# Why The Foreign Ministers Are Stalling

THE Western foreign ministers are stalling the Geneva conference and warding off every Soviet proposal for agreement. They have succeeded in deadlocking the debate on the reunification of Germany, and the conference has moved on to the next item on the agenda. What has been most remarkable has been the almost complete absence of pretence by the Western ministers that they were doing anything else but fight to avoid reaching any agreement.

The Soviet Union is insisting that before Germany is re-united there should be some assurance that Europe and the world will be protected from any possibility that a remilitarised Germany, with its Nazis in prominent positions, will start a new war.

The Western ministers put forward a draft treaty which the Manchester Guardian in an editorial describes sarcastically as a "masterpiece."

THE "MASTERPIECE"

"It is supposed to be a security treaty, giving Russia adequate reassurance of help if attacked; but its main provision is that the parties should withhold support from an aggressor and 'bring the aggression to the attention of the United Nations' . . . Then

### WORLD STAGE BY SPECTATOR

on the relation between a united Germany and NATO the draft says that the security treaty would come into effect 'when' Germany elects to enter NATO; not 'if and when,' be it noted, but simply 'when.' Thus, apparently without batting an eyelid, the Western Powers assume absolutely that a reunited Germany will go their way.

These Western proposals give the Manchester Guardian a sinking feeling. "They are too obviously a gamesman's move. They are cynical and hypocritical. Unless our diplomacy is aiming at a horsetrading bargain in the most hard-faced fashion, it can achieve nothing but a deadlock by this approach. Quite possibly the Western ministers decided in advance that nothing but a deadlock could be achieved anyway; there was certainly much evidence to support this view . . . one cannot help feeling that under all their fine words about patient conciliation there has been a strain of mockery."

### BEHIND THE STALL

Mockery maybe? But certainly mockery without laughter. For behind the Western stalling lay the strain of the terrible turmoil in the countries bordering the Mediterranean, from one end to the other. The people of FRANCE were preparing for the intense political activity of election time and Dulles faced the prospect of a mass rejection of any party whose policy toed the U.S. line.

A government further to the right than the present one could not gain power except through some sort of coup d'etat. Among army generals, there is known to be serious talk of such a coup, but it is difficult



to see how it could be achieved. A "communist plot" could, of course, be "unmasked" but it would take more than a genius to convince the French of its reality. The mutinies by conscripts about to be sent to fight in North Africa (reported in New Age, Nov. 3) show that the army rank and file was never less dependable than now for any action

against the French workers. What one sees in France is a picture of a weak imperialist regime becoming hopelessly entangled in its own internal contradictions.

### THE CALL-UP

With a grave military situation in North Africa and half of the French army already there, conscripts who had already completed their service are being called back, in addition to the new conscripts who are being told to report directly to North Africa and start fighting—and dying—after just a few weeks of basic training. This has caused the most profound unrest throughout France, particularly since there is no enthusiasm whatever for the North African war. Families forced to continue indefinitely living on totally inadequate separation allowances become

desperate, and there is a chain of reaction of disloca-

The government has put the monthly cost of its North African military operations at 10 billion francs, but actually it is more like 25 billion—and no help toward this is coming from the U.S. as it did in Indo-China. Result: the whole French economy, already more or less bankrupt, is deeply

### RELATIONS WITH THE U.S.

Washington clearly showed its lack of enthusiasn for French North African policies by not using its influence more strongly to keep Algeria off the U.N. agenda. The U.S. is concerned to build up its North African bases, but France is worried that these ultra-modern installations (contrasting with its own shabby, underpaid, morale-less army) are forming "a dangerous pole of attraction" for North African nationalists impressed by real power. The Paris N.Y. Herald Tribune complains that owing to continued delays in Franco-U.S. negotiations over the number of men to be stationed at U.S. bases, there are still only two men on the new 30 million dollar base at standing Christian courage and self-Boulhault, Morocco, which has a gleaming, hygienic lessness in defence of right and other bodies will seek a deputation

SPAIN. France is even more worried about the South Africa today who has so sucgame being played by Franco Spain. That Moroc- cessfully and boldly bridged the can nationalist forces are taking shelter in, and abyss of fear between the White attacking from, Spanish Morocco and firing Spanish- men and Black men, and developed made ammunition has been confirmed by Gen. de on both sides of the colour line a Latour in French Morocco. De Latour warned Spanish authorities not to "play with fire," which could have as grave results for them as for the "FATHER HUDDLESTON IS" French imposers of white supremacy.

Meanwhile, the working class is achieving more | SPECTED AND FOLLOWED and more unity—as the series of metalworkers' strikes | THAN ANY MAN IN THE LAND have shown—in the struggle for economic justice TODAY. against the "last ditch" Bourbons who, at home just as in the colonies, learn nothing and forget every-

GREECE was talking ever more clearly of a great gap will be left in our compolicy of "neutralism." The executive of the right- munity by his departure. wing EPEK party noted that "the foundations of Greece's alliance with NATO have been shattered. Greco-Turkish friendship is now a thing of the past. Resurrection to leave Father Hud-The participation of Greece in NATO is becoming dleston to work in South Africa." problematical." The Democratic Party declared: "No Greek in the country sees any justification for further adherence to NATO." At the same time Greece's relations with the Soviet Union and the People's Democracies were rapidly improving. The annual

million dollars. Greece and CYPRUS failed to express their appreciation Nor have the people of of the fact that the Soviet Union, which always upholds the right of all peoples to self-determination, was the only Great Power in the ~ United Nations to support the Greek proposal to include discussion of the British

army's terrorist invasion of Cyprus on the U.N. agenda. TURKEY, whose bankruptcy we described in New Age, Nov. 3, has found no way to bolster its Durban's poorest industrial workers oppressed people of South Africa tottering economy, and all the countries of the MIDDLE EAST have taken decisive steps to break fellow-workers in the flood-stricken racy," declares Dr. G. M. Naicker,

from U.S. bondage. And in the whole of NORTH AFRICA there i an ever-growing anti-colonial movement challenging tions from their meagre earnings, issued last week. the very structure of the so-called "free world."

These facts—repeated in other countries all over the world—were the reason for the inability of the Western foreign ministers to put forward any policy other than a policy of delay.

The kind of troubles which were keeping them awake were being stated bluntly in the capitalist

"Things could get so bad in Paris and North Africa," said the U.S. Business Week "that France would become more a protectorate of NATO than a partner." The West "could lose Germany to neutralism, if not worse," the Wall Street Journal warned. "We could lose Europe by 'orderly evolu- urged the Foreign Ministers of the concerned to ensure that Father tion' perhaps even more easily than by cold war Big Four to "find ways and means Huddleston is not made to desert devices" wrote the Christian Science Monitor. "Mos- of lessening international tension the people who need him. cow has the initiative," complained Walter Lippman. and achieving peaceful co-existence.

All this made clear to political observers what the militarism should not be permitted African Indian Congress, I pay tripolicy of the Western Foreign Ministers would be and ways explored for the reunifi- bute to Father Huddleston on behalf at Geneva. The Christian Science Monitor saw as cation of Germany on a democratic of the Indian people. In a country early as six weeks ago that the pace of develop- basis." ments since July "has left the policy-makers of the The cable asked also for the ban- being daily assailed Father Huddle-West breathless. Their immediate desire is to put a ning of weapons of mass destruc- ston has by his indomitable courage

brake on change and secure something of a respite." tion, and disarmament. A just way made us all realise the importance But the ordinary people all over the world are of settling the Israeli-Arab dispute of opposing the forces of evil. South impatient—they want further strides to permanent and the situation in the Middle African Indians are deeply indebted peace, more of the Geneva spirit. Their impatience East should be found, added the to him as are all people struggling means the doom of the stalling policy.

## Appeals for Huddleston to Remain in South Africa

IN SOUTH AFRICA" MOVEMENT IS SPREADING SWIFTLY AND ONE AFTER ANOTHER A VARIETY OF ORGANISA-TIONS ARE JOINING IN THE CAMPAIGN AND ECHOING THE PLEA THAT HE SHOULD REMAIN HERE

The African Education Movement, of which Father Huddleston was a founder and is today chairman, is circulating a petition among the parents of the 8,000 African children expelled from Bantu Education schools and catered for today by the Movement's Cultural Clubs on the Reef.

The Union of South African Artistes, whose members are popular and well-known singers, instrumentalists and entertainers. is collecting signatures on its own petition.

The Federation of South African and has prompted many other Women has petition forms circulat- bodies to do likewise. ing in the locations and townships | The petitions and appeals are as well as in European suburbs.

the petition of the Federation. "He tion in England. has become for us, who sign the appeal, and for thousands of other South Africans, a symbol of outjustice. There is no European in to him to convey their appeal.

MORE WIDELY LOVED RE-

"We do not challenge the authority of the Order to which he owes and gives his full allegiance. But a "We therefore make a public

appeal to the Community of the The adhoc "Keep Father Huddle-

ston in South Africa" Committee is developing a campaign of its own to appeal to the Community of the Resurrection to reconsider its decivolume of Soviet-Greek trade is now close on ten sion to recall Father Huddleston,

### Indians Raise £1,000 For Flood Relief

The Indian workers of Clairwood and district have already contributed nearly £1,000 to the India-Pakistan Clairwood Flood Relief

a magnificent effort on the part of has come as a bitter blow to the to express their solidarity with their and to all those fighting for democareas of India and Pakistan.

but they showed admirable initiative ment to raise the money.

# Peace Council Cables

JOHANNESBURG. African Peace Council last week representations to those directly Further, the rebirth of German

Peace Council.

being directed to the Bishop of Jo-"Father Huddleston occupies a hannesburg and to Father Raynes unique place in South Africa," says of the Community of the Resurrec-

> When Father Raynes arrives by air in the Union on November 18, the Union of African Artistes and

### He Signed The Freedom Charter

**JOHANNESBURG** 

Heading the signatures to the Freedom Charter that have come in this week is that of Father Trevor Huddleston who received the Isitwalandwe award at the Congress of the People. Facing recall to Britain, Father Huddleston will nevertheless, before he leaves, issue an appeal to all South Africans to endorse the reedom Charter.

A conference of Johannesburg region Congress officals and volunteers took place last Saturday afternoon to lay further plans for the collection of signatures in the city.

# "A BITTER ISRAEL MUST STOP PLAYING DULLES' GAME BLOW"

- DR. NAICKER

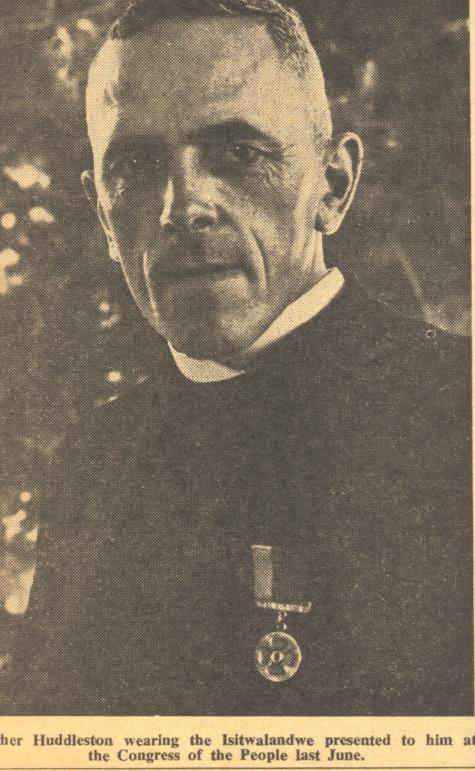
DURBAN.

"The recall of Rev. Huddleston This contribution is regarded as the great champion of freedom, acting president of the South Afri-The workers not only gave dona- can Indian Congress, in a statement

Dr. Naicker says that Father in the organisation of concerts, ba- Huddleston has been a tower of zaars and other forms of entertain- strength to all those who have consistently opposed the evils of apartheid oppression in the Union. As a fearless and an outspoken Christian he has found a permanent place in the hearts of millions of Non-European peoples.

"It is therefore natural that the Non-European peoples together with In a cable to Geneva, the South European democrats should make

> "As acting president of the South in which Christian principles are for democracy and liberty."



Father Huddleston wearing the Isitwalandwe presented to him at

that has flowed on the Israeli

borders in the past weeks cries

aloud for progress towards a solu-

tion of the Israel-Arab crisis. How

much longer will the continuing

tension boil over in blood? The

outbreak of war between Israel

and the Arab States would be a

catastrophe for those people as

The Western powers' dismay at

the prospect of Egypt and other

Moslem States receiving Soviet

and Czechoslovakian arms would

be comical were it not for the

tragic factor that the Middle East

be written in human blood.

balance sheet is all too likely to

For some years the United

States' pactomania has driven

them to include the Middle East

in their ring of hostile anti-Soviet

The American-sponsored Turk-

ish, Iraqi-Pakistani-British Pact is

an instrument directed not merely

against the U.S.S.R. but against

the young and struggling State of

ment, in its desperate self-induced

hunger for currency and dollars,

has long ago forsaken the politi-cal, international and economic

independence won through the

death of thousands of soldiers on the battlefield when Israel fought

for freedom, a fight fought with

arms supplied by countries like

POISONOUS SLANDERS

Successive Israeli governments

have combined vicious and poiso-

European democracies.

Czechoslovakia and the East

The ill-directed Israeli Govern-

Israel.

well as a world danger point.

# "WE WANT HIM HERE!" "In South Africa's Jails Only Boldness of Heart Will Carry You Through"

JOHANNESBURG.—In South Africa's jails only "boldness of heart" will carry you through. These are the words of Esau Lion, sentenced to 10 years imprisonment for public violence after the Moroka Riot of 1947 when the people protested at the conditions of the official shantytowns then being established.

Lion served seven and a half years in prison in three jails: Baviaanspoort, Pretoria and Bellville.

There are regulations for the est work: pushing loaded wheeltreatment of convicts, he said, but barrows up a steep slope. they are often not observed. Prisoners are told that they should make their complaints to the jail officials, says Lion, but he who does may only single himself out for punishment.

"I had personal experience of that. I tried to complain from time to time. I was looked upon as a troublesome man, put under special observation by the warders. When I was transferred from one prison to another, my reputation went behad to be specially watched."

turn on you to make a charge against you. 'You are teaching prisoners to complain,' becomes the real crime. Soon all the warders up warders wait for the chance to lay additional charges against you."

### **DEFIANCE PRISONERS**

Pretoria prison when a batch of de- I was reminded 'Bellville is not the Bible but in Bellville you can fiance campaign prisoners came in Pretoria.' I complained to the do that only on Sundays.' to serve their sentences "I saw magistrate when he visited the prisevere assaults on some of them as son and he said he would investi-I worked with them in the brick- gate the matter. That was the last yards. Though they complained to I heard. the chief warder they were not treated in the prison hospital. Day after day they had to do the heavi- railway quarries and though the false statements against "trouble-

Why is it so anxious to barter it-

needs economic development and

peace desperately. It is a pity that

some of her leaders and political

threats to exterminate Zionism

parties match Egyptian and Arab

with fire-eating demands for im-

mediate war against her Moslem

Israel should have followed a

genuine independent international

policy and should have anticipated

that the Soviet Union would re-

act to hostile American diplo-

macy by positive measures to

assert her own rights to security

By SAM KAHN

Russia's borders are a few hun-

dred miles from the Middle East

and the Eastern Mediterranean.

The United States is many thou-

sands of miles away. Peace can-

not be established in the Middle

East on the basis of cold war

promises. The co-operation of the big powers, especially the Soviet

Union, is essential for the solu-

tion of the Israel-Arab crisis.

The blood of Jews and Arabs nous campaigns of slander against Why has Israel subordinated Peace will not be achieved by

and Britain that Israel can be re- self for dollars from the U.S.A.

lied upon as a bastion for the and to "bleed" in the anti-Soviet

West. With something between war planned in Washington? Israel

and feudal racketeers of the Mid- and freedom from a Middle East

the Soviet Union with humiliating

assurances to the United States

mendicancy and harlotry they

have begged the United States to

include them in a Middle East

(anti-Soviet) military pact and re-

peatedly stated that Israel "is in

The aid which countries like

the Soviet Union gave to the

State of Israel, at U.N.O., by its

prompt recognition of Israel, by

its championship of peoples en-gaged in the struggle for national

liberation has not meant a thing

to the Israeli statesmen who join

Dulles and the absolute monarchs

dle East in denunciations of the

It is quite obvious that in the

face of these cold war objectives

the U.S.S.R. is embarking upon

positive measures to prevent the

formation of hostile military

blocs near her borders. The sup-

ply of arms by the Soviet Union

and Czechoslovakia to Egypt or

to any of the Middle East coun-

tries does not bring peace any

nearer, but it is pointless to com-

plain hysterically about this in

the light of the fact that the

quantity of arms supplied by the

United States and Britain to the

Arab States is colossal in compari-

son with that received from these

new sources.

Soviet Union and schemes for

aggressive military combinations

against their benefactors.

"When I was put to do the same heavy work and I complained that with my war injury I was unable to, I was given six months confinement in segregation. For six months I saw only the warder in charge of me."

Later, Lion was one of the prisoners who had to help the warders in charge of the shortterm prisoners. Those serving terms of from seven to fourteen days or fore me: I was an 'agitator' who a month are treated "very awfully, said Lion. Their conditions are Warders, said Lion, are sup- worse even than the long termers. posed not to assault the prisoners. They are packed into the cells like But in prison you will see sardines. In the mornings they are assaults on prisoners every single given no opportunity to wash, they day of your stay there: in the are herded together for counting work span, in the yard, in the like a flock of animals and. in charge of the newest police recruits If you try to complain "they will are the continual butt of them, often assaulted and beaten."

Lion told how he was in the lation diet for Coloured prisoners you can look forward to is reading

### BELLVILLE PRISON

Bellville prison in the Cape, said prisoners when there is dynamiting. to the chief warder have been told Lion, is a jail even worse than Pre- Convicts work under overhanging you are making complaints. Then toria. Though Coloured prisoners stone and there are frequent casu-you become the target and all the are supposed to be given a diet, alties from falling rock." While he there was no such thing in Bellville was at the prison, said Lion, one when Lion arrived there. Coloured man was killed. prisoners entitled to boots had The general atmosphere in the none. "When I asked for the regu- prison, said Lion, "is very sad. All

building up military blocs. Nego

tiation without violating the inde-

lead to disaster and catastrophe.

THINK AGAIN

writen for them.

held out to long-term prisoners to help the warders discriminate "The Bellville prisoners work on against other prisoners, to make

> formers and "warder-prisoners." This is the way to get preferential treatment in jail, said Lion.

But if you hold out and refuse to help incriminate other prisoners, only your own boldness of heart will carry you through."

some" prisoners, to become in-

**TEMPTATIONS** 

Lion described the temptations

Mr. Esau Lion.

work is not too severe, the condi-

tions are bad. Inadequate precau-

tions are taken for the safety of the

### Women's Day For Freedom Charter

JOHANNESBURG.

The first Sunday in December has A plan for a Middle Eastern been earmarked by the African Napeace on this basis would liberate tional Congress Women's League Israel from the nightmare of war conference last week-end as a day and invasion. But Israel as a war for an all-out effort by women to base, as a bastion of the Western collect signatures for the Freedom

of the peoples of Asia and Africa | 106 delegates, called for all women must not be blind. These peoples | gle against passes for women.

the international arena without, ence will be taken to the Women's whom no problem can be solved. National Conference next month If Israel wishes to secure her that January should see a national national future she must become women's protest against passes.

a policeman of the imperialist dom.

together with help from all the great powers (without the exclusion of the Soviet Union) is a

campaign, as an element in an Charter. imperialist plan for preventive The conference was given a flying

war against the Soviet Union, will start by the words of the A.N.C President Moretsele: "The oppressor is bound to collapse before the unity of the people. A.N.C. policy is that the majority and not the Israel must radically re-orien- minority shall rule." tate her thinking. The awakening | The main resolution passed by

is a historic fact to which she to throw in their lot in the strugare today a tremendous factor in A suggestion raised at the confer-

part of the general front of the | Conference congratulated the wo-

Asian and African peoples who men on their courageous march to are struggling for peace and natio- the Union Buildings and also urged nal sovereignty against the aggres- all women workers to organise in sive and grasping schemes of trade unions. It condemned police American policy with its regional | raids, bans and deportations under the pretext of treason and urged women to retaliate by putting their Israel's role is not to become weight into the struggle for free-

West against the liberation move- The women suggested that a uniments of the Middle East peoples form for themselves should be a who are rejecting the passive part | black shirt with yellow ribbons and which Dulles and others have a green blouse. The president, Lilian Ngoyi was re-elected.

# pendence of any State involved

# CHRISTIAN CHURCH MUST HONOUR ITS PRINCIPLES

## Bishop Jordan Says Apartheid Will Fail

JOHANNESBURG.—In an exclusive interview with New Age on the eve of his return to the United States, Bishop Frederick D. Jordan of the A.M.E. Church said that in the long run apartheid and its oppressive legislation must fail because the rest of the world was going in the opposite direction to South Africa.

AFRICAN ARRESTED AT

**VERWOERD INDABA** 

ANC Call To Chiefs

been a feature of the Rustenburg indaba where Minister Verwoerd and

his officials have been trying to get chiefs and headmen to accept the

Bantu Authorities Act, Bantu Education and apartheid,

JOHANNESBURG.—Not honeyed words but stern warnings have

redeeming feature of the South African situation. Those, he said, who advocate oppressive and repressive programmes for the benefit of a particular section of the population were creating an explosive situation.

Bishop Jordan is the third Bishop assigned to Africa. The Bishopric extends over the Rhodesias, Kenya, Nyasaland, Portuguese East Africa and South West Africa, as well as the Union.

Born in the Southern States of the U.S.A., Bishop Jordan, who is a Negro, served for 12 years as a minister in California. In 1952 he was elected to the African Bishop-

### SENT BACK

In 1952, on his first trip to Africa, Bishop Jordan landed at Livingstone, was detained there and sent back to the States on the next plane. This was at the time of the powerful African opposition to Central African Federation and the authorities were taking no chances of the possible effect on African opinion gical principles. of the visiting Negro Bishop.

Bishop Jordan saw this as the | In December, 1953, after a visa had been granted him, Bishop Jordan returned to Rhodesia, spending seven weeks there organising three Church conferences and trying to obtain a transit visa to the Union, even if only to enable him to visit Swaziland, where there are many A.M.E. Church adherents. Finally Bishop Jordan secured a permit to stay in the Union for some months, and this permit was extended till the

end of this year.
In the Union Bishop Jordan travelled extensively, covering over 33,000 miles by car and air.

#### SCEPTICAL

Speaking of the position of the Church in Africa, the Bishop thought that the African people are becoming sceptical of the Christian position as it conflicts with their practical experience.

People, he finds, respond to the principles of brotherhood in the Church rather than to the ultimate divinity and in the A.M.E. Church even were attracted more by its sociological aspects than its theolo-

The Bishop put the weaknesses

### of Christianity in Africa down to the fact that there appears to be a pandering by the Church to the Government ideology of apartheid, and that in most church organisations Europeans seem to assume the same dominant position as in society generally. The Bishop thought that the only

solution was for the Church to hold firm to a position of principle without regard to any obligations to Government policies. That should be so even if it meant a church with



Bishop Jordan.

only very few European members. He felt this was important in Africa under present conditions as Christianity as a religion was not secure in Africa and pressure on it would only increase.

On Bantu Education the Bishop said that his Church was very anxious about the future of education for the African children. He had no illusions, he said, about the Government's intentions in the field of education, which was part of the repressive programme.

He was convinced, however, that "in a world of enlightenment retrogression would not succeed."

E.W.

### A Quote From The London Times

"The Indian Government has asked the British High Commission here (New Delhi) to provide films and photographs showing the Coronation decorations in the streets of London. They are required by offi- brought back to the factory. cials responsible for the decoration of Delhi in honour of Marshal Bulganin and Mr. Kruschev, who will visit India next month."

# 79 ON ILLEGAL STRIKE CHARGE

JOHANNESBURG.—Seventy-eight African workers, members of the Iron and Steel Workers' Union, and a union organiser Mr. Nimrod Sejake, are on trial in the Magistrate's Court for taking part in an illegal strike.

The prosecution is under the Native Labour Settlement of Disputes Act, and the case is being watched throughout by inspectors of the Native Labour Department, and the Special Branch of the police.

All 78 workers are employed at | We subsequently re-engaged all ex-African Lamps Pty. Ltd., an Indus- cept two. We reduced their annual

The trial was held in one of the Johannesburg civil courts and pracwas taken up as the 78 accused, twelve deep in six rows, sat on the floor during their trial.

They all went into court smiling and at ease, and throughout the case exhibited both confidence and dis-

All pleaded not guilty.

First witness for the crown was the factory's general manager, Mr. Richard Kellett. He said conditions in his factory were not governed by any industrial or wage agreement or award, only by the Factories Act.

#### GRIEVANCES

On the 29th July he was asked to see a member of the Transvaal Iron and Steel Workers' Union. Nimrod Sejake presented himself to him. "I asked for his identity book and he produced it and told me he wanted to discuss the wage grievances of my employees and why some Meetings in P.E. workers had been dismissed in recent weeks. He was very evasive and non-committal on the question of grievances. I asked him if the workers were members of his union and he said the majority were. I told him I was not satisfied that he was entitled to represent my employees, and that I did not think his union was recognised. I told him I proposed to get in touch with the Department of Labour and the Police before I had any further discussion

Mr. Kellett added in his evidence that when the police arrived they arrested Sejake and "immediately after that the boys went out on strike again." When he spoke to them the workers said their organiser should be released before they went back to work. Mr. Kellett said he would ring the police and eventually Sejake was released and

### DISMISSED THE LOT

"I then decided I would dismiss the lot because of their behaviour.

holiday from four weeks to three.'

Cross-examined by Mrs. S. Muller (appearing for the 79), Mr. Kellett tically every square inch of space admitted that Sejake had placed before him certain grievances, namely that overtime should not be compulsory; there should not be dismissals of workers without reason. He did not, he said, recall demands that protective appliances be provided and that doctors' certificates should not be disregarded. He thought, he said, that the "union representative was an agitator type because he organised the workers to strike, and that is why he had called the police.'

Mr. Kellett said it did appear that the reason why the workers refused to resume work was Sejake's arrest.

The case is to proceed on Novem-

# Move to Control

PORT ELIZABETH.

A move to control meetings of Africans in the whole magisterial district of Port Elizabeth is under way. The City Council has already decided to ask the Government to apply the necessary regulations and the Divisional Council is considering a similar step.

Regulations empowering a Port Elizabeth magistrate to ban a meeting if there is any risk of "breach of the peace" were first promulgated in February, 1954.

These regulations applied only to New Brighton, and the African National Congress, the Youth League and others have found it so difficult to obtain permission for meetings, that the majority of meetings were held in Veeplaats.

The authorities now plan to con-

trol Veeplaats as well.

JAPAN will not tolerate the expansion of U.S. air-fields in Japan and the bringing in of U.S. atomic weapons in contradiction to the current trend of relaxation of international tensions, said the Japanese Socialist Party, the country's second largest, recently.

### Textile Workers Fight For Wage Increases

"Textile workers are fighting on all fronts," Mr. P. Beyleveld, gene-ral secretary of the Textile Workers' Industrial Union of South Africa, told New Age this week.

"On the one hand they are fighting employers who are refusing to increase wages while others even wish to reduce them and worsen conditions of service.

"On the other hand, textile workers have had to cope with Government action in banning union officials. In addition, the Minister of Labour has given platteland factories, such as the canvas factory in Standerton, exemption from existing wage agreements.

"The textile workers are determined not to allow all these attacks to destroy their union or Fighting Fund has been estab- the cotton workers.

lished on the Witwatersrand and is in the process of being set up in Natal and the Cape.

"The union is determined to build up sufficient resources to meet all emergencies.'

Conciliation Board negotiations into the worsted section of the industry finally broke down in Cape Town last week, fourteen months after they had started.

The employers were prepared to offer only a long service bonus of 1s. per week after five years service with the same firm. The union was determined to accept nothing less than a 10 to 15 per cent increase in basic wages.

There are about 2,500 workers in the worsted section which is the

lowest paid in the industry.
Wage negotiations in all other sections, except cotton have also lower their standards of living, broken down. Union representatives which they have achieved over so | are due to meet employers at a Conmany years of fighting," Mr. Bey-leveld continued. "Already a this month to press the demands of

### P.E. MEETING

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the sky may appear dark, but if it is dark, it is with the wings of the chickens of Freedom coming home to roost."

NOT ALONE

Mr. P. L. Vogel, chairman of the C.O.D. (Eastern Province), said: "The Non-Europeans of this country are on the march. This is the beginning of the fight for Freedom. You will not be alone in the struggle. Some Europeans will march forward with you.

After Mr. Tobias, the Vice Chairman of S.A.C.P.O. (Port Elizabeth) and Mr. Ismail for the Indian community had spoken the meeting unanimously adopted the FREE-DOM CHARTER and pledged itself to strive for its implementation.

After the meeting the police waylaid the people and arrested more than thirty for passes. When they were released the following morning on their own recognisances they gave the Afrika salute.

# When **NERVE** PAINS strike!

Affairs, Mr. C. N. Young, tell them

they must not listen to silly and

frivolous propaganda. If they acted

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The chiefs and headmen listened | "responsibly" they would find offito the Under-Secretary for Native cials sympathetic!

They faced a choice of accepting the Bantu Authorities Act or losing their positions. Then, to make sure the chiefs and headmen were protected from all "propaganda," an African distributing an African National Congress leaflet on the Verwoerd indaba, was placed under arrest.

"Stand firm," the leaflet said. "We are confident that you will not sell the birthrights of your African people. The Bantu Authorities Act will turn you chiefs into police boys and make you assist the Nationalist Government to administer all their bad laws to oppress you.

"The Bantu Education Act is to indoctrinate the African child to accept inferiority. Do not sell the rights of your people to Verwoerd."

The chiefs and headmen at this indaba were drawn from the Batswana in the Western Transvaal and the Sotho in the Free State.

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