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# NON-WHITES STATE THEIR CASE TO DAG

## NEW AGE

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### Forceful Demonstrations in Main Centres



Mr. Khaketla.

#### BCP Deputy Leader Quits

#### Moves To Form New Party In Basutoland?

JOHANNESBURG.

ONLY two days after the national conference of the Basutoland Congress Party, Mr. B. M. Khaketla, its deputy leader and representative in the Legislative Council Executive, has quit. This, taken together with the expulsion of Mr. O. P. Phoofole, the party's national chairman, and 12 others expelled over the last ten months, has left visible cracks in the party which the executive will have to do something soon to patch up.

Mr. Khaketla is as evasive as anyone could be about his resignation. His official reason for getting out is "circumstances beyond my control."

In a telephone interview with New Age Mr. Khaketla was not willing to say what these 'circumstances' were, save to say: "It is a long story."

Mr. Khaketla denied to New Age that he would form a rival party. He said: "I have not formed a new party nor am I contemplating forming one."

#### DIFFERENT STORY

But New Age has information that Mr. Khaketla—together with Mr. Phoofole—was in a caucus meeting held a few Sundays ago at Leribe. This meeting was to discuss a manifesto for a new party.

And the 'World' newspaper says emphatically that Mr. Khaketla is busy setting up a new party. According to reports from Basutoland, the new party will be called the Basutoland Freedom Party.

Mr. Kolisang, secretary-general (Continued on page 8)

AS WE GO TO PRESS, THE BIG ISSUE IN SOUTH AFRICA IS: "WILL DAG HAMMARSKJOELD MEET THE REAL LEADERS OF THE NON-WHITE PEOPLE TO LEARN AT FIRST HAND WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE UNION?"

The African leaders' conference steering committee met urgently last week-end to discuss the Hammarskjöld visit. It was reported that cables had been sent to Dag while he was still in the Congo, and representations had been made to Union Government External Affairs officials urging that Dag meet the African leaders, but no reply had yet been received.

An External Affairs Department official had said: "Mr. Hammarskjöld is not a prisoner" and that the African leaders would have a chance to meet him.

By the time of going to press however, no appointment had yet been fixed, and all attempts to see Dag had been side-stepped.

Is Dag deliberately avoiding the people's leaders? Is he being prevented from seeing them by the Government? Or will arrangements

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One hour after his touch-down in South Africa, the UNO Secretary-General Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld was greeted in Pretoria with a flood of posters urging him to meet Chief Lutuli and the leaders of the Non-White people.

## First Eye-witness Reports From Pondoland

### Hundreds Detained After Midnight Round-ups

DURBAN.

THE first eye-witness accounts of police and army raids on the people of Pondoland since the imposition of a State of Emergency in this area have now come to hand.

One of the hundreds who were detained and later released gave the following graphic account of how the raids are being conducted in Bizana:

"A large contingent of armed police and soldiers seal off an area, usually soon after midnight. Each hut is raided by two armed men who take away everything that remotely resembles a weapon. In some cases even hoes are confiscated.

"The kraal head is then taken away for questioning in Bizana where he is detained in an area fenced off with barbed wire. The detainees are questioned in two offices by members of the Special Branch.

"Some of the questions that are put to the detainees are:

"Do you know the Kongo (Hill Committee)?"

"Who is your chief?"

"Do you know anyone who

was involved in the killing of Chief Stanford or any other chief?"

"If you were in Pondoland during the disturbances, you are detained in huge tents which have been provided. Later you are taken away in a troop carrier to some unknown destination.

#### TAKEN AWAY

"Those who are set free are often re-arrested by a different raiding party."

Stating that the people are being taxed heavily, the New Age informant alleged that in the past those who failed to pay their taxes were issued with summons and that the messenger's fee was 2/6d.

"Now a person is arrested summarily and he is forced to pay his tax plus a messenger's fee of £1," he said.

#### BIZANA BOYCOTT

On the boycott of Bizana, he said that the town was still being boycotted by the people. Stories circulating that business in the area had increased were due not to the people supporting the town but to the large concentration of police and members of the armed forces.

A letter received from Lusikisiki

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Secretary for Coloured Affairs, Dr. I. D. du Plessis, is photographed in conversation with Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld outside Marks Building in Cape Town.



## HAMMARSKJOELD WILL NOT END APARTHEID

I would like through your newspaper, to express my views on Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld's visit to South Africa.

For years now the colonial people have been struggling to overthrow the yoke of imperialism. Their struggle, as in S.A., has been met with violent suppression by the oppressors. There is considerable unrest in the colonies and this in many cases has led to war.

The U.N.O. in its Charter of Rights declares itself to be the protector and guardian of weaker countries. I have nothing against the principle and agree with it as it stands. But, in practice the opposite happens. The U.N., in 1950, was used by U.S. capitalism to coerce the N. Koreans into exploitation by the west. The plot failed hopelessly but the war caused much suffering to the Koreans. In '56 the U.S. again used the U.N. to execute their plans. Col. Nasser had nationalized the Suez Canal and this threatened western interests in the Middle East. U.N.O. was the only means whereby the Yanks could get back into Egypt and this they did. U.N. troops were brought into the Canal Zone and soon Nasser's troops there were disarmed. Nothing of the sort happened to the Israeli Army, which in fact is there to execute the orders of the west in the Middle East. Now, in the Congo we can see the treachery of the U.S. and the western pseudo-democrats. The U.N.'s role has been exposed. The Yanks and other Imperialists are in fact the directors of U.N. policy

as is evident from the events listed above.

Chief amongst Yankee stooges in UNO is Dag Hammarskjöld. He is directly responsible for what has occurred in the Congo. Premier Lumumba has been ousted by the stooges of the west and UNO is doing its best to entrench these men at the expense of the legal govt. These acts are unforgivable. Now Hammarskjöld is coming to the Union. His visit must not be mistaken to be an effort to end apartheid. It is in fact to do the direct opposite. Hammarskjöld's visit is to dope the people and to stem the tide of the struggle, not to aid it. Hammarskjöld's role in the Congo clearly shows that he is an enemy of the colonial people and a stooge of Yank-British capital. His treacherous underhand dealing with the enemies of the Congolese is evidence.

On the strength of the events I have listed above, I call upon all democrats to reject Hammarskjöld as an enemy of the struggle and, as such, an enemy to all the oppressed in S.A. Let him go and meet the C.A.C. He cannot and does not intend to aid in any way our struggle for true democracy.

**REJECT HAMMARSKJOELD!  
DOWN WITH YANKEE  
STOOGES!**

Yours in the Struggle,

PALLO

Cape Town

## WHY DUNCAN WENT WRONG ON THE CONGO

Now that Patrick Duncan has openly defected to support the intrigues of the imperialists, it might be possible to look at the genesis of such an act.

Duncan joined the Liberal Party before that Party adopted universal franchise. A qualified vote was essentially an anti-working-class rather than a race discrimination programme. Duncan and the Liberal Party, under the uncompromising pressure of ANC which had a large working-class membership, were compelled to revise their programme. Duncan's bigotry in the Congo reveals his distrust of the workers and his imperialism.

Duncan's defection may be there for all to see but most of our leaders have not publicly condemned imperialist intervention under the guise of UNO help. No peace campaign in South Africa has been aroused to send massive protests to UNO against Dag Hammarskjöld's actions in the Congo and to demand Lumumba's release. Yet the Freedom Charter says that there shall be peace and friendship amongst all nations.

We do not seem to appreciate that war is threatened to all countries by imperialism, that only the people of individual countries must decide what to do about the economic and social relations of their political systems. Peaceful co-existence as an international policy, amongst nations with differing political systems is the best guarantee of progress and social development of all the countries in the world. Those who discredit peaceful co-existence while claiming progressive views, are admitting their inability to organise the masses to reject the war plans of the imperialists.

## Where Does Liberal Party Stand?

I am glad you told the truth about Mr. Duncan. It's about time. What I would like to know is: what has the Liberal Party got to say about Duncan? Do they agree with his policies?

In the Congo, where the whole African freedom movement supports Lumumba, Duncan backs Mobutu and the imperialists. Is that Liberal Party policy?

In the Basutoland elections last year, Duncan backed the reactionary National Party against the Basutoland Congress Party and has gone so far that today he is even hinting that Mokhehle has gone Communist. Is that also Liberal Party policy?

Last September in Contact Duncan openly supported a republic at a time when the Liberal Party was striving to defeat Verwoerd in the referendum. This time he went too far and was repudiated by his chairman, Mr. Peter Brown, and other prominent Liberals.

But today no one knows what to make of Contact and the Liberal Party. Contact is all the time attacking the African National Congress, the whole Congress movement, especially C.O.D., and New Age. Surely this is not Liberal Party policy, because leading Liberals have appeared on joint platforms with Congress speakers in many centres.

It is good to compare Duncan with McCarthy. Both pretend to be saving their country from the menace of Communism. Duncan is even trying to save the whole of Africa! But McCarthy brought America to the edge of Fascism, and all Duncan's work is only to help Verwoerd and the imperialists throughout Africa by setting the freedom fighters to quarrel amongst themselves because of his witch-hunt.

Let the Liberal Party say whether they agree with Duncan. They cannot hide any longer.

ANTI-IMPERIALIST.

Johannesburg.

## EDITORIAL

## THE TWO FACES OF DAG HAMMARSKJOELD

MR. Dag Hammarskjöld has come to South Africa in pursuance of a Security Council resolution, passed after the Sharpeville massacre last year, calling upon the South African Government to abandon the policy of apartheid and to treat its citizens in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations.

Dag's visit is thus the expression of the world's outrage at the crimes committed against the majority of the South African people in the name of white supremacy. His mandate is to tell Dr. Verwoerd that the policy of apartheid stinks in the nostrils of humanity, and presumably to discuss with him the possibilities of implementing the Security Council resolution.

We have no doubt that Dr. Verwoerd will reject the Security Council resolution out of hand, will refuse, publicly at any rate, to allow UN "meddling in the internal affairs of South Africa," and will do his utmost to persuade Mr. Hammarskjöld that the policy of apartheid is in the best interests of the majority of the population. He will take Dag to Meadowlands, introduce him to a few hand-picked Non-White stooges who will dutifully sing the praises of the Government, and point to the fact that peace reigns in South Africa—even, according to Mr. de Wet Nel, in Pondoland.

We are glad to note that the South African people, by personal contact, messages, demonstrations and in every other possible way, are making it abundantly clear to Dag exactly what is going on in this country and just how they feel about it. Dag must not go back to the UN and repeat Verwoerd's message as though it were the truth. He must meet the real leaders of the people and hear what they have to say. He must bear in mind, when he listens to Verwoerd, that this man rules by force and terror, not by democratic election in which all the people can cast their vote. He must remember Sharpeville.

### UN ROLE IN AFRICA

There is another aspect of the Hammarskjöld visit that must not be overlooked—and that is that Dag comes here as the representative of the UN which has been making a hash of things in the Congo. As we have already pointed out (New Age Dec. 8, 1960), it is under UN auspices that the legal, elected government of the Congo has been deposed, a military dictatorship has been established to look after the interests of the imperialists, and the rightful premier Lumumba has been most shamefully imprisoned and humiliated.

The South African people must make it clear to Dag that they are as much interested in the freedom of their brothers elsewhere in Africa as they are in their own freedom; in fact, the two are indivisible. The UN must cease to be a weapon in the hands of the imperialists. It must stay true to its charter and represent the will of the majority of the peoples of the world.

So we call upon Dag to urge the UN to:

- Act now to end apartheid in South Africa!
- Free Lumumba and re-establish the power of the lawfully elected government of the Congo;
- End South African misrule in South West Africa and place the territory under UN trusteeship as a first step towards the establishment of complete independence!

These are the demands of the South African people. These demands Dag must convey to UN.

## HEALTHY RACE RELATIONS WANTED

Kindly let me express my opinion in our weekly paper New Age.

We expect to have healthy race relationships in Basutoland. We are really struggling for the achievement of perfect harmony between all races in Basutoland. But unfortunately we are sorry to be named "Communists" when we try by all peaceful means to clarify all the difficulties which we see.

The B.C.P. under the strong leadership of Mr. Ntsu Mokhehle, although surrounded by bitter

foes, is our hope for the future. It is the only loyal and powerful political party of the Basuto Nation, with a wise and sound knowledge of politics.

We think that within a short time our demands for healthy race relationships will be achieved.

With the aid of the Basutoland Congress Party we will be able to break down all barriers in the way of freedom.

Unity is Strength.

S. P. MOKHOSI  
Basutoland.

### WHEN DAG GOES

AFTER all the months of postponements, dating from the state of emergency days, Dag has come and will shortly be gone again. In spite of all the security measures, it was possible to muster demonstrations wherever he went, and we hope that he will do something to persuade the Government to implement the Security Council resolution.

However, whatever happens on this front, one thing is clear. We on the home front still have the most important job to do. Only by our united action can freedom be achieved in South Africa. New Age is in the forefront of this battle as an organiser and as the only paper which brings the whole truth to its readers.

Without your support, though, New Age will not be in a position to continue this invaluable function. You dare not let the people of South Africa down.

Send your donation to us today!!

#### Last Week's Donations:

##### Cape Town:

Leslie White (in pennies) 9s., Happy New Year £23, Anonymous £5, Unity £5, Odendaalsrust 1s., Nick £1, Diamond £12.10, Cheque £1, Anonymous (via London) £100.

##### Johannesburg:

Friend £2, Friends £20, Steel £5, Violet £1, Playboy £3, Freda £1, Mary Louise £5.

Grand Total: £185

# „VANDAG IS NIE DIE DAG VIR SLAAN NIE“

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still be made for a meeting to take place?

The events of this week will provide the answer.

Meanwhile, although the Nats have been trying hard to block Congress demonstrations from the view of the UN general secretary, the cry from the Non-White people "Meet our Leaders" has clearly got across.

## CONGRESS MEMO

Within an hour of his arrival, the UN secretary-general had smuggled in to him in a garland of flowers the Congress memorandum that urged him to inform the Security Council of UNO "That the majority of the South African people are looking to that body for substantial assistance in their struggles for true democracy in South Africa."

Posters, placards, slogans, shouts from demonstrators and the memorandum from the South African Indian Congress, the Congress of Trade Unions, the S.A. Coloured People's Congress and the Congress of Democrats all put the Congress viewpoint over strongly.

The Hammarskjöld visit will be a farce, say the Congresses, if he does not

- go to Pondoland to see so-called 'self-government' at work under a state of emergency which has brought in the police, army and navy to enforce government rule;
- meet Chief Lutuli and the African leaders of the recent African summit talks, so as to get a balanced picture of African opinion;
- recognise that South Africa is a volcano due to erupt at any time and that South African tension and potential violence are thus a threat to world peace.

## PRETORIA DEMONSTRATIONS

The police had a ticklish job on their hands from the moment Mr. Hammarskjöld arrived at Waterkloof. His touchdown on South African soil was switched from Jan Smuts airport to Waterkloof at the eleventh hour in order to kill the people's demonstrations, but the



The Pretoria crowd sang freedom songs, but switched to some boos when Dag did not respond to the people in any way.

Congresses outwitted the authorities.

Forty minutes after Dag's arrival he walked right into a large, well-organised and lively demonstration outside his hotel.

One moment the hotel seemed to have attracted only a large crowd of curious sightseers, but the next, as soon as the official car drew up, the sightseers became transformed into Congress alliance and Liberal Party supporters from Johannesburg, Pretoria and Benoni waving a sea of slogans.

The police were dumbfounded as folded banners and placards were produced from under jackets and skirts and out of pockets.

This was exactly what the Nats had tried to prevent but the police were powerless to act in full view of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

## POLICE DILEMMA

A police officer summed up the official dilemma neatly, if ominously. To a constable excitedly fiddling his baton this officer was heard to say: "Nee, vandag is nie die dag vir slaan nie." (No, today is not the day to hit.)

The placards raised to meet Hammarskjöld read:

"WELCOME TO OUR POLICE STATE," "ACT ON UNO RESOLUTION," "DAG BAAS WAAR'S JOU PASS," "DAG VISIT PONDOLAND," "DAG MEET OUR LEADERS," "DAG MEET LUTULI," "DAG MEET NAICKER."

As Mr. H and his party arrived the crowd surged towards the hotel entrance, cheering and gesticulating. But when it was realised that Dag was sweeping right into his hotel without as much as waving a hand of greeting towards the crowd, the cheering suddenly switched to a spontaneous burst of booing. This did not last long, though, for the next minute the crowd lined up on the hotel lawn to sing 'Inkosi sikeleli' and other national freedom songs.

## LETTER REFUSED

Dr. A. B. Kazi, treasurer of the Transvaal Indian Congress, tried to present a letter from the Congresses to Dag as he walked into the hotel. But the UN official shook his head and refused to take the letter and an official walking behind him



Coloureds, Whites, Indians and Africans took part in the Congress poster parade in Cape Town.

brusquely brushed Dr. Kazi aside as they reached the hotel door.

Mrs. Amina Cachalia was later allowed into the hotel to hand over a garland for Mr. H. Inside the garland was the Congress letter and memorandum.

After about an hour the demonstrators dispersed quietly.

## Cape Town

# CONGRESS LEADERS THREATENED WITH ARREST

CAPE TOWN.

CONGRESS LEADERS WHO TRIED TO SEE MR. HAMMARSKJÖLD IN CAPE TOWN WERE THREATENED WITH ARREST BY THE SPECIAL BRANCH.

A deputation of four who went to the Mount Nelson Hotel to seek an interview with Dag were told they would be arrested if they set foot in the building. The deputation consisted of Mr. R. September, Mr. George Peake, Mr. Johnson Ngwevela and Mr. Brian Bunting.

Mr. Bunting was told he would be prosecuted for trespass if he went into the hotel. When he pointed out that it was the function of the management, not the Special Branch, to warn him to leave the hotel, the Special Branch man went into the foyer with him to ask for the manager.

The manager was nowhere to be found and Mr. Bunting sent up a message asking Mr. Hammarskjöld's personal assistant to come down and see the deputation.

## REFUSED ACCESS

The Non-White members of the deputation, however, were still refused access to the building. The Special Branch man said they would be arrested under the liquor laws if they came inside, as Non-Europeans were not allowed on licensed premises.

Eventually Mr. Hammarskjöld's personal assistant, Mr. Wieschhoff, came down to see the deputation. Because of the Special Branch attitude, he had to interview the deputation on the steps outside the hotel entrance.

The deputation stressed that Mr. Hammarskjöld could not form an opinion about conditions in South Africa without meeting the true leaders of the people.

Mr. Wieschhoff replied that Mr. Hammarskjöld was limited by his mandate, which was to negotiate with the Union Government over the United Nations resolution. However, he said, the idea of a meeting with representative Non-White leaders appealed to him personally,



This policeman seemed to have a foreboding that all was not as peaceful as it looked during the Pretoria demonstrations.

and he undertook to convey the feelings of the deputation to Mr. Hammarskjöld.

## DID NOT INSIST

On the understanding that the possibility existed that Mr. Hammarskjöld would meet a deputation from the Joint Consultative Committee of the Congresses in Pretoria, the deputation did not insist on seeing Mr. Hammarskjöld during the short while he was in Cape Town.

They urged again, however, that Mr. Hammarskjöld should not think of leaving the country without hearing the views of Congress leaders on the racial question.

## WARM RECEPTION

Earlier Mr. Hammarskjöld had been given a warm reception by demonstrators outside Marks Building in Parliament Street, where he addressed the Coloured Advisory Council.

The majority of demonstrators, representing the Congress movement, carried placards reading: "Dag, we don't want apartheid," "Dag, don't talk to Government stooges," "Dag, Coloureds did not elect UCCA," "Dag, Find Truth About Pondoland."

Two posters which evoked special comment from the spectators were: "Dag, Free Lumumba" and "End Union oppression in SWA."

Posters carried by a pathetic gaggle of counter-demonstrators read: "Be a pro-CAD and proud of it," "We are happy Dag," "Ons Bou 'n Nasie," "We co-operate with the authorities."

The Special Branch had taken extraordinary security precautions. Hordes of plain-clothes men mingled with the crowd outside Marks Building, and police vehicles crowded with armed men in uniform patrolled up and down the street at intervals.

## "GO TO PONDOLAND"

When Dag arrived at the entrance to Marks Building, he was met by Dr. I. D. du Plessis, Secretary for Coloured Affairs. Mr. George Peake moved forward to give Dag

a letter from the Coloured People's Congress asking for an interview, but Special Branch men seized him from behind and pinned his arms behind his back.

As Dag went into the building, the demonstrators shouted: "Go to Pondoland, go to Pondoland." He spent about half an hour with the Coloured Advisory Council members, and was then whisked back to his hotel.

New Age is informed that most Council members who spoke read from prepared notes to a quietly listening but possibly bored Mr. Hammarskjöld.

One Council member, however, Mr. C. L. R. Fortein of Kokstad, made some stinging attacks on Government policy during his speech, and Mr. Hammarskjöld was observed to be taking notes.

When the Council members themselves left the building a few minutes later, they were greeted with concentrated booing from the crowd, who shouted "stooges," "sies," "you stink." The Council members slunk away self-consciously, the slogans of the demonstrators ringing in their ears.

# Kgosana and 4 Others Flee SA

CAPE TOWN.

When the Cape Town incitement case arising from the disturbances of last March was resumed in the Regional Court here on Monday, it was reported that Philip Kgosana and four other accused were missing and it is believed they have fled the country.

Warrants were issued for their arrest and the case was adjourned to January 23.

The four missing in addition to Kgosana were Lawrence Mgwaba, Alfred Manpe, Wilson Monatai and Bam Siboto.

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