement. Enemies of the workers. Enemies of liberation. In conclusion I just want to repeat that in the best of circumstances in South Africa, you cannot separate the working class struggle from the struggle for liberation. In the Freedom Charter we have the framework of a very beautiful South Africa. Let South African Congress of Trade Unions go forward and organise the workers to work for the realisation of that ideal."	
29/4/56	A.N.C. meeting, Newclare, Johannesburg	D. Khonou.....  B. Seitshiro 45.....  T. Mmusi 28.....	<p>"As workers we know that every man wants to increase the living standards of his family. That is why we say in the Freedom Charter. 'The land belongs to those who work it'. I say fight for these things that are embodied in the Freedom Charter."</p> <p>"We know quite well the Freedom Charter has been accepted throughout the world, throughout South Africa. . . . We know that the people are right, they will never accept what is wrong . . ."</p> <p>"Yes, today the Government is testing the strength and solidarity of the African people, not for nothing have we inserted in the Freedom Charter that the people shall share in the country's wealth. . . . Let us have unity so that we can drive the enemy</p>	B. Seitshiro 45 (chairman) A. Chamile 5 S. Malupe 22 T. Mmusi 28



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	A.N.C. meeting, Newclare, Johannesburg (cont.)	T. Mmusi 28 (cont.)	from our mother land. . . . We say the people shall govern, not the minority, stupid minority, and when we govern then we shall share in the country's wealth."	
29/4/56	N.I.C. meeting, Durban.....	N. T. Naicker 87.....	Urged the ten million non-Europeans in this country together with European Democratic organisations to support the Freedom Charter.	G. Hurbans 82 N. T. Naicker 87
29/4/56	A.N.C.Y.L. meeting, Sophiatown, Johannesburg	P. Molaoa 30..... J. Modisi 29..... R. Resha 44.....	" You will find that today here in South Africa it is white against black. It is the sole intention of the white in South Africa to see that the African people must remain slaves in this country . . ." " I say to them let them go and tell Strijdom, let them go and tell Verwoerd and Swart to change their minds because even if the black man is to get his independence by force he will get it . . ." " The Afrikaner are afraid that if the African people receive education they will remember the day of Blood River. They know that the Zulu Blood which is inherent in every Zulu man, they will remember the day when Dingaan put his spears in the heart of the Boers. . . . The Afrikaners under Dr. Verwoerd know that if you are educated you will play on them the same trick that that great king Dingaan played on the boers when he called them to lunch, because they are always hungry, and they put the spears through their hearts . . . and I therefore want to say to the youth of Sophiatown our first duty is to handle these people in the flying squads. They are nothing, we can handle them. . . . When the people of Sophiatown said to Dr. Verwoerd ' we do not want to be removed from Sophiatown ', Dr. Verwoerd did not listen, but two weeks ago at the beer hall the youth of Newclare have spoken a language and since that day the police have not come back again to the beer hall. That language which the youth spoke at the beer hall is a language which many a white man in this country understands better (meaning thereby the use of violence) . . ." " These bastards of white people everyday murder us. Why should they not hang? Who is going to do the hanging? . . ."	A. Chamile 5 T. Mmusi 28 J. Modisi 29 P. Molaoa 30 P. Nthithe 41 H. Makgothi 21 R. Resha 44
1/5/56	May Day, Ghandi Library, Durban	B. Nair 88.....	Urged workers to join Congress of the People and to support it.	S. Dhlamini 81 (chairman). B. Nair 88



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13/5/56	Residents' meeting (re Bus Boycott), Evaton, Vereeniging	Ntstsubi.....  G. Sibande 50.....	<p>" I am sent here Chaka and Moshesh. The time has come that we must fight for our children. We must defeat our enemies. . . . we here in Evaton all over the world know that the time has arrived to act. Remove the chains of oppression . . . do not be afraid of gaols and not even death . . ."</p> <p>" We are awaiting a war and these same people here are of those who will cause the war. We are determined not to fight but they will cause all troubles which are still to come. Look at Wessels there. He looks very innocent, but just touch his feelings and he will shoot you. He was given that right by Swart his Minister. We have nowhere to go but we do not want to go away from Africa. We will die in this country which is our home. We will die for our country. . . . Let us be determined to fight to the bitter end. We are with you in your struggle here in Evaton, in joy and in sorrow. They, the oppressors, are playing with fire. They teach their children to hate us and they grow up as oppressors of the black man. I will also teach my children to hate the white man . . ."</p>	J. Molefi 31 S. M. Nathie 36 G. Sibande 50
13/5/56	A.N.C. meeting, Newclare, Johannesburg	B. Seitshiro 45.....  F. Keitsing 11.....	<p>" You white policemen, you have guns, pistols, when you see the black man you shoot. Is indeed a shame for police guarding us shooting. Even now in this car they have a machine-gun. Why they go about with a gun? That gun the African will answer and you will shoot. That gun shall not fail if I take from the owner to shoot."</p> <p>" Africans, there are two routes you must choose—you go to slavery or to freedom. Comrades, you must go out of house and fight, because you will die, even in the house, Africans, the people are letting us to be killed by the Europeans. . . . It does not matter, the police can shoot me, but I do my work. . . . Let us send our message to outside people. If I am sentenced to the farm, the Dutchmen shall cry. People shall not carry pass."</p>	B. Seitshiro 45 F. Keitsing 11 S. Malupe 22 T. Mmusi 28 A. Chamille 5
20/5/56	Residents' meeting (Bus Boycott), Evaton, Vereeniging	Make.....	<p>" The Israelites, Egyptian, Cypriots, and all over the world people fight for their freedom. Why can't we? It does not matter how you die. No nation has ever obtained liberation without bloodshed. What is happening in Evaton can be . . . when the revolution breaks out in Evaton, we will show the</p>	J. Molefi 31



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	Residents' meeting (Bus Boycott), Evaton, Vereeniging (cont.)	Make (cont.)  Asmal.....	oppressors that we, the Africans, will rule. The African National Congress says we claim every inch of Africa, whether our flesh will be torn from our bones. . . . Fight the oppressors like one man. Be united and die like brave man . . ." Referring to the Bus Boycott he said: "It is proof that nobody can doubt the determination of the people. It is built on years of grievance. . . . Our struggle may be a national struggle and one day a revolution may break out through this struggle in Evaton. Our struggle in Evaton is still a young boy, but it is fed with hatred and is growing up very fast."	
3/6/56	Residents' meeting, Evaton, Vereeniging	Motsele.....  Make.....	"Big things are still coming. When the black man in South Africa decides one day the machine guns will be of no use. I am a leader of the African National Congress and I will lead my people through our struggles. History has already shown us that revolutions were fought and won. We shall fight for our rights, even in prison we shall keep on fighting for our rights. Afrika Mayibuye." "A great man has said something. It is better for the Government to give us our freedom now than to wait until such time we take it ourselves."	J. Molefi 31
3/6/56	A.N.C. meeting, Alexandra, Johannesburg	T. X. Makiwana 19..  B. Mashaba 25..... J. N. Nkadimeng 39..	"Freedom Charter says 'people shall govern'. Those who are working but not Strijdom. The people shall share the wealth of the country." Spoke against extension of passes to women. Spoke against Bantu Education Act and called on Anti-permit Committee to hold processions.	P. Nene 37 B. Mashaba 25 J. N. Nkadimeng 39 T. X. Makiwana 19
3/6/56	A.N.C. meeting, Moroka, Johannesburg	Dr. Solanki.....	"The Freedom Charter contains the very principles for which we are fighting. The main point are these. . . . The people shall share in the country's wealth . . . why would others profit with our sweat. . . . The land shall be shared amongst those who work it. . . . Even God does not help those who do not help themselves. J. Nehru said: 'Success comes to those who dare and act, it seldom comes to those who are timid.' Therefore we have everything on our side, nothing to lose, everything to gain."	F. Adams 1 J. Kumalo 13 L. Ngoyi 38 A. Mahlangu 18



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	A.N.C. meeting, Moroka, Johannesburg (cont.)	<p>F. Adams 1.....</p> <p>Resolution.....</p> <p>Resolution.....</p> <p>L. Ngoyi 38.....</p>	<p>“ We will not get the Freedom Charter as our constitution by merely coming to meetings here, we will have to fight for it, and we will have to die for it. . . . We must see that our whole street signs this Charter and if each one of us can only do this in the next three weeks then by the time of our mass rally on the 24th of this month every person in Moroka Township would have signed the Freedom Charter and become a volunteer in the fight for freedom. We have got very little time to do it in and we have got a lot to do. Let us make a start now. . . . Today the Government wants to enslave us with their Bantu Education. . . . When you are afraid of the people you always oppress the people. Those teachers who accept Bantu Education and help to enslave their people, and help fit them in Verwoerd society, we warn those people they must accept the rightful wrath of the people. . . . We say Verwoerd with his education, Tomlinson with his report and the Government with all their oppressive legislation cannot stop the surge of the people for freedom. You know it is like a wave, you can never stop a wave. Verwoerd is trying to stop a wave. We warn him that he will be drowned in that wave. . . . We as non-Europeans know that we have only one enemy, and that is the Government of today. It is only when we are accepting the Freedom Charter, it is only then when we are working for the realisation of the Freedom Charter that we will have no Bantu Education, no Police standing around here that we will have a free South Africa.”</p> <p>“ This conference pledges itself to fight against the extension of the passes to African women and calls upon every freedom-loving organisation to resist and fight all measures in connection with passes, because the pass system is for creating reservoirs cheap labour and that will cause slavery.”</p> <p>Conference agrees to endorse the Freedom Charter and agrees to intensify the freedom campaign.</p> <p>“ We are not going to get freedom except that we must fight for it. . . . This is our time to fight for ourselves . . . we want to tell Strijdom and Verwoerd that we are prepared to die about these women’s passes. . . . We want the Government of the people for the people. We are not going to talk a lot, but we must make many protests. I think we must organise our children</p>	



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	A.N.C. meeting, Moroka, Johannesburg (cont.)	L. Ngoyi 38 (cont.) A. Mahlangu 18.....	to take over. . . . The will of the people is in body (meaning 'embodied') in the Freedom Charter." "But we African people we said we are going to get our Republic Government. They had failed all of them so why should we also fail too. We are facing on the gates of freedom."	
17/6/56	A.N.C. meeting, Evaton, Verteeniging	Make..... S. M. Nathie 36.....	"The bus boycott is subsidiary to the revolution. In our lifetime we must get liberation. . . . Those of you who are not prepared to die for Africa for which other country do you want to die for? Mayibuye Afrika" (meaning "Africa must return to us"). "It is the duty of every boy, girl, woman, man living in Africa to see that they play their part in the struggle for liberation. . . . We the people of South Africa declare that South Africa belongs to all of us who live in it whether they be black or white, that our people have been robbed and are robbed daily and therefore we the people of South Africa black and white together equals countrymen, brothers adopt this Freedom Charter."	S. M. Nathie 36
22/6/56	N.I.C. Meeting, Durban.....	A. E. Letele 92.....  Dr. Padyachee read message from Luthuli Dr. Hawthorne.....  P. H. Simelane 90 read message from Dr. W. Z. Conco 80 G. Hurbans 82.....	"We are heading for crisis that are harder than even some of the riots that we have seen, and I think there is still plenty of time to link yourself in some way with organisations that stand for national liberation. Churchill in the darker days of the war . . . urged his men to fight on, fight bravely, to fight in the streets, in the trenches, etc. I now ask you to fight on, to fight bravely, to fight against the oppression, racial discrimination, wherever you may be. In industry, in education, the professions in sports, in society, fighting everywhere . . ." "The Freedom Charter embodies the aspirations of all who believe in democracy and Freedom . . ." "We should see that all South Africans understand the Freedom Charter and work towards it." "Freedom Charter . . . embodies the aspirations of the people in South Africa . . ." "I recommend the Freedom Charter is read by all of you, who have not yet made a study of it, who have not tried to understand it, I ask you to examine it . . ."	N. T. Naicker 87 P. H. Simelane 90 G. Hurbans 82 D. A. Seedat 89 B. Nair 88 M. M. Motala 84 A. E. Letele 92



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22-24/6/56	Natal Indian Congress, 9th Annual General Meeting, Durban	<p>Chairman S.A.C.P.O. Alex la Guma 60</p> <p>Secretary S.A.C.T.U. Durban Local Committee Billy Nair 88</p> <p>Dr. Naicker 85.....</p> <p>Secretarial report, N. T. Naicker 87</p>	<p>“ Only a mighty peoples front against the nationalists will defeat them. We of the Congress movement have commenced to forge that front. With the glorious Freedom Charter uniting us, we will go forward to build a new South Africa ” (meaning thereby a so-called “ People’s Democracy ”).</p> <p>“ The trade Union movement, realises that whilst its fight is primarily economic, its final objective which has been embodied in that great document the Freedom Charter and which reads: ‘ The people shall share in the country’s wealth ’—can only be achieved in active participation with the Congress Struggle for the implementation of the Freedom Charter—We declare with you that the implementation of the demands embodied in the Freedom Charter must be the first and foremost task to be worked for in this country by all those who believe in freedom and democracy.”</p> <p>“ We declare unequivocally against colonialism and give our whole-hearted support to the fight for freedom throughout the world. In the fight against colonialism the people of Africa are daily playing an increasing role and we in South Africa must make a common cause with the rest of our brethren in this emergent Africa.”</p> <p>“ . . . Our support for the charter . . . is already there, if we link the demands in the charter with the day to day demands of our people. . . . Let us, with the congress movement and with all true democrats, march forward on the road to liberty.”</p> <p>“ On the continent of Africa we are witnessing a great stirring of the people in their determined efforts to overthrow the yoke of imperialism. Africa must and will be free. No one can prevent her from her destiny which her toiling sons and daughters have earmarked for her. . . . Asia has given a death blow to imperialism. We in Africa will have to bury imperialism for all times. . . . In that sacred task let no one from Algeria to the Cape be found wanting. . . . ” “ The struggle against colonialism, imperialism and racial discrimination is a common world-wide struggle and South Africa is only one of its numerous battlefields. . . . It is for us in South Africa as leaders of our people to mobilise the millions of oppressed in this country so that they too can keep in step with the freedom march of history.”</p>	<p>Conco 80 Hurbans 82 Motala 84 Naicker 85 N. T. Naicker 87 Nair 88 Seedat 89 Simelane 90 Letele 92</p>



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24-26/6/56	<p>Natal India Congress, 9th Annual General Meeting, Durban (<i>cont.</i>)</p> <p>C.O.P. Anniversary meeting, Kliptown, Johannesburg</p>	<p>N. T. Naicker 87.....</p> <p>L. Masina 24.....</p> <p>P. Mathole 26.....</p> <p>L. Levy 15.....</p>	<p>Pledges whole-hearted support for Freedom Charter—calls upon all branches to work with African National Congress, S.A.C.O.D., S.A.C.T.U., S.A.C.P.O. for propagating ideals of the Charter in an organised campaign throughout Natal.</p> <p>Chairman of the meeting said: “On behalf of the oppressed peoples of South Africa, and in the name of Congress movement, I have the pleasure in welcoming you here, today and declare our first anniversary celebration of the Congress of the People open. June 26th is our national day of rededication in the struggle for liberation. We are here to celebrate our progress so that our children can understand the difficulties overcome by our movement. In the process of struggle, June the 26th is not strictly speaking only a day to remember the Congress of the People, but it is a day which history will regard as a real national day celebrating the rallying of the oppressed people around the freedom movement. History will regard June the 26th 1950, when freedom fighters gave their blood when the nation stopped work as a protest against the Suppression of Communism Bill, as a day of remembrance.”</p> <p>Read the following message from Luthuli “I want you (audience) to say this after me ‘Until freedom becomes the possession of all in Union of South Africa I pledge myself to count no cause too great to gain this freedom’”, and also read the following message from G. M. Naicker 85: “. . . We are heartened by the fact that the Freedom Charter is daily becoming an instrument for greater unity to guide our people towards a universal goal. On this first anniversary Congress men in South Africa, wherever they may be, whether under punishment, deportation, banning or under . . . of being banned, should take a solemn pledge to continue striving against apartheid and oppression in every aspect of our lives and to carry the Freedom Charter from the Congress Movement to others who are unenlightened and labouring in darkness. Ours is a cause to save South Africa from the danger that threatens to engulf it.”</p> <p>“We i.e. the South African Congress of Trade Unions, are proud to announce today that we stand equally side by side with the other congress in the struggle for liberation, emancipation and freedom. We are now one of the congresses. . . . The task of</p>	<p>S. M. Nathie 36</p> <p>D. C. Thompson 55</p> <p>G. Sibande 50</p> <p>R. E. Press 43</p> <p>L. Masina 24</p> <p>P. Mathole 26</p> <p>L. Levy 15</p> <p>L. Ngoyi 38</p> <p>E. P. Moretsele 34</p> <p>S. Lollan 16</p> <p>R. Resha 44</p> <p>H. M. Moossa 33</p> <p>F. Adams 1</p> <p>A. Hutchinson 7</p> <p>B. Hlapane 6</p> <p>H. G. Makgothi 21</p> <p>P. Molaoa 30</p> <p>H. Joseph 9</p> <p>N. Sejake 46</p> <p>T. X. Makiwana 19</p> <p>T. Mmusi 28</p> <p>S. Malupe 22</p> <p>S. Tyiki 53</p> <p>O. Motsabi 35</p> <p>J. N. Nkadimeng 39</p> <p>J. Modisi 29</p> <p>H. Tshabalala 54</p> <p>B. Mashaba 25</p> <p>P. Nene 37</p>



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	<p>C.O.P. Anniversary meeting, Kliptown, Johannesburg (cont.)</p>	<p>L. Levy 15 (cont.).....</p> <p>L. Ngoyi 38.....</p>	<p>representing the workers has fallen on the congress movement which boldly constitute itself as one of the congresses. The South African Congress of Trade Unions is now part of the congress alliance." Discussing the Conciliation Amendment Bill he says <i>inter alia</i> " There is only one answer to this question. Congress is the answer. Congress only sees the answer to the sufferings of the people. The answer lies in Unity of workers of all races. The answer is the Unity of the workers under the banner of the congress, the answer is the Freedom Charter. The Freedom Charter speaks clearly for the people."</p> <p>" This is a great day to all lovers of freedom, to all those who don't support apartheid. This is a great day for all women belonging to the S.A. Federation of Women. It is a great day for women in the African National Congress. We say we do not want passes. I am going to speak on passes. . . . The pass is like a dog on a chain when the dog wants to run away you just pull the chain . . . you know how to fight against these passes. When you fight against passes you must know that you are now fighting a force . . . you must be determined like a crocodile. Women in Winburg refused to accept passes. . . . The Afrikaner said: ' let them die, they must carry passes '. Now daughters of Africa, you know about . . . we will not carry passes. We will rather sacrifice ourselves. Friends, it is not only the African women who are fighting for freedom, but many women outside South Africa are fighting for freedom. Many died for their freedom. . . . We know that the pass system means slavery to us, Friends, we all know that all nations who are free today freed themselves. We know that exploiters and oppressors will not succeed. Great King Pharoah in Egypt tried to tell the Israelites, the Czars in Russia tried to exploit the workers of Russia. In China Chiang Kai Shek failed to sell the workers in China. Later Hitler tried to oppress the German people. He failed, he is nowhere to-day. The exploiter's grave is not known. I also call upon Yomo Kenyatta and other leaders who are suffering under imperialists you are not forgotten, we are with you. The oppressed people of South Africa, we shall give the last drop of our blood for the liberation of the oppressed people in South Africa. . . . Long live the Freedom Charter. Long live the workers of the Union of South Africa. They</p>	



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	<p>C.O.P. Anniversary meeting, Kliptown, Johannesburg (cont.)</p>	<p>L. Ngoyi 38 (cont.) . . . . E. P. Moretsele 34 . . . .</p> <p>H. Joseph 9 . . . . .</p> <p>G. Sibande 50 . . . . .</p>	<p>shall not succeed in extending passes to the African women.”</p> <p>“What is surprising is that the Europeans who are standing here do not see that the wheel of freedom is going to crush them eventually. . . . One day the people will be liberated, one day our prayers will be heard and we shall not only liberate ourselves, we shall liberate our own oppressors, those who are writing now . . . we shall make laws and govern everybody irrespective of race or colour. We are not going to turn back.”</p> <p>“We who grow older know that the days before us are dark, but we demand that there shall be freedom and rights of education for our children. They shall have that right, for the people of South Africa will not tolerate Bantu Education. We shall not tolerate that education which is intended to make slaves out of our children for the white masters. . . . The people will demand the right to demand alternative education to the poison of Bantu Education. Sons and daughters of Africa, the future is dark, but the people of South Africa, the real people of South Africa, become ever more determined as the cloud of oppression becomes darker and lower over the people of South Africa, so our courage and strength will grow, because we know that beyond that dark cloud of oppression shines a bright gleaming light for freedom. The freedom which is enshrined in the Freedom Charter, for we have taken that pledge ourselves, for these freedoms we shall fight throughout our lives, side by side, until our liberty has been won.”</p> <p>“I am very happy to come and speak to this, the People’s Parliament you can see that this is the People’s Parliament I am not afraid of anything because this is a parliament that was formed by the entire people of South Africa. You remember that last year it is this Parliament that laid down the foundation of the real Parliament . . . We shall have an assembly where everybody will have the right to make legislation . . . the people shall govern. There is nothing that can stop the people from governing . . . For a long time we have spoken in many languages, and these languages have never had any fruit. We have tried by all means that the people must understand. If those people failed to understand those languages, we are marching forward to freedom; there is nothing that can stand before us . . . even if our eyes are being shut, but freedom is ours. Fellow Africans. Prepare yourselves for freedom.”</p>	



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	C.O.P. Anniversary meeting, Kliptown, Johannesburg (cont.)	<p>H. Moossa 33.....</p> <p>Unknown speaker.....</p> <p>R. E. Press 43.....</p> <p>L. Masina 24.....</p>	<p>“ We must dedicate ourselves to work ceaselessly, and unsparingly, to see that the Freedom Charter becomes a real live document . . . We must see that one thing must come about that we shall have freedom in our lifetime.”</p> <p>“ Recently we all attended the funeral of Jebe Nkosi, a freedom volunteer, and that has left a mark in the hearts of the people, that we African people must be prepared to make the supreme sacrifice. It will not cause us to go back.”</p> <p>Read a resolution which said: “ We pledge to oppose at very stage the inroads made by the Nationalist Government on our already limited rights and liberties. We resolutely oppose the Group Areas Act and the Senate Act, Bantu Education and the Extension of Passes to the African women, and all other new and old restrictive legislation in opposition to apartheid, oppression and reaction. We choose the freedoms of the Freedom Charter, those freedoms we will fight for side by side, throughout our lives, until we have won our liberty and this land will be our land. Every single person that you go back and tell about this meeting, every single member that you enrol to Congress, every single signature that you can get for the Freedom Charter, every penny that you collect for Congress, every sleepless night that you give the police means that our freedom comes quicker.”</p> <p>“ If you look to the map of the world, you look at Asia. You see how nations are freeing themselves from oppression, nations are fighting against exploitation of man by man. When you come to our own continent of Africa, you see our brothers and sisters in the North fighting for freedom, fighting against imperialism. Now the whole world is looking at us . . . none will come and fight for us here. We must fight for ourselves. Other nations fought for freedom, and nobody freed them.”</p>	
26/6/56	A.N.C.W.L. meeting, Durban	<p>Fatima Seedat, representing Indian Women's Organisation</p> <p>Mkizi.....</p>	<p>“ Where Hitler ended, they (referring to the Government) will also end. We want to see a safe South Africa. They have created a racial disorder. Remember Johannes Nkosi who died at the hand of the police, so let us die in the same manner if need be . . . ”</p> <p>Urged audience to adopt Freedom Charter “ As it will aid us in our struggle against passes and secure freedom for us and our children.”</p>	<p>P. Manana 83</p> <p>S. Dhlamini 81</p>



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26/6/56	A.N.C. meeting, Parade, Cape Town	J. Morolong.....  D. Mgungunyeka 61.	<p>“ Of significance is this day June the 26th in the history of the Liberatory Movement, a movement which is beginning to date from the first time when the white man came into contact with the black man, ostensibly to deceive and civilise him, but in reality to rob him of his all, including his land, his freedom, his manhood. Sons and daughters of Africa, ever since the white man came to Africa the black man has never been a man. . . . One day when we occupy the House of Assembly, on June 26th of any year to come a public holiday will be declared. . . . In the past years I have said, this, and I’ll repeat myself, that if any man here in South Africa should not be prepared to stay with us here, ships are entering Cape Town every day, they are going out every day, and they are at liberty to leave with these ships. If at all they are not prepared to stay with us in peace and order, it is open to them to go back to Europe. Those who regard themselves as Europeans, this is Africa, it is not for Europeans.”</p> <p>“ There are victims who are dead through this day (26th June) there are people in front of God today through freedom. There are still going to be more to die for freedom, because it appears that there is no way to say anything to us other than by force. There is nobody to stand in the way of the liberatory movement other than by the way of force and guns.”</p>	D. Mgungunyeka 61
3/7/56	Witwatersrand Local Committee of S.A.C.T.U. meeting, Johannesburg	Resolution adopted.....	<p>“ It is agreed that the Committee would hold a series of meetings to popularise S.A.C.T.U. and the Freedom Charter.”</p>	Mahlangu 18 Nkadimeng 39
4/7/56	A.N.C. meeting, Langa, Cape Town	N. Levy.....	<p>“ The Bantu Education Act which will teach children no equality but slavery, not world culture but ethnic culture, not to love one another, but suspect one another, to suspect your neighbour. But the people don’t look to Verwoerd. They look to the Freedom Charter. They don’t accept the slavery of the Bantu Education Act . . .”</p>	R. Resha 44 H. Joseph 9 B. Mashaba 25 D. Mgungunyeka 61
8/7/56	A.N.C. meeting, Newclare, Johannesburg	B. Seitshiro 45 ( <i>chairman</i> )	<p>“ Speak free as a free man under Freedom Charter. We say we are all equal and we shall share the country’s wealth.”</p>	S. Malupe 22 F. Keitsing 11 A. Chamile 5 T. Mmusi 28 B. Seitshiro 45



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22/7/56	A.N.C. meeting, Albertynsville, Johannesburg	J. Kumalo 13..... B. Hlapane 6.....	“ They won't get republic because Luthuli is going to take over before the republic is established. Our people are going to take over Government without guns, with bare hands.” “ They (meaning the police) don't know that the people are going to take over soon . . .”	B. Hlapane 6 J. Kumalo 13
22/7/56	A.N.C. meeting, Newclare, Johannesburg	F. Keitsing 11..... S. Malupe 22..... T. Mmusi 28..... I. Bokala .....	“ We are going to burn these passes. Daylight on the 9th August, 1956, we shall march to Pretoria.” “ I say to Mr. Burger, my poor man, our women will not carry those passes. Our women are too great to carry such a dirty document. I say unto you my people, the time has come to meet these people by force, and we shall have to face them by force . . .” “ We the youth, we shall put a standstill to this permit and to this flying squad. . . . All this dirty act (meaning the Bantu Education Act) and dirty Afrikaners, we shall show them. We are not fighting. If these people want war they should go to the Middle East. In conclusion, I want to give this warning that the forces of the people will march and the members of the Security Branch and their satellites will be charged with High Treason and Sedition. The police must get out of South Africa if they do not want to get out of South Africa we will deal with them . . .” “ We the youth are producing Prime Ministers and during our time the people shall govern. The time has come that we must just take over. Africa belongs to you not to the Indians nor to the Chinese . . .”	B. Seitshiro 45 S. Malupe 22 T. Mmusi 28 F. Keitsing 11
22/7/56	S.A.C.T.U. meeting, Benoni Location, Benoni	Dr. R. E. Press 43....	Says that audience must take the path of the Freedom Charter.	L. Masina 24 L. Levy 15 R. E. Press 43
24/7/56	S.A.C.P.O. meeting, Port Elizabeth	S. Tobias .....	„ Ons moet almal uitgaan om te arbei, daar is baie om te doen. Ek wil nou 'n paar dinge bekend maak van die 'Freedom Charter' ”—and he then proceeds to explain the terms of the Freedom Charter.	W. Mkwayi 72
		S. Damons.....	„ Ons gaan niks regkry nie as ons stil sit, daarom vra ek julle almal wat vanaand hier is om na die huise te gaan en gaan	



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	S.A.C.P.O. meeting, Port Elizabeth ( <i>cont.</i> )	S. Damons ( <i>cont.</i> )..... W. Mkwazi 72.....	organiseer, in elke huis moet daar 'n Freedom Charter wees, dan sal ons weet wat om te doen." Supports campaign against reference books and says the reference books are making slaves of them.	
28/7/56	A.N.C. Provincial Conference, Edenvale, Pietermaritzburg	Luthuli.....  Dr. Sililo.....	Encourages the African women in their campaign against carrying passes, and after referring to the Freedom Charter as "Our Charter" he says "You and I shall have to fight faithfully side by side with all freedom lovers, and saying as we fight 'The struggle must go on until liberty is won'". "We adhere to the Freedom Charter formed in Kliptown. Therefore the whole of South Africa is waiting on the African National Congress to play its role. Let us advance forward to our freedom."	M. Motala 84 P. Simelane 90 S. Dhlamini 81 P. Manana 83 W. Z. Conco 80 M. Yengwa 91
29/7/56	A.N.C.W.L. meeting, Natal-spruit, Germiston	B. Mashaba 25..... J. Makwe 20.....	"The government knows that this country belongs to African people. The land shall be shared by the workers." "You must not only fight passes but you must fight many other laws. Wake up and go to Pretoria on 9th August, 1956. You must go in your numbers. There is no freedom unless you shed blood."	J. Makwe 20 B. Mashaba 25
29/7/56	A.N.C. meeting, New Ermelo Location, Ermelo	Joyce Watson.....  Solomon Hlatswayo....	"The coloured people must be united together with Indians and Africans, and then only will they be able to beat off the onslaughts made on them by the Fascist beasts who are determined to ruin our lives. If we go forward together we can beat them and blow them out of power. . . . We the oppressed people must fight on a united front and throw these filthy Nationalist beasts out of power. We must set up an honest, decent Government. We must fight to put in a Government which will recognise no colour bar and give us decent wages and houses. We want to work where we like. We must fight to throw out the Fascist beasts and set up a people's Government." "This meeting pledges itself to work for the realisation of the Freedom Charter and further to popularise the Freedom Charter by carrying the message of the Freedom Charter to farm workers and to those poor Africans who are digging gold. . . ." He also condemned the extension of passes to native women.	L. Ngoyi 38 B. Hlapane 6



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5/8/56	A.N.C.W.L. meeting, Germiston	J. Makwe 20.....	“ By this pass they realise the police will rape our children. We know the bad that the passes do on your children. Your leaders have already told you the way you shall take when you go to Pretoria. . . . On 9/8/56 we shall lead you to Pretoria. They say in Newclare that if they find a woman on 9/8/56 they will kill her. Now I want to know from you here about the women who will not go to Pretoria, we must shed blood when we want freedom . . .	J. Makwe 20
5/8/56	A.N.C. meeting, Newclare, Johannesburg	S. Malupe 22..... Unknown speaker.....	“ They say the forces of Kenyatta are the Mau Mau because they say to the white man ‘ Voetsek ’, and we say to the white man in South Africa ‘ Voetsek ’ . . . ” “ We know that we are slaves in this country. There is nowhere we can run. You must know that there is nobody to free you. Each and everyone must be prepared to die. . . . From now you must know that a white man is your enemy.”	T. X. Makiwana 19 B. Seitshiro 45 F. Keitsing 11 T. Mmusi 28 S. Malupe 22
19/8/56	A.N.C. meeting, Sophiatown, Johannesburg	Makgofe..... H. G. Makgothi 21... A. Mashaba.....	“ The Nationalists will be ruled by the Africans because I know that the war we are facing is not for the English and the Germans but it is the war between the Dutch and the Africans.” “ Who can dispute the African National Congress when we say we shall achieve freedom during our lifetime. We shall achieve our freedom whether the Dutch like it or not.” “ Bantu Education, friends, is driving to the days of Hitler. I wonder if you want your children to be your enemies and traitors. We are wasting our time by speaking in this square. We must come in millions and fight these Dutch.”	S. Tyiki 53 H. G. Makgothi 21 R. Resha 44 H. Tshabalala 54
26/8/56	A.N.C.W.L. meeting, Natal-spruit, Germiston	J. Makwe 20.....	“ Freedom in our lifetime. You the women showed Strijdom that you are not afraid. You must hit your men. There is nothing that we can get unless we shed blood. We must be prepared to fight. Don't be afraid, we have many weapons in Africa. . . . Strijdom has got our weapons . . . many of you know that Bantu Education is poisonous . . . we long said you must boycott the Bantu Education.”	J. Makwe 20 B. Hlapane 6



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	A.N.C.W.L. meeting, Natal-spruit, Germiston ( <i>cont.</i> )	B. Hlapane 6.....	" We do not want the United Party to take over but the African National Congress. In our Freedom Charter we say that the people shall govern and we are prepared to go to gaol. Comrades, we must pledge ourselves to go, and organise and at that time we shall say one word and not more . . ."	
26/8/56	A.N.C. meeting, Dube, Johannesburg	A. Mahlangu 18.....  L. Masina 24.....	" The present Government is the parasite system government, which is sucking our blood. They know how to determine the price of labour. The Parliament simply forget about workers. Africans, we must all unite under the Trade Unions and achieve our freedom . . ."  ". . . and what is freedom? And the answer is that we should have equal rights for all and we shall share the wealth of the country and all shall be equal before the law and all this appears under the Freedom Charter, and even here it is time to push the Government aside and get our freedom as mentioned in the Freedom Charter."	L. Masina 24 A. Mahlangu 18
2/9/56	A.N.C. meeting, Sophiatown, Johannesburg	Makgofe.....	" The dangerous people are the police. Before we can face the Dutch we must deal with them first . . ."	H. Tshabalala 54 P. P. Nthithe 41 R. Resha 44 P. Molaoa 30 J. Matlou 27
16/9/56	A.N.C.W.L. meeting, Natal-spruit, Germiston	Mary Rantha.....  B. Hlapane 6.....	" Freedom in our lifetime will only be achieved, if all women workers are organised. . . . Let us show this Government that we are not afraid. South Africa is a Police State. The people shall govern. . . . After achieving freedom we shall put the freedom charter in front of everybody because it says ' the people shall govern '."  " We are confident that in our forward march to freedom we shall crush anything in front of us. Is there any man who can challenge the freedom march of the people? You heard in Kenya when they wanted to take their country. . . . It is time that we stand up and we should fight for our leaders."	J. Makwe 20 B. Hlapane 6
23/9/56	S.A.C.T.U. meeting, Johannesburg	L. Masina 24.....	Calls upon General Secretary of African National Congress Women's League to read message on what is going to be done in regard to passes and she then proceeds to say: " Write to all the	L. Masina 24 P. Beyleveld 4 J. N. Nkadameng 39



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	S.A.C.T.U. meeting, Johannesburg (cont.)	L. Marina 24 (cont.)  J. Nkadimeng 39.....  L. Masina 24.....	women in the country and tell them how bad the pass law is. Yes that is why the women of South Africa assembled at the Union Buildings on the 9th August this year, to show this Government that we are not prepared to carry this pass. To show this Government whether they intimidate us by this Police Force it will not stop us. We will say that the people shall govern and we shall have the Police for the people and the people for the Police . . . let us be serious when we discuss these passes because it is the end of African people in South Africa." " We want to say here in the name of the liberation movement of the people of South Africa whether Strijdom, Swart, Verwoerd and the like, whether they like it or not, this wheel of freedom is rolling and rolling and the people of South Africa will in their lifetime achieve it. . . . Every sitting of Parliament we have seen these low bastards in Parliament coming out with new Acts to stop this upsurge of the people for freedom . . . we want to tell them (referring to the Government) that Hitler tried to do the same, but the end of him is unknown. Who knows where Hitler's grave is. . . . We say you can do what you like, man, but freedom shall come. We are not going to ask you for it. Anyone who stands in front of us, we shall push him aside. We demand it. To freedom we shall go. In the name of the liberation movement of the people of South Africa." "In other countries, where people are free, it is because of the fight put up by the workers. It was because their Trade Unions were properly organised."	L. Levy 15 O. Motsabi 35 Dr. R. E. Press 43 J. Kumalo 13
7/11/56	South African Society for Peace and Friendship with the Soviet Union meeting, Ghandi Hall, Johannesburg	P. Joseph 10.....	Referring to his visit to Soviet Russia he said, <i>inter alia</i> : " For 39 years the people of Russia have been free from oppression. They have progressed on the path of socialism. . . . They have changed the whole political structure. They have a society where the whole of the country and its products are theirs. . . . The Soviet Union has no ulterior motive like the western colonial powers, cheap labour."	R. Press 43 J. Nkadimeng 39 T. Makiwana 19 F. Adams 1 R. Resha 44 D. Nokwe 40 J. Matlou 27 O. Motsabi 35 D. C. Thompson 55 P. Joseph 10



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18/11/56	Anti-permit Committee meeting, Sophiatown, Johannesburg	A. Kathrada 14.....	<p>“ My blood gets boiled when I see a black man taking our words but I want to say to them, the day is coming. They must remember what happened to the traitors of Rumania and the traitors of Hungary. . . . We want to tell President Nasser that we African people of South Africa are with them. I want to say to you and I hope you will agree with that when they want the volunteers to fight in Egypt, the people of South Africa will respond because what is now fought for is freedom against imperialism. . . . I am asking you, my people, when we get our freedom what will happen to people like those”, and the audience: “ We will kill them.” “ We support you, President Nasser and the Soviet army. Let us say long live President Nasser. Long live the Soviet Army. Down with American and Egypt imperialists.”</p>	H. Tshabalala 54 J. Matlou 27 R. Resha 44 T. Makiwane 19 P. Molaoa 30 H. Makgothi 21 J. Modise 29 A. Kathrada 14
18/11/56	Interdenominational African Ministers' Federation meeting, Cape Town	J. Morolong.....  A. Sibeko.....	<p>“ People in the Free State and Transvaal can remember what happened on 16th December, 1838. They want to put a sheet behind the minds of the people. That is why they changed the name of Dingaan. That is why they want the people to forget about Dingaan, and that is why we don't have Dingaan's day. Because thousands and thousands of white people were killed by Dingaan when they fought for the freedom of their lands. Dingaan fought and died for his country and friends and comrades, let us do our duty as men. Let us do our duty and defend the country from the white domination. They took the land many years ago and we must fight for that land . . .”</p> <p>“ Africans must be prepared to die for their country. All Africans come here and join your organisations. You must join your Trade Union . . .”</p>	D. Mgugunyeka 61 ( <i>chairman</i> ).
22/11/56	A.N.C. meeting, 37 West Street, Johannesburg	L. Masina 24.....  J. Nkadimeng 39.....	<p>“ We as workers we are looking forward to the day when we shall share the profits equally . . . and in many cases if workers are united workers always succeed because (capitalists) employers are afraid of the strength of the workers.”</p> <p>“ I say, if they (referring to the Government) try to suppress the agitation for the freedom that we want, we must be true agitators of our freedom. We must agitate in every corner, in every street, in every house.”</p>	R. Resha 44 E. Moretsele 34 J. Nkadimeng 39 A. Mahlangu 18 L. Masina 24 H. Tshabalala 54 P. Mathole 26



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	A.N.C. Meeting, 37 West Street, Johannesburg (cont.)	R. Resha 44.....	<p>“ Mr. Chairman, sons and daughters of Africa, war has been declared, war has been declared, your leaders have spoken to you, but you must not be afraid. When war has been declared it is the duty of those to whom war has been declared against not to panic. The Government has decided not only to oppress the African people but to exterminate them from the surface of the earth. . . . War has been declared. . . . The leaflets of the African National Congress says that the time has come. What is this time that has come?. . . . The time has come for Congress to take the offensive. We are tired of the bluff of Strijdom and others, the time has now come for Congress to tell Strijdom and others what to do. The time has come for Chief Luthuli, for Moretsele and Rev. Gawe to say who must be arrested, who is this wanted. It must be Congress who must give those wanted, not these fools to come and choose amongst us to be arrested. . . . How can that be done? How can Chief Luthuli decide who must be arrested and when? Only when Chief Luthuli has 50,000 volunteers, then 200 will be a simple matter, out of 50,000 volunteers we can give Swart 200, and that will cost Swart the whole of the Union of South Africa. . . .” “ . . . Friends, my task this afternoon, or this evening, is not to speak to you about what is happening in this country, but my task is to give you duties. War has been declared and we must be ready. . . . But today I call upon every woman, every child, indeed every man, to put on his coat which only death must him depart with. . . . We know that the African National Congress we have people who love the organisation and spend their time in discussing and in planning for this organisation. Those people, my friends, are not volunteers, those people who are going to discuss whether clause 9 is right or wrong in the African Congress, are not volunteers. Volunteers are those people who do and die. Volunteers are those people who—who when they are given leaflets to do, they go out and distribute those leaflets. Volunteers are those people who don't ask questions. A volunteer is a person who has pledged himself to carry out the work of the African National Congress, whatever is involved, without questioning. A volunteer is a person who has dedicated his entire life to the liberation of his African people during the whole time. A volunteer</p>	



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	A.N.C. meeting, 37 West Street, Johannesburg (cont.)i	R. Resha 44 (cont.)...	<p>is a person who is disciplined. This is the key of the volunteer discipline. When you are disciplined and you are told by the organisation not to be violent, you must not be violent. If you are a true volunteer and you are called upon to be violent, you must be absolutely violent, you must murder! murder! That is all. When the baas goes to sleep it is the duty of the dog—it is the duty of the dog to make a noise whenever an enemy comes along. That is the task, that is the duty, that is the sacred work of a volunteer—to be vigilant at any time of the day. The first thing that you are called upon to do today is, that every Congress branch from tonight must form or revise its volunteer corps. . . . And I also want to call upon all those of you who are here tonight to become volunteers. You must all go to your branches and sign as volunteers afresh, even if you have done so in 1952. . . . The next thing you must do friends, it is the duty of every one of you who is a field worker, who is a volunteer, never to go to bed unless you have reported to your volunteer chief in your area. When you go to your area in the evening, go to your volunteer in chief and say: 'I have come, is there any work to do?' It is the duty of you all who are here tonight to tell the people what you have been told. I want to say to you once more that the main thing in a volunteer—the main thing in a volunteer is dicipline. . . . You can only meet the devil if you employ the tactics of the devil. . . . I think time has come in this country when we must pray God that amongst other things he must do to us, he must close our eyes and ears. It is our eyes which make us to be so afraid, it is our ears which make us to be such cowards, and if we did not have eyes or ears, I am sure that one day, one man in this country would move in one direction, no matter which direction and to . . . because of you running on the heads of people whom you don't see, and for holding people whom you don't know, for you have no eyes to see, that day we must pray that God must bring unto us today."</p>	



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25/11/56	Various Organisations N.I.C., A.N.C. — organised by Vigilance Committee of Group Areas, Durban	G. M. Naicker 85.....  G. Hurbans 82.....	<p>“ There is no Christianity or justice in the Group Areas Act. The only God in it is the God of Greed. We have a classic example of British justice in the Suez Canal. Egypt had every right to nationalise the Suez Canal, but the British robbed them of it. These aggressors do not remember that they are living in a new age, an age when the common man wants to live without exploitation, slave labour and colonial oppression.”</p> <p>Referring to the Western Areas Removal Scheme he says “ The people of Johannesburg have decided not to move. They want to see what the Government are going to do about it. If the people of Johannesburg do that, then we must also stay. We must continuously attack this act and show that it is wrong. We will have to make sacrifices so as to make living possible for the next generation.”</p>	G. M. Naicker 85 G. Hurbans 82 S. Dhlamini 81



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