

ABX. 3907126

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12th July, 1939.

The Secretary,
P.O.Box 41,
PRETORIA.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I beg to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of your communication dated 24th June, 1939, asking me to give a lecture to your Society on August 2nd., 1939.

I am sorry you did not state the time and the exact place. I can, however, arrange to appear not earlier than 8.30 on the same evening.

If this arrangement meets your approval, I shall endeavour to be there at the time and date mentioned.

Yours sincerely,

ABX/pd.

Social Welfare - General

ABX. 390714

5 Grosvenor Crescent,
Edinburgh, Scotland.
July 14, 1939.

Dear Dr. Xuma,

I am so glad to write to you again. I returned from New York on June 12, after completing my course.

I am so glad to inform you that I obtained my M.A. at Columbia University, in Christian Education. Our Commencement took place on June 6.

I came to Scotland to convey the greetings of the Bantu Presbyterian Church of South Africa, to the Church of Scotland. It was very thoughtful of our Assembly to do that, because the missionaries have the idea that we are prejudiced towards them.

From July 22nd, I shall be at Amsterdam, where I shall attend a Leaders' meeting in connection with the Christian Youth Conference. It will be an experience to me. I have also been invited to a Conference in Geneva on August 7 to 16. So you can imagine that it was a good opportunity for me to go to America.

I desire that most of the young men, especially those that have been abroad, to convene a meeting in order to discuss the launching of a progressive program for our people. You know, Doc., it is heart-rending to find that men who have been overseas do not engage in methods of uplifting our people. I am really concerned with this, and I hope that we could do something. We have an excellent weapon- the stamp of an overseas training, and our people are hero-worshippers, and so, would gladly follow up. I wish to hear your views on that. Immediately on my arrival in Natal, I desire to confer with you at your home. I hope to spend one evening at your place.

I shall leave Edinburgh on the 17th. July.

With kindest regards to you, I am,

Your sincer friend,

Geo. B. Molefe
Geo. B. Molefe

ABX. 390715

Personal

1016 Carson Ave
Winston-Salem, NC

July 15, 1939

Dear Alfred,

I have waited and waited for a letter from you for such a long time. I am wondering what on earth can be the matter - It was in June when I heard from you last - I have thought all kinds of things - Are you ill - the children - has something gone wrong? Tell me, the suspense is too great!

I have gone forward with
the things I should do in order
that I can be ready to start to
So Africa by Sept or October. I hope
to have the passport by first of
September.

Have you heard ^{from} Mrs Yergans?
I received a letter from her about
a week ago. She said she
had heard from you. I am
wondering if she has said any-
thing to you to discourage you
in this marriage. I hope not.
There seems to be an underlying
current in which she pushes you
forward at the same time she
seeks a retreat. Once in New York
(before I met you) I had an opportunity
to go to So. Africa thru the A. K. A
Society on a fellowship exchange
(an African woman coming to America
and an American going there) when
I volunteered to go - she raised
objections - I wonder now
why! In my letter ^{from her} she has

prepared her "go forward" with
a negation— Is it possible that she does
not want any other star to shine as
brightly as late "Yergans"? She seems to
think I will not like it in Africa— She
did— why can't I, I lived in Southern
Florida for ~~two~~ three years— and I
loved it there— I can adapt myself
almost anywhere—

Please forgive me for writing these things
but I can't understand your silence— when
I'm just eating my heart out to know
"what's ailing thee!" Please! Please! please!
let me hear from you real soon— How
long my letters been coming in— Alas!

The mind please like fall now— soon
that name would will show me to 9 year
to be kinder
I have written

ABX. 390717

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July 17th, 1939.

Health matters -
General

Dear Sir,

Miss Nangle of the Central Council for the Care of Cripples has suggested you might be good enough to give me some help I am anxious to obtain.

I am trying for the benefit of visitors to this Museum to make a collection of the addresses of all sources from which health and hygiene propaganda for use in Africa can be obtained, also to compile a list of books dealing with these subjects used with success for teaching. Where possible I am trying to get the actual material, as I have a room here in which posters, leaflets, etc., are displayed and which is visited by numbers of people. If you could make any suggestions I would be most grateful. It does not matter if the material is simple or advanced, for Africans or Europeans, my visitors are interested in all kinds.

I trust you will not think this too big a demand upon your time, but at present anyone intending to take up work in Africa has to visit so many addresses in London to gather information on books and propaganda material that days are often spent in the search, while if all the information were filed here, one visit only would be necessary.

Yours faithfully,

FR. Mold.

Dr. A. B. Xuma,
104 End Street,
Johannesburg,
Union of South Africa.


Miss F. R. Mold,
Museum Assistant.

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DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS
DEPARTEMENT VAN NATURELLESAKE.
PRETORIA.

20-7-1939

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My dear Xuma,

Permission to Enter Union: Miss Madie
Beatrice Hall.

With reference to your letter of the 11th instant, I have communicated with the Secretary for the Interior and recommended that the South African Legation at Washington should be authorised to grant a visa to Miss Hall to enter the Union. Her entry will, of course, be conditional upon the production of suitable certificates of character to the Immigration authorities and the deposit of a sum of £50 or security for that amount.

I shall advise you further as soon as I hear from the Secretary for the Interior.

Yours sincerely,

D. L. Sumner

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ALEXANDER KERR

22nd July 1939

Dr A.B.Xuma M.D.
Sophiatown

Personal

Dear Dr Xuma,

I write to say how sorry I was not to be able to call on you at your residence at Sophiatown as I had intended doing.

My trouble was that we had evening sessions that precluded the possibility of my going out to you, as I had to be at the chair all the time till the 1st day.

It was exceedingly generous of you to oblige me with that long nocturnal ride after the evening lecture, and I wish you please to accept my sincerest thanks for it.

I am just replying to Mrs Mahlangeni who is asking for help in sore straits as to the education of her son in Scotland after her late husband had left absolutely no provision for his family. She desires someone to lend the boy fifty pounds per year for six ~~year~~ years, and I do not know where such a person can be found.

Wishing you every success in your work and noble profession, I am, Yrs sincerely,

D.D. Jabavu

Personal

ABX. 390724a

Wilberforce, Ohio,
July 24, 1939.

My dear Doctor Xuma:

I was so hurt to
have my Christmas card
and letter to Eva returned.
I must write her in care
of you trusting your kindness
to get it to her. Please
insist upon her writing

me at once.

I expected you to return to the states and accordingly wrote our mutual friends. But you did not return and as I have no hope of ever coming to your beautiful Africa I likely shall never see you again. But you will ever be dear to me. I have in my diary the date of your visit and it remains one of my dearest memories.

Write to me now and then. Bishop Wright told me that you were one that he hoped to get interested in the new clinic at Exatow. Are you still interested there? I told Prof. and Mrs. White that they

would find you her strongest
friend and helper.

You failed to leave me swap
shots of the children. Please
send me late ones. Tell Eva
that in my next I'll tell her
of Dav's progress. -- Must
stop - mail time!

Sincerely,

Doni R. Clarke.

Social Welfare - General

25/7/39

ABX. 3907246

CITY OF JOHANNESBURG.

CONTINUATION COMMITTEE ON BANTU JUVENILE

DELINQUENCY :

24TH AND 25TH JULY, 1939.

P R E S E N T :

Senator Rheinallt Jones,
Dr. Ray E. Phillips,
Rev. Father S. Carter, C.R.
Mr. W.G. Ballinger,

Representatives from Municipalities:

Johannesburg	-	Councillor Mrs. E.M. Pemberton,
		" A.S. Holland,
Pretoria	-	" Mrs. M.P. Atteridge,
		Mr. J.R. Brent,
Germiston	-	Councillor A.C. Payne,
		" A. Osborn,
		Mr. Meyer,
Benoni	-	Councillor R. Bodley,
		Mr. C.M. Brown,
Krugersdorp	-	Councillor J.F. Bolton,
		Dr. L.D. Adler,
Brakpan	-	Councillor J. Freel,
Boksburg	-	" W.E. Vickers,
Springs	-	Mr. E.J. Baker,
Roodepoort	-	Councillor J. Schlapo,
Vereeniging	-	Mr. H.U. Davidson,

Representatives from Government Departments:

Native Affairs	-	Mr. J.M. Brink,
		Mr. E.A. Kernick,
Justice	-	Mr. L.F. Goldsworthy,
Education	-	Dr. W. Eiselen,
Public Health	-	Dr. G.W. Gale,

Mr. G. Ballenden,	}	Native Administration
Mr. L.I. Venables,		
Miss M. Janisch,		
Mrs. H. Henderson,		
		Department, Johannesburg,

Rev. S.S. Tema,
Mr. W.B. Ngakane,
Mr. L.J. Mfeka,
Mr. G. Radebe.

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We want the same recognition from the State as any other section.
We neither desire nor invite paternal protection.

CITY OF JOHANNESBURG.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONTINUATION COMMITTEE ON BANTU
JUVENILE DELINQUENCY HELD AT JOHANNESBURG ON 24TH AND 25TH
JULY, 1939.

9.30 a.m., 24TH JULY, 1939.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN.

Councillor Mrs. E.M. Pemberton, representing the Johannesburg City Council, welcomed the members, but regretted her inability to remain for the afternoon session. She proposed Dr. Ray E. Phillips as Chairman.

This was seconded and unanimously carried.

APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE.

Apologies were received from Mr. H. Britten, Mrs. J.M. Hellman, Mrs. Rheinallt Jones and Dr. W. Eiselen.

The Chairman called upon Mr. L.I. Venables of the Johannesburg Native Administration Department to explain the purpose of the Conference.

MR. VENABLES.

Mr. Venables stated that the objects of the Conference were set out in the foreword to the minutes before them. They would recall that the Conference held last October had decided that the first step was the formation of a Continuation Committee to implement, as far as possible, its findings, which were set out at length at the end of the record of proceedings. It was the duty of the Committee to make personal contact with all bodies and institutions interested, to suggest to them the share each may take together with any methods of co-operation which might be brought about, and generally to stimulate an active campaign towards eliminating causes of delinquency among the urban African youth.

It would be recollected that Dr. van Schalkwyk had raised the question of how the results were to be presented, and Senator Rheinallt Jones (who was in the Chair) had suggested that the Conference should give a definite instruction to the Continuation Committee that, wherever possible, the findings of the Conference should be submitted to the bodies concerned by way of deputation, and this suggestion had been adopted. Mr. Ballinger had referred to the necessity of arranging a meeting with the Members of Parliament of the Witwatersrand, or the areas covered by the Conference, to place the facts before them, so that when the Continuation Committee visits the bodies concerned they might take their Members of Parliament with them; furthermore, that it be incumbent, as far as possible, upon those members to raise the matter in Parliament as soon as possible and see that the recommendations receive attention by the Government. The foregoing proposals were unanimously adopted by the Conference, and he took it that that was the procedure which the Continuation Committee would follow.

CHAIRMAN.

The Chairman pointed out that the meeting was regarded as a very important one indeed in view of the large amount of work entrusted to it by the Conference. He raised the question of procedure.

MR. G. BALLENDEN/

MR. G. BALLENDEN (Manager, Non-European and Native Affairs Department, Johannesburg).

In answer to an enquiry, Mr. G. Ballenden informed the Committee that it was inconvenient, for various reasons, to convene the meeting at an earlier date. Representatives from many interested bodies had been consulted but many had said they were unable for various reasons to attend on dates suggested. The use of the word "Native" in the record of proceedings of the Conference was regrettable but was entirely due to the shorthand-writers who were employed from outside the Department and paid to carry out the work. No explanation could be given by him to the Committee in respect of the Johannesburg City Council's objection to the proposed Wage Board Determination as that was not a matter within his province.

CHAIRMAN.

It had been suggested that the findings of the Conference should be grouped together under four main headings. It seemed to him that each heading required some research before certain items could be properly dealt with, and he called upon Mr. Venables to give a brief outline of the proposed headings and the items which it was thought would fall naturally under them.

MR. VENABLES.

The findings cover a very wide field, but in studying them they seem to fall into four groups. These might be classified as follows :-

1. ECONOMICS AND POVERTY.

Under this heading the Conference dealt with certain matters, such as:

- (a) Propaganda amongst Europeans.
- (b) Recognition of and training in skills.
- (c) Higher wages.
- (d) Cheaper food (including milk and vegetables).
- (e) Lower rents in Locations.
- (f) Larger houses.
- (g) Home pride - freehold ownership.

2. FAMILY AND HOME LIFE.

- (a) Stability of marriages and unions (registration?).
- (b) Increase of parental (paternal) responsibility.
- (c) Discouragement by Municipalities of informal unions.
- (d) Need for investigation of marital conditions.
- (e) Insurance against unemployment, illness, old age, etc.
- (f) Steps to minimise artificial crimes (such as tax defaulters).
- (g) Creation of Bantu public opinion.

The third division concerns the question of Education, and it was suggested that Employment might be linked with Education:

3. EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT.

- (a) Government responsibility in regard to finance.
- (b) Municipalities to be urged to provide buildings.
- (c) Compulsory education - 7 to 14 years.
- (d) Pre-school education facilities.
- (e) Adult education.
- (f) School board for each Municipal Area.
- (g) Juvenile Affairs Boards.
- (h) More hostels for domestic servants.

4. SOCIAL AGENCIES AND HEALTH.

- (a) Survey of social forces available.
- (b) Children's Act - Magistrates to use corrective educational sections.
- (c) Additional members of film censors.
- (d) Additional recreational facilities, e.g. "Amalaita" gangs.
- (e) Remove land restrictions against the establishment of hostels and social centres.
- (f) Need for additional reformatories.
- (g) Child Welfare Societies to include Non-Europeans.
- (h) Employment of more natives by Social Agencies.
- (i) More Probation Officers (natives).
- (j) Training schools.
- (k) Creation of public opinion re problems.
- (l) Co-ordination of social organisations.

Mr. Venables suggested that the Conference should consider the question of the appointment of Sub-Committees under these headings, with power to co-opt experts in the various fields to assist them in their deliberations. The Sub-Committees would be able to go fully into all the questions and might then submit their recommendations for the consideration of the General Committee.

MR. BALLENDEN.

Mr. Ballenden thought the correct method would be to invite the respective Municipalities to form a Standing Committee and to co-opt outside persons with specialised knowledge on that Committee. The primary objects of this Standing Committee would be to bring home to all the bodies concerned the magnitude of the question and put forward suggestions for its amelioration.

MR. W.G. BALLINGER.

Mr. Ballinger favoured the proposal to form Sub-Committees to go into the various sections of the findings, and then as a full Committee consider the recommendations of the various Sub-Committees, on the same lines as a Town Council.

DR. L.D. ADLER (Medical Officer of Health, Krugersdorp).

Dr. Adler took the opportunity of pointing out that the Reef Municipalities have what is called "The Witwatersrand and Pretoria Public Health Consultative Committee", on which all local authorities of the Witwatersrand and Pretoria are represented. This Committee has statutory powers. It meets regularly and deals with the public health problems peculiar to each town, and refers its findings either to the Councils or direct to the Union Health Authorities. He considered that this Committee should have representation on the Health Sub-Committee, if such a Committee was formed.

MR. BALLENDEN.

Mr. Ballenden pointed out that the findings of the Conference had not formally been placed before all Councils concerned. They had been recorded in the minutes and had been circulated, but it was left purposely for this Committee, or a delegation from this Committee, to place the findings formally before the Councils for their acceptance or otherwise.

MR. C. BROWN (Manager, Native Affairs Department, Benoni).

Mr. Brown informed the meeting that the Councils concerned had received copies and were giving consideration to the findings and recommendations/

and recommendations of the Conference.

After further discussion, it was decided to appoint Sub-Committees to go fully into the questions and report back to the General Committee, which body would consider how the findings would be presented to the various Councils and Government Departments. The Councils would in due course consider what action they would take and they would no doubt consider the financial implications involved.

COUNCILLOR MRS. M.P. ATTERIDGE (Pretoria).

In referring to the educational aspect of the problem, Councillor Mrs. Atteridge stated that the Pretoria City Council gave a grant-in-aid of £50. during the winter months to an African soup kitchen which she had established in the City. This soup kitchen had been in existence for nearly two months and they had fed approximately 45,000 school children. It was noted that the attendance at the schools had increased as a result, and she maintained that if the children were properly fed they would attend school.

The following Sub-Committees were then appointed :-

1. ECONOMICS AND POVERTY.

Councillor A.C. Payne (Germiston), Chairman
" J. Schlapo (Roodepoort),
" J. Freel (Brakpan),
" W.E. Vickers (Boksburg),
" R. Bodley (Benoni),
Mr. J.R. Brent (Pretoria),
" H.U. Davidson (Vereeniging),
" L.I. Venables (Johannesburg),
" W.G. Ballinger,
" L.J. Mfeka.

Following bodies be asked to appoint representatives:

Department of Labour,
Government Department of Native Affairs,
South African Trades and Labour Council,
Co-ordinating Body of Non-European Trade Unions.

2. FAMILY AND HOME LIFE.

Councillor A. Osborn (Germiston), Chairman
" Mrs. M.P. Atteridge (Pretoria),
" Mrs. von Weilligh (Boksburg),
Mrs. H. Henderson (Johannesburg),
Mr. E.J. Baker (Springs),
" C.M. Brown (Benoni),
" L.F. Goldsworthy.

Following bodies be asked to appoint representatives:

Department of Social Welfare,
Government Department of Native Affairs,
South African Police,
African Ministers' Association.

3. EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT.

Councillor A.S. Holland (Johannesburg), Chairman
Miss M. Janisch (Johannesburg),
Mr. E.J. Baker (Springs),
Rev. Father S. Carter,
Mr. G. Radebe.

Following/

Following bodies be asked to appoint representatives:

- Union and Transvaal Departments of Education,
- Government Native Affairs Department,
- National Bureau of Education and Social Research,
- Transvaal Missionary Association,
- Transvaal Native Teachers' Association,
- Transvaal African Ministers' Association.

4. SOCIAL AGENCIES AND HEALTH.

- Councillor Mrs. E.M. Pemberton (Johannesburg),
- " Mrs. M.P. Atteridge (Pretoria),
- " J.F. Bolton (Krugersdorp),
- " A.S. Holland (Johannesburg),
- Dr. G.W. Gale,
- " L.D. Adler (Krugersdorp),
- Mr. Meyer (Germiston),
- Rev. S.S. Tema.

Following bodies be asked to appoint representatives:

- Department of Social Welfare,
- Government Department of Native Affairs,
- Witwatersrand & Pretoria Public Health Consultative Committee,
- Rotary Clubs,
- Joint Councils,
- Transvaal Missionary Association,
- Transvaal African Ministers' Association.

In addition, each Municipality be asked to invite their Advisory Boards to send one representative to serve on each Sub-Committee.

Senator Rheinallt Jones, Dr. Ray E. Phillips and Mr. G. Ballenden appointed ex-officio members of all Sub-Committees.

MR. BALLENDEN.

Mr. Ballenden pointed out that it was not possible for his Department to continue to bear the cost of the secretarial work and moved that a small committee be appointed to deal with this matter and go into ways and means of financing the work, and to bring in a recommendation to the General Committee.

Dr. Adler seconded the proposal.

The following committee was thereupon appointed to deal with the question of finance :-

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| Senator Rheinallt Jones, | Dr. Ray E. Phillips, |
| Mr. G. Ballenden, | Dr. L.D. Adler. |

The meeting adjourned, and it was decided to separate into Sub-Committees and re-assemble as a General Committee the following morning.

11 a.m., 25TH JULY/

11 a.m., 25TH JULY, 1939.

CONTINUATION COMMITTEE (Contd.)

CHAIRMAN.

The Chairman (Dr. Ray E. Phillips) pointed out that owing to the fact that the proceedings would have to close at the end of the day, a time limit would have to be imposed on discussions on the reports of the various Sub-Committees. It was decided that the Education Committee would be given until 11.50 a.m. to express their views and that the rest of the morning would be devoted to discussions on the report of the Economics and Poverty Sub-Committee. In the early afternoon the Sub-Committees on Social Agencies and Health, and Family and Home Life would be given an opportunity of stating their views, whereafter the Economics and Poverty Committee would again resume discussions.

MR. RHEINALLT JONES (REPRESENTING EDUCATION COMMITTEE).

Mr. Rheinallt Jones referred members to the meeting to Sections 25 and 26 of the findings of the Conference. Section 25 dealt with the method of financing African education and recommended the adoption by the Government of the system whereby African education would be financed from the general revenue of the country and not from African taxation. Section 26 dealt with recommendations in regard to the establishment of schools by Municipalities on condition that the Government promised to subsidise such schools.

Mr. Rheinallt Jones pointed out that the Government and the Municipalities had had numerous discussions in regard to the possibility of co-operating to establish schools in urban areas, but had not reached agreement and in fact there was a deadlock. It was felt by the Sub-Committee that a solution of the difficulty might be found in the creation of an educational body which could look to the Government and the Municipalities for assistance - to the Government for assistance in regard to the running of schools, i.e. payment of teachers' salaries, and to the Municipalities in regard to capital expenditure for buildings, provided the Government and the Municipalities could come to some arrangement in regard to payment of rental. The Sub-Committee also felt that the public, both European and African, should be drawn into this problem and should be invited to make their contribution. The opinion was that if such a body were set up, which would be neither Municipal nor Governmental, it would get support from both directions as well as from the public. It had yet to be decided whether one such body could operate or whether it would be necessary to have a separate body in each Municipal area. The suggestion which the Sub-Committee desired to put to the General Committee was that a body be set up whose functions would be to investigate the educational needs of a particular area and to negotiate for financial means whereby such educational needs could be satisfied.

DR. W. EISELEN.

Dr. Eiselen pointed out that many people were interested in African education but were debarred from doing constructive work owing to the fact that there was no proper channel through which they could act. The missions, of course, were doing excellent work. Many other people, however, had the welfare of the Africans at heart, but because they were not interested in a particular church they had no way of actively participating in any scheme. The creation of a body as outlined by Senator Jones would provide a channel through which such people could direct their activities.

DR. ADLER/

DR. ADLER.

On the question as to how many such bodies should operate, Dr. Adler was of opinion that there should be one for the East Rand, one for the West Rand, as well as a Central body.

DR. EISELEN.

Dr. Eiselen expressed the view that it would be preferable to have a separate body for each Municipality, together with a Central Co-Ordinating Committee.

MR. BALLINGER.

Mr. Ballinger stated that the proposal put forward by Senator Jones, although a good one, was an unconscious evasion of the whole policy of African education. According to Clause 25 of the findings of the Conference, the onus of financing African education was placed on the Government. The Committee should therefore follow out the logic of that position. He suggested that finding 25 be placed before the various Municipalities for consideration and if endorsed that all the Members of Parliament on the Reef be canvassed and urged to raise the matter in Parliament.

MR. RHEINALLT JONES.

Mr. Rheinallt Jones pointed out that the Sub-Committee had decided that finding 25 should stand. The scheme he had placed before the meeting was an attempt to deal with an immediate, urgent and acute situation. He agreed with Mr. Ballinger's proposal to approach the Members of Parliament, but was of opinion that it would take many years before the Government accepted responsibility for African education, and it therefore fell to the Committee to take whatever measures were possible to relieve the situation in the meantime.

COUNCILLOR A.S. HOLLAND.

Councillor Holland was of opinion that the creation of a body on lines similar to that of the School Board and which would stimulate interest amongst prominent people in the Transvaal would be a step in the right direction.

It was resolved :-

- (a) That Section 25 of the findings be reaffirmed.
- (b) That the Committee welcome and endorse the suggestion as outlined by Senator Jones, and that Section 26(d) of the findings be amended accordingly.
- (c) That the Sub-Committee on Education be requested to consider Mr. Ballinger's proposal in regard to the Members of Parliament and to report at the next general meeting.

COUNCILLOR A.C. PAYNE (GERMISTON) : REPRESENTING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS AND POVERTY.

Councillor Payne stated that the Sub-Committee on Economics and Poverty had come to a deadlock on the question of defining what was a living wage for a labourer (Section 3). There was considerable difference of opinion on the subject and it had been decided to thrash the matter out before the General Committee.

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Under Section 7, regarding the question of the acquisition of skills by Africans and training them to take up the various trades and occupations which were at present open only to Europeans, fear was expressed that we would revert to a Black South Africa, and that again had resulted in a deadlock. On all other matters there had been a fairly general agreement and it had been decided that the findings of the Conference were suitable to be put forward as recommendations to be acted upon.

MR. BALLINGER.

Mr. Ballinger proceeded to explain the circumstances which had brought the Committee to a deadlock in regard to finding 7(i) of the Conference (i.e. restriction upon the acquisition of skills by Africans). He had suggested that as a means of fitting Africans to acquire skills, it was essential to introduce free and compulsory education on the same lines as European education. Every African would then have the opportunity of passing Std. VI and would be educationally qualified to take up any trade for which an apprenticeship period had to be served. Councillor Bodley, however, had put forward a point of view (which was the majority South African point of view) and that was that the African must always be subservient to the European.

Mr. Ballinger stated that the logic of the finding in question was that if the African was to enter into trades on the same terms as Europeans he must be fitted to do so.

COUNCILLOR R. BODLEY (BENONI).

Councillor Bodley stated that he was definitely in favour of uplifting the Africans, but was strongly opposed to the idea of raising them to the level of the Europeans. The European section of the community would never countenance a scheme whereby the Africans would be permitted to enter technical schools side by side with Europeans and learn trades which would enable them to compete with the white sections.

COUNCILLOR PAYNE.

Councillor Payne expressed the view that it was futile to talk of uplifting the African if that implied that Europeans should keep themselves on a plain apart. If the white man was as superior as he claimed to be, fear should not play a part in the consideration of this problem. He should be prepared to advocate the means that would bring the African into the sphere of self-expression rather than keep him indefinitely in a sphere of mere imitation. In his opinion, Europeans should not be afraid to extend to the Africans all the means of education which they, as whites, felt was necessary in the development of a full life.

MR. BALLINGER.

Mr. Ballinger moved the following rider to Section 7 :-

To make these findings effective it is necessary for the Government to introduce a system of free and compulsory education for Africans similar to that now provided for Europeans, so that Africans may be fully fitted to enter into periods of apprenticeship.

Mr. Ballinger pointed out that the Apprenticeship Act of 1920 was in effect a colour bar, as anyone who had not passed Std. VI was precluded from becoming an apprentice. Under present conditions very few Africans had more than two or three years'

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schooling and were thus debarred from entering into an apprenticeship. In order to remove this colour bar, it was essential to introduce free and compulsory education.

COUNCILLOR MRS. E.M. PEMBERTON.

Councillor Mrs. Pemberton considered that discussions on the question of the colour bar were irrelevant and that the meeting was deviating from the object for which the Conference had been called, i.e. the combating of juvenile delinquency. In her opinion there were many avenues of employment where Africans could be absorbed without encroaching on European fields.

COUNCILLOR PAYNE.

Councillor Payne expressed the opinion that education was a secondary matter in regard to employment. There were many men with practically no education who were skilled workmen.

MR. RHEINALLT JONES.

Mr. Rheinallt Jones stated that the avenues of employment for Africans where education was an advantage were extremely limited.

COUNCILLOR MRS. PEMBERTON.

Mrs. Pemberton stated that there were certain avenues of employment open to educated Bantu. The Native Affairs Department of the City Council was absorbing educated Africans and the hospitals had many vacancies for Bantu nurses.

COUNCILLOR HOLLAND.

Councillor Holland pointed out that the Traffic Department of the City Council had recently engaged twelve Africans and had trained them as Traffic Inspectors. On completion of their training eight had resigned.

MR. BALLINGER.

Mr. Ballinger referred to a statement made by Col. Hayton in the "Sunday Times" to the effect that the African Traffic Inspectors who had been appointed by his Department were satisfactory and that the creation of additional posts was under contemplation.

MR. W.B. NGAKANE.

Mr. Ngakane suggested that one difficulty in regard to finding employment for Non-European juveniles was that the field of vocation open to them was so limited, and that not all types of employment appealed to the youths. For instance, there was a general dislike of domestic service.

LUNCH ADJOURNMENT.

2.30 p.m. - RESUMPTION OF PROCEEDINGS.

REV. S.S. TEMA.

Mr. Tema stated that during the luncheon recess he had made investigations into the statement made by Councillor Holland in regard to the resignation of the African Traffic Inspectors and had ascertained that there had been no resignations.

MR. VENABLES/

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Mr. Venables stated that from enquiries he had made it appeared that twelve inspectors were appointed. Six were rejected on medical grounds, five resigned at different times and one was discharged as being unsuitable. New men had been appointed from time to time as necessary and the Traffic Department was at present replacing wastage.

MR. BALLINGER.

Mr. Ballinger enquired the reason why these men had resigned and Mr. Radebe explained that they did not approve of the uniforms which they were obliged to wear.

MR. VENABLES.

Mr. Venables suggested that it would not be possible for the Committee to complete its deliberations during the day. It seemed desirable that some Co-ordinating Sub-Committee should be appointed to co-ordinate the work of the four Sub-Committees which had been working; to act as a Resolutions Committee to draft the resolutions of the various Sub-Committees, and thereafter to submit a report to the Continuation Committee. The question of the procedure to be adopted in putting these resolutions into practice had also to be decided. He was of opinion that these questions should be settled during the afternoon.

CHAIRMAN.

The Chairman called upon the Sub-Committees who had not yet had an opportunity of addressing the General Committee to bring forward any proposals which required immediate discussion.

COUNCILLOR A. OSBORN (CHAIRMAN OF SUB-COMMITTEE ON FAMILY AND HOME LIFE).

Councillor Osborn stated that the findings of his Sub-Committee fell under nine headings. They were mostly administrative points and there was nothing of extreme urgency. In fact they would prefer to have an opportunity of amplifying their points before making a statement.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL AGENCIES AND HEALTH.

The Chairman of this Sub-Committee (Dr. Ray E. Phillips) stated that there was one matter of extreme urgency which he desired to bring forward and that was in reference to the recommendation by his committee that a survey of social agencies at work on the Reef, Pretoria and Vereeniging be made. In this connection it had been recommended by the Sub-Committee that the South African Institute of Race Relations be approached and its co-operation solicited.

After discussion the following recommendation was agreed to in principle :-

That Municipalities be approached to co-operate in the survey suggested and that the Institute of Race Relations be asked to make the investigations with the backing of the Municipalities.

Discussions on points raised by the Economics and Poverty Sub-Committee were resumed at this stage.

Mr. Ballinger withdrew the rider to Section 7 previously proposed/

proposed by him (set out on Page 8) and the following resolution (drafted by Mr. Rheinallt Jones in consultation with Mr. Ballinger) was put before the meeting :-

That Section 7 of the findings of the Conference be amended by the inclusion of a new sub-section (iii) reading as follows:

(iii) Free and compulsory education be provided for Africans on lines similar to that provided for Europeans so that the maximum number of children are given adequate preparation for such employment and are enabled to qualify educationally for apprenticeship;

and that Item (iii) of Section 7 become Item (iv).

MR. VENABLES.

Mr. Venables questioned the authority of this Committee to amend the resolutions adopted at the Bantu Juvenile Delinquency Conference.

After some discussion the following motion was put to the meeting and passed :-

That while the Committee regards itself as bound to take no action in conflict with principles laid down in the findings of the Conference, it does feel free to clarify the findings or to bring in new practical suggestions, provided they conform in principle to the findings.

The amendment to Section 7 of the findings, as drafted by Mr. Ballinger and Senator Jones was put to the meeting and the motion was adopted by a majority vote.

It was decided that further meetings of Sub-Committees be held as follows :-

(1) Economics and Poverty Committee.

The next meeting of this Sub-Committee should be held at 10 a.m. on the 15th August, 1939, in the Germiston City Hall. Mr. Venables undertook to act as convenor of this meeting.

(2) Family and Home Life.

The next meeting to be held at 9.30 a.m. on Thursday, the 3rd August, 1939, in the Johannesburg Native Administration office.

(3) Social Agencies and Health.

This Sub-Committee was unable to fix a date for their next meeting owing to the absence of several of their members. Dr. Ray Phillips undertook to notify the Secretaries of the date decided upon.

(4) Education Sub-Committee.

The next meeting to be held at 10 a.m. on the 10th August, 1939, at the Johannesburg Native Administration office.

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It was/

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