

# GIZENGA POISONED

## HEALTH SERIOUSLY AFFECTED, DECLARES HIS MOTHER

**A**N attempt has been made to poison Antoine Gizenga with arsenic, charged his mother in a letter from the Congo after she was at long last allowed to visit her son.

Mr. Gizenga, former Deputy Premier, is being held prisoner on the closely-guarded island of Bolabemba by the para-

troopers of Gen. Mobutu, the Congolese Central Government's Army chief.

The letter from Mrs. Gizenga has been published in Cairo by the Afro-Asian Solidarity secretariat.

The secretariat said that his life was endangered by the amount of poison that had already been administered. He was in serious ill-health before.

The statement said that Mr. Gizenga urgently needed medical attention—but Gen. Mobutu has banned even Mr. Gizenga's own doctor from visiting him.

### 'Monstrous Crime'

It was to be feared that Gen. Mobutu might put up a new smokescreen "to hide from the

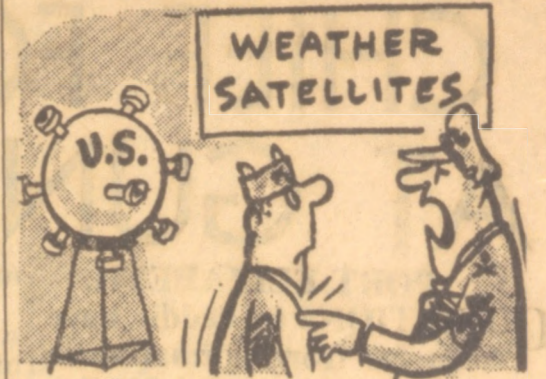
world the monstrous crime he is plotting against Gizenga's life," the Cairo statement said.

The statement blamed the plot on imperialism, specially the U.S., jointly with the Kasavubu-Mobutu clique.

Mr. Kasavubu is the President of the Congo who helped to oust Patrice Lumumba, the Congo's first Premier, who was murdered in Katanga.

THE CAIRO STATEMENT CALLED ON PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD TO ACT URGENTLY FOR THE IMMEDIATE FREEING OF GIZENGA.

### AMERICA



"We didn't send that up just to be told there's a depression centring over Wall Street."

### EUROPE

## Soviet Smokers Fight Back—With Cigarette-holders

From Dennis Ogden, Moscow

**MOST** Soviet medical men share their British colleague's view that smoking is an important contributory factor causing lung cancer.

There is no advertising for cigarettes or for the more usual "papirosi"—stubby cigarettes with a long cardboard mouthpiece—and smoking is forbidden in cinemas, theatres, buses, on the Underground and many other public places.

There is usually mutual agreement in offices and similar places of work not to smoke, addicts being obliged to retire to the corridors.

Smokers fight back by pointing out, first, that most of their number either use cigarette holders—which are not considered an affectation here—or, secondly, that they smoke "papirosi," whose long mouthpieces serve as a filter.

Pipe smoking is uncommon—on stage and screen it is frequently used to denote an Englishman—while cigars are rarely seen. But there is talk of havanas appearing in the shops soon.

So far, there doesn't seem to be any painless way of stopping smoking apart from just stopping. But a great deal of interest has been aroused here by reports of a new drug evolved by a Hungarian, Dr. Villibald Viltner, which is injected at present but soon will be available in tablet form.

## They Came to the Fair

From Arnold Selby

BERLIN.

The International Fair at Leipzig in the German Democratic Republic this year once again proved to be a great success.

Once again enterprises from all over the world displayed their wares there. Experience has shown them that it is good business to exhibit at Leipzig.

In spite of Conrad Adenauer's threats, there were exhibits from 600 West German enterprises. Also displaying goods at Leipzig were 61 businesses from West Berlin.

520,000 foreign visitors from 94 countries came and saw the 'Leipzig Fair,' including 13,000 persons from West Germany and West Berlin.

## AFRICAN PROFILE



## Munukayumbwa Sipalo

—a most prohibited immigrant from N. Rhodesia

With an interpreter at a UNIP meeting is 30-year-old Manukayumbwa Sipalo, former General-Secretary of the Northern Rhodesia United National Independence Party and now UNIP representative in Accra, Ghana.

Mr. Sipalo revealed the notorious letter written by a Tory M.P. to

a certain Mr. 'J' in the Federation. He distributed copies of the letter to the conference of the non-aligned nations at Belgrade last year and later published it in the "Voice of Africa" in Accra. He is Associate Editor of VOICE OF AFRICA.

Mr. Sipalo served a jail sentence with Mr. Kenneth Kaunda in Salisbury prison in 1959.

Mr. Sipalo is considered one of the best orators in Central Africa. He is a former student of the New Delhi School of Economics. He was a delegate to the 1st Afro-Asian conference at Bandung in 1955 (representing the "varsity students in India). In India he edited "Resurgent Africa," a monthly periodical of the Foreign Students' Association. During the Suez Canal crisis in 1956 he was staying with Colonel Nasser in Egypt.

Sipalo has travelled widely in Asia, Western Europe and the Soviet Union.

● He is a prohibited immigrant in Sudan, Kenya, Nyasaland and Southern Rhodesia.

## Gizenga writes to Adoula

### "IN A CAGE FOR BEASTS"

Reprinted as received by New Age. Presumably a rough translation from the French original.

January 27, 1962.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you again that I state with despair that in an intelligent and polite way, you made me an animal ready for slaughter already tomorrow. You are keeping me in a cage to prevent me from escaping. On the other hand, you are trying every day to console me with nice words, telling that it is you who has been deceived.

After having got out of the plane, I asked the United Nations for lodging just for one night. When the U.N. wished to abuse this and to keep me forever there, I had to thank it and to ask this Organisation to be allowed to return home. It means that it was not at all the question that I asked the Government for protection and lodging. I did not ask for it, because I did not consider myself to be its member any more.

It was of your own initiative, with secret consent of some members of the local U.N. headquarters, that you decided to offer me a residence under supervision, 78/A Lippens Street. From there according to your order, I was transported to a real cage for beasts of prey. My cage is surrounded with barbed wire, in the same way as the cages for gorillas in a Zoological Garden, all windows and doors are provided with bars. This cage is situated near a paratroopers' camp, where till now I could not get the necessary medical care, which is, as you know, important for me.

Since I am neither on remand nor a lunatic, and have never asked you for protection—in case you are not already being called to account by some foreign lawyers, who probably do not know what is going on here—I am asking you as a Deputy and a citizen, who has the right of freedom of movement, to order to set me free from this cage tonight by 18 o'clock.

I know too well that you are the strong man of today's regime. If you decide upon me to die, it will happen at once. If you decide that I should be interned without trial, it will be approved. But take into consideration that everything has its end, the same as I meet my tragic end from your hands.

Thank you for the attention you will pay to this letter.

I remain with best wishes

signed: A. GIZENGA

MR. CYRILLE ADOULA,

Prime Minister.

Copies to be sent to: Minister of Interior, President of the Senate, Speaker of the National Assembly, Minister of Justice.

## British Movement for Colonial Freedom Demands Congo Leader's Release

### British Support For S.A. Refugees

MOHALESHOEK.

The Basutoland Congress of Trade Unions has been informed by Mr. Robert Edwards, British Labour M.P., that the Congress' petition protesting against the attempts of the Basutoland authorities to deport a number of South African refugees has been forwarded to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

"If I do not get a satisfactory reply I will see what can be done to raise the matter in the House of Commons," says Mr. Edwards.

THE Movement for Colonial Freedom has sent a letter to U Thant, acting Secretary-General of the United Nations, demanding the immediate release of the imprisoned Congolese nationalist leader Antoine Gizenga.

The letter noted that Gizenga was in a prison on the lonely island of Bulabemba. His mother stated that he was being poisoned by arsenic. "Should Mr. Gizenga in fact be murdered, suffering the fate of Patrice Lumumba, the United Nations would share in the shame of that crime," the letter warned.

**Join Your Trade Union**

## Non-cooperation in Peddie

# CHIEF FORCED TO FLEE AT GUN POINT

**PORT ELIZABETH.** CONDITIONS in Peddie have been far from normal since the death in exile of Chief Ndlovu Msutu who was banished for siding with the people in their resistance to Government policies in the area.

The area has no Paramount Chief and the people refuse to recognise Government-appointed chiefs. Some of the Government supporters, like Chief Ndaba, no longer live at their homes. **New Age learns that Ndaba fled his home at gun-point.**

A series of meetings have been called recently by officials who wanted to explain Government policy. The purpose of these meetings, usually announced in advance, are clothed in nice verbiage, but the people have had enough experience to see through the smoke-screen of words the sinister advance of Bantu Authorities and so-called "better-

ment schemes."

When the Chief Bantu Commissioner came from Kingwilliamstown to explain one of these schemes, there was no response from the people. This was followed by a meeting addressed by the Peddie magistrate.

At this meeting the magistrate was greeted by utter silence from the peasants. The usual "Bayete" salute was not there, and there was no prayer to open the meeting. The men just smoked silently.

However, the magistrate delivered his message. The local police chief also addressed the meeting, and said that for all transfers by sale of livestock a permit should be obtained. This, he said, was in order to curb stock theft in the district. The people listened in glum silence. They are not eager to obtain permits, viewing this as the first step towards the reduction of their stock.

Many locations in the area have rejected fencing of commonage and

villages, but a few Government-supporting chiefs have given in.

In the district of Chief Manyal, fences were uprooted. A communal fine was imposed on all the villages and the fines levied on unwilling peasants. Their appeal against these fines simply faded out at the BAD.

In the Emqwashini Location, well known for the annual Fingo Tribal celebrations, Chief Mpahla is unpopular after accepting fences.

Throughout the Peddie area people are required to obtain special permits for collecting firewood and poles for fencing. As a result all the villages are potential criminals, because they find the procedure too round-about and drawing them closer into the net of officialdom.

Admission of guilt for a firewood offence is R10.00. A fine of R30.00 has already been imposed on one woman. Legal opinion sought on the issue could not establish the validity of the penalties.

## NEW TACTICS

In the Willowvale district in the Transkei, from Qakazana to Tywaka locations, new tactics are now being adopted to work Government schemes. The villagers are no longer told of the changes to be made to their areas, and they are no longer required to supply free labour for fencing schemes. The authorities are moving swiftly, fencing in area after area with hired labour.

As a result peasants in some areas have reacted sharply by uprooting the fences and burning dipping tanks.

## Jacobs—Maoto Bout on Saturday Night

DURBAN

Roy Jacobs, the Nigerian lightweight champ, will meet his second opponent in Joas "Kangaroo" Maoto in the Durban Icedrome this Saturday night.

In the main supporting bout, Sexton "Wonderboy" Mabena, the former national bantam and feather weight king, will fight the Natal featherweight champ, Leonard "Killer" Madela in a six round contest.

# HEARTS BAG THEIR FIRST POINT

DURBAN.

**THE** South African Soccer League's newly affiliated first division team, Hearts, bagged their first point when they drew 4-4 with the strongly favoured Avalon Athletic at Currie's Fountain Stadium in the League Cup competition last week.

This was Hearts' first appearance on the coast, and from the form which they showed, they can expect to draw a bigger crowd than the 5,000 which saw them in action.

From the whistle, Hearts were on the ball and their combination play

by the forward line was a constant threat to their opponents. The forwards slammed at the nets, but only found that "Lady Luck" was not on their side.

But Athletic too was a real balanced side. It seems that they expected a walk over Hearts after their triumphant win against the great Moroka-Swallows two weeks ago.

Athletic scored their first goal through centre-forward, Dharam Mohan. (1-1).

In the thirtieth minute of play, Hearts got their equaliser when left-

subdued by the rain and the sight of the hitherto unbeaten favourite Pirates sinking in the mud. Pirates fought desperately to equalise—led by King Kaiser they played like demons, but the fleetfooted Swallows, well on top, forced the champions to their knees as the thunder rolled.

In an unforgettable encounter Swallows smashed in three more goals (Guinea Mbanya and Maoaso) for a final score of Swallows 5, Orlando Pirates 0.

## Don't Give That Degree To Swart

DURBAN

**EIGHT** students describing themselves as "ex-Fort Hare students, ex-Rhodes University students and members of convocation," have sent a letter to Rhodes University deploring the decision of the Senate to confer the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, on the State President, Mr. C. R. Swart.

The President, himself a co-architect of the Separate Universities Act and the Fort Hare Act, "has not only helped to thwart the academic advancement in South African universities but has also made the very freedom of speech in such institutions impossible during his term as Minister of Justice," says the statement.

Remarking that outstanding champions of educational freedom such as Dr. Kerr and Prof. Z. K. Matthews had been honoured by Rhodes University in the past, the letter says: "We cannot but feel that the conferring of a similar mark of academic distinction upon one who holds diametrically opposed views . . . is an incongruity of outlook on the part of Rhodes."

The letter is signed by Messrs. D. D. Ntoi, D. Sebedi, S. S. Makana, G. M. Mxenge, J. T. Matseke, S. Musi, J. Moroki and M. Mantwana.

# EXPERIENCED BLACKPOOL TOO GOOD FOR ATHLONE

From Duleep

**ATHLONE** Athletic, in going down 7-4 to Blackpool United of Johannesburg in a South African Soccer League match at the Green Point Track on Saturday, displayed glimpses of form which may well bring them into the forefront, but, lacking experience and shooting ability, they succumbed to a team who capitalised on their good approach work.

Blackpool, though they had Walter van der Merwe and the ex-English pro, Kallie Page, spearheading the attack, were by no means the Blackpool of yesteryears, and only a shadow of the team that played so well here last season against Ramblers.

The crowd, an estimated 2,500, appreciated the valiant struggle of the home team, who in the second half played with only 10 men (Faroo being injured with a severe gash on the head). With a little more luck

and accurate shooting they could have equalised. On the other hand their goal-keeper, Opper, had another of his off-days, being caught flat-footed time and again. Three or four of the Blackpool goals could have been saved.

All told, Athletic should not feel disappointed at this first big appearance against a visiting side who had the polish and the ability to out-manoeuvre them.

## QUICK GOALS

Hopes were raised in the opening moments of the game when the home team notched two quick goals but the unperturbed visitors slowly took control and quickly forged ahead to retain the lead throughout. Two goals came via handling by the Athletic defence in the area—costly errors indeed.

In the Athletic attack, van der Watt appeared to be the really penetrative player. Faroo, while he was there, had the dash but not the finish.

Mandy Davids, the 'pool keeper showed his class with some brilliant saves, but is on the decline, as was apparent in this game.

Goal-scorers were: Blackpool—Van der Merwe (3), Page (2), Dennis Barends (2); Athletic—v.d. Watt (3), Faroo (1).

The curtain raiser, between Cape Ramblers and a Combined Pro XI was an attractive affair, with the former in rampant form, winning by 6 goals to one. Goalscorers:— Ramblers:Belgeum (3), Jansen, Bloomer and Cousins, one each; Y. Shade scored for the losers.

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