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WHAT MENDI FUND CAN DO

The Mendi Scholarship Fund, details of which were published in last week's issue of 'Bantu World', was followed up this week by a statement from Rev. H. G. Mpitso, Honorary General Secretary of the Fund. The statement is a discussion on the possibilities of the Fund and an outline of the achievements which the Fund can register with the whole-hearted support and co-operation of the Africans.

Mr. Mpitso outlines two schemes on which the fund might work with success: one is a penny scheme designed to arouse local interest among the residents of a particular district whose contribution up to a certain mark can entitle them to nominate a pupil for post-primary education. The second, a shilling scheme, would entitle a district to nominate a student for university training.

Everyone Must Help

"The Mendi Memorial Scholarship Fund, if given full support by all Africans, could provide free education for every son and daughter of the African race," Mr. Mpitso's statement declares.

"Think about it and see what immense possibilities there are in the Mendi Scholarship. We can send five-hundred students to the universities and colleges if only all of us would contribute one shilling each year."

HOW TO RAISE FUNDS

The statement observes that with a total population of 8,900,000 Africans in the Union, if only 3,000,000 people contributed one shilling each per year, it would be possible to raise £50,000 a year, or ten times that amount over a period of ten years.

"Such capital, if invested at 3 per cent. per annum would yield £45,000 each year thus making it possible for 500 students to pursue higher learning," Mr. Mpitso says.

ALLOCATION OF GRANTS

Outlining the basis on which these bursary grants could be allocated, a chart shows 100 research scholarships (£200 each), 150 degree scholarships (£60 each per year), 250 high school scholarships (£30 each per year).

The total for 500 scholarships outlined above would amount to £36,500 each year, leaving a balance of £8,500 pounds from the annual interest of £45,000 on the capital invested.

Stressing the need for the establishment of Mendi Memorial Scholarship Fund Committees in every district throughout the Union Rev. Mpitso suggests two schemes on which the district committees could work.

ONE PENNY SCHEME

"This scheme is designed to arouse local interest. It is very simple. Any locality or district contributing 10,000 pennies to the central fund of the Mendi Scholarship Fund will be entitled to nominate a pupil from among the successful children in the sixth standard for the Mendi Memorial Scholarship to a high school or training college. The Committee will accept the nomination and award the scholarship provided there is a guarantee to keep the 10,000 pennies' contribution constant.

ONE SHILLING SCHEME

Similarly, any district or locality which raises 1,500s. to the central fund of the Mendi Scholarship, and guarantees this amount every year will have the privilege of nominating a local boy or girl for University training.

If 800s. is raised under the above condition, a district will have their own nominee for high school as in the case of 10,000 pennies.

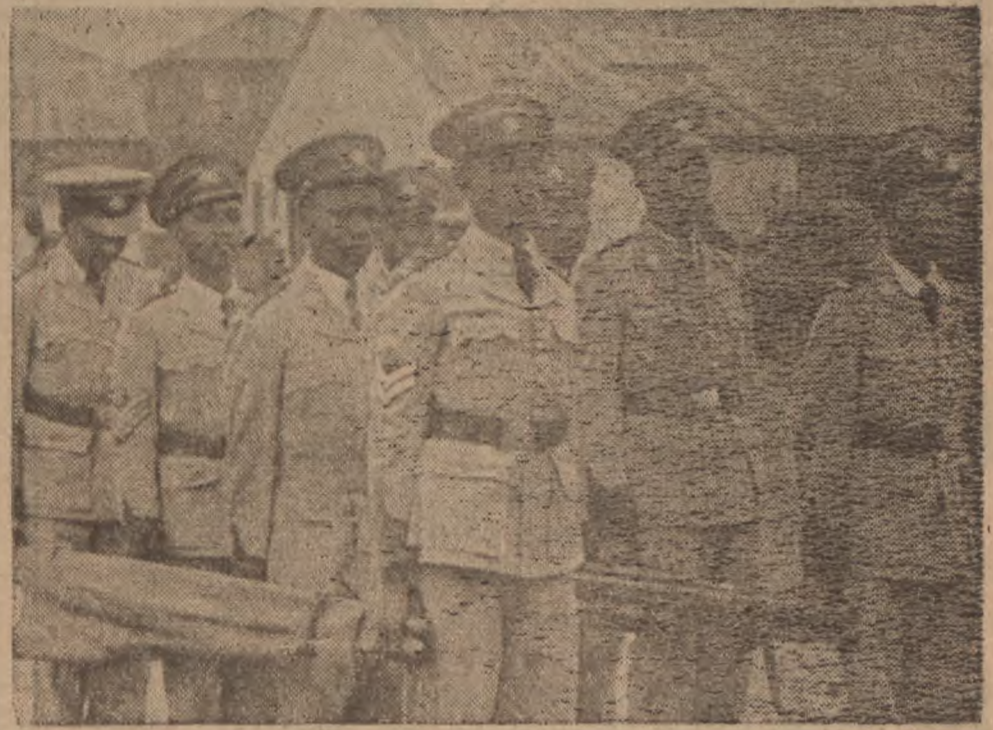
Preliminary Announcement

Bantu World Beauty Competition

Who is the most beautiful African girl south of the Limpopo?

The Bantu World is organising a nation-wide Beauty Competition, further details of which will be announced next week.

The Bantu World will put African beauty on the map. Make sure of your copy of the Bantu World next week.



The picture above was taken at a demonstration of first-aid by members of the 15th Johannesburg Non-European Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade. On this occasion, presentations of diplomas in first-aid and home-nursing were made to several members by Colonel J. M. Watt. The picture shows one of the teams doing stretcher work.

Public Demonstration At Six Mile Spruit

Farmers and others interested in anti-soil erosion measures will be interested to learn that a demonstration of some of the latest methods and implements employed in soil conservation work will be given on 20th and 21st February, 1948, on the farm 'Zwartkop' at Six Mile Spruit, known as Weirda Bridge.

The demonstrations, which will be open to the public, are being given in conjunction with a Soil and Water Conservation Conference being held at the University of Pretoria in collaboration with the Department of Native Affairs.

Besides a demonstration in the contouring of lands by latest agricultural machinery there will also be a demonstration on:

1. Dam making
2. Stump pulling
3. Modern equipment for conservation work.

MENDI SERVICE ON SUNDAY

The annual celebration of 'Mendi Day' in commemoration of the 615 African heroes who sank with the troopship, Mendi, will be held at the Bantu Sports Club, Johannesburg, on Sunday, February 22.

Similar services will also be held in various centres of the Union.

GRAVE CONCERN OVER N.A.D.

Speaking in the Union House of Assembly, the Minister of the Interior, Mr. H. G. Lawrence, said that the Public Service Inquiry Commission was gravely concerned at the position in which the Department of Native Affairs finds itself to-day. The Commission's sixth report tabled by the Minister urged that meticulous care should continue to be exercised in selecting recruits for that department.

No Delay In Housing Plans

The first step to be taken by the State towards the building of houses for the African population in the Union will be next Tuesday when the Minister of Health, Dr. Gluckman, meets the Executive of the National Housing and Planning Commission in Pretoria to decide in what areas Government building shall start. Details of housing for Africans were outlined last week by Dr. Gluckman in the House of Assembly when he announced that the Government had authorised the commission to build sub-economic houses for Africans.

The Minister told the United Municipal Executive that the Government has decided the principles on which it will carry out its proposals, and will not negotiate further. In undertaking individual schemes, however, the Housing Commission, in collaboration with the Native Affairs Department, will settle details with the local authority concerned.

The Commission will buy land and develop it at its own expense, where necessary. This will include—in addition to roads, sewerage, electricity and water—the provision of communal halls, sports fields and libraries.

As owner of each scheme the Commission will meet all capital charges and the cost of repairs. Though it will not pay municipal rates, it will pay by agreement for such essential services as water, sewerage, refuse disposal and lighting.

Rents will be fixed after consultation with the local authority and the Native Affairs Department with full regard to what the African can afford. The scheme will then be leased to the local authority at the total of the agreed rents.

The local authority will be responsible for bad debts and for

rents of unoccupied houses; but, the Minister's letter says, "There is no risk of houses becoming untenanted unless there is excessive building." In many places municipal revenue from pass fees will help to offset administrative costs.

The commission will hold discussions with each local authority on the provision of land, over-all planning, charges for services and rents. It will offer a fair price for land and any developments on it, but, if this is not accepted, it will not hesitate to use its powers of expropriation.

With regard to the standard of housing, amenities and over-all planning, the Commission will consider climatic variations and exist-in standards in each area.

World Strategic Centre

Many people have commented recently on the strategic position now occupied by South Africa. Addressing the Johannesburg branch of the U.N. Association, Dr. Fielding said that to realise the Union's new place in world affairs, the country has first to realise its responsibilities to the world.

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African Mannequin Parade

Probably the first African Mannequin Parade is being organised by the Pan-African Trading Company at the Wonder Store, Wynberg. There will be two showings of this spectacular parade. The first will be at 2.15 on Saturday, February 23, and the second at the same time on the following Saturday, March 6.

Taking part in the parade will be 20 African girls. They are being trained by Frank Rogaly. Production and reports confirm that they are extraordinarily good. Men will also take part in the production to show the latest London fashions in suits.

The well-known 'Merry Blackbirds' will be in attendance to make the show 'Africa Through the Ages' an outstanding success.

There will be big crowds at the 'Wonder Store' and visitors are advised to be present in good time.

**"Sjambok" On:
THE MENDI**

This is the 21st February, the date on which the Troopship "Mendi" was sunk in 1917.

All you who read this, and are within easy reach of Johannesburg, make a bee-line for the Bantu Sports Club grounds tomorrow, and attend the annual Mendi service to be held there at 2 p.m. No African who loves his race and has a warm spot for its heroes in his heart — who has a cold spot? — should fail to remember the men who went down with the Mendi.

Mendi Fund

It is my wish to draw your attention to the Mendi Scholarship referred to by my friend "J.G." last week. Just a little over £2,000 has been collected for this fund whose object is to help our young men and women to obtain higher education at Fort Hare and other similar institutions.

At the end of 1947, the first Mendi Scholar, Daniel Temba of Pretoria completed his B.A. with distinction in English, (Fine, Temba!) Others are in the middle of their courses.

The interest of the fund and collections at Mendi services in some of our towns are just enough to increase the capital of the fund slightly each year and to keep three students at Fort Hare.

Africans Thanked

The African people are to be thanked for their contributions which have made this, the only African Scholarship by Africans and for Africans, possible.

This must, however, be said:— I am using my sjambok now — £2,000 from a race of 8 million people is far too little. Can't we make at least a million pounds? Surely we can. Come along let us make it! Let none of those who will attend the Mendi service tomorrow be satisfied with only paying their gate fee. Let each put in not less than a shilling into the red tin that will be rattled before everyone during the service.

Donations

Every location or village in South Africa should choose a Sunday and on it hold a Mendi service, and ask for donations from the congregation.

These donations should be handed over to the local Native Commissioner who will send them to the Mendi Scholarship Treasurer. It may not be possible to hold all these services this month. Any service held towards the end of this month and anytime during March will still be in order.

Donations to the Mendi Scholarship Fund may be sent direct from one's purse to the Treasurer. So as to have them recorded by the Secretary, I would advise that they be sent to the Secretary, 14 Brown St., Pretoria and he will pass them on to the Treasurer.

BETWEEN YOU AND ME

(By J.G.)

There are two sides to a story, so the English say. This makes it necessary for me this week to show up the unpolished side of the S.A.R. and H. Administration.

For some time now, people have been complaining about the treatment of African passengers on the Railways.

These complaints have ranged from the unnecessary delays caused by the indulgence in idle conversation on the part of ticket clerks with a resultant loss of trains; the overcrowding of trains; the impatience of staff with the passengers; the pulling off of electric trains before all passengers are aboard and the general incivility shown by the younger conductors in particular.

Endless deputations have been sent to see the authorities concerned, in which activities the Joint Council of Europeans and Africans has played no inconspicuous part.

At all times the men at the head of affairs have stated and re-stated their readiness to bring about a change, but these hardships have continued unabated.

No More Tickets.

It now transpires that No Native can buy a ticket at the place downstairs where other non-Europeans have been served along with Europeans for as long as memory can serve.

It has been the practice for clerks to stare daggers at some timid darky wanting a second class ticket to Pretoria, and on being satisfied that at least the applicant's face was washed and his hair parted in the middle, he gave the required ticket with the injunction not to come there again.

I know this for certain as this process has been repeated so many times with me as the principal boy in the pantomime. The arrangement has worked well with me, as I always got the ticket without having to queue (the Lord be praised) for at least an hour and still miss my train in the bargain.

To-day, no amount of pleading will move the ticket men behind the iron bars. They say "Ikona" and that means "No" in any language.

To you my good friends who have always felt that you were some sort of swart 'herrenvolk' because you managed to "pass" for an Eskimo who has been bleached by the sun or an Abyssinian Chieftain, the game is up!

You will have to take your turn in the queue upstairs by die naturelle stasie. You may be the President-General of the League of Gossiping Women or the Chairman of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Native Railway Passengers, the law is the same. Apartheid has come! I sincerely hope my friends of last week, the gentlemen of the Staff Association, will put in a good word for the members of the S.A.R. and H. travelling population. How 'bout it Theo?

BLOEMFONTEIN NEWS

(“Fulcrum”)

The local branch of the African National Congress feted Mr. L. K. Ntlabati, Vice-President of the Free State Congress at a farewell function last Saturday. Mr. Ntlabati has taken a Principalship at Bethlehem.

Dr. Setlogelo, President of the Free State A.N.C., said that Mr. Ntlabati was a beacon of leadership not only in the teachers' association but in the welfare and social development of the people of Bloemfontein.

"Bloemfontein's loss was Bethlehem's gain," he said.

He appealed to the officials of the African National Congress to be more vigilant and militant in these lean times for Congress.

Other speakers were Mrs. Motlhakoana, Messrs Khati, Thagane, Tsingsing and Msikinya. The African National Congress choir under the baton of Mr. Nkoana rendered the musical selections. Mr. Ntlabati in reply said that Bloemfontein had given him experience in political and social development of the African and he hoped to foster the spirit of the African National Congress elsewhere. Mrs. A. N. Sefothelo presented a present on behalf of the local branch.

The Hot Kids are sponsoring a concert and dance on March 2, 1948.

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Remember The Mendi Heroes

Thirty-one years ago to-day a tragedy unparalleled in the history of the African people of the Union (we say of the Union because during the last war about 700 members of the Basutoland Pioneer Corps went to the bottom of the sea as the result of enemy action) was enacted in the English Channel, when the troopship Mendi went to the bottom of the sea with 615 Africans, members of the South African Native Labour Contingent. It is needless to stress the point that when the news of this tragic event reached South Africa there was weeping in both urban and rural areas among Africans, and a profound sense of sympathy among White South Africans. When the late General Louis Botha, the then Prime Minister, informed the House of Assembly of the disaster, members stood up and paid tribute in silence.

To perpetuate the memory of these gallant men who gave their lives for the cause of freedom and civilisation, the Mendi Memorial Scholarship Fund has been established. The purpose of this Fund is to enable young Africans of both sexes to acquire higher education; because the founders of the Fund, according to the Secretary the Rev. H. Mpitso, realised that "education is acknowledged to be one of the greatest forces in uplifting a people." The African people cannot hope to achieve a position of importance in the affairs of progressive mankind without knowledge. But this knowledge cannot be acquired without money. For this reason, the committee of the Mendi Memorial Scholarship Fund is appealing to every African man and woman to donate generously to the Fund which has already started its educational activities.

Already there are three young Africans at Fort Hare who are receiving education under the auspices of the Mendi Scholarship Fund. One of them has already completed the B.A. degree. No sane man can deny the fact that this organisation is going to help the African people in their onward march along the path of civilisation. The Committee "has set itself the task of raising £150,000" from the people, and it is to be hoped that its appeal will not fall on deaf ears, but that it will meet with enthusiastic response.

As a people we are very fond of talking and grumbling, but not of doing things for ourselves. It is true, we are living under conditions which are not conducive to a life of peace and happiness. But let us not allow our difficulties to overshadow our opportunities. We must remember that it is our duty to overcome the obstacles that may be placed in our way. There are no people on earth who have found the road to freedom and progress without difficulties. The great nations of to-day have travelled in the darkness of ignorance and oppression into the light of civilisation.

As we remember the heroic deeds of the men of the Mendi let us forget, for a moment, our troubles, and put our hands into our pockets to swell the Fund which is destined to be one of the pillars of our progress. This Fund, as the Rev. Mr. Mpitso points out, is not "a Transvaal or a Johannesburg affair; it is a national Fund," and should therefore, be supported by all Africans irrespective of tribe or sex. The men of the Mendi were representatives of all the tribes. They were all sons of Africa. Their loss was not tribal but national, and was mourned by all Africans from the Cape to the Limpopo and from Kuruman to Zululand. The Mendi Memorial Scholarship Fund which has been created

Outstanding Plea For Progress

By R. V. Selope Thema

If you want to know a full story of the African people, not only of their primitive conditions, but also of how they have been uprooted from the anchor of their ancient life and brought into the orbit of Western civilisation, read "African Contrasts" (by R. H. W. Shepherd and B. G. Paver, Oxford University Press, price 25s.)

This book is not written by "experts on Native affairs"—men who were born and grew up among Africans in mission stations—but by men who have discovered the truth that Africans are part of the great human family, with human feelings, aspirations and ambitions as any other people.

Bantu's Authentic Speech

To emphasise the humanity of Africans, the authors say in Chapter One, "Can we therefore see this other, so vastly preponderating section of the population, not as a mass but as units with their daily, individual lives? Can we find on their lips the words that Shakespeare gave as the speech of one of another race? Fed with the same food, hurt with the same weapons, subject to the same diseases, healed by the same means, warmed and cooled by the same winter and summer... if you prick us, do we not bleed? If you tickle us, do we not laugh? If you poison us, do we not die? To the man of imagination and rightness of feeling this is the authentic speech of the Bantu, alongside whom he lives day by day."

This book, which does not depict the life of the African as that of a lazy savage who glories in slaughtering other people and stealing their cattle, sheep and goats thereafter indulges in wine, women and dance, but as that of a human being; with his rich human nature, his cheerfulness, his expressive language, his love of home, quaintness, his teasing problems, his poverty and his aspirations, is primarily "written for white South Africans, for visitors from overseas and for South Africa's many friends in other lands."

But it is a book which every educated and intelligent African should read.

After describing the African's primitive life his laws and customs and his outlook on life before he came into contact with the whiteman, the authors proceed to deal with his conditions of to-day. They show how into his simple primitive life, with its few wants and needs, the complicated life, laws and customs of the white man had been thrown, and with what results?

"The truth is," they write, "that in South Africa to-day we are witnessing most of the pains and the horrors of the industrial revolution as they were seen in England a century ago, with the additional complication, that many of those moving citywards are people of colour with primitive Africa as their ancestral home, knowing only its pastoral ways, and with no real share in the white man's mental and spiritual heritage to soften the impact of contact with the industrialism and individualism of the West has, at first a demoralising effect upon primitive African races. Old sanctions are loosened and the new must battle long to make good the losses sustained. The

to perpetuate their memory should be regarded by all of us as a national memorial to which every man and woman should give generously. It is a living memorial which, as we have already pointed out, will play a part in helping our race to climb the ladder of civilisation and thus be able to make its distinctive contribution to human progress.

adoption of some of the new along with the retention of the old makes for situations sometimes ludicrous and often unhappy. In circumstances after circumstances the Bantu are bewildered and confused, for their old standards have perished or have been found woefully insufficient."

The authors are not discouraged and disappointed by this appalling state of affairs. They are struck by the fact that, in spite of their bewilderment and confusion, Africans "adapt themselves with readiness to situations so extremely novel. They are aided, no doubt, by outstanding powers of imitation, but also by mental capacity worthy of esteem."

Not Surprising

This is not surprising. The cheerful disposition of the African has enabled him through the roll of ages to encounter his difficulties without going under. He can laugh, sing and dance his sorrows away. Captured in the African jungle, and packed like sardines in sailing ships to be sold into slavery in America, men and women of the African race suffered for three hundred years under that inhuman institution and yet survived its cruelties and brutalities. Today they are making their distinctive contribution to American literature, art, music and science.

To those Europeans who think and believe that the missionaries were solely responsible for the sophistication of Africans, the authors have something to say which, in my opinion, has escaped the notice of the majority of the European population, particularly that of the segregationists. They say:

"The simpler days when the vast majority of the Bantu people lived in the reserves and had few contacts with Europeans have passed away. As we have seen, the majority of the Bantu are now outside the Reserves and in the employ of the white man. In addition to the farms, and the mines, the country's primary, and secondary industries have been calling for the black man's labour, and never more so than to-day."

"This insistent call in our time finds a ready response within the African's breast, because in him a process of education has been going on for several generations... not merely the education given in schools under missionary care, but another of a different and, many would say, a much more influential kind. Every farmer who has engaged a Native labourer has begun a process of change. The raw African sees on the farm many desirable things—oxen, cows, milk-galore, crops to keep him in abundance for a life time, horses, a car to ride in, a house with many furnishings which his poor hut lacks. The fact is, the merchant who employs a Native in his store, no matter in what capacity, the housewife who employs one in her home, the railways who employ them by scores of thousands, the mine owners who send out their emissaries to the most remote and uncivilised kraals in order to bring men in the mass to the Rand and other mining centres,

are all carrying both the European and the African people into a new day.

"We are all as busy as we can be—every white man and woman of us—educating the Natives by the work we demand of them and by our example. It is the road we have chosen, partly because the urge for progress in a young nation will not be frustrated, partly because our own convenience and comfort are helped thereby. It is noteworthy that many of those who fear the future for their children are among those who are content to accept the fact that through black people's efforts they are able to enjoy the large leisure that comes to them, and in many instances even their very livelihood."

How Many Realise This?

How many Europeans realise the truth contained in the above passage? How many understand that they are responsible for the disintegration of African tribal organisation and family life, because of their demand of the African's labour? How many realise that as a result "teaching the African the dignity of labour", they have brought about changes in his economic and social life and have increased his wants which he cannot easily satisfy? Few white people know all this.

The majority of Europeans still think and believe that Africans are still living like their ancestors, and they say that if they must develop it must be along their own lines.

It will be a terrible thing, they maintain, to de-Africanise the Africans, to make them "black white men!" They do not seem to realise that by making them work on their farms, in their homes, on the mines and in their factories they are encouraging and accelerating the process of de-Africanisation.

Forced Them To Cities

"We shall never avoid misunderstanding with the Bantu", say the authors, "still we remember that we have led them to live in a time and scene of tremendous change. Unsophisticated country folk as they are, we have made them in their thousands to be industrialised. We have bereft them of their land and so forced them to the cities, where we have compelled them to live in dreary locations or in compounds, with the latter's unnatural conditions of life and all its problems of a mental, sexual and social kind. They are largely out on uncharted sea, but we wonder at their unsteady hands as they grasp the rudders of their frail ships. To put ourselves in their place is surely to know more of patience and goodwill."

Achievement and Failure

After dealing with the administration of Native affairs, and how the Africans are governed, the authors, who are broad-minded men, and who are capable of seeing both sides of the question, have not only pointed out the disabilities under which Africans live and labour, but have also devoted a chapter on "Achievement and Failure."

In this chapter, they mention all the efforts that have been and are being made by missionaries, the Department of Native Affairs, local authorities, the Government, other public bodies and individual white men and women for the welfare and advancement of the African people.

These efforts, it is no exaggeration, to aver that they are not often acknowledged by African politicians, particularly those who hold extreme views on race relations. They are ignored and the masses of the people are told that nothing has been done for them

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(S. W. Mahuma)

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"Rea mo leboga thata ka moo a lekileng kateng. Byanong Bakwena, ke tlile go lo itsise gore go simolla ka letsatsi le, setulo sa Bokwena se neelwa Daniel David Mamogale byaka re setse re buile mo dipitsong tse di fetileng.

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Likolo li butsoe, 'me bana ba tli-le ka bongata, Ntlo e bohloko ke ea ho bona tsamaiso e entseng...

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Boshoboro ke 'sona selo seo re sa se rateng, Matsatsing a lebono, boshoboro bo iphile matla, 'me go...

'Na ka bo 'na ke bona, sebe se segolo tabeng eo ea gore go se ke ka hloa go bolloa. Ka mehla ga...

Tlogelang koma gobane e lokile go feta botsotsi. Koma ga e senye letho la matlo.

Kajeno "Phafa" o re:

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Ka mehla ga motho a u etseditse molemo; ga motho a kile a u thusa; ga motho a kile a u tlisetsa mahlohonolo jualo-jualo, u ee u mo lebohe...

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Lona, bakgethi, jualeka ga le fuoe tokelo le matla a go kgetha lebitsong la sechaba, lebitsong la batho bao le ba okametseng, elang hloko...

Go rialo, ke bolela gore le tle le sebedise masene le bohla; le tle le sebedise kelello ka botlalo, 'me seo le se etsang, e be se se tlang go ba le thuso go batho bao le ba etelang pele...

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Kgethang gape metsoalle-bathusi

BATHO BA RE'NG NA?

Bare Mr. P. R. Mosaka eo ebeng ele Moemedi oa Ba-Afrika bao ba agileng ditloropong tja Transvaal le Free State Palamenteng (Native Representative Council) e fetileng, o shila mefago go etela ditloropo kamoka tja Transvaal le tja Free State go soara dipitijo gore ba mo kgethe gape. Tsela-choeu, Mokgatla!

Bare Dr. Moroka le Mr. Thema, bao bona ba emetjeng Dikgoshi le Ba-Afrika bao ba sa agangditloropong, le bona ba itukishetja go eo soara dipitijo metseng ea Dikgoshi le dipolaseng gore ba kgetho gape.

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Bana ba ba ntj-ntji bao batsoa di ba bona ba bong ba ratile gore...

ts'episa 'Muso oa Magodimong, ba tla le ts'episa namane e e-s'o tsoa-loe, 'me ere moo ba kgethiloeng, ba ee pel'a 'Muso ka dikopo tseo.

Go be juang gee moo? 'Muso o tla re baemedi ba lona ba ts'oana le lona, gobane ba kgethilo ke lona; o tla re baemedi ba lona ga ba tsebe seo ba se batlang, 'me le lona ga le tsebe seo le se batlang. E be juale moputso e be ofe? 'mu-so'o tla thiba ditsebe, o thatafatse pelo, o nyatse sechaba sena le baemedi bao ba sona.

Pele Kapa Morao? Go be juang juale? Ga re kgetha banna ba kang bao re tla be re entse ketso e ntle, ketso ea tsoelo-pele kapa tsoelo-morao?

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ntle, a di pannole a pane tse ding tseo a sa di tsebeng, tseo, ereng di mo kgahla ka sebopego sa tsona, a gopole gore ke tsona tse tla hula koloi eo, Monna ts'epo ea gage o e bea go seo, a se tsebeng, seo a se lekiling, seo a se sebeditseng lemong tse ngata.

Gaebane ruri re batla tsoelopele, a re keng ra e bua feela ka molomo, empa re e pake diketsong tso ro-na gobane ketso e molemo go feta puo ea molomo. Ka molomo, re ka pheta ntho tseo re ke keng ra di pheta ka diketso. Bo "Nkgetheng" ba bacha' ba tla tla ka tsa molomo feela, athe bo Thema, Mosaka le Moroka bona, ba tla ka diketso-ntho e tsebagalang le e ts'epagalang. Kgethang ketso le tlogeleng puo. "Phafa!"

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Thought for To-day

"That we henceforth be no more children... But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, which is the head, even Christ."—Eph. 4: 14, 15.

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READERS' FORUM

LET THEM RETURN TO SCHOOL

"Language," Johannesburg, writes: Any learned man will not be worried by the suggestion made here for the elimination of the vernaculars in our newspapers. A number of letters show that their authors are the victims of inferiority complex, which they wish to overcome. I suggest that they return to school.

UNFORTUNATE TRENDS

J. E. Mabaso, Vereeniging, writes: As a Bantu World reader, I feel I must say something about Mr. Mogane dissatisfaction. I do not blame Mr. Mogane, he can't help it. It is unfortunate among us, Africans, that the "educated" look upon the illiterate African as a down-and-out sort of being; someone on whom time cannot be wasted.

N.R.C. NOMINATIONS

"Makhandakhanda," Pietersburg, writes: It is true that Africans have still a long way to go before they can grasp the value of such privileges as they are granted. The nominations for the Natives Representative Council have revealed a sad state of ignorance of what the Council stands for. Most of our illiterate brethren have never even heard of the Council and its members. Nevertheless it is gratifying that our retiring Councillors have gained an overwhelming number of votes at the nominations, and we hope that they will pull through at the election in March.

At various nomination centres, the chairmen were astonished to hear people confess that they did not know that they had Africans representing them in a government institution or Council in the Union.

During the nominations, it was discovered that in many districts, the people nominated men of their own locality, men who have no knowledge and experience of political affairs. As we write, we have a long list of nominees being African men who are not known in the African field; men who have never been out of their districts ever since they were born; men who have never contributed anything towards the uplift of the African race; men who have never addressed a meeting in their lives. What did they promise the people who nominated them?

BLOT ON OUR NAME

Optimist, Vereeniging, writes: The number of murder cases alleged to have been committed by Africans is a blot on our good name. By tradition, we are a peace loving people, but some among us seem to have lost their heads and are taking delight in perpetrating evil—murder, rape and robbery.

Most disconcerting is the common talk heard wherever one goes among people who freely encourage such misdeeds. "If you feel 'fed up' with someone, send him along the 'transjordan' road," is what one frequently hears.

The law is, to my mind, chiefly to blame for this. If justice and strict application played a part, we would be spared from the misdeeds of the wild animals of crime. The capital punishment should be applied stringently.

ALLEGED MISTAKE IN AFRICAN SCHOOLS

S. M. M. Mauleka, Komatipoort, writes: There is, to my way of thinking, a big mistake being made in our African primary schools with regard to staffing matters. Unqualified teachers are allotted the task of educating the sub-standards while better qualified teachers are confined to the upper classes.

The situation could be likened to that of a qualified builder who neglects the laying of the foundation which he entrusts to an unskilled hand.

I think this state of affairs calls for immediate remedy; we cannot afford a poor, or weak foundation laid for our children by weak and inefficient or untrained hands.

WHICH REPORT IS CORRECT?

"Enquirer," Johannesburg, writes: There seems to be confusion over facts concerning the Lebombo Diocese. Your paper says that the consecration of Bishop Boys was the second occasion on which a Bishop was consecrated in an African Church, whereas other newspapers say that this was the first time that an Anglican Bishop was consecrated in an African Church in Johannesburg.

Which report is correct?

(OURS. As pointed out in our report, a former Lebombo Bishop, Rt. Rev. W. B. Peacey, now in the Diocese of Cape Town, was consecrated in 1929, at St. Peter's Church, Rosettenville. This Church is used by the boys and girls attending the St. Peter's Secondary School, and by the African congregation in and around Rosettenville.—Ed., "B.W.")

WHY THEY FAILED STD. VI

G. S. Mabeta, Johannesburg, writes: Whoever set the standard six examination questions last year must be questioned and held responsible for the failure of so many children to pass the examination. The number of failures is appalling.

It would appear as though the questions set were intended for a class higher up. Questions set for certain subjects were, I think, rather difficult.

What was the aim behind all this? Are we to take it that the large number of children failed would have constituted a problem for the authorities faced with the burning question of accommodation in secondary schools?

AFRICANS ARE WASTING AWAY

A. J. Mhangwane, Pretoria, writes: The Africans are fast deteriorating in health and physique. Modern youth has changed and is different from its counterpart of a few decades ago. The African race, once proud of its well-built bodies and physique, is to-day a sorry sight to see.

The trouble, of course, is in the main attributable to early marriage. In the past, marriage was allowed at a time most suitable and opportune. A young man seeking marriage was made to undergo tests to prove his ability to maintain a family. In this way, children were born and bred on lines which were conducive to sound health.

THEY FAILED TO IMPRESS

Cameron Bendile, Johannesburg, writes: The impending N.R.C. election could be likened to a sort of referendum on the adjournment resolution unanimously passed by the Councillors in 1940. The adjournment policy is the platform of the retiring members who are now receiving overwhelming support for re-election. The nomination results indicate clearly that these men will be returned.

The bitter critics of the old Council are the Communists whose puerile boycott policy failed lamentably to impress the Africans. That policy just collapsed.

Africans will ridicule the Communist candidate (s?), and will stand by their accredited and tried representatives in the persons of Dr. J. S. Moroka, Messrs. R. V. Selope Thema and P. R. Mosaka, all three of whom they will see returned to the Council on March 17 next.

INSTRUMENT OF UNITY

William S. Twala, Alexandra, writes: Admittedly, the "Bantu World" is not an English newspaper; it serves the Africans' interest and to the Africans, again, it plays the role of an instrument of unity. Notwithstanding its wide circulation among the various tribal groups within and without the Union, it carries too few languages in proportion to the number of tribal groups it serves. This is bound to lead to trouble.

I suggest, therefore, that to encourage nationalism among us, one common language should be the medium of this newspaper. We have no common Bantu language, but English is understood by many of various tribes. Hence I advocate English and English only in this newspaper.



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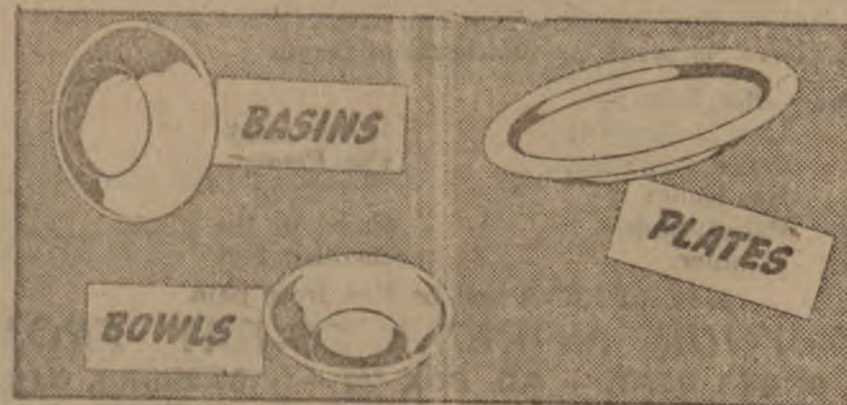
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(From Our Correspondent)

"This big gathering wishes to pay homage to the memory of Isaac. We have come here to pay our last respects to our colleague," declared an official of the Union Department of Labour when he spoke at the funeral of Isaac Mojanaga recently.

Educated at Tiger Kloof, late Isaac was employed at the Native Commissioner's office in Johannesburg where he served a number of years prior to his transfer to the Department of Labour.

More than 600 people attended his funeral which was conducted by Rev. J. M. Molebaloa of Pimville. Present among the mourners were his parents, Mr and Mrs P. G. Mojanaga from Mafeking, Messrs A. Ramahitshana, J. Modisa and Marumo.

Loyal Servant

Referring to the deceased, the representative of the Department of Labour said that Isaac was a loyal public servant whose departure would be sorely missed. "Although he was an African, we treated him as one of our own. He respected us and we respected him. I specially want to mention his services to the Africans; their loss is also our loss."

The Labour Department representative said that Isaac was an example of what could be achieved when European and African showed mutual respect for each other. He exhorted the gathering to follow his example and to make South Africa a happier place.

Mrs. Dinah Mabile has arrived in the city from Cape Town. While at Cape Town she was the guest of her brothers and sisters.

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Teacher Explains Reason Why Many Failed Std. Six

Discussion on the deplorable Standard Six examination results continues unabated. Below is an account supplied by a well-known school teacher outlining the reason why thousands of pupils failed to pass the examination last year.

His account begins: The children wrote six papers each counting 100 marks. The sub-minimum in each of the three languages was 40 per cent, and in each of the three remaining papers 30 per cent. The aggregate for the six papers was 240 marks which, if a child obtained, success was gained on condition that such a child failed in no subject.

A candidate failing in a subject by a mark increased its aggregate, by 10 marks so that, to pass, it would be expected to obtain a total of 250 marks. In other words, for every mark by which the candidate failed to obtain a sub-minimum in subject (s) an addition of 10 marks would be expected over and above the aggregate.

Note what the results of the following two imaginary schools would be under this system:

Woestyn Scho of Schedule						
Science.	Maths.	Economics.	Latin.	French.	German.	Total.
1. 30	30	45	45	45	45	240
2. 29	28	43	90	40	40	270
3. 29	100	29	29	40	43	270
4. 29	29	29	50	83	50	270

Result: All these candidates have passed.

Lock School Schedule						
Science.	Maths.	Economics.	Latin.	French.	German.	Total.
1. 50	20	60	56	68	70	324
2. 55	20	65	61	68	70	339
3. 75	14	80	80	70	80	399
4. 100	0	100	100	100	100	500

Result: All these candidates have failed!

To pass, these candidates were expected to score as follows:—

Nos. 1 and 2: 240 plus 10 times 10 (i.e. 340). 3: 240 plus 16 times 10 (i.e. 400). 4: 240 plus 30 times 10 (i.e. 540). N.B. maximum is 600.

Once candidate iv had scored nothing in Maths, it was impossible for it to pass no matter what high standard of work it achieved in the rest of the exam.

We conclude that (a) thousands of our good students have been failed; (b) the object of the T.E.D. in devising this system, seems to have been to decrease as much as possible the number of our children that pass Std. VI. at the time when so many secondary schools are in existence; (c) the system is a means of retarding our progress; (d) the system is inferior to the one that has been in practice, and (e) we knew nothing of these new exam. conditions until the poor results alarmed us.

We suggest that the T.E.D. continue with the usual system

generally applied by most education departments in the Union, (particularly by T.E.D. c/o J.C. Exams.)

The T.A.T.A. should fight for the immediate abolition of this new system.

Orlando News:

ORLANDO RESIDENTS DISCUSS GANGSTERISM

(W.X.Y.Z.)

The incidence of hooliganism and gangsterism in Orlando led to a meeting of the township's residents recently, when steps to combat this rising evil were discussed. It was pointed out at that meeting that immediate action against gangsters and hooligans was called for.

The meeting, which was well-attended, decided on the following points: to approach the authorities in this matter; to organise patrol squads who would police the whole township; to seek wider powers for the municipal police in the township and to urge all parents to teach their children proper behaviour.

Transportation

Great difficulties are placed in the way of residents in the matter of transport. The fares charged for transport services in the township are regarded as being rather high.

With the exception of fares charged by the railways, private operators—taxi, lorry and other transport services—place their charges on a high level. The taxi fare from Orlando to Orlando West is 4s, a journey for a lone passenger, and 2s, single if more than one passenger is carried.

The residents intend to appeal to the transport operators on the various routes in the area to reduce their charges to a half or a quarter of the prevailing rates.

Rev. David W. Khonoana of the United Apostolic Faith Church, Messina, is a patient at the Messina hospital.

Mrs. Emily Musi of Windsorton, C.P. was the guest of her mother Mrs. R. Masooa and her sister, Mrs. J. M. B. Marokane, of Steynsrust.

STUDENTS MEET AT PRETORIA

P.A.S.A. MEETING: The annual general meeting of the Pretoria African Students' Association was held last month at the Dougall Hall, Marabastad, Pretoria, with Mr. G. M. Pitjie, B.A., presiding. The chairman appealed to the students to close their ranks and to organise against certain people who sought to exploit the name "student" for their own advantage.

Following were elected office-bearers for the ensuing year: Mr. G. Pitjie, president; Mr. I. Kotu-Rammops, vice-president; Mr. T. Masoka, secretary with I. Kotu as his assistant; Mr. S. P. Kwakwa, treasurer with the following as committee members: Misses M. Moema, M. Ramabu; Messrs. T. Madiba and C. Kekana.—T.M.

Rev. S. S. Phoofole and family were guests of Rev. T. Mateza and Mr. and Mrs. Marokane recently. They have since returned to Senekal where Mr. Phoofole is a pastor of the A.M.E. Church.

FINAL NOMINATIONS FOR N.R.C.

Only two candidates remain in the final nominations for the Transvaal-Free State urban areas' seat of the Natives Representative Council. The candidates are Mr. Paul R. Mosaka and Mr. Edwin T. Mofutsanyane.

Two sitting members, Mr. R. V. Selope Thema, Dr. J. Moroka, and two, new candidates—Messrs R. G. Baloyi and N. Pilane—remain to fight the two rural seats of the Transvaal-Free State d.v.s.o.s.

In the Ciskei, at least two if not all three sitting members are assured of retaining their seats. Mr. R. H. Gollo of East London stands unopposed, four of the original five nominees seat forward for his urban seat having withdrawn.

The rural candidates are the two sitting members—Professor Z. K. Matthews, Mr. B. Xiniwe—and Mr. P. Mzazi.



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MY VISIT TO EUROPE

(V. V. Mbobo)

During the recent war we often heard over the air a communique from one of the capital-cities of Europe, like, Warsaw, Belgrade, Prague. Little did I dream at the time that I would live to see some of these in person.

Prague, the capital of Czechoslovakia, has been ranked fourth among the most beautiful cities of Central Europe. It is picturesquely situated.

Part of it is on a hill slope, on which stand many a stately building, while the other half nestles in a basin through the centre of which meanders the Vltava river. Upon the hill stands the imposing Castle, the seat of the President of the Republic.

Veritable Treasure

Here also is the Cathedral of St. Vitus, below whose foundations lie the remains of the kings and queens of Bohemia.

The city is a veritable treasure of ancient, mediaeval and modern architecture. This is the city that gave to history such names as John Huss, reformer and martyr, and

John Comenius, famous scholar and poly-historian.

Carnival

It was in this worthy metropolis that the youth of no less than 72 different countries gathered in the World Youth Festival. For four weeks Prague was a carnival city of gorgeous colours as the various delegates paraded the streets in their national costumes.

At the Festival these thousands of youth, 100,000 in the last week, although speaking diverse tongues, lived together and played together.

Whether it was a Red from the Balkans or a young Conservative from the British Isles, whether a glamour girl from the deep south of the U.S.A. or a gay Negro from sunny South Africa, all mixed freely in a spirit of festivity.

Formalities were unknown. You just button-holed anyone, "Hello Joe, I'm Bessie from California," "Well, I'm Chien Yu from Manchuria," and so a strong international friendship would start.

Solemn Pledges

It is a striking commentary on world affairs that at a time when Europe seems to be splitting into two hostile camps, when there's talk of a "cold war" between the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R., the youth of the world were taking solemn pledges to stand together in the fight for peace, and the youth of Russia and America were on the best of friendly terms.

In a country where most of the people had never seen a black man before, mine were often very interesting experiences.

Courtesy

Sometimes I would rush into a rowdy tram and be surprised and embarrassed to find three gentlemen rising and offering me their seats. It is a tradition among these Slav races to be specially courteous to visitors. Not once I vent into a quiet restaurant for dinner.

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Outstanding Plea For Progress

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except the enactment of oppressive laws and the proclamation of restrictive regulations.

On the other hand these very efforts are condemned by those Europeans who believe that Africans were predestined to be hewers of wood and drawers of water for the white race, and those who "spend their days damning the nigger; treating him as a dirt beneath their feet, and calling for bullets as the solution of the 'Native problem'." They declare that there will be no place until the African is "put in his place by being taught that the white man has guns and that they will be used against all who question white supremacy."

The extremists on either side of the colour line are severely taken to task by the authors who sincerely believe that White and Black "are inexorably interdependent," and that, therefore, they should find a formula of life which will enable them to live in harmony and peace.

Colour Bar

Of the African extremist politicians they express themselves in the words of Father Gallaway—"that great and sane and devoted champion of the Non-Europeans"—who wrote: "there is the extremist who turns acid whenever he thinks of Europeans in South Africa. He has lost all sense of balance and proportion. He fails to see the really great and good achievements of Europeans in the past. He has no pride of race. He ignores equally the sturdy independence of the early Dutch emigrants, the heroism and idealism of the French Huguenots, and the moral greatness of many of the early English settlers."

In short he sees the European as nothing but an oppressor, whose record is one of unfairness, cruelty and exploitation.

But the authors of "African Contrasts" are not unconscious of the fact that politically Africans are wandering in the wilderness of frustration, seeing no ray of hope and having no faith in the future of their race.

"The African soul", they say, "will remain unsatisfied so long as the civilised African man is not treated as an integral part of the population of the Union, so long as he is classed as being apart with special laws made for himself alone."

Copies of "African Contrasts" can be obtained from the Bantu News Agency, P. O. Box 6663, Johannesburg, price 25/- post free.

A minute later a couple of Czechs joined me, announcing that their English was bad. Soon a lively conversation ensued. When I tendered my fare for the bill, to my surprise, that had long been settled for me. I was often told of a Czech proverb: not tree meets tree but man meets man, (one good turn deserves another).

Stormed and Mobbbed

Indian girls with their attractive saris, Indonesians with their red silk robes, Mongolians with purple robes, and we from Africa with our black colour were all stormed for autographs. One sultry afternoon I was literally mobbed by hundreds of boys and girls eagerly seeking my autograph. Never in my life have I ever signed my name so many times as I did in Europe.

Miss Mickey Jaspas of Johannesburg, standing by me that day, could not help remarking, "I just can't imagine an occasion at home when you could be surrounded by such a sea of white faces!" When I heaved a sigh of relief at signing the last a Yankee girl in jeans and outside striped shirt drawled, "Golly, you're sure doing better than Clarke Gable."

The friendship we all made at the Festival will remain a sweet memory for years after this. My Christmas mail at the Office, coming from all over the world, has caused my boss to suggest my obtaining the services of a private secretary!

In the next instalment I shall tell readers more about the Czechoslovaks.

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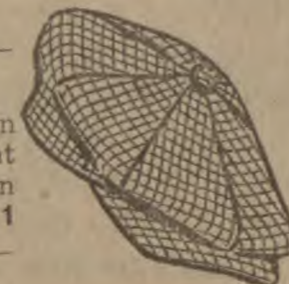
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Three 'Knocked Out' In Boxing Contest At B.M.S.C.

Following its usual practice of presenting a large, cumbersome card which is seldom fought to an outright finish, the Transvaal Non-European Amateur Boxing Association treated the Rand's fight fans to a 36-bout programme of semi-final encounters at the Bantu Men's Social Centre on Saturday night. Only 22 of which were fought out, the remaining fourteen being postponed to a later date.

Hailing from Evaton, Germiston, Home Defenders, Pretoria, Jabavu, Western Native Township, Central Boys' Club, Randfontein, Springs, Blue Mountain, Bantu Men's Social Centre, Goodwill, St. Peter's, Bull and Bush, African Youth, Benoni and Roodepoort the imposing array of entrants afforded little improvement to previous ringcrafts exhibitions and although there were three knock-outs throughout the tournament there were, however, instances of poor match-making on the part of the promoters.

Two paper, five fly, four bantam, five feather and six lightweight bouts were in the offing. Ntauli, of Germiston knocked out Bogata in the first paper-weight and opening bout of the night, followed by Twala defeating Evaton's Mahlatsi in the same weight.

Absolom Pitsi, of Pretoria beat Frank Zulu of Jabavu, while Gilbert Seabela of Sophiatown licked

Peter Malisha of Alexandra on points. Tiny Rock beat Ambrose Duma, while Sidney Sekate licked Scotty Mawe, of Randfontein, and Caiphas Kekana defeated Daniel Bareng in the only fly-weight bouts.

OUT-GENERALLED

Jacob Maruping of Orlando out-generalled Evans Rabotapi of Evaton, while Joseph Maduna of

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SPORTS REPORTS

A number of correspondents and reporters for sports clubs must be at a loss to know why their items are not published on this page. The trouble is that these items reach this office too late for inclusion in the issue for which they are intended.

It is desirable and most important that all sports correspondents intending to have their items published in the issue following the last day of play should see that their reports reach this office either on Monday or, at the latest, Tuesday morning at 9 a.m.

Reports sent after 9 a.m. on Tuesday are too late for inclusion in the issue of that particular week and unless the matter does not date, such reports will be discarded.

KNOCK OUT CONTEST IN CRICKET

(By Proxy)

As the cricket season draws rapidly to a close, I had occasion to interview the Transvaal Bantu Cricket Union President, Mr. P. A. Gwele, and gathered the following interesting information:

The Reserve League and Junior Divisions will engage in knock-out competitions, commencing this week-end. It should be clearly understood, that these games will be one-day matches. Clubs are requested to contact the General Secretary by phone if possible immediately after the matches or the following day at the latest to facilitate drawing of the next fixture.

The third and fourth divisions will play in the same competition for the knock-out trophy. Teams failing to complete the first innings will, except through rain, fall out. Time for commencement will be 10 a.m.

TIME-LIMIT

Transvaal Bantu Cricket will again make a determined effort to close by Easter so as to leave the playing grounds free for rugby and soccer. It is hoped that the people controlling these winter games will take a hint and do likewise when it is time to open the cricket season.

A deputation of the T.B.C.U. to the winter Unions is contemplated to discuss the question of setting up liaison between these different forms of sport in order to create mutual assistance.

Germiston defeated Aaron Makgane. Slumber Gogoshe licked Payneville's Ezekiel Masemola, while Solomon Malefane defeated Johannes Ngatane.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Featherweight bouts were not altogether very hot, and first one was an instance of poor match-making. Abednigo Mnguni (120 lbs.) was absurdly matched with Isaac MoJete, a Bantu Men's Social Centre Club scrapper whose weight was not shown on paper out who later turned out to be a 30 pounder—a lightweight fighting in the featherweights. Mnguni lost that fight by a technical knock-out.

Isaac Keswa beat Joel Tsotetsi, while Jerry Mavuso defeated Peter Deyeraux. Jack Kumalo (Blue Mountain) defeated Jacky Modukanele, and Rocks (Orlando) who weighs 125 had to put on extra energy to defeat Ezra Maselesele, an Alexandra Township 129 pounder.

Jeremiah Moloi defeated Joel Mtambo in the first lightweight bout, while Leopard Mbutuma lost to B.M.S.C.'s Theophilus Mtembu after having been hit below the belt. Richard Modise beat Noah Serumi, and Isaac Phela defeated Barney Molapo of Alexandra. Harry Mahlase licked William Matlaku, while Adam Ntumela knocked out Elias Mofokeng.

NODOBA WANTS TO Sports Correspondence

BREAK HIS OWN CYCLING RECORD

The Griqualand West Bantu cycling champion, M. M. Nodoba, is making another attempt at breaking his own cycling record. In 1945, he rode in his first race over a distance of 307 miles from Kimberley to Johannesburg, in 13 hrs., 18 minutes. Last year in December, he came second in an inter-town race held at Bloemfontein.

This year, on March 22, he intends to cycle from Kimberley to Port Elizabeth—via Bloemfontein and Cradock—a distance of 580 miles.

During his stay in Port Elizabeth, he will take occasion to witness the preparations being made by the South African battalion for the Olympic games.

CYCLE RACE RESULTS

Several competitors took part in a cycle race organised by the Witwatersrand Cycling Association recently.

The distance covered was 72 miles, the points between which racing took place being City Deep to Vereeniging and back. The results of the race were:

- A. K. Mots'oengeng 1st; time: 3 hrs. 30 mins. and 2 secs.
- B. M. Tsaketsi 2nd; time: 3 hrs. 35 mins. and 5 secs.
- C. P. Mofokeng 3rd; time: 3 hrs. 40 mins. and 10 secs.

T.A.T.A. Music

Competition Syllabus

With a view to giving choirs and their conductors ample time to prepare for the oncoming eisteddfod, the Transvaal African Teachers Association has decided to publicise the programme for the competition early this year.

All going well the Provincial competitions will take place in September. Teachers in the Branches of T.A.T.A. have been requested to see to it that the preliminary hits are staged in the first session of the year.

Following is the syllabus for this year's competition:

Choral:

- (a) Open: English, "From Oberon in Fairyland," No. 57 Koh. S.A.T.B. (Lovedale), Vernacular "Diphala," by M. M. Moerane S.A.T.B. Lovedale.
- (b) Secondary Schools or High Schools: "English who shall win my Lady Fair," No. 112 Nov. S.A.T.B. Lovedale. Vernacular, "Moea oaka," M. M. Moerane, 10 Scanlen St., Queenstown, C.P. Boys Choirs, "Destruction of Gaza," 50066 Cur. T.T.B.B. (Lovedale), Girls Choirs, "Can ye sew the Cushions," 2132 Nov. (Lovedale).
- (c) Primary Schools: (Senior Choirs.) English "In This Hour of

To The Sports Editor:

Sir,—On Sunday, February 8, the Western Native Township Lawn Tennis Club held an annual meeting at the W.N.T. tennis court, the chairman of the club explaining the reason for holding this meeting there.

The annual report was presented by the secretary and after all the usual formalities, members were invited to ask questions on the report and the president's address. The impression created in my mind by some of the speakers is that they merely wanted to waste time with irrelevant questions. Past matches were discussed unwarrantedly. The whole affair turned out to be more of a school-boys' debate rather than an adults' meeting. Added to this, some members arrived long after the meeting had begun!

Then the chairman spoke about elections only to have hurled back at him orders on who must be elected.

As a novice, and a member of this club, I felt deeply pained at heart to find that after being ill-treated by a club which seldom cares to give learners a chance to practise, even at a meeting of the club more painful things must take place.

Only the "champions" of the club seem to have preference in play, yet all members pay alike.

Most of us choose to play for this club because it is the only one with tennis courts in the Western areas of the City.

Let those members who did not attend this meeting thank their gods for abstaining, otherwise they would have had to put up with all what transpired at that meeting. One hopes that the new officials will bring about a better order.

"Shetty"

SOPHIATOWN.

SATURDAY'S SOCCER AT B. S. CLUB

Two soccer matches will be played at the Bantu Sports grounds on Saturday, February 21 for the Robinson Cup. Eastern Brothers will play against Bergville Lions and Pirates against Transvaal Soccer Board.

Softened Splendour," 60664 Cur. (Lovedale). Vernacular "Morena Tlake by M. M. Morena Tlake, 10 Scanlen St., Queenstown, C.P. Boys Choirs, "On the Boys come marching," No. 82 Koh. T.T.B.B. (Lovedale). Girls Choirs, "Carnovale," 70434 Cur. (Lovedale).

Junior Choirs: "Early Dawn of Day," 203 Arn S.S.C. (Lovedale). "T.A.T.A." (Sesuto) Mateseke Bantu Secondary School, Krugersdorp.

Umsebenzi uvathandeka xa INTYATYAMBO MATAMBO

IQABUKILEYO

Kumandi ukuqala ukusebenza kwakhona ungakhataxwa zintlungu nentuthumbo ze ntyatyambo-mathambo. Ukuqala ukusebenza i Pillis zika De Witt's yinto elula—sezincede abaninzi ababe bulaleka zintyatyambo mathambo.

Ukuba "uhamba nayo," ungasondli apho unokufumana uncedo, qwalasela okokuba i Pillis zika De Witt's zinceda ngokwenyani apho izintso ezingasebenzi ngokufaneleyo zingunobangela we ntyatyambo-mathambo. Ityefu nokunchola ebekufanele ukushenziswa zintso, kuhlala ngaphakati embilini kube ngu nobangela wezontlungu nentuthumbo. Kungenxa yoko i Pillis zika De Witt's zinokusebenza kangoko—ziphithikezwe ngokubalulekileyo ukuba zithi ngqo ezintsweni—ziya zivuselela. I-tyefu efumbileyo ishenziswa katula size izintso zivuselelwe ukuba zisebenze ngokwe siqelo.

I-Pillis zika De Witt's zaziwe zithenjwe okwexesha elide... apho ukhona kunabantu abangaphosi ukuhlala benzazo. Kwindawo ohi kuza aya kufumana omnye onokukuxelela ngokulungu kwe Pillis zika De Witt's. Buzo kubamelwana bakho, njaloko—fumana imbodlelana kwi kambi yakuni namhla. Umsebenzi aya-thandeka xa intlungu ne nentuthumbo zibalelelwe.



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WHO'S WHO IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

Mr. C. N. Phatudi, Supervisor of schools, is congratulated on his success in the B.A. degree. Mr. Phatudi was at Fort Hare last year. The staff of the West Rand Inspectorate to which he is now attached gave him a rousing reception recently.

Messrs. A. and G. Sibillone spent the last week-end with friends in Sophiatown.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pelého of Ladyselborne have recently returned from Potgietersrust where they spent the Christmas and New Year holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Poleho are members of the A. F. Mission.

Mr. M. Monnakgotla of Sophiatown spent a recent week-end in Pretoria.

Mr. J. D. Tjikana of the Native Labour clerical staff, Iscor, Pretoria, and an agent of the Bantu World at Iscor and Pretoria West has returned from the annual leave which he spent in the Northern Transvaal. Mr. Tjikana reports heavy rains in the North.

Through the who's who column Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Mtezuka wish to thank all friends and relatives who attended their party given in honour of their eldest daughter — Phranella, on Sunday, February 1, 1948. Among those present were Phranella's Teacher Mr. W. Ramaboa; Rev. L. M. Vabaza, Messrs. E. Mafilika; A. Njaba; P. H. Mabusela; B. Ngema; I. Mshibe; E. Motaung; T. Tshabangu; G. Zulu; Mr. and Mrs. Seopa; Mrs. Mhlambiso; Mrs. May; and Mrs. Ncaphayi. A variety of selected music was rendered by the Woluter Methodist Church Choir.

Miss Mtezuka left by the Pretoria train on Wednesday February 4, for Kilmerton.

Messrs. J. G. Mophiring and L. L. Makheme of Orlando and Ficksburg respectively visited the offices of the "Bantu World" last Thursday on a tour of inspection. They were impressed by the works.

The following are among many from Pimville who left last week for various Institutions, Miss Alpha Mqashane, Gum Njanya, David Jwili, Enoch Msebi and Jacob Motsepe together with Miss P. Motsikare. David Jwili has gone to further his studies at Lovedale Institution.

Mr. Albert Njanya of Pimville Township entered into eternal rest on January 24, 1948. He is survived by his widow and a young baby. Deep sympathy is extended to his family in their bereavement.

Nurse E. N. T. Sidzumo, formerly of the Coronation Non-European hospital, Johannesburg, has joined the staff of the Pretoria General hospital.

His many friends will be pleased to learn that after a long period of suffering, Mr. Peter Mancoe of Sophiatown, has recovered. He left recently for Brandfort, O.F. State on a recuperative holiday.

Mr. A. Sibothobotho of Johannesburg is making arrangements for a protracted visit to Umtata.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. Godfrey M. Mnyande of Engcobo, Transkei on his recent success in his Arts examination. Mr. Mnyande received his high education at St. John's College, Umtata where he completed his Senior Certificate in 1942. Before he proceeded to Fort Hare, he worked at Cape Town.

Mr. Ephraim Mathapo of Johannesburg paid a visit to the offices of "The Bantu World" recently on a tour of inspection.

The death occurred recently of Mr. Michael Seroko. Mr. Seroko was a keen member of the Bapedi Lutheran church. Rev. A. Mabusela officiated at the funeral service which was attended by many friends and relatives. The deceased is survived by his widow and son.

"JB" Programmes

Saturday, Feb. 21 (Zulu): The Choristers of the Bantu Sports Club, Director D. R. Twala, Conductor J. P. Tutu, present a Zulu Drama by D. R. Twala entitled "Isinkwa" (Bread). Play produced Michael Kittermaster.

Cast includes: D. R. Twala, Anderson Mehlo, Oscar Mabika, Samuel Tshabalala, Nellie Williams, Afrika Kubeka, Alec Bangu, Elizabeth Ngwenya, Carherine Kunene, K. V. Moss, Ellen Mkwahazi, Margaret Ntsele and Doris Saul.

Theme: Farmstead at Standershoop. A village of Christian peasants, living a quiet country life. The first half of the play depicts the working and social life of the farm. The second half depicts the trek into the city—a location home where mother lives on washing, the father on hawking vegetables and where the children attend the local school.

The family pools its sources of income together to save for furniture until disaster befalls them and the boy loses all the household savings in gambling.

The family horse dies and they have to choose between buying the furniture or buying a horse for the hawking business.

The last part of the play finds the family breaking away from parental control. The father is forced to go and work in the mills, the mother forced to augment the family income by brewing beer illegally. The daughters leave school to go and work in the kitchens and the brother begins indulging in gambling for a livelihood.

Resultantly, the father loses his job and endeavours to obtain old age relief, the mother is arrested for brewing illegally and the daughters trek to bigger towns to earn more money and keep away from the parental eye.

The son follows them and becomes addicted to drink and gambling. At last the father dies with only the mother left to bury him and the children who should be working for their parents are lost to them for good.

The end of the play finds the mother on her knees in prayer by the bedside of the dying old man.

Tuesday February 24, (Xhosa): Nourse Mines Xhosas "Magaula Inxsha." Nourse Mines Xhosas: "Ithi Inkosi Masithini." A. M. E. Choir of Bergvlei, conductor David Miya. "Ndililela uLiza" (Sidyivo).

Alexandra Double Quartet, leader F. Mhlambi: "Emakhaya", Nourse Mines Xhosas: "Watsho," Nourse Mines Xhosas: "Ududo Bawo."

Thursday, February 26, (Ndebele): Shandavu's Sinsibebe Choir: "Iizwe le Rhodesia" "Dinah-Dinah." Mahew's Sinsibebe Choir: "Amadoda aye Gamlimiti." "Ifene Yo Mtatati." Mhlangu's Rhodesian Quartet: "Ngo baba lo mama." "Wachata Nkosazana," "Kiti Enjelele." "Kwathi Kusenjalo." Sinsibebe Bantu Travelling Choir: "Hayi Abantu Abamnyama;" "Kwakukhona Indoda Engu Mozis."

KENTANI NEWS

(D. K. Landzela)

Two new teachers have been appointed on the staff of Maboboti Secondary School; they are Messrs Ningiza and N. Bulube from Emfundisweni and St. John's College.

Mr. R. R. Mondliwa who was studying agriculture at St. John's College has now taken a position as principal at Hlangani. Mr. T. Z. Maqanda, who was acting for him, is now at Teko Springs replacing Mr. S. Dzulisa who has been transferred to Nonyembezi to fill the vacant post caused by retirement of Mr. F. Pezisa.

Miss G. Nomnganga who has been acting for Miss A. B. Jwaai at Qobo-qobo is now at Nonyembezi. Miss O. Sangoni who has been at Xobani has now started duties at Qobo-qobo and her place at Xobani has been filled by Miss Cengimbo of Isigangala.

Miss Nc. Mapassa is now at Tutura primary relieving Miss N. Lugalo who is acting at Hlangani for Miss N. Sobetwa.

Miss L. Kona who spent her Summer vacation at Durban Deep Roodepoort has returned to her post at Tsonyana. Mr. E. D. Kona of East London has been here on leave.

Mr. H. Mjamba, of the Forbes Grant School staff, Kingwilliams Town, has left Kentani for his post.

Mr. Stanley Xaso of Masele School has been transferred to Centule in place of Mr. B. Nyhonyha who is now at Masele.

Messrs Lutana and Jongizulu Landzela have returned from Cape Town while Mr. Daniel Sonkosi of Teko has left for Johannesburg.

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