

BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE.

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ANNUAL REPORT 1963.

The year ended in December, 1963, has, once again passed and left behind, a feeling of thankfulness for all that has been done to help maintain the Centre and give it time to plan afresh and do the work it was built for throughout the course of its existence.

Besides the standing programme of the day to day activities that are carried out in the building, there has been no change in the pattern of things that have been taking place in the building during the course of the year. Efforts were made to hold the usual end of the year games competitions without any success. Entry forms were posted in the building for all to see, but only a few responded. It was decided to cancel the games for the year.

STAFF.

The Secretary and Assistant Secretary whose work is directed by the Executive Committee are responsible for the administrative work. They perform Office work and carry out the dictates of the Constitution together with the many other duties that fall within the scope of their work.

Three Cleaners are employed to keep the building clean and service the Tennis Courts and deliver messages.

MEMBERSHIP.

For the year under review, the lists of members joining and renewing have increased in comparison to those of the previous year. Whereas an amount of R310. only was paid as membership fees for 1962, for the year 1963, from January to December, 1963, an amount of R336 was collected from 359 members that paid.

The number of members joining and renewing are the chief concern of the Institution and it is the work of the Secretariat to see that our membership lists increase each month and so confirm the interest members have in the type of activities that are promoted in the building. Membership fees remain the same, and are the only stable channel through which the Centre can, on its own, pay for its running costs.

There are of course those amounts of revenue that come regularly as donations from the Government and private sources that really help the Centre to meet the costs of its losses that accrue at such an alarming rate with the passing of time, that it would be difficult indeed to run the Centre without this assistance.

The following table will show you the varying amounts that are collected as membership fees from year to year during the course of the last ten years:-

<u>1955.</u>	<u>1956.</u>	<u>1957.</u>	<u>1958.</u>	<u>1959.</u>	<u>1960.</u>	<u>1961.</u>	<u>1962.</u>	<u>1963.</u>
R426.	R444.	R504.	R440.	R361.	R315.	R381.	R310.	R336.

The membership of the Bantu Men's Social Centre is divided into five main categories:-

1. Life Membership..... R10.
2. Ordinary Membership... R1.
3. Country Membership.... 50c.
4. Junior Membership..... 25c.
5. Visiting Membership... 10c.

Ordinary membership is open to persons residing within the magisterial area of Johannesburg and Country membership to those residing outside the magisterial area.

Junior membership is open to bona fide Scholars, and Visiting membership to Africans visiting Johannesburg for a short period.

## ANNUAL FOUNDERS DAY.

The Annual Founders Day Celebrations were held on Thursday the 7th November, 1963. Being the only link the members have with the vivid past of this our Centre, every effort is made to celebrate the occasion gloriously and so pay tribute to the founders of the Bantu Men's Social Centre.

The Guest Speaker was Mr. C. Ramusi, B.A.(S.A.); M.A.(N.U.U.S.A.); DIP.SOC.SC. who spoke on "The greatest Fears of Our Times." Mr. Ramusi spoke to us not only as a visitor but as a friend who actually lived within the precincts of this building for a number of years. A man to whom the Centre can proudly refer to as a person it assisted along the path of progress.

Music was provided by the famous Ionian Male Voice Choir led by Mr. K. V. Mngoma who gave a programme of musical entertainment that will be remembered by all that were present.

Two of our Choirs - The Top Notchers Melody Pets and The Weavers whom you can find rehearsing in the building every night provided the necessary variety of light music. Last but not least The Elite Swing Band rounded the programme with good dance music that was enjoyed by all.

DANCE SCHOOL: The Bantu Men's Social Centre Ballroom Dance School under the tutorship of Mr. Bedford Banda, has come a long way towards developing into the School it has become today.

It must be remembered that before the coming of Mr. B. Banda, towards whom the School looks for guidance today, the name of Mr. R. Gumede, a prominent performer of the old days and a man who actually helped found the School, must be mentioned. His name, I feel, deserves the right to be included in the Annals of the School's history.

Today the School has developed into a force to be reckoned with in all the dance competitions in the Transvaal and a School whose members have learned the value of hard work at practices and the importance of figure dancing in competitions.

It has, in its short life helped mould the following couples into good performers and dancing pairs that have left their mark in the dancing world of today.

1. Mr. K. Sibiya and Miss. D. Theys.
2. Mr. C. Gxowa and Miss. L. Njomane.
3. Mr. H. Matsego and Miss. R. Mampone.
4. Mr. T. Mtembu and Miss. R. Kgomongoe.
5. Mr. R. Matshaba and Miss. R. Kgomongoe.
6. Mr. A. Katsuro and Mrs. P. Katsuro.
7. Mr. S. Mokone and Miss. H. Keadiloe.

The ability of the above named couples, their courage and poise have earned them the right to be mentioned as the most outstanding students the School has produced and the people who have set up the standard it now enjoys.

TENNIS SECTION: This section which consists of players who, besides our Centre, are affiliated to various other clubs along the Reef, have been inactive. There have been no outstanding matches organised in the building besides the casual practise matches that are played by the members during the course of the week.

The only matches of note that have taken place, are exhibition matches by visiting European players. These have been organised by Mr. S. Malaza who has always assisted in the promotion of sporting activities in both the Golfing and Tennis sections on a Free Lance basis. These went off well and the matches were thrilling. Just now our problems will centre around the re-surfacing of the Courts which are in a bad way. However, let us hope things will improve and we will get the necessary assistance to put them right.

## PHYSICAL TRAINING AND BOXING.

Mr. J. Maseko has, for years now, been at the head of this class that is run regularly for four days in the week from Monday to Thursday from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. As a section, it has wide possibilities for improvement as it offers active life to every member of the Institute. As it is, it continues to attract younger men whose interests are centred largely on boxing instead of the Physical Culture Section it was meant to be. As a boxing section nevertheless, it is fairly well represented in the number of youths that are interested in the sport.

It is a hard sport that needs more hardened youths to make a success of it in the end. It is pleasing to report nevertheless that it provides the type of recreation youths will always desire early in life and it is remarkable to notice the changing attitude of people towards certain sports as the years go by.

## BODY-BUILDING AND WEIGHT LIFTING.

This section under the leadership of Mr. Moses Matlhaganyane continues to attract young men that are interested in the sport of strong bodies. They join the club to model their bodies on the lines of the strong men of the past.

Body-building is a growing activity that interests the youth of our time. Notice has been given to all clubs to have a Mr. and Miss. Body-beautiful from each club who will represent their different clubs in a wider competition that is being organised.

The equipment for this section is fairly moderate but there is always room for improvement. It does need the addition of extra heavy plates and a set or two of weights.

## J U D O.

Efforts to revive this section are gradually improving with the assistance of Mr. Mbili an old member of the section who is doing his best to put new life into this section once more. There are indications that the section will have a Practising Mat this year.

## MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS.

The meals at the Restaurant continue to attract most of our members. Everybody is satisfied with the food the Restaurant offers at the price and the demand for better meals has now been forgotten.

## SOCIAL FUNCTIONS.

The Bantu Men's Social Centre continues to provide people from the different townships with a place for meetings. It is central and near to the Station that serves as an artery that brings and takes people away from the townships to town and back again. It is well situated as a place of meetings and recreation. It provides a place for ordinary discussions, sports meetings, Golf meetings, Concerts and Dances, Tribal meetings, Wedding Receptions, Welcome and Farewell Functions, Boys and Girls Club meetings, Council of African Women meetings, Y.M.C.A. and meetings of various religious denominations.

The following is a list of social functions and meetings that have been held during the course of the year 1963.

MEETINGS.   BOXING.   DANCES.   CONCERTS.   XMAS PARTIES.   WEDDING AND FAREWELL RECEPTIONS.

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We are grateful to our subscribers and donors. We express our special thanks to the Department of Bantu Administration and Development, the City Council of Johannesburg, the Native Recruiting Corporation Ltd., and the Deferred Pay Board of Control.

We place on record our appreciation to the firm of Messrs. Howard Pim and Hardy, who through Mr. J. M. Pim our Honorary Treasurer, aided by Mr. H. S. Anderson our Auditor, have rendered the Centre their usual valuable services in the matter of the handling and control of its finances.

A. B. O'Brien.  
CHAIRMAN.

A. W. Mbatha.  
SECRETARY.

BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE

Registered under Welfare Organisations Act 1947 Cert. No. W.O. 80

BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1963.

LIABILITIES

1962			
R 251	<u>CREDITORS</u>		R 242.97
200	<u>BILLIARDS RESERVE FUND</u>		200.00
360	<u>CLAUDE NEON LIGHTS (S.A.) LIMITED</u> Gift of one Neon Sign		360.00
32,698	<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>		1,168.83
	32,866 Balance at 31st December 1962	32,697.89	
	<u>Less</u> Transfer to Building Reserve	<u>31,392.39</u>	
		1,305.50	
	<u>Less</u> Balance of Revenue and <u>168</u> Expenditure Account	<u>136.67</u>	
<u>R 33,509</u>			<u>R 1,971.80</u>

A S S E T S

31,393	<u>BUILDINGS - At Cost</u>	31,392.39	
	<u>Less</u> Buildings Reserve	<u>31,392.39</u>	-
360	<u>NEON SIGN</u>		360.00
277	<u>FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT</u> At Cost less Depreciation		262.00
	365 Balance at 31st December 1962	277.00	
	4 Additions	<u>72.00</u>	
	<u>369</u>	<u>349.00</u>	
	<u>92</u> Less Depreciation	<u>87.00</u>	
164	<u>MUNICIPAL DEPOSITS</u>		164.00
165	<u>DEBTORS</u>		151.63
88	<u>STOCK OF BADGES AND DIE - At Cost</u>		74.28
1,062	<u>CASH</u>		959.89
	362 Standard Bank of South Africa Limited	358.63	
	United Building Society -		
	700 St. Andrews Branch	600.00	
	- Petty Cash	<u>1.26</u>	
<u>R 33,509</u>			<u>R 1,971.80</u>

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CHAIRMAN

*W. van der Merwe*  
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HONORARY TREASURER

To the Members,  
BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and on the information supplied to me, the above Balance Sheet reflects a true statement of the affairs of the Bantu Men's Social Centre as at the 31st December, 1963, and that the attached Revenue and Expenditure Account shows a true and fair view of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Centre for the year ended 31st December, 1963.

JOHANNESBURG.  
12th March, 1964.

*H.S.E. Anderson*  
H.S.E. ANDERSON, F.S.A.A.  
C.A. (S.A.)  
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT  
AUDITOR.

BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 1963

1962

REVENUE

R 310	Membership Fees	R 335.75
1,083	Donations - General Public	1,194.70
600	- Native Recruiting Corporation Ltd.	600.00
1,000	City of Johannesburg - Grant-in-Aid to 30.6.1963	1,000.00
	Board of Control - Deferred Pay Interest Fund	
100	Grant 1962	-
1,198	Hire of Hall and Rent of Rooms and Lockers	1,177.60
284	Billiards	200.95
220	Dancing Lessons, Weight Lifting and Judo	142.15
37	Interest on Savings Bank Account	12.95
8	Profit on Sale of Lapel Badges	15.92
	Department of Bantu Administration and Development	
1,000	Subsidy for the year ended 31.3.1963	1,000.00
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5,840		5,680.02
168	Deficit for the year carried to Balance Sheet	136.67
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R 6,008		<u>5,816.69</u>

EXPENDITURE

(a) Administration Expenses

1,953	Secretaries' Salaries	2,038.20
122	Club Leader's Honorarium	30.00
22	Postages	15.33
175	Stationery and Printing	115.03
100	Telephone (Rentals and Calls)	101.93
10	Insurance - Workmen's Compensation	11.86
7	Unemployment Insurance	7.72
2	Rentals - Land	2.50
25	Bank Charges	23.17
200	Clerical Assistance	200.00
39	Licences and Box Rental	38.60
10	Travelling Expenses	6.00
21	Audit Fees	21.00
30	Cost of Die written off	-

(b) Maintenance Expenses

17	Fumigation	-
384	Electricity	386.30
110	Water	103.56
91	Sanitary Fees and Refuse Removal	91.00
99	Insurance - Fire, Riot, Cash in Transit	98.85
1,153	Cleaning Services - Wages and Overalls	1,218.24
274	- Materials	241.05
22	Fuel	27.05
282	Meals for Staff	275.53
621	Repairs as per Schedule	628.63
92	Depreciation of Furniture and Equipment	87.00

(c) General Expenses

27	Functions	Cr. .33
25	Newspapers and Periodicals	24.61
95	Sports and Games Equipment and Trophies	23.86
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R 6,008		<u>5,816.69</u>



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SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS 1963

African Explosives and Chemical Industries Ltd.	R 50.00
Aiken and Carter, Alex	10.50
Allied Building Society	8.00
Anglo American Corporation of South Africa Ltd.	200.00
Anglo Transvaal Consolidated Investment Co. Ltd.	20.00
Barrow (Pty.) Ltd., John	4.20
Castle Wine and Brandy Co. (Pty.) Ltd.	20.00
Central Mining - Rand Mines Group	100.00
Central News Agency Ltd.	20.00
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Evans and Co. Ltd., Herbert	11.00
Federated Employers' Mutual Assurance Co. Ltd.	4.00
General Mining and Finance Corporation Ltd.	30.00
Goldfields of South Africa Ltd.	100.00
Hoyana, V.V.V.N.	1.00
Hunt, Leuchars and Hepburn Ltd.	6.00
Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Co. Ltd. (Barnato) Group of Mines	150.00
Niven Trust, Robert	100.00
Phoenix Assurance Co. Ltd.	13.20
Prices (S.A.) Ltd.	2.10
Pim and Hardy, Howard - Clerical Assistance	200.00
Randles Brothers and Hudson Ltd.	2.00
Raphaely, Weiner & Alexander Bros.	6.30
Schlesinger Organisation	4.00
Scots African Finance Co. Ltd.	4.00
Smith, Miss N.A.	10.00
S.A. Associated Newspapers Ltd.	20.00
S.A. Association of Youth Clubs	10.00
Star, The	5.00
Stevenson, J.H.	4.20
Thing, W.E.R.	4.20
Thompson Ltd., James	4.00
Unit Securities Group of Companies	30.00
Viney, A.D.	21.00

R 1,194.70

SCHEDULE 3 REPAIRS TO BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FOR  
THE YEAR 1963

<u>1962</u>		
-	Billiard Tables	134.15
46	Grounds	-
251	Building	351.32
26	Electric Globes	9.93
143	Electrical	90.55
66	Plumbing	29.68
89	Furniture and Equipment	13.00
		<u>R 628.63</u>

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