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PRICE TWO PENCE

ALLIES WILL WIN THROUGH THIS TERRIBLE ORDEAL

WAR POSITION HAS GREATLY IMPROVED

"THE ORDEAL THROUGH WHICH WE HAVE TO PASS WILL BE TORMENTING AND PROTRACTED, BUT IF EVERYONE BENDS TO THE TASK WITH UNRELENTING EFFORT AND UNCONQUERABLE RESOLVE, IF WE DO NOT WEARY BY THE WAY OR FALL OUT AMONG OURSELVES, OR FAIL OUR ALLIES, WE HAVE A RIGHT TO LOOK FORWARD, ACROSS A GOOD MANY MONTHS OF SORROW AND SUFFERING, TO A SOBER AND REASONABLE PROSPECT OF COMPLETE AND FINAL VICTORY." SAID MR. CHURCHILL IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS ON MONDAY, WHEN HE OPENED THE DEBATE ON THE WAR.

"IF WE LOOK FORWARD ACROSS THE CONSIDERABLE PERIOD OF IMMEDIATE PUNISHMENT THROUGH WHICH WE MUST MAKE OUR WAY IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE SUDDEN ONSLAUGHT OF JAPAN—IF WE LOOK FORWARD ACROSS THAT TO THE BROAD AND MAJOR ASPECT OF THE WAR, WE CAN SEE VERY CLEARLY THAT OUR POSITION HAS BEEN ENORMOUSLY IMPROVED, NOT ONLY IN THE LAST TWO YEARS, BUT IN THE LAST TWO MONTHS. THIS IMPROVEMENT IS DUE, OF COURSE, TO THE WONDERFUL STRENGTH AND POWER OF RUSSIA AND THE ACCESSION OF THE UNITED STATES, WITH ITS MEASURELESS RESOURCES, TO THE COMMON CAUSE."

STRENGTH OF ENEMY

Mr. Churchill said:

It had always been my hope that the United States would enter the war against Germany without Japan being immediately involved on the other side. The greatest forbearance was shown by both English-speaking countries in the face of constant Japanese aggression.

These efforts proved in vain, and, at a moment fixed by the war leaders in Japan, sudden violent attacks were made upon Hawaii, the Philippines, the Dutch East Indies and Malaya. Thereupon an entirely new situation supervened.

The conversion of the giant power of the United States to war purposes is only in its early stage, and the disaster at Pearl Harbour and our naval losses have given Japan, for the time being, the command of, or at least superiority in, the Far Eastern seas.

Great Britain and the British Empire were engaged almost to the full stretch of their powers and equipment with Germany in the Atlantic, and with Germany as a potential invader, and with Germany and Italy in the Libyan Desert, which protects Egypt and the Suez Canal.

Shipping to nourish the large armies in the Middle East has to go round the Cape and can only make three voyages in a year. Our shipping losses since the war began have been heavy.

In the last two months there has been a most serious increase in shipping losses as our anti-U-boat flotillas and naval light forces of all kinds have been, and are, strained to the utmost limits by the need of bringing in the food by which we live and the materials for the munitions with which we fight, and by the convoys which carry our troops so continuously and in such great numbers to the various seats of war.

In addition to these actual burdens, there remains the front from the Levant to the Caspian, covering the approaches to India from the west, as well as the most important oil-fields of Baku and Persia.

Upon this situation there suddenly came the impact of Japan a new-comer long preparing for war with a warlike

population of 80,000,000, several millions of trained soldiers and a vast amount of modern materials.

This mighty impact fell upon our wide and prosperous but lightly defended possessions and establishments throughout the Far East, all of which had rightly been kept at the lowest level on account of the imperative requirements of the European and African theatres.

Beyond this phase of tribulation which may be shorter or longer in accordance with our exertions and behaviour (hear! hear!) rises the prospect of the ultimate victory of Britain, of the United States, of Russia and of China, indeed, of all the united nations—victory complete over all the foes that have fallen upon us.

The ordeal through which we have to pass will be tormenting and protracted, but if everyone bends to the task with unrelenting effort and unconquerable resolve, if we do not weary by the way (cheers) or fall out among ourselves (cheers), or fail our Allies (cheers), we have a right to look forward across a good many months of sorrow and suffering to a sober and reasonable prospect of complete and final victory. (Cheers).

Toll Taken By U.S. Planes

It is officially announced that since January 1 United States air operations over the Dutch East Indies have resulted in at least nine enemy vessels being sunk and 24 damaged, and 48 enemy planes shot down or destroyed on the ground.

An estimate, which does not claim to be complete, of enemy losses due exclusively to United States air action, is as follows:—

- One battleship damaged.
- Twelve cruisers damaged.
- One aircraft carrier damaged.
- One destroyer sunk.
- Two destroyers damaged.
- Two tankers sunk.
- Six transports sunk.
- Eight transports damaged.
- Thirteen bombers destroyed.
- Thirty-five fighters destroyed.



BRITAIN'S INDIAN ARMY IN ACTION...

These soldiers belong to a Sikh Regiment famous in Britain's military history for its valour. They fought brilliantly in Eritrea, in the East African campaign, and later joined the British forces in the Western Desert, Libya.

This photograph shows a Sikh machine-gun detachment making good use of what little cover is afforded in Libya.

Bantu World Watchman Shot

On the night of February 21, three watchmen of the Bantu World, Dick Mtungwa, Charlie Ngobongu (Mogg) and Esau Makhunga, acting on the instructions of the Managing Director, were sitting on the opposite side of the street, facing the Bantu World offices. From this position, they could obtain a clear and unobstructed view of the buildings.

A member of the Westdene Civic Guard ordered these watchmen to move across the street, and refused to accept their explanation that they were there in the execution of their duty. An argument resulted, and the Bantu World watchmen moved over reluctantly to the Bantu World buildings. A further argument took place outside the main gate of the Bantu World premises. The Civic Guard then entered the premises, and a fight developed between the night watchman Charlie and six or seven members of the Civic Guard, who endeavoured to

arrest the watchman. The grounds on which this arrest was to be effected are not known.

After having been struck by the Civic Guard, the watchman Charlie defended himself, and a Civic Guard was struck on the head. A shot was then fired, and the watchman Charlie collapsed, badly wounded in the stomach. He was taken to hospital, and died early on Sunday morning.

The Police have taken over the matter, and a thorough investigation is being made of all the circumstances. Until this investigation has been completed, members of the Civic Guard involved in this fight have been suspended from duty.

In the meantime, two other night watchmen of the Bantu World who were arrested by the Civic Guard, were released by the Police and returned to duty on Sunday morning.

Java Ready For Attack

Some details of the steps taken by the military and civil authorities in Java to meet the threatened Japanese attack, are given by Reuter's special correspondent at Bandoeng, who says that the forces defending Java will fight to the last in the real sense of the word, as there is no practicable line of retreat.

"Although the situation is grave and there is a serious shortage of planes and heavy equipment, there are hopes that an almost indefinite resistance may be put up to hold Java until such time as the Allies can take the offensive," he says.

A Batavia message states that news has been received that Dutch troops are on their way to Java.

When Japanese raiders attacked Bandoeng they were given a warm reception by British anti-aircraft guns manned by Dutch crews.

Christmas Eve Train Smash

BANTU WORLD RELIEF FUND
 Previously reported £24. 8s. 7d.
 Storekeeper P. Masoma 1s. 6d.,
 Storekeeper Setobane Maroxa 1s.,
 Rev. J. Radebe 2s. 6d., Mr. H. Nkosi 1s. 6d., Teacher K. Masola 1s., Klement R. Kumbikoang Zomba 1s. Total: £24. 17s. 1d.

Bitter Fighting In Russia

In a broadcast on Monday night designed to give some idea of the severity of the fighting that is taking place on the Russian front, the Moscow radio, says Reuter, quoted front line dispatches to show that more than 14,500 enemy dead were found on the field of recent battles.

Telling of Red Army successes on the south-western front, the dispatch said that more towns and villages and a railway station at the approaches to a large populated centre, designated "F", had been captured.

The Germans suffered heavy losses in the fighting for this point; more than 200 were taken prisoner and 4,500 were killed. Another Soviet unit in 20 days of hard fighting killed 4,000 of the invaders, and another unit killed 3,050 Fascists.

In the air, too, there has been consistently greater activity than there was a month ago. Daily the Moscow communiques refer to enemy planes—15, 20 or more—shot down in combat. Yesterday's communique stated that revised information shows that on Saturday 22 German planes were brought down, not 16 as formerly announced. On Sunday 20 German planes shot down in air combat and eight were destroyed on the ground. Russian losses on that day were 12 planes.

The newspaper Izvestia, quoted by Reuter, says that the Soviet Fleet has had more than 2,800 clashes with the enemy. Its mines have destroyed nearly 1,000 fortified points and silenced 500 enemy batteries. Its submarines are patrolling the most important and remote sectors of the Baltic sea route, and penetrate into ports which the Germans consider invulnerable. Recently a submarine crossed several mine fields and destroyed four large ships with a total displacement of 40,000 tons. Minesweepers operating in the Baltic destroyed more than 100 mines each during 60 operational cruises.

BIG BEN
 A Turkish Blend of Special Merit

Where Are Our Soldiers In Egypt?

(BY HENRY F. KOZA)

Many of you at home have probably been following the tracks of the fighting in the Middle East with great anxiety and gratitude. You have been hearing about the Bantu soldiers' heroism and bravery, particularly the stretcher bearers some of whom are recommended for the Military Medals.

You can just imagine with what pride when one day at our gathering, we listened to the officer representing our Brigade to the Head Quarters telling us that we have done a wonderful job, and that we should not humbly think we are up here merely as labourers. He said, "You are doing as much important a job as European soldiers. Without you the war machinery would not have so successfully accomplished its job. You are feeding the Army with all the needs. You are saving the wounded from the fire of death. Therefore on all these you are doing a soldier's job." He read a list of casualties after which he said: "There would not have been this list were you not doing an important job up here."

Many of you at home may think that we are just thrown into the Theatre of war without any knowledge as to what takes place there. Let me tell you that we are told of each and every little thing that may cause injury to anybody through ignorance. For instance we know the mined areas, how to behave during bombing and raids and the danger about picking the enemy's articles and etc. I am writing this as an answer to those women and men of all colours in Durban who when we were coming up here

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Y.M.C.A. Men Up North

(BY HENRY W. NXUMALO)

Mfundisi otandekayo, It is very nearly a month now since we arrived in this fine land of the Pharaohs, and as it took so long a time to get our men properly settled—or well scattered, in fact, I thought I might delay writing.

Our voyage up here was quite grand. We travelled on board one of the largest and most modern of British ships the name of which for censorship reasons, I may not mention. All in all our voyage lasted for just a little over a fortnight. Strangely enough, it is reckoned that we broke all previous records of ship speeding, having spent only 10½ days in the water.

I personally hated the moment of disembarking. For I had fallen seriously in love with the ship, its crew (what nice fellows they are!) the waves, the flying fish and the escorting cruiser.

On arriving here we were met by Major Ponsford, Capt. Eddy, Capt. Beckon and Lt. Cruikshank. They made us feel at home really. Already I have been to H.Q. in Cairo several times with Lt. Cruikshank. They are doing great work there.

Most of our men went to Sgt. Manye and two are with Sgt. Mothiba. Another Corporal and myself are elsewhere.

We have just celebrated Xmas and New Year, and although the peace-time homely glamour usual associated with these times was sadly missing, we console ourselves with the knowledge that we are doing our bit for the retention of these traditions.

Just one last grouse. We are laughed at us and said that we were going to be the cannon fodder for the Germans. Some went even as far as saying they wished none of us would return—we were shouted at and called criminals and loafers.

badly off for literature here. We like to hear about home but we have no wireless set. Some Bantu newspapers, "The Forum" and the "Sunday Express" would be a great boon to the men out here.

The fellows out here greet you and Nkosikazi, Mr. and Mrs. Rathebe, the Jan Hofmeyr School, the Y.M.C.A. Workers in the Union as well as ours at home. We wish you all a happy and victorious New Year. The "Oobaas," in an Xmas message to the forces, told us to get on with the war. So after the sports on the same day the fellows said I might get on with this letter.

With personal greetings from the Y.M.C.A. workers (African) in the Middle East.

In The Land Of The Pharaohs

(BY PEN AND INK)

We are still well here in the land of Egypt where we are writing from. Through the power of the Cross we are carrying caused by the dissatisfaction when you heard that Hitler and his gang are threatening North Africa.

We embarked fully determined, and arrived in North terribly angered. As we approached the side of a mountain, he fired and we ducked once or twice and fell on h'm. The Egyptian woman chanted. The African woman struck at her chest as we hammered Libya. We surrounded him We once promised you news as soon as we arrived in the North. It is true what we did and what we are doing to-day. It is a man's job. Our service is so that even an enemy in South Africa is simply forced to ask for pardon. We have done

havoc. We shall soon have peace. We shall keep you informed. We are still well. We are now used to Egypt. Even the language, we get on well with it. We are only homesick. You people at home do not write and tell us how you are. Have you forsaken us? Are you angry with us? We are coming. We are well except for the desert sand.

When we chase the enemy or the enemy chases us the sand gets into our shirts and makes us run like a team of oxen through mud. Here we are men as we see ourselves. Why! We pride ourselves because our service is ours and we are doing it. The food is yours, the pounds are ours and life is yours. We are devils. We kick a dog so that its private shield falls off. We box the German so that even the dead return halfway to assist us. In a very short time you will see us in South Africa. We promise to bring you "Victory" through the name and strength of God who gave us the power to destroy the enemy at Sid' Rezegh—the day the sun darkened, the stars disappeared, the rocks tumbled over, the enemy cursed the Angels over us. We are still going forward.

Oh you men and women of South Africa, pray again as you did before. We are still firm. Oh you young girls of South Africa help us again with gifts as before. We shall stand firm as before. We are not wearing Khaki to-day, we wear the "Imperial Battle Dress." We are well.

embarked. We mingled freely both European and Non-European; the food was the same and governed by one law as is shown by the uniform we wear, all heading for one destiny—Canaan. That is the message which comes from your dear ones whom I am their Sergeant here up North. They say "Pounds" are theirs and life is yours.

The Long Journey To Canaan

(BY J. NKOLI MOHLAMME)

I write with greetings from myself and your sons, your husbands and friends who, when they left South Africa to go to a place which blazes like fire, where there is odour coming from nowhere, were as happy as can be.

We are in the midst of a wonderful land we read about in the Holy scriptures in our daily lives in South Africa. Those we left behind, we ask them not to worry much about their sons being in a strange land. We are in service. There are those who think that here up North we are facing sure death; but if anyone can assure us that there in the South there is no facing death, we shall say he is telling the truth.

We met many of our kinsmen who left South Africa long ago. They are men. The road we are travelling on to Canaan is a long one indeed; it is a road which has gathered small and big nations, tied them together with one rope. It is a road which killed racialism.

In the army, we know one another as birds of the same feathers which flock together. We are in service. We ask the Grace of God to be with us until the end of the war and till we reach our homes. Our Europeans are nice to us. We are doing great service. The day the word went round that recruits were required, we felt a bit suspicious but today we are sturdy men, true men at their posts. We are real soldiers. We were quiet in South Africa like the children Israel when they were in this land not knowing what would happen next. Today we are on the way to Canaan. If we win we will have arrived in Canaan. General Smuts' speech moved reasonable men; when the country is in danger we are pleased to see men giving their services willingly. The thousands of African men here up North are willing to help as they also expect help later.

We are today a cosmopolitan army, consisting of every race known in South Africa. We are more united than ever. We never thought life was so pleasant until we got here up North. We saw wonders the day we

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NOW HE'S HEAD WAITER AT THE EATING HOUSE



Tea is easy to make and costs very little. When we are tired, a cup of Tea soon makes us fresh and strong again. Everyone likes Tea, it tastes so good. Both children and older people should have Tea with every meal and when they are tired and thirsty too.

IT IS VERY EASY TO MAKE TEA

Buy your tea in ½ lb. packets or larger. You get better value that way. Use a teaspoonful of tea for every cup you want to make, and one spoon extra for the pot. Make the tea with boiling water, and allow it to stand for five minutes before pouring out.



Mr. and Mrs. TEA-DRINKER and their family always drink TEA. They say:

TEA IS GOOD FOR US

I GET SO TIRED I FORGET WHAT THE PEOPLE ORDER FROM ME.



YOU SHOULD DO AS I DO, TAKE A CUP OF TEA BEFORE GOING TO WORK.



THERE, DRINK THIS HOT TEA.



NEXT DAY:
NOT ONE ORDER FORGOTTEN. I FEEL FINE SINCE I STARTED DRINKING TEA.



A MONTH LATER:
I'M HEAD WAITER NOW, THANKS TO TEA. I ALWAYS DRINK TEA WHEN I AM TIRED—IT MAKES ME FRESH AGAIN.



GIVE THE BRIDE A TEA-SET.



If you know a young woman who is going to get married, give her a nice teapot, with cups to match. It would not cost much, and it would be useful many times a day, for everybody likes to drink tea often.

TEA is good for us!

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The Editor's Column

For the benefit of our monthly readers of "Indaba Zovuyo" and "Marongoa oa Morena," and also for those of our weekly readers who did not see our last issue, we are, this week again, giving details about our NEW COMPETITION.

If you turn to page 2, you will see the coupon that must be filled in, cut out, and posted to reach this office (P.O. Box 792, Johannesburg) on or before 16th March. That gives you just about a fortnight, so there is no excuse for late entries. Incidentally any late entries will be immediately disqualfied, so make sure you post in time.

Mark your envelopes "Competition," in left hand corner. Please do not send a covering letter, just fill in your name and address on the coupon, after you have completed it, not forgetting to attach your essay or "lofty" words. No entries, whether successful ones or not, will be returned.

No correspondence in connection with this competition will be answered, and competitors doing so are liable to disqualification. There may, however, be one reason for writing to us: if more than one member of a family wish to go in for the competition, they obviously cannot use the same coupon. So then and then only, they can write to this office and ask for as many coupons as they require, but one word of warning: **ONLY ONE ENTRY MUST BE SENT IN BY EACH PERSON OR THEY WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.**

We shall be most interested to see how many entries we have for this competition, as if it proves popular, we shall have competitions more frequently. It is a queer coincidence that we should have received the letter, that you can see in our Post Box of this issue, just at the time when we were preparing for this competition. We hope there are many more like Lionel Ngakane of the Orlando Lad's Hostel, among you.

The Editor

Tickey Tales

We pay Half Crown for a Tickey Tale. It must be just long enough to be told over a cup of Tea.

This week Michael Yawa wins the prize for his story:—

HOW A KING FOUND AN HONEST MAN

Once upon a time, there was a king, who wanted to find an honest man to collect the taxes in his kingdom. He consulted his counselors, and one of them suggested he should make his need known, and invite the applicants to his palace on a certain day.

This was done, and the applicants arrived on the appointed day. They were met by the counsellor, who told them that they must present themselves to the king, one at a time, going by way of a long dark corridor.

When they had all assembled before the throne, the king said very amiably "And now gentlemen, I should very much like to see you dance."

But with many blushes, all the applicants, except one, refused to dance.

"There is your honest man" said the counsellor, pointing to the man, who had danced cheerfully and well "let him collect your taxes for you. But first of all, let him empty the pockets of the other men, who have filled them with gold from the sacks in the dark corridor, and so could not dance for fear they would be found out."

And after this was done, the other men very sheepishly left the king's presence, while the honest man was rewarded for his honesty by receiving all the gold they had stolen from the king, besides being appointed tax-collector at quite a good salary. He was also allowed to have tea with the king as a special treat.

The Editor would like the address of Ephraim Ramelkana, and the name and address of a reader who sent the story of "The Goose that laid the Golden eggs" sometime in October. If these are not received by 15th March, both manuscripts will be destroyed.



Orlando Lad's Hostel,
P.O. Orlando.

Sir,

Will you please send me your cross word puzzle patterns, which are to be filled and put into the Children's Newspaper. I would be glad if you could send me the prices for each filled. I would like to know if it would not be possible to have some kinds of competitions in the Children's Newspaper. Will you please send the patterns as soon as you can.

Yours sincerely,

Lionel Ngakane.

Victory Briefs

Cow dung by itself can be used for smearing the floors of huts, mixed with mud it makes very good "Green bricks" for building. Dig in weeds in your garden to make green manure. When the maize crop is reaped, store away the green stalks safely for feeding the cattle when grass is scarce.

S. v. d. S. Nominga

You can make relief maps for schools from old newspapers and wooden boxes. First cut a piece of $\frac{1}{4}$ inch thick wood 3 feet by 4 feet. Make into pulp by soaking in water for about a week, squeeze out water and mix with oil. This can then be spread on to the plank and modelled accordingly and painted as required.

Mr. K. Mafola

Soot can be made into black ink. The lead of indelible pencils ground and added to water makes good marking ink. Ash is very good for cleaning the teeth. Rotten tomatoes can have the seed taken out and dried for planting. Old bicycle wheels covered over with a skin make a good drum for the children.

W. Ramatsui



Little-Red-Stomach and the Giant's Pool

(BY STANLEY SILWANA)

Once upon a time there lived a woman called Norsissie. Now she had a son whose name was Siswana-Sibomvana (Little-Red-Stomach). One day this boy told his mother that he was tired and thirsty. She told him to get water out of a clay vessel in the house. He said he did not like water because it was warm and tasteless though it could be used for making tea. She then told him to go and drink out of a furrow behind the house. He refused to go and said that that water too was warm.

"You are a very troublesome boy," she exclaimed furiously. "Go and drink out of the chief's pool, but be very careful not to finish it."

The boy ran to the pool rejoicing and drank all the water, because it was cool and sweet as honey. His stomach expanded and became red. (Hence the name Little-Red-Stomach.) When he tried to stand up, however, he found that he was unable to, and a man passing by asked him who had drunk all the water out of the pool.

"Do not ask me," replied Siswana-Sibomvana, "ask mother. She permitted me to drink the water. She knew what would happen." The man passed on but told him that some one greater than himself would demand a better explanation than that which he had given him. After this man had gone a second one came. He also asked Siswana-Sibomvana who had drunk the water from the pool.

Again he said, "Do not ask me, ask mother. She permitted me to drink the water. She knew what would happen." This man too went on. And before he left he also told him that some one greater and more powerful than himself was coming, and that Siswana-Sibomvana would have to give a more satisfactory explanation to him for the absence of the water.

Soon after this man had gone out of sight, the chief, who was a giant, arrived. "Siswana-Sibomvana," he said in a thundering voice, "who drank my water out of this pool?"

Siswana-Sibomvana said that his mother had given him permission to drink the water. The chief asked this question again and again but Siswana-Sibomvana gave the same answer as before. The enraged giant seized him and swallowed him whole, and then returned to his home in the caves.

During all this time Siswana-Sibomvana's mother was searching for him. Every one she met was questioned about his whereabouts. After a long search in the surrounding country, she journeyed to the base of a distant mountain where the giants lived.

When she got there she saw a giant standing at the door of a cave. From him she asked if he had not seen her son, Siswana-Sibomvana, who had disappeared from the time he had gone to drink water at the giant's pool.

The giant did not answer, but went into the cave; then an elephant came out and said, "Come a little nearer woman. What you say is not aud-

ible." Without any suspicion of danger she went nearer and repeated her question. The elephant pretended not to hear nor understand and insisted on her coming nearer still.

Eventually the woman went into the cave, and stood by the door. In the cave she found the giant seated in the centre, surrounded by many smaller giants. She asked them whether or not they had seen her son Siswana-Sibomvana, who had disappeared since he had gone to drink water at the giant's pool.

Now, ever since he had swallowed Siswana-Sibomvana, the giant had been having the most awful indigestion, and so he was in an extremely

bad temper. Therefore when he heard that Norsissie was the mother of the bad boy who had drunk the water out of his pool, he immediately seized her and swallowed her too.

This, naturally, made his indigestion far worse, and when Norsissie found her son still alive, and he jumped up and hugged and kissed her, the giant started rolling around the cave in agony. "Oh" he groaned "I have the most awful pains, what shall I do?"

"Cough us up, and promise never to be selfish with your pool again" said a voice from inside him. The other giants were terrified and thought the biggest giant must be bewitched, and told him they were going to kill him.

"Don't do that" he pleaded "I can easily get rid of these people from my stomach" and he gave a huge cough which echoed right across the valley, and made all the mountains shake. Up came, first Norsissie, and then Siswana-Sibomvana, and the giant was so relieved to get rid of his pains, that he gave them special permission to use the water out of his pool for drinking or making tea whenever they liked.

NEW COMPETITION

We want to know which are the most popular features in the Children's Supplement and Family Newspaper, and we want you to help us.

WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO: Read carefully through the list of features on the form printed below, and then write down 1 opposite the feature you like best, 2 opposite the one you like second best, 3 opposite the one you like third best, and 4 opposite the one you like fourth best, and so on till you have used the numbers 1 to 6. The remaining six spaces must be left blank.

When you have done that, write a short essay of not more than 40 words, giving your reason for choosing that particular feature as your favourite. (No 1)

PRIZES: We are offering 3 prizes to those under 17, and 3 prizes to those over 17 for the best essay. No essay will be considered if it is not attached to the coupon below, duly completed.

	Under 17	Over 17
1ST PRIZE:	10s.6d.	10s.6d.
2ND PRIZE:	5s.	5s.
3RD PRIZE:	2s.6d.	2s.6d.

ENTRIES MUST BE IN THIS OFFICE NOT LATER THAN 16TH MARCH, AND MUST BE ADDRESSED TO THE EDITOR, P.O. BOX 792, JOHANNESBURG. NO CORRESPONDENCE CAN BE ENTERED INTO REGARDING THIS COMPETITION, AND THE EDITOR'S DECISION IS FINAL. ONLY ONE ENTRY CAN BE SENT IN BY EACH PERSON.

THE RESULTS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE ISSUES OF 18TH AND 25TH APRIL. FOR FURTHER DETAILS SEE EDITORIAL.

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Uncle Arthur's Letter

Mbabane,

My dear Friends,

Here we are still in Mbabane, having a wonderful time walking and lazing, for the countryside is quite delightful. Last night, we had dinner with Tom Dhlamini, one of George's friends. "It is a great pity," said Dhlamini, as we sat down to table, "that you were not here LAST month."

"Why, specially?" I asked.

"Well the annual Incwala Festival took place at the Queen Mother's kraal, and that is always interesting to see."

"What happens?" asked George and I eagerly, as a man.

"Well it's a long story, have you the patience to hear it all?"

"Certainly" said George and I again simultaneously.

"Well" said Dhlamini taking up his cup of tea, "I will tell you about the parts I didn't see, as well as the parts I did, because otherwise it wouldn't be a complete whole, so here goes. First of all, a month before the Incwala starts, that is about the beginning of December, medicine men go down to the coast to fetch sea water, which they bring back in a giant calabash. When they return, practice takes place for the "Big Incwala" ceremonies, and this is called the "Small Incwala."

The date of the "Big Incwala" depends on the full moon, and this year it started on Saturday 3rd January, when the young unmarried men had to go down to the Usutu river to fetch the "Sekwane" leaves, or rather branches. As most of the young men had been called up, some quite young boys were included, and so they left on Saturday morning instead of the afternoon, which is the usual custom, and consequently we missed seeing them off.

Nothing more happened until the next morning, when just after sunrise they returned with the twigs. These were deposited in the cattle kraal, where the elders and indunas use them to build a special hut, which is open to the sky, for the Paramount Chief, inside the cattle kraal using part of the wall already there for the back of the hut.

Later in the morning, the boys went down to fetch "amacembe" leaves, which are smaller twigs and placed in between the "sekwane" branches so thickly that no one can see into the hut—"inhlambelo." They fetched these leaves several times, dancing round the cattle kraal each time before they deposited the leaves at the "inhlambelo."

Monday morning nothing special took place, though everyone was in full dress—leopard skins, goats' tails, feathers and red mud in their hair, shields, assegais, knobkerries. There was some dancing, however, and the slow rhythmic movement was fascinating to watch.

The big event, of course, is the killing of the bull and this took place about four o'clock of the same afternoon. There were many interested spectators besides ourselves lining the

cattle kraal at one end. The Paramount Chief's hut was on our left, and in front of us were hundreds of warriors both boys and men, chanting and swaying. Then suddenly all the boys left the kraal, and the cattle were driven in. The remaining warriors, still chanting and dancing, could scarcely be seen for cows, calves, oxen and bulls.

Then as suddenly as they had left, the boys returned, having discarded everything their shields, assegais, goat skins, feathers, only keeping on their tigerskin loin cloths. They then took up their positions to the extreme left of the kraal, dancing and jumping about in anticipation of what was to come. And then the sky, which had been threatening rain for some time, suddenly opened, and we had to run for shelter.

After a time, most of the cattle were driven out of the kraal again, and the chosen bull—pure black—was kept with a few cows. After some time he was at last let into the king's hut where he was doctored by the medicine men. The boys in the meantime were getting very impatient, and from time to time gave a shrill whistle in praise of the Paramount Chief.

At last they were summoned to the hut, where they continued jumping about and dancing, until the bull was released. It broke through them, and careered wildly for a few yards, the rain by this time was coming down hard, and made their lithe young bodies glisten as they danced about. There were about two hundred of them, and they made short work of that bull, for in less than ten minutes he was inside the "inhlambelo," not that one could see anything there were too many bodies for that.

Standing in front of the hut they continued dancing while chanting the Incwala song which may not be sung at any other time of the year. Quite near us was a Swazi soldier, and although he was dressed in khaki, he had not lost his feeling for the Incwala, he was beating time rhythmically with his foot and singing the song too. I was glad to see that because it showed that although he had donned European dress, he was still a Swazi at heart. Don't you agree with me George?"

"Yes" replied my nephew "that is one of the things I always try and impress on recruits when I'm signing them on, but go on with your story I am so interested."

"Well as a matter of fact, we left soon after that as the rain came down again in torrents, and I had seen it all before," said Dhlamini.

"Yes" I said "but do go on telling us—we haven't."

"Well after all these boys have been doctored by the medicine men in the hut, another bull is caught and let out, but this time it isn't killed.

The bull that has been killed is eaten by all these young boys with the exception of those who bear the same surname as the king.

The "Luma" ceremony, which consists of cooking herbs for the purpose of anointing people's joints to give them strength, follows. This is performed first by the Paramount Chief,

and afterwards by private families, but no one who has fetched "segwane" leaves can take part.

Next comes the Incwala Dance, (at which time the Incwala songs are again heard) followed by various rituals, the last of which is the burning of the bull's bones. After this rain falls and puts out the fire. This always happens, even if there has been no sign of a cloud in the sky before. And then everyone is allowed to eat green mealies for the first time as the Incwala ceremony means that of the "First Fruits."

"Well I certainly am sorry we missed that" said my nephew, "it must have been most interesting and instructive."

"Yes it is" said Dhlamini "and especially because it shows that the Swazis are keeping up the old traditions and customs. In fact you know, Sobhuza, our Paramount Chief always says that we must benefit from the white man by taking the good qualities from him, at the same time keeping our own way of living. I think that is very sound advice, don't you? You know when Sobhuza comes to town he wears European clothes, but when he is at his kraal he always wears proper African clothes."

"Yes" I said "do in Rome as the Romans" is a very old and wise saying, and applies even in Africa."

"What time do the Romans go to bed in Mbabane?" asked George laughing as he got up, "because I think it is high time we went, don't you Uncle Arthur?"

"On one condition" I replied.

"That I promise to get you a cup of tea as soon as we get home" put in George for me.

"How did you guess?" I asked.

"Not very difficult" he replied.

And after this childish banter, we left our kind hosts, and after the promised cup of tea went straight to bed.

Your

Uncle Arthur

Victory Brief

Keep the soft feathers of your fowls when you kill them for making cushions. The fat of an ox or pig can be used for making soap if boiled with soda. Sacks can be used for making curtain partitions in a house.

Mr. Ndodana Nzima

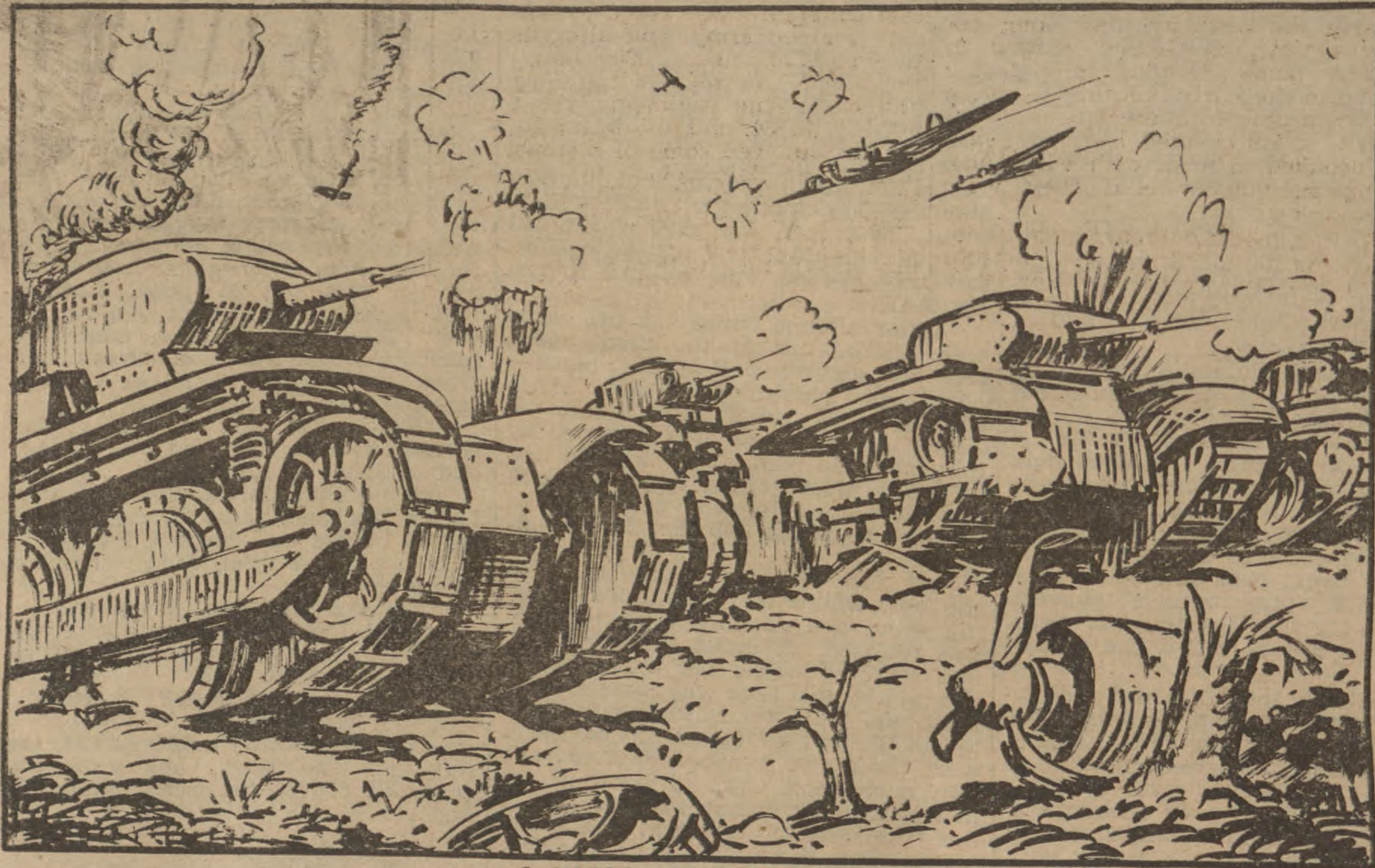
Solution To Tea Table Quiz No. 59

ACROSS 1. Book. 4. Cups. 8. Lax. 10. See. 11. Or. 12. Ass. 14. An. 15. Of. 16. To. 18. Put. 19. Ear. 21. Te. 22. At. 24. In. 26. Ram. 28. So. 29. Rob. 31. Gun. 32. Ewes. 33. Done.

DOWN 1. Blot. 2. Oar. 3. Ox. 5. Us. 6. Pea. 7. Send. 9. As. 12. After. 13. Steam. 15. Out. 17. Oat. 20. Fire. 23. None. 25. Now. 27. Am. 28. Sun. 30. Be. 31. Go.



CUT HERE



A WALL OF STEEL

In the old days the African warriors advanced in long lines behind a wall of shields. Today men are protected by a wall of steel like these tanks, when they advance into battle.

CUT HERE

CLUES ACROSS

1. Voice music.
6. Highest point.
10. Pain.
11. We make fire for tea with this.
12. We eat this with our tea.
14. Churches have these and so do houses.
15. You (Biblical).
16. Order of the British Empire (Abbr.)
17. Child's thank you for "tea" without an "e."
18. Wet, slushy ground.
20. Preposition.
23. Alcoholic drink.
24. Part of the head.
25. Caught in a "ten backwards."
27. Sailors' way of saying "behind."
28. Chartered Accountant (abbr.).
30. A shoemaker's tool.
31. First class.
33. Musical instrument.
36. Young sheep (plural).
39. Anagram of "dear."
41. Pride goes before a—
42. Nickname for a South American.
43. Tea grows on one of these.

Tea Table Quiz No. 60

(BY AGNES PHETLHU)

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CLUES DOWN

1. Infant.
2. Square measure.
3. Personal pronoun.
4. Ocean.
5. All correct. (abbr.)
6. Highest or lowest card.
7. Colonel (abbr.)
8. Used for brewing.
9. Girl's name.
13. Domestic animal
14. British Expeditionary Force (Abbr.)
18. Boy's name.
19. Metal in its natural state.
21. Opposite of "on."
22. Pest.
26. Brown.
27. Sounds the same but spelt differently from 30 across.
28. String or rope.
31. Possessed of ability.
32. Small island.
29. A space of land.
34. Bustle.
37. Same as 27 across.
38. Spoil.

(For Solution to Tea Table Quiz No 59 turn to Page 3)

Some Parents Are Robbers

For parents to rob their children is sinking pretty low. Yet thousands of christian parents are robbing the child of the family altar. A noted evangelist has said: "If our children don't hear us pray they may never hear prayer at all." A grey-haired man rose in a testimony meeting and said: "My mother died when I was four years old. Before she died I heard her pray again and again: 'God save my boy.' It is true of her that being dead, yet she speaketh. I was thrown in ungodly surroundings and had great temptations to sin, but on the very threshold of some evil act, that divine voice, pleading in anguish for me would come back to memory and I turned away the temptation. Sometimes I would hear her cry ringing in my ears, and in my dreams at night. At last I yielded my heart to Christ and her prayer has been abundantly answered. Fathers and mothers, let your boy hear you pray. May he early learn that divine resources are made available to him through prayer. Christ said: 'Men ought always to pray and not to faint.' Does not this mean that we ought to make our home the sanctuary where prayer is wont to be made?" —Selected

Confession

I am the greatest criminal in history
I have killed more men than have fallen in all the wars of the world.
I have turned more men into brutes.
I have made millions of homes unhappy.
I have transformed many ambitious youths into hopeless parasites.
I make smooth the downward path of countless millions.
I destroy the weak and weaken the strong.
I ensnare the innocent.
I make the wise man a fool, and trample the fool into his follies.
The abandoned wife knows me.
The hungry children know me.
The parents whose child has bowed their grey heads in sorrow know me.
I have ruined millions of women and if I am allowed will ruin millions more.
I am Alcohol. Have you ever voted for me.

—Selected.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

BY (MISS) R. PAVER
"Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart." Psalm 27-14.
(I am so sorry this article reached me too late for the issue of February 21; but I sincerely hope that its sincere appeal will touch the hearts of our womenfolk and inspire them to look up to God for help and inspiration in these trying times.—Editress)
Dear Bantu Sisters,

February 20, 1942 is the day which will be observed throughout the world as the Women's Day of Prayer. Women of all creeds, races, and colour (and many of them suffering cruelly) will unite in prayer for this war-torn world. You too, are making sacrifices and suffering during this time of war.

Amid the rush and bustle of daily life we are apt to neglect our prayer life, to overlook the importance of the power of prayer. None of us would be able to keep our homes clean and bright, or keep our families strong and healthy without water; because water is essential to physical life. Just so, we need living water from the Fountain of Life for the health and growth of our souls. Prayer is absolutely essential to the life of the soul.

Our Redeemer's disciples were struck by Jesus' constant communion with His Father. Christ's disciples soon realised what a tremendous source of power, prayer was to Christ. No man has been poorer, no man busier, no man more humiliated, and no man has suffered more than Christ, and yet no man has ever lived a more gloriously joyous and triumphant life. No wonder Jesus' disciples, seeing the power of prayer, cried out, "Lord

THIS WEEK'S THOUGHT

We are apt to have far more reasons for doing what we know is wrong than we have for doing what we know is right.

—T. R. Glover.

teach us to pray." And now let us unite in prayer with our sisters of all the countries of the world.

PRAYER

O God we humbly ask You to help us to think Your thoughts after You. Help us to surrender our wills to You. Flood our hearts with Your love and sympathy. Into Your Healing Presence we bring all sufferers of all nations. Give of Your skill and compassion to all nurses, doctors and ministers of God. We commit the dying and dead of all nations to Your Loving Care. Calm the anxious, comfort the bereaved, be present to those separated from loved ones, O Merciful Father. Give to this troubled world Your Peace. Establish Your kingdom of love and justice. We ask this reverently, in and through the All-Powerful Name of Jesus Christ. Amen (R. Paver).

PRAYER

Lord make me an instrument of Thy Peace.

Where there is hatred...Let me sow Love.
Where there is injury...Let me sow Pardon.
Where there is doubt...Let me sow Faith.
Where there is despair...Let me sow Hope.
Where there is darkness...Let me sow Light.
Where there is sadness...Let me sow Joy.

O DIVINE MASTER

Grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled...As to Console,
To be understood...As to Understand,
To be loved...As to Love.

FOR

It is in giving that we Receive.
It is in pardoning that we are Pardoned.
It is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life.
(Prayer of Francis Assissi.)

WORDS OF THE WISE

Women are good listeners—to gossip.
Household scraps should never be wasted. Let the neighbours have enjoyment by listening to them.

PERSPIRATION ODOUR

The perspiration odour should have been removed by squeezing the affected portions in a lather of warm water and soap flakes, then rinsing through in clear warm water and hanging out to dry. If this is still not successful, try sprinkling the offending positions with lemon juice, leaving it on for a few minutes and then rinsing in clean cold water. You do not mention what is the colour of the frock, but do not leave the lemon juice on for too long, as this might affect the dye in coloured material.

DON'T STAY AWAY FROM CHURCH

Don't stay away from church because it rains. That would not keep you away from business.

Don't stay away because company happened to drop in. Bring them along.

Don't stay away because you are rich. We can help you to cure that.

Don't stay away because you are poor. We have knowledge of One who has the riches of eternal life.

Don't stay at home because you are lazy. Idle men tempt the devil.

Don't stay away because the church is imperfect. Should you join the perfect church its perfection would cease.

Don't stay away because you do not need the church. It is not so.

Don't stay away because you know more than the preacher. You might enjoy the singing.

and put into pans. Leave again in a warm place to rise. Bake in a hot oven.

HINTS
Blackening. To blaken brown shoes, take a raw potato, rub into the shoes, and then polish in the usual way.

Green Mealie Savoury

Melt 2 tablesp. butter in a saucepan, stir in 2 tablesp. flour then gradually add 1½ cups milk. Cook until nice and smooth, then add 1 teasp. salt pepper and 2 cups young tender green maize cut from the cobs. Cook 5 minutes, then stir in 3 well-beaten eggs. As the eggs become cooked, gently fold the mixture over and over until it resembles scrambled eggs, then pour on to hot buttered toast or serve in a border of green spinach. As a change grated cheese may be added and the mixture poured over cooked macaroni.
Brown Bread.

2 lbs unsifted Boermeal, 2 tablesp. butter, 2 cups boiling water, 1 tablesp. treacle, salt, ¼ oz compressed yeast cake dissolved in ¼ cup luke warm water.

Put shortening, treacle and salt in a large bowl, add the boiling liquid, and leave until cooled down to a luke-warm temperature, then add yeast cake and meal, and knead thoroughly into a stiff dough leave in a warm place to rise. When double in bulk from into loaves

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Miss Nettie Pearl Nomsa Nkosi who has been associated with Talitha Home as a staff member for many years will be married to Rev. George Sidlal on Saturday, March 7 at 11 a.m. in the American Board Church, Doornfontein. The reception will take place in the A. M. E. Church Hall, Victoria Street, Sophiatown in the evening.

Miss Nkosi is also well-known in musical circles and has won many trophies in the Transvaal Eisteddfod competitions.

TIMELY TIPS

Painted furniture can be made to look new if sponged with a soft cloth wrung out in paraffin and polished when dry.

Soda should never be used for washing cups and saucers bearing a surface pattern, especially when gold is used in the ornamentation.

Indian metal trays and other ware may appear difficult to keep clean. To make and keep it in good condition the brass should be washed in warm soapy lather, well dried, rubbed with lemon and then rinsed quickly with boiling water to remove the acid. Dry thoroughly and polish with a chamois leather.

Try this for breakfast: cut squares of bread and remove the crusts, then cut a hole in the centre of each and put into a frying pan with plenty of hot fat. Into the centre of each slice drop an egg and fry.

A white felt hat is a very delicate object requiring repeated cleanings. Everyone undoubtedly knows remedies like benzine and potato flour, magnesia and the crumbs of white bread. An expert maintains, however, that the hat would suffer less when treated with light sandpaper.

Benzine and other volatile liquids may evaporate through the porous cork. This can be avoided by dipping the cork in liquid paraffin which congeals and forms a thin layer which renders the airtight.

To remove the label quickly from a bottle, moisten it and hold it over the flame of a match when the adhesive will at once soften and the label can easily be stripped off.



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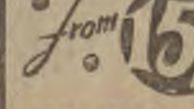
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BANTU GOLF UNION NEWS

S. MALAZA'S ACHIEVEMENTS

As one of the Patrons of St. Andrew's Golf Club which is affiliated to the Transvaal Bantu Golf Union I wish to take up the cudgels on behalf of Simon Malaza against the Sports Editor's footnote which appeared in the Sports pages last week. According to this footnote Mr. Malaza has dared to criticise the mismanagement of the Union after his failure to be re-elected an official of the Union. This shows that the writer of the footnote concerned does not read his own page. Mr. Malaza has been the constructive critic of this Union for many years in the past while he was an officer. In one of the meetings when his criticisms were considered too unpalatable, he was sent out by the chairman. Mr. Malaza seeing that the monies of the golfers were not properly kept and audited, insisted on these being banked. As a result the Union to-day boasts of some monies in the Bank. In the last meeting in which Malaza was asked for the third or fourth time about these monies, when he tried to explain how he came to bank them and began to point out the manner in which the monies were kept before this he was again threatened with expulsion from the meeting. And the matter was dropped.

On several occasions Malaza has sought my services as his patron to interview some prominent Europeans for some donations or the use of their courses. He did this while he was assistant secretary of the Union. Mr. Maqubela was Secretary even in those days. I defy him now to point out two achievements he made for the Union during that time and which did not materialise from the brain of Malaza.

Here is a list of what Malaza did for the Union:

1. Opened a Banking account.
2. Organised the Fonteinbleu Tournament for War Funds.
3. Introduced European Patrons.
4. Got for the Union the Bantu World Trophy by approaching the Management.
5. Made application for Golf Course, Kiptown when Mr. Ballenden honoured him by giving him valued advice.
6. Applied for the use of the City Deep Golf Course and was granted use of it; but failed to get it because they did not meet with the Secretary of the Union at the specified time at the office of a European sympathiser who had put the matter before the City Deep officials. I was with him there. I was also with him when he approached Mr. Schoult for the Fonteinbleu Course. I was with him when he drafted a circular soliciting aid (Monetary and Material) for the Union from European sympathisers.

Even at this time Simon Malaza was agitating for a Constitution for the Union. We have our own for St. Andrew's which we can produce at any time without waiting for the approval of a Committee. In all these efforts Simon Malaza worked with Mr. Maqubela and consulted him and left all the honour in his hands.

Isn't it absurd that such a person who has worked himself almost to death for his fellow golf players should suddenly be found useless to the Union, and his questions be regarded as impertinent by the chairman, and his public criticisms in the press be footnoted with an insinuation as to its genuineness because he is no longer an official? O, the Times! O, the Manners!

We who believe in praising a man for what he has done while he still moves among us will

stand by Simon Malaza and his great sacrifice on behalf of the Transvaal Bantu Golf Union and its members.

Even now I am still waiting for a public appreciation of Mr. Simon Malaza's great works for the golfers from the pen of Mr. Maqubela who succeeded him as Secretary. If the Union has a Constitution and audited financial reports why not make them public instead of arguing in the Press about the matter?

PATRON,
St. Andrew's Golf Union,
Orlando.

Johannesburg News

(BY WALTER M. B. NHLAPO)

ARTISTS JOIN HANDS

Those two concert entertainers, Wilfred Sentso and Victor Mkiye ex-Pitch Black Follies member have joined forces. Mkiye is now the Manager of the Syaco Schools. This step is being watched anxiously and the results will be awaited keenly and critically.

The bill they sent me recently shows that they are up to giving a bombshell to the audience in the near future with their African Yam-a production that requires all in all 30 adult artists.

From what I learn, this is something new. But really it would be strange if anything Sentso undertook did not display foresight and enthusiasm. Mkiye is as able as Sentso. In this direction, if the African Yam is produced and presented, this will be a great achievement and greater still if the work is original.

GAY GAETIES SHOW

A fair audience attended the performance of "Nodoli", a musical play by the Gay Gaeties at the Bantu Men's Social Centre on February 13. The play which is formed of a varied programme was contrary to expectation. It was not well written nor well produced. And here lay its doom and failure, though not a shatter in one.

HAWAIIAN MEMORIES

This item by the Gaeties Glamorous Girls was fairly good, but it should have been the most delicate for many reasons. One of them is that the war in the Pacific has silenced to an extent the charming steel guitar, the fine dancers, the "aloha" "oils" and "hulas" Jazz Maniacs Personal 8 played for dance.

SWING FOR SALE

This production by the Pitch Black Follies at the Ritz Hall on February 13 was heavily attended. The programme was varied and entertaining. Items rendered Louis Kgomo (acrobats), John Denelane (piano), Marjorie Pretorious (crooning), Babsy Oliphant (Solo), Joyce Ndabeni (singing), 4 Smart Girls, 20th Century Hot Sparks and the Pitch Black Follies. Merry Blackbirds Band was in attendance.

KURUMAN NEWS

Wedding Bells

(D. P. KGOTLENG)

Recently a beautiful wedding of Mr. N. C. Lekalake son of Rev. M. Lekalake of Batlharos and Miss M. L. Mashomo daughter of late Mrs. Mashome of Seoding, Kuruman, was solemnized by Rev. H. C. Thomson of L. M. S. church at Seoding. Mrs. Thomson decorated the school room where the reception was celebrated. Friends of both parties presented pretty

(Continued in column five)

Standerton News

(BY X. Y. Z.)

A mass meeting of the Inter-denominational Ministers Association was held in the Presbyterian Church on January 27 at 2 p.m. Rev. A. Khubeka of the Zion Nazareth Church presided and was assisted by the Rev. J. Mothiba of the Ethiopian Church. Among those present were the following: Revs. J. Nhlapo Methodist Church; C. Nelani A. M. E. Church; J. Mothiba Ethiopian Church; E. Sibeko Presbyterian Church; A. Mbhatha Zion Nazareth Church; E. Nyathi Zion Apostolic Church; M. Mkwanasie Zion Church; S. J. Mthopeng Anglican Church; J. D. Ndhlovu Presbyterian Church; M. Nhlapo Roman Catholic Church; J. Dhladhla Swiss Mission Church and T. Mokoena; S. Mdaayi Bantu Methodist Church. The Agenda consisted of the following: (1) The establishment of the Inter-denominational Ministers Association (2) The election of Office bearers (3) Matters affecting the local African.

The death took place under tragic circumstances last month of Miss Nellie Nhlapo second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hendrick Nhlapo. The burial service was conducted by the Rev. Amos Mbhatha of the Zion Apostolic Church in Zion amidst a big gathering of friends and relatives.

Nurse Linda Luthuli of the Isolation Hospital has her hands full owing to the many patients which have been admitted in the Hospital, she has also to attend to the weighing of the babies at the Clinic.

I am glad to report that Nurse Maud Ntshingila of the non-European Hospital who has been laid up with stomach trouble is presently convalescing.

The death took place of Mrs. Thabethe only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. Ntombella on January 23. The burial service was conducted by Mr. Stephen Masiya Evangelist of the Dutch Reformed Church.

A mass meeting of the Transvaal African Teachers' Association was held in the Junior United School Hall on January 31. Among those who attended were the following: Standerton Teachers: Messrs W. J. Ngubeni; C. B. Ngiza, E. B. Koza, B. J. Twala, E. N. Sibiyi, Chas Sempe, D. J. Makapela, S. Masua, S. Sikitii, Sam Ngubeni, H. Ngubeni, M. Mathebula; Misses A. J. Vilakazi, L. S. Ngobese, Mesdames C. S. Nhlapo, W. G. Ngiza, F. F. Baker, Bethel Teachers: Messrs N. H. Majuma, T. D. Nkosi, D. Radebe, S. Maseko, D. Masombuka, J. Jelle, A. Ntsoane, Miss Muni. Balfour North Teachers: Misses E. Sibanyoni, A. Mbebe, V. Mdingi, Messrs W. Nkuagae, J. Moekeksi, Greylingstad Teachers: F. Radebe, D. Moekeksi, Mr. A. W. Madi presided. Messrs Maseko and Mokhesi both teachers of Johannesburg who are on the Organising Committee of the T.A. T.A. gave eloquent addresses on that day.

Owing to the increase in the enrollment of the United School in both Sections Senior and Junior more additional teachers are required urgently to assist in the school work.

Mrs. Mothiba wife of the Rev. J. Mothiba is in bed ill. We hope she will soon recover.

Well-Known City Couple Married

The marriage of Miss Evelyn Giehl Mazibuko, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mazibuko, of Chieveley, Natal, to Mr. L. L. Loate, well-known in city circles, took place in the A.M.E. church on January 31. The Rev. Tikane officiated at the A.M.E. church, Sophiatown.

The bride was attended by four ladies in waiting and the groom by four gentlemen. The party presented a beautiful picture, dressed as the ladies were in gay colours, with the men in black suits toning the effect. After the ceremony a light reception was supposed to take place at the home of the bride's sister Mrs. S. Godebe; but so great was the enthusiasm shown by the couple's friends and well-wishers that the reception developed to be a big affair.

It began late in the afternoon when dinner was served and ended the next morning. In the evening many presents were shown and telegrams from well-wishers were read. What gave the party a thrill was the present of a set of tea dishes given by Mr. and Mrs. L. Simmons the employers of the groom who had even been present in church. Mr. Simmons spoke in church and wished the couple happy married life.

Monetary presents totalled over £5 which were handed over in the evening. Five choirs rendered music led by the Try Agains conducted by Mr. J. Mdaane, the "Wizard" of the piano. This reception was intended to be a small affair as the reception proper was to take place at the bride's home in Natal, but it exceeded all expectations and became a major affair.

On Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Loate and their relations left for Chieveley, Natal, where a great reception took place in the home of the bride's parents. Here feasting and jollity reigned supreme for a day or two. Many prominent ladies and gentlemen were present in the city as well as in Natal testifying to the popularity of the wedded couple.

wedding presents. Both Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Lekalake are members of the Kuruman Students League ever since its inception five years ago. Those who were present to witness the matrimony included the following: Rev. M. Lekalake and his house, Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Moeti, Mr. and Mrs. Lesetedi, Mrs. and Miss Brink, Mrs. Shutlagae, Messrs D. P. Kgotleng, D. G. Mereothle, Mocumi, Kitchin, Setlhabi, and several others.

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Tsela E Telele Ho Ea Kanana

(J. NKOLI MOHLAMME) Monghadi.—Ke ngola ka di tumblediso tse tsoang ho nna le ho bana ba lona, ha moho le banna ba lona, le ho motsoala ba lona...

Bao ba borona ba mahae re ha kopa hore ba seke ba ikutloisa, dipelo bohloko hobane bana ba bona ba le mafatsheng a mathata. Seo re leng ho sona ke mosebetsi.

Tsela eo re e tsoereng hooa "Kanana" ke tsela e telele ruri; ke tsela e phuthleng dichaba le dichabanyana ho di kopanya ka khoele e le ngoe. Ke tsela e boileng moea oa bochaba (racialism) oo re neng re phela ka tlasa oona moo South Africa.

E itse mohlalele ho ntsoe le tsoang 'Musong oa rona hore ho batleha banna ho joana bosole ra batla re ipelaela.

Puo ea General Smuts e ile ea tsitsinya banna ba nang le menahano dipelo. Ha lefatse le le boimeng ho batleha masole re thabela bao ba itlamelang thuso ka ntle le hore ba pateletsoe.

Ha reka ra kholoa hore re tla phela hantle hakana hohilehla re fihla leboea; mohlalele re keneng sekepeng re ile ra bona dimakatso tseo re neng re sa di lebella.

Ke o molaetsa o tsoang ho ba bolona bao ke leng "Sergeant" ho bona koano "North". Bare diponto ke tsa bona, bophelo ke joa lona. Amen.

Lefatsheng La Bo Faro

(PENE-LE-ENKE) Re ntse re tsogile gantle gagolo mona fatsheng la Faro, fatsheng la Egypt, fatshe leo re ngolang taba tsena re le ho lona ka matla a tsoang sefapanong seo re ileng ra jarisoa sona ke ngongorego tsa lona moo South Africa mohlalele neng le utloa gotho Hitler le makhopo a gagoe a aparetse leboea fatsheng la Africa.

Re kile ra le tsepisa gore le mamele tseo re tla di tsa leboea mohlalele re fihlang; ke nnete tseo re ileng ra di tsa le tseo re di tsa kangorego ke tsebetso ea senna. Re sebetso gore le eo e neng ele sera sa rona moo South Africa a ikope maitsoarelo.

Re fatakantse. Re tla ribolla bophelo jo botle gautsoanyane. Re tla nne re le tsebisa. Re ntse re phela. Re se re tloaitse mona Egepeta, le puo ea teng re ea e peteketsa, feela re bona ke lehlologelo; lona batho ba koo gae ga le re ngolle ditaba tsa bophelo, naa le se le re lahile, naa le re koatsetse. Re atla.

(Li tsuella qepeng la 3)

MATS'OENYEGO A BAHIRI MARABASTAD Makanti-Kanti A Pelindaba: Tshuane

(“KE SEMANYA-MANYANE”)

Morafe oa Bakgatla mona Marabastad, Tshuane, o ea ts'oenyega kamoo bo Mr. House ba ba hlorisang kateng. Banna le mathari a nyaka lekgotla la Khudu, ka gore Morena J. S. M. Lekgetho le thaka tsa hae ba nyaka gore bahiri ba fuoe matlo ka motseng o mocha oa Pelindaba. Sehlotsoana se teng se ganang hore matlo a ruleloe goba ba phela ka mofutso oa Bahiri.

Re eletsa bahiri gore ba ts'abele lekgotleng la Khudu moo banna bo: O. R. Mushi, A. P. Mahlatjie, J. K. Matli, J. J. Mohohlo, Wm. Lepule, N. M. Komane le ba bang ba ratang Bapedi: Bakgatla le bolthe ba emeng teng, Mokgatlo oa tokologo.

MORENA J. S. HARDY: MOOKAMEDI OA MALOKESHENE

Morafe kaofela oa Pelindaba, Marabastad le New Clare re itumetse go utloa gore kajeno Morena J. S. Hardy (Ra-Thapelo) ke eena Mookamedi oa Malokeshene ohle. Juale go kgethiloe bahlanka, bathusi metseng ea New Clare, Pelindaba. Baagi ba tla ts'anela goea go eena Ra-Thapelo bakeng sa lingongorego tsohle 'me e bile ke utloa gore mohlankana T. W. Keble 'Mote ke eena Toloko Nduna ea metse ena ea Tshuane gore a bereke le Ra-Thapelo.

KGANYAPA E RIPITLA TSHUANE

Letsatsi le iphile matla haholo 'me vekeng e fetileng re etetsoe ke Morena oa madiba eo ba bang, ba reng le Kganyapa, ba bang ba re ke Lehohlatsana. Ho oele matlo le lifate tse kgolo 'me aowa! batho bona ba pholohile ntle go kotsi. Rea makala hore ekaba bahiri ba tla ts'abela kae.

Re utloela bahiri botlhoko le batho ba motse o moshoeu oa New Clare. Khudu e nyaka hore le fuoe meputso bakeng sa ditse nyegelo tsa lona kamoo esaleng le phela. Mr. A. P. Mahlatjie o tla le thusa.

MOLAO O DITSHALA OA NAMUNE

Sello le ngongorego tse motseng oona ke gore thaka ea Namune e fetisitse hore go thibeloe Machaena, Makula le ba 'Mala gore ba etele malokesheneng le hore kgoebo e fuoe sehlotsoana se khemang le Namune. Ha ele 'nete morafe ga o nyake hore Makula le Machaena a hlome matlo a khoebo malokesheneng empa rona ra re ba re chakele ga ba rata. Mathari le banna ba bangata ba papala fahi ha re bone thuso ea hore ba thibeloe go kena New Clare; Pelindaba ntle le thaloso. Lokeshene le teratetsoe ke Namune.

THUTO EA BANA

Mabitsa a Literata tsa motse oona oa Pelindaba go reiloe feela a sehlotsoana se thabisang Namune.

Matichere le bohle ba nyaka 'nete. Likolong re bona mesebetsi e metle e etsoang ke mesuoe le bana. Rea itumela ga ele mona Moruti J. Malachi Segola a rata gore bana ba isoe likolong ka matla a molao, taba e e thabisata-botho le botlho. Thuto ke lerumo le legolo la tsoelopele.

PITSO EA CONGRESS

Motseng oa Pelindaba re bile le lipitso tse kgolo tse monate tsa lekala la Konkereke libui ele Comrades O. R. Mushi, Motsuadidi: K. J. Matli le majoro oa Malokeshene J. S. M. Lekgetho. Liboledi e le 'bo A. T. Seele le ba bang ba ratang mesebetsi oa morafe. Ba lekgotla la (Trades Union) Basebetsi bo: Jas Kola, Jac Nenkula, Solly Mokgoe (Gen Secretary). Setulo se nkiloa ke mora Selematse: Keble 'Mote 'me banna le mathari ba tllie ka bongata-ngata. Lekgotla la Morogo lea bereka ka mona ka Tshuane le rata ho thusa morafe ohle eseng puso ea phafa le liphepheng eo re u bonan e etsoa ke thaka le Bo: Mr. My House ka mona ka Marabastad go Bahiri. Ka mona ka Pelindaba re bona phafa le thipa. Sechaba sea o tsepa mora Mayford Ndongeni gore o se thuse 'me o lebelele mesebetsi e metle ea mofu Matseke Ho tla etsoa kgotso ea Matseke ka kgoedi ea Mesa. Re nyafila juala ba lekoko 'me mereko oona o tla phethoa ke C. B. Mbolekwa le mokgatlo oa Khudu-Morogo.

Moruti Ephraim Mahlo oa A. M.E. o teng koano le Morena Adam Malebye ba dula Seeiso Street.

Tichere Mr. E. J. Masuana a neha batsuadi raporoto e pila 'me batsoadi ba itumela.

Re ntse re phela feela re bolaoa ke disanta; ga re lelekisa dira kapa di re lelekisa santa e re kana ka dihempeng e ea re imela e etsa hore re mathe joalo ka hoja eka re dikhomo seretse sa seloko. Rona mona re banna ka moo re iponang ka teng. Le goja lentsoe le re motha a seke a ithorisa rona re a ithorisa gobane mesebetsi oa rona ke oa rona o etsoa ke rona matla ke a rona dijo ke tsa lona; diponto ke tsa rona empa bophelo ke joa lona. Re apoka, re raga ntja gore go bo go khaogae tsega. Re betsa feisi le mo-Jeremane gore le ba shoele ba be ba khutle "half-way" ba tlora thusa.

Goso goso go kae le se letla re bona gape moo South Africa; 'me re le tsepisa gore re tla le tlela "VICTORY" ka lebitso le thato la Modimo oo o re fileng matla ao re ileng ra garasoanya dira tsa rona tulung ea Sidi Rezegh mohleng tsatsi le neng le tifaletse dinaledi di wela mafika a phetoga dira di re bakela manyoloi a re okametse. Re sa ea pele. (Li tsoella qepeng la 10)

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Transvaal Open Tennis Championships JAJBHAY AND THOMAS BEAT F. J. SMITH AND OLIPHANT

(BY SECRETARIES)
The Transvaal open Singles and Doubles Championships commenced on Saturday, February 8 with a well representative entry from all sections of non-Europeans. The matches have been very keenly contested and Mr. B. Nhlpo proved himself to be the dark horse of the Tourney having beaten D. Makoe, J. Oliphant, and L. Bupapi, and reached the quarter stage. F. J. Smith and J. Cliphant were beaten in three straight sets against Jajbhay and Thomas, who combined exceptionally well and displayed brilliant tennis from baseline drivers and Thomas with his masterful style in net play, and thus qualified to play the finals. In the singles the leading stalwarts such as S. Sikakane, W. Thomas, Xorile, R. Molefe, A. Hoskins, J. Mthibe are still on the run. The results of the matches played are as follows:—

MEN DOUBLES

H. Jajbhay and W. Thomas beat F. J. Smith and J. Oliphant 6-2, 6-1, 6-2; beat G. Xorile and Ehrenreich 6-2, 6-2, 4-6, 6-1; beat Nhlapo and Padi 6-2, 6-1, 6-1. Xorile and Ehrenreich beat Mbinza and Dehoko 6-3, 6-3, 6-2. Jousten and Mooi beat Whyte and Snyman and lost to Smith and Oliphant 3 sets to nil. 6-3, 6-3, 6-2. Moses and Mogorosi beat Molefe and Tine 6-0, 7-5, 6-4. Hoskins and Dupreez beat D. September and Davids. Khutlang and Moate beat P. Tsoai and Gay 6-3, 6-4, 6-0. Mofokine and Caroluswe beat Zwakala and Mehloakulu 6-2, 6-2, 7-5. lost to Kambule and Mthibe 6-4, 6-0, 6-4. Molefe and Sikakane beat Khanyile and Cele 6-2, 6-2, 6-4. Mbinza and Dehoko beat A. Julius and A. Jayani 6-3, 6-3, 6-2.

GENTS SINGLES

A. Sikakane beat D. September 6-1, 6-1, 6-0, beat C. A. September 6-0, 6-4, 6-2, beat B. Nhlapo 6-1, 7-5, 6-0. L. Bupapi beat F. Davids: 4-6, 6-0, 6-4, 6-0. Nhlapo beat D. Makoe 3-6, 7-5, 6-3, 6-1, beat J. Oliphant; beat L. Bupapi 6-3, 6-4, 7-5, J. Mofokine beat P. Tsoai 7-5, 6-3, 3-6, 6-2, lost to L. Bupapi; 3-6, 0-6, 4-6. W. Thomas beat Khanyile 6-2, 6-2, 6-2, beat E. Mhloakulu 6-2, 6-2, 6-2, beat Kunene 6-3, 5-7, 6-3, 6-4. L. Mcoi beat F. J. Smith (Walkover) lost to Kunene 3 sets to 2. G. Xorile beat A. Jayani 6-0, 6-3, 6-0, beat A. Moate 6-3, 6-4, 6-1 and E. Hofman Mdani 6-3, 6-4, 6-1, lost to R. Molefe 8-10, 6-3, 4-6. A. Mthibe beat A. Julius 6-8, 6-2, 6-4, 6-4, beat R. Zwakala 3 sets to one. I. Padi beat J. Mosala 6-0, 6-0, 6-0, lost to Zwakala 0-6, 5-7, 9-7, 6-3. M. Kambule beat W. Mzordeki 6-4, 6-3, 6-4. A. Hoskins beat A. Sejake 6-0, 3-6, 6-2, 4-6, 6-2, beat M. Kambule 6-3, 6-0, 6-1. E. Mehloakulu beat I. Moate 6-2, 6-2, 6-1. J. Whyte beat J. Carrollisen 6-2, 6-4, 6-4. I. Moate beat Ntshekisa 8-6, 6-3, 1-6, 6-4. A.

Julius beat A. Mbinza 6-1, 6-4, 6-2. R. Zwakala beat Abe Moses 6-3, 5-7, 6-4, 8-6. A. Khutlang beat H. Gay 3 sets to one. A. Moate beat Ntshekisa 8-6, 6-2, 4-6, 6-4. A. Khanyile beat J. Sehoole 6-4, 6-0, 6-2.

Transvaal Rugby

PLEA FOR IMPROVEMENT (BY W. W. BARAYI)

As one who takes keen interest in African sports, I wish to say a few words of encouragement to rugby enthusiasts.

The season is approaching and we should be prepared. I appeal to the African public especially the young section to support this movement for the improvement of rugby amongst Africans. Our play in the Transvaal has not yet been up to the normal standard. I suggest that our love for the game should be infectious. And I appeal to Transvaal ex-players to give the young people every support and encouragement.

Sport keeps young men away from evil and danger. I am sure if we work hand in hand with ex-players and non-players who are members of the various clubs, we will see rugby progressing yearly, especially with the new scheme of grouping the matches in operation. It is here that we should improve our standard of play. We all know that Europeans have assisted us to make a start and it was our duty to see that these sport activities make some progress.

CO-OPERATION URGED

Our sports leaders should be patriots; and we players should co-operate with them unselfishly and be sportsmanlike in outlook. Let us have only one captain in the field of play for each 15. Let us not be deluded by our past successes but let us improve on them and take like good sportsmen the good advices of our leaders.

We should also try to be more enterprising and aim clean rugby in our fields of play. I am sure those who have attended European rugby will agree with me that there is still plenty of room for improvement in our side.

In conclusion I would like to say that rugby is a game not a life and death struggle, and for this reason we should be willing to take chances in order to improve the standard of our rugby. We are never too old to learn.

D. Tlale beat D. Maduna 4-2; D. Segoaile beat H. Masilo 6-5; W. Matthews beat A. Makola; A. Vento beat P. Dowelani (walkover). J. Jass beat M. Rakhomo 2-1; T. Papin beat G. Matthews 1 up; B. Ramakotoane beat B. Kalane 1 up; B. Senama beat J. Mutyali 6-5; J. Williams beat P. Tatai 2-1; J. Gumbi beat M. Skosana 5-3; C. Dube beat G. Libeco 3-2; J. Molefe beat S. Xulu 4-3; L. C.S. Shomang beat J. Makhalema 5-3; A. Siddu beat P. Rampa 4-3.

Benoni Sports And Social Tvl. Native Rugby Union Activities

FOLLOWERS REMINDED

(By Sports Organiser)

You are no doubt aware that this is a new year 1942, and surely everyone is looking forward to see what it has brought for us. As it is now time for annual meetings in all our organisations, please consider the following points that may bring you more pleasure: In choosing your leader, consider the experience in the field of modern education, interest in social movements, and personal creativeness; what your friend thinks you to be, that you must be; have a stout heart in defeat; keep the rules faithfully with your comrade. In brief those are the past and present activities of Benoni Location.

TENNIS

It is a great pleasure to report that an additional court is under construction, and that the Benoni Darkies and Boys L.T. Clubs have this year resolved to be one club under the Benoni Bantu L.T. Club. This club is affiliating to the East Rand Bantu L.T. Association and it has its local competitions, for the following trophies:— Jackson Cup—Gents Singles, Nduna's Cup—Ladies Singles, Mayor's Cup—Gents Doubles, and Sothoane's Cup—Ladies Doubles.

SOCCER

Our football teams are an association known as Benoni Bantu Football Association consisting of 18 teams divided into two sections.

Last year's winners were Flying Stars and Rainbows F.C's. In the Transvaal fixture last year Benoni played Germiston, Krugersdorp, Vereeniging, and Johannesburg on their grounds, Pretoria, Brakpan and Springs on our grounds. Very fine soccer was played in all these matches. We have the Nestadt Cup. This is an Inter-Race competition played by Bantu, Coloureds and Indians; last year's winners was the Coloureds' Association.

CRICKET

There is a club known as the Benoni African Cricket Club, affiliated to the Transvaal Bantu Union. Its matches are played on Sundays. It is hoped that this club will be in divisions, owing to its high membership.

NATIVE WAR DANCE

It is disappointing to state that Native War dance cannot be well conducted, owing to lack of good ground and platform where everybody can watch. However it is a pride to Benoni that it has good teams from the Standard Brass Foundry, Municipal Compound and Dunswart Iron Works.

These teams competed for a Mayor's Cup last year, in aid of the G.G. Fund and resulted with victory for the Dunswart team.

NON-EUROPEAN BOYS' CLUB

This club is specially organised to keep as many boys as possible from loitering about with nothing to do, it is opened every evening from 6 p.m. to about 9 p.m. At present only boxing and physical exercises are staged, a good number of games have been ordered which I am sure will appeal very much to the boys. Brass Band practice will soon be started under a very good Instructor.

Tvl. Bantu Golf Union

(By A. Maqubela, Secy)

Following are the first round results of the Transvaal Knock-out Championship staged last Sunday, February 15.

MORNING

M. Skosana beat N. Malunga 5-4; C. Dube beat A. Motsela 3-1; J. Gumbi beat J. Vilakazi 2-1; G. Libeco beat R. Tshabalala 1 up; J. Molefe beat P. Malgas (walk over); S. Xulu beat M. Swartz 2-1; L. C. S. Shomang beat A. Maqubela 5-4; J. Makhalema beat R. Ramatlho 4-3; A. Siddu beat S. Malaza 4-3; P. Rampa beat A. Mazibuko 3-1; M. Ntsoseng beat J. Kumalo M. Boyce beat A. Makola 1 up.

AFTERNOON

R. Nkuta beat D. Masigo 2-1; (Continued in column two)

(By Robert Resha)
The cricket is gradually drawing to a close and we are now patiently waiting for the secretary of the Transvaal Native Rugby Football Union to convene the annual general meeting. Before that is done by the secretary, I wish to draw the attention of the clubs affiliated in this Union to what happened last season.

Some clubs had sent new representatives to the Board and all regularly attended the meetings up to the day of the election. When this great day came, delegates who accompanied the representatives were of the opinion that the officials we have in the Board must be done away with and that the newcomers be elected officials.

GLAMOUR OF NEWCOMERS

They spread their proganda so widely and rapidly that nearly all the delegates were of the same opinion. All those influenced were in such a hurry that they could hardly give one a chance to address the meeting—points of order and privilege were the only topic in the meeting. There was no progress until they were all quiet and seated. Then the chairman asked for motions. Nearly the whole meeting was in favour of the newcomers. Before coming to a decision some delegates called upon the secretary to read the constitution. There was disappointment, because the constitution did not sanction the nomination of newcomers. Time was wasted arguing this item until after prolonged discussion the meeting decided that the clause be amended and then a meeting be called.

After a week the meeting was called and the clause was amended to suit the aims of those who were against it. This now being the right channel for them to operate no time was wasted and the newcomers were elected office bearers.

To my surprise that was the last day I saw all officials present in any Board meeting. The work was again left in the hands of the old officials, whom we as clubs owe them thanks for their magnanimity.

By writing this letter I wish to appeal to all clubs to send to the Board delegates who will truly represent them and at the same time be interested in the work of the Union. Delegates must not be influenced by other delegates and minor loyalties. We have men that have been with us for a considerable time without whom the (concluded in column 5)

Union would be as good as lost in the wilderness. Newcomers, I admit should be given a chance to learn, but people whose errors we know are ten times better than those who are unknown quantities. Consequently it is not wisdom to leave the work of the Union entirely in the hands of newcomers who have no experience in overcoming obstacles.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS COMMISSION REPORT

RECOGNITION OF NATIVE UNIONS

The need for recognition of form safeguarding them against explained in the report of the 1939-40.

The commissioners reject to evade their obligations in production and suggest a conference concerned and the Provincial Ad conditions.

The commission says the rise of an industrial class among the Bantu (permanently resident in all European centres) learning the lessons of industrial combination and agitation from European experts cannot be ignored. A number of Native trade unions were already demanding recognition. It was assumed that the same form of industrial solidarity among the Native workers as benefited trade unionists in Western Europe would prove as successful in South Africa.

"This, we are convinced, is a profound mistake. It is forgotten that trade unionism in Western Europe has succeeded as much by its sagacity and understanding of economic facts as by its combination. It has been strongest and achieved its greatest successes in the most advanced countries. Its leaders have been men of experience and outstanding common sense.

WISDOM DOUBTED

"But among a people just emerging from barbarism, with no industrial experience and no elementary acquaintance with economics, it may be doubted if the combinations now taking place are the wisest in their own interests. Industrial clashes between Europeans and Natives must inevitably develop into graver issues.

"Nevertheless, the existence of a number of Native trade unions demands some form of recognition. The commission has advised that this should be given, but in a form which will prevent Native workers concerned from becoming the dupes of Europeans who seek to exploit their grievances for their own profit.

"What is necessary is, that some official channel shall be established through which Native trade unions can bring into official cognisance any grievances they have and, if well founded, have them remedied. This would be better than leaving them to adopt the dangerous advice of some unbalanced, semi-educated Native or the promptings of disreputable Europeans who batten on Native ignorance and cupidity."

The war has compelled the Government to suspend further purchase of land as provided under the Native Trust and Land Act, it is stated. This, however, is temporary and purchases will be continued as soon as circumstances permit. Before purchases ceased sufficient land had been acquired to relieve the worst cases of congestion in the reserves. Reclamation programmes were drawn up by the competent technical officers of the trust and plans have been approached by the commission and put into operation.

PROVINCE'S OBLIGATIONS

Provincial Councils are unable or unwilling to provide the additional money necessary for Native hospital accommodation, the report says elsewhere, and the assistance of the commission certain Native trade unions in a "disreputable Europeans" is Native Affairs Commission for

the attempt of certain Provinces viding Native hospital accommodation between the State departments ministrations in order to improve

has been sought to effect some relief.

It is impossible to give adequate relief out of the trust fund, which was not established to relieve the Provinces of their obligations in this respect "though, indirectly, as a result of the rising standards of Native life for which the department is to some extent responsible, it is natural that the Provinces should seek to offload their obligations on to the Native trust."

Public health cannot be segregated. It is a national matter requiring national treatment. The commission has recommended a conference between the Departments of Public Health and Native Affairs and the Provincial Administrations to determine the needs for the immediate future and for the adequate provision of finance.

In a memorandum on Native health certain members of the commission contend that in South Africa emphasis must always be on preventive medicine as millions are unable to afford the services of a doctor and, in the Native territories, there are 21,500 Natives to every doctor.

Some day, they say, there will be sufficient Native doctors who are fully trained and qualified to engage in medical practice, and steps to achieve this are being taken. But for many years to come the Native will have to trust to the European. This means medical aid to all Natives at the expense of the State, if it is to be made available. The best and cheapest method of providing it is to deal with the sources of disease by preventive measures.

Middelfontein Complaint

Sir,

What can be done to improve education in a place like Middelfontein? Some people blame the teachers as untrained, but to my surprise, we have very level-headed teachers at Middelfontein. Teachers like M. Thlaku and W. Moraka, who have passed their J. C. Course first grade. To my surprise I learn that these two brilliant teachers have ceased teaching. Now, since that place is the dulllest place as far as education is concerned how on earth are we to better the education out there? Firstly, these two teachers were the best we had when we thought that now we had the right teachers who play less violin and less singing all of a sudden we hear that they have ceased teaching. Every reader of the Bantu World will agree with me that, not so very long ago, there was an advertisement in the very Bantu World advertising for a married man to be Principal who knows Sesutho Afrikaans etc. The Middelfontein people thought it a wise step. Mr. Michael Thlaku came as he is a married man and has passed his J.C. First Grade, he knows Sesutho and Afrikaans and English. Now Mr. Thlaku is no longer teaching with Mr. Morake—the two brilliant teachers in the Waterberg district. The Middelfontein people protested very strongly and asked for reasons for this. We have had no reply to this cry.

INQUIRER

My dear Nkadimenz,

Owing to the persistent expression of dissatisfaction of my leadership of your Branch by the General Secretary of the Transvaal African Congress, I have come to the conclusion, that it shall be in the interest of the Congress that I resign my position. In accordance with this conclusion, I hereby tender my resignation as the Chairman of your Branch. I shall, however, continue to be a member of your Branch and whenever my services are required I shall be only too glad to render them from this humble and honourable position.

Please notify all my colleagues of this decision and also do thank them on my behalf for the co-operation which they have given me as their Chairman. I shall again be pleased if you send a copy of this letter to the General Secretary, Mr. C. S. Ramohano, and another to the Press.

Yours sincerely,
(Sgd.) SELF MAMPURU.



Mr. Winston Churchill, Prime Minister of Great Britain.

Mr. Churchill's Speech

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I shall certainly not attempt at this stage to pass any judgment on our troops or their commanders. About 73,000 of them are stated by the enemy to be prisoners of war. Certainly large numbers than that were in the fortress at the time. I think it will be very unreasonable at the moment to pass judgment, and a very ungrateful task. We have more urgent work to do. We have to face the situation resulting from this great loss of the base and troops and equipment—a whole army.

We have to face the situation resulting from that and the great new Japanese war which

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has burst upon us. There is little more, I think, I can usefully say at this juncture upon the progress of the general war, and certainly it would be very foolish to try to prophesy its immediate future.

ENEMY STRENGTH

It is estimated that there are 26 Japanese divisions in the ABCDA area, as it is called. It should be remembered that these divisions can be moved and supplied at far less expense than is the case where European or United States troops are concerned.

We have not so many divisions in the ABCDA area as the enemy has for the time being.

The enemy has, for the time being, a waning command of the sea. He has command of the air, which makes it costly and difficult for our air reinforcements to establish themselves and secure dominance. They are, in many cases, destroyed on the ground before they can effectively come into action.

We must, therefore, expect many bad and adverse experiences which will be all the more difficult to bear because they are unaccompanied by a sense of imminent national or domestic danger—that feeling or being in the business ourselves which brought out the best qualities of our people a year and a half ago.

Brakpan Mines C.C. versus Benoni African C.C.

For the first time since the beginning of the cricket season the Brakpan Mines C.C. giving a report of one of its demonstrations.

This was really a thrilling match, especially when B.M.C.C. went in for their second innings. A. Dlepu, the captain for B.M.C.C., lost the toss and J. Oliphant the captain for Benoni African C.C., decided to field. B.M.C.C. went in for their first innings and were all out for 131 runs. The chief scorers were M. Nazo 26; C. Khumbane 23; K. Nazo 21; A. Dlepu 20 and A. Telelwa 14.

Then Benoni African C. C. sent in for their first innings and were all out for 45 runs. A. Dlepu captured 4 wkts for 22 runs; C. Khumbane 6 wkts for 19 runs.

B.M.C.C. went in for second innings. The two opening batsmen captured 108 runs for no wkts. A. Telelwa 40 runs not out and S. Tshuka 58 runs not out.

B.M.C.C. declared and Benoni African in their second innings only managed to scrape 47 runs. S. Tshuka, the merciless batsman, captured 3 wkts for 4 runs; A. Dlepu 2 wkts for 17 runs and C. Khumbane 3 wkts for 7 runs.

Thus B.M.C.C. won the match. Asst. Secretary, B.M.C.C.

Louis And Conn May Meet Again

Mike Jacobs is said to have arranged another meeting between Joe Louis and Billy Conn. Jacobs mentioned June as the date, and has turned down a suggestion for a Louis-Nova return, saying: "Nova must first beat a couple of guys."

Louis is prepared to meet other war funds, and several men are being considered, notably Lem Franklin, who next to Conn is regarded as the chief challenger for the title.

Bantu Welfare Trust

JAMES DONALDSON AWARD

The James Donaldson Award for 1941 has been presented by the Trustees of the Bantu Welfare Trust to Mrs. Minnie Ngeezula, of Grahamstown.

The Award is made annually in recognition of long consistent and honourable service to the community rendered by an African man or woman. It consists of a gift of £5, and a parchment certificate setting out the details of the award.

Mrs. Ngeezula is a widow who has, for the past 30 years, and despite her own difficult circumstances, devoted herself to helping Africans and others in need of assistance. She has nursed them, fed them and helped them in many other ways. She has never asked for remuneration for her efforts, but in her own words has acted always "for the Love of God."

Who's Who In The News This Week

Of the recent arrivals in the city is Mr Thos D. Oliphant of Tarkastad. He is staying with his brother Mr. R. W. M. Oliphant at the Western Native Township.

Recent arrivals in the city are Misses C. and D. Hoho of Port Elizabeth. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Ntshanyana, of Sophiatown.

BRITSTOWN PROUD OF HER



Mrs. E. Tyson-Msengana, formerly of Britstown but now of "As you like it" Harlem Avenue, Langsa, Cape Town, has been successful in obtaining an Honours Diploma in Dressmaking and Designing with Tailoring from the Woman's Institute of Domestic Arts and Science Ltd., London. She is the first African Woman in the Peninsula to achieve such high standard in the course.

Mrs. Msengana is at present assisting her husband who is the Principal Teacher in the E. C. Coloured School, Britstown. She has the good wishes of her people in the Peninsula and Britstown for a successful career. Her achievements in this new field will be watched and followed with keen interest by all her well wishers.

Mrs. Msengana, it is understood, is pursuing further studies in the various branches of Domestic Arts. It is hoped that a few if not many African Women will follow her footsteps.

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