

BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE.

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JOHANNESBURG.

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1942  
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His Excellency, The Governor-General of The Union Of South Africa;  
The Right Honourable Sir Patrick Duncan, G.C.M.G., K.C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

PRESIDENT.

Rev. Ray E. Phillips, Ph.D.,

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1. Mr H. Britten.
2. Mr S.P. Mqubuli.

HON. TREASURER.

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Mr J. R. Rathebe (On Active Service Y.M.C.A.)

ACTING SECRETARY.

Mr Julius G. Malie. (Resigned December 19th 1942.)

ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

Mr Theodore B. Mdaniso.  
(Succeeding Mr J.G. Malie as Acting Secretary)

PHYSICAL DIRECTOR.

Mr A. P. Khutlang (On Active Service. Y.M.C.A.)

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- (1) Mr Walter Webber, (2) Rev. James Dexter Taylor D.D.
- (3) Professor R.F.A. Hoernle, M.A. P.Sc., (Oxon)

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- (1) Rev. F.B. Bridgman D.D. (Deceased); (2) Mr H. M. Taberer  
(Deceased); (3) Mr Howard Pim, M.A. C.B.E. (Deceased)



## ANNUAL REPORT.

1942.

The work of the year under review, has been conducted under considerable difficulty, financial and otherwise. The services rendered by an efficient Committee, however, and the continued support by both the African and European communities, have made possible the addition of this another annual report to the sixteen which have preceded it.

The efforts of the Centre to enlist further support for the war effort, have resulted in more members joining up for active service, and as the feeling of uncertainty is gradually being replaced by a sense of ultimate victory as visualised in the recent Allied achievements, we feel proud that our members together with two of the staff (Messrs J.R. Rathebe, Secretary, and A.P. Khutlang, Physical Director) form spokes in the wheels which are revolving so progressively on the hard road to what we hope and pray will be a better day for all in this land.

### THE BLINMAN BEQUEST.

In our 1941 report, we made mention of a Bequest of £7,000 by the late Mrs Lighthome, which made it possible to effect certain important improvements to the building.

We can this year announce a further generous Bequest of £1,000 from the estate of Mr Edward Blinman. This will ease the financial strain presently borne by the Institution, and further increase the usefulness of the club.

### ANNUAL FOUNDERS' DAY CELEBRATION.

Our Annual Founders' Day commemoration was held on Friday 30th October. In addition to commemorating the efforts of those responsible for the establishment of the institution, these occasions do much to educate the public on the work of the Institution. No less than 1,000 Africans and Europeans congregated in the hall and gallery at this time to hear Mr J.H. Hofmeyr M.P., Minister of Finance, speak.

Mr G.A.C. Kuschke, Union Secretary for Social Welfare also attended and addressed the gathering.

### RESIGNATIONS.

Mr H. Britten. It was with deep regret that the Executive Committee accepted the resignation, during the year of Mr H. Britten. His wise council during his many years of service in the Executive Committee as Vice-chairman, his valuable advice on Constitutional issues and amendments, and his deep interest in the matters of the Centre, have always been of great inspiration to other members of the Committee. His transfer to Pretoria, has deprived the Centre of the services of a very sincere friend.

Mr Julius G. Malie. Another loss to the Institution, was that of Mr Julius G. Malie, Acting Secretary of the club. For the four years that Mr Malie had rendered service to the club both as Assistant and lately as Acting Secretary, the work of the club was a real success. We wish Mr Malie the best prospects in his new field of work in Pretoria.

### IN MEMORIAM.

The Centre sustained great losses during the year in the deaths of Messrs S.G. Senaoane, and J. Masoleng. Mr Senaoane, was one of the foundation members of the Institution, one time Secretary, and of late an Executive Committee member. His clear knowledge of the work of the club, made him an asset to the Centre. His name will not only be remembered in the Social sphere of African life, but also to the world of African Sport, to which he devoted so much of his time.

Mr Masoleng/.....



Mr Masoleng, a member of the club for many years, helped to make the club a Mecca for all music lovers. To their families, we wish to extend our sincere condolence.

#### LUNCH HOUR TALKS.

An innovation during the year, which met with considerable success, was a series of talks on Fridays during Lunch hour. Various speakers kindly consented to address members on subjects of interest. This feature in the activities of the club, augmented by a modification of the Guest Night programme to include Mock Trials and quiet games as an alternate to Dances, contributed a great deal towards the cultural side of the club's activities.

#### GAMES.

Tennis. The game of tennis as in previous years, continued to attract the attention of a large part of the membership. An interesting feature was the event when the singles of the B.M.S.C. Trophy was played between the finalist Mr H. Jajbhay, holder of the title since 1934, and G.B. Xorile five times finalist, ending in a spectacular win for Xorile. We would like to congratulate Mr Xorile on at long last succeeding in snatching the laurels from so outstanding a player as Mr Jajbhay, whilst also extending to Messrs H. Jajbhay and T. Wesley our congratulations for winning the doubles Trophy from so formidable a partnership as the G.B. Xorile - A.V. Hoskins combination.

The acute shortage of tennis balls, has however retarded the game, and only with difficulty was it possible to carry through competitions with Bloemfontien, Klerksdorp, St Peter's College, and Wilberforce. On each occasion, the Social Centre did well, and succeeded in setting for these clubs a high standard of play, which was a primary objective in these competitions.

In this connection, we would like to thank Messrs S. Msweli, (Chairman), A. Mokhothu (Captain) M. Kambule (Vice Captain) H. Jajbhay, C.N. Setlogelo, R. Segoai, A. Moatsi, A. Sejake, and G.B. Xorile, for their untiring services on the tennis committee.

BILLIARDS. The transfer of the billiard table from the billiard room into the quadriangle suitably reconstructed for the purpose, brought the game to the public eye and attention, making it more popular than before. By far the best liked indoor game of the club, it has served to provide necessary recreation for hundreds of members. A championship arranged during the year, ended with Mr P. Rezant winning against the finalist and holder Mr J. Mofokeng. The Standard of play displayed was higher than that attained in previous contests.

BASKET BALL. Since the resuscitation of the game in 1941, much interest has been directed towards basket ball. Displays on Guest nights and other occasions have demonstrated the widespread interest of members in this indoor sport.

CHESS. The game of chess, still, enlists the attention of only a few of our members. We have, nevertheless, managed to introduce a few more good players to the game. A championship run during the year, ended with Mr P. Khophochane being declared the champion.

PING PONG. The large number of balls which had to be provided during the year, testified to the lively interest taken in this game. Almost every member has tried his hand at Table Tennis. Especially has it attracted the attention of junior members who after attending the library, find it a useful form of recreation before going home. No less than four hundred battles for superiority have been waged on the miniature tennis court during the year. At the present pace, it will soon be necessary to supply an additional table.

DRAUGHTS/.....



DRAUGHTS. The game of draughts has provided in part for the recreational needs of the older and less active section of the membership.

Two tournaments run during the year for the Y.M.C.A. trophies, attracted men from all along the reef. The high standard of play attained during these tournaments, has aroused the interest of many new players.

VOLLEY BALL. Though surpassed by the interest in basket ball, the game of volley ball has continued to keep its place in the activities of the club, providing interest for both old and young.

A considerable number of visitors were introduced to the game during the year, and because of its simple rules and methods of play, has proved popular.

#### VISIT TO BANTU SOCIAL INSTITUTE-BLOEMFONTEIN.

Plans by the tennis committee to send a team to the Eastern Cape and Orange Free State, failed as the result of the new restrictions in travelling. Funds raised for this purpose were however used to send a team of tennis and indoor games representatives to play against the Bloemfontien Bantu Social Institute. On this occasion, the Social Centre won the Tennis, Chess, Draughts, and Ping-pong matches, but lost in billiards.

The Social Centre team was comprised of Messrs M. Kambule, P. Khophochane, D. Makoe, A. Mokhothu, J. Mofokeng, A. Nobanda, S. Ntshekisa, L. Moroosi, L.M. Seretse, C.N. Setlogelo, G.B. Xorile, and T.B. Mdaniso.

#### BOXING AND PHYSICAL CULTURE.

During the year, the Committee granted leave to Mr A.P. Khutlang to join up for active service with the Y.M.C.A. This section of the work was then left to the Assistant Secretary and students from the Jan H. Hofmeyr School of Social Work. Classes were held, practice in boxing being supplemented by Danish exercises.

Due to war conditions, it was impossible to arrange for a Boxing tournament.

It is gratifying to note that a large number of adults have taken an interest in this section of the Centre's activities.

#### THE JAN H. HOFMEYR SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK.

When as early as 1934, mention was made through the medium of our report of the necessity for the establishment of a school for the training of Social Workers, little was it anticipated that such a school would be housed at the Centre. History was created for the club, when on the 18th December, 1942, the first batch of twenty-one students were given a ceremonious send-off after an intensive two year course on the premises. Throughout the two years, these young men and women adapted themselves so admirably to the requirements of their course, that not the slightest doubt is entertained of the successful execution of the duties ahead of them. A second group of students began work in January of 1943.

In this respect, special thanks must needs be given to Dr. and Mrs Ray E. Phillips and committee for their untiring and continued interest shown in the Africans and their welfare. Without them, such a school would hardly have been possible during these critical times. We wish the school and its sponsors, the South African National Council of Y.M.C.A's, unqualified success in their service to the African community.

#### READING ROOM.

The erection of a skylight roof over the quadrangle in the building, into which the billiard table was moved,

made it possible/.....



made it possible for the club room to be converted into a quiet reading room, suitably furnished for the purpose. Magazines, periodicals, and Daily papers in African and European languages, have been placed in this room, and serve to attract the attention of a great number of members. Throughout the day, members can be seen sitting absorbed in quiet reading, and the place serves as a comfortable and attractive waiting room to strangers, whilst waiting to be attended to. This innovation is a real blessing.

#### SOLDIERS SATURDAY CLUB.

As in the previous year, the Social Centre has continued to render valuable service to the war effort, and African welfare, in providing accommodation to African soldiers on week-end leave from their respective camps. Under the supervision of the Directors of the Y.M.C.A. (Dr Ray E. Phillips, and Mr J.R. Rathebe) these soldiers have been provided bioscope films and beds on Saturday nights, as well as a short religious service on Sunday morning, followed by a substantial breakfast. Thus fortified for the day, these soldiers (many strangers to the city), are enabled to go on visits to friends or inspection of the town. The smiles on the faces of these men as they leave the premises, give proof of real satisfaction at the services rendered them.

#### MEMBERSHIP.

We regret having to report a fall in the membership of the club. This is due to the rise in the cost of living, supplemented by the fact that many of our members have joined the army. There has, nevertheless, been an appreciable increase in the number of new members. The figures as tabulated hereunder, reflect the position at the end of the year.

YEAR.	ON ROLL.	ACTIVE.	JUNIOR	LIFE.
1941.	709.	389.	28.	4.
1942.	867.	306.	12.	6.

#### TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP:

The B.M.S.C. offers four types of membership, which are as follows:-

- (a) Life Membership £5.
- (b) Ordinary Membership 10/- (Those living within the Magisterial district of Johannesburg.)
- (c) Country Membership. 5/- (Those living outside the Magisterial district of Johannesburg.)
- (d) Junior Membership 2/6 (Scholars attending recognised schools and Colleges.)

Provision is also made for visiting members, who whilst staying in Johannesburg, may become members on the payment of a fee of 1/- per month.

#### JOHANNESBURG NON-EUROPEAN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Johannesburg Non-European Public Library, housed in the Institution, has continued to serve all sections of the Non-European community. Judging from the increase in enrollment, the library meets a real need in the life of the community.

#### GENERAL.

To enumerate the number of African organisations which use the building throughout the year, would extend this report unduly. More than ever before, the Social Centre has proved itself a valuable aid/.....



itself a valuable aid to African commercial, Social, Religious, and Cultural organisations. Conveniently situated, it has meted out to the African community real Social Service. A gathering of note, was the occasion of the Social Security Meeting convened by the Mayor of Johannesburg, when no less than five hundred Africans congregated in the hall to discuss issues raised at the Social Security Conference at Durban. Judging from the increasing demand for the use of the building, one wonders how this essential need would be met without the existence of the Centre.

IN MEMORIAM.

Members and Committee of the Centre wish to place on record their sense of loss sustained in the death of Air Sergeant Donald R. Phillips on February 1st, 1943 while on active service. Donald was a personal friend of many of the members of the institution and often attended functions, and shared in the activities with the men and boys. The sympathies of all go out to his parents Dr. and Mrs Ray E. Phillips.

THANKS.

In conclusion, we would like to thank the many African and European friends, who through their continued assistance, have made it possible for us to carry out our work; especially would we like to thank the firm of Messrs Howard Pim and Hardy, which through our Hon. Treasurer Mr J.M. Pim, has so ably guided the finances of the Institution despite its depreciated staff, in the trying times through which we are going.

RAY. E. PHILLIPS.....PRESIDENT.

THEODORE.B. MDANISO.....ACT. SECRETARY.

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# BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE

1942.4

## SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS.

African Consolidated Films, Ltd.	£26. 5. 0.	
Less Handed over to Bantu Sports Club and Pathfinders	<u>17.10. 0.</u>	8.15. 0.
African Explosives and Industries, Ltd.		25. 0. 0.
African Guarantee and Indemnity Co., Ltd.		1. 1. 0.
African National Business Association		1. 1. 0.
Aiken and Carter, Alex.		10. 0. 0.
Anglo American Corporation of South Africa, Ltd.		10.10. 0.
Anglo-Transvaal Consolidated Investment Co. Ltd.		5. 5. 0.
Anstey, Limited, Norman		2. 2. 0.
Barker, A.E.		1. 1. 0.
Barrow (Pty) Limited, John		1. 1. 0.
Brick and Potteries Company, Ltd.		2. 2. 0.
Castle Wine and Brandy Company, Ltd.		1. 1. 0.
Central Mining - Rand Mines Group		50. 0. 0.
Central News Agency, Ltd.		5. 0. 0.
Cleghorn's		1. 1. 0.
Denver Machinery Company, Ltd.		1. 1. 0.
Dunlop South Africa, Ltd.		1. 1. 0.
Evans & Company, Herbert		2. 2. 0.
Fraser & Chalmers (S.A.) Ltd.		2. 2. 0.
General Mining and Finance Corporation, Ltd.		15. 0. 0.
Green and Morison, Ltd., E.K.		1. 1. 0.
Griffin, T.F.		1. 1. 0.
Hayman, Godfrey & Sanderson		1. 1. 0.
Herwood, Son, Soutter and Co., P.		2. 2. 0.
Hillman Bros., Ltd.		1. 1. 0.
Hunt, Leuchars and Hepburn, Ltd.		5. 5. 0.
Johannesburg, City Council of		100. 0. 0.
Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Co. Ltd.		
(Barnato) Group of Mines		50. 0. 0.
Jooste and Bryant, Ltd.		2. 2. 0.
Liddle (Pty) Ltd., Joseph		1. 1. 0.
Machine Tools (Pty) Ltd.		1. 1. 0.
Mackenzie, Geo.		1. 1. 0.
New Consolidated Goldfields, Ltd.		20. 0. 0.
Phoenix Assurance Company, Ltd.		7.16. 0.
Prices (S.A.) Limited		1. 1. 0.
P.M. & Hardy, Howard - Clerical Assistance		46. 4. 4.
Ransbottom, Mr. Justice, W.H.		1. 1. 0.
Rand Daily Mails, Ltd.		5. 0. 0.
Rand Provident Building Society		2. 2. 0.
Randlas, Bro. and Hudson, Ltd.		1. 1. 0.
Shell Company of South Africa, Ltd.		1. 1. 0.
Sive Bros. and Karnovsky, Ltd.		1. 1. 0.
Smith, James		5. 0. 0.
Solomon, Mr. Justice Saul		3. 3. 0.
South African Non-European Steel and Metal Workers Union		10. 0. 0.
South British Insurance Co. Ltd.		2. 2. 0.
Star, The		5. 5. 0.
Stevenson, J.H.		4. 4. 0.
Stewarts and Lloyds of South Africa, Ltd.		2. 2. 0.
Stuttaford and Company, Ltd.		2. 2. 0.
Sunday Times Syndicate, Ltd.		5. 0. 0.
Thompson (Pty) Ltd., James		1. 1. 0.
Thrupp and Company		2. 2. 0.
Tobacco Workers Union		2. 2. 0.
Troughton, J.J.		1. 1. 0.
Victoria Falls and Transvaal Power Company, Ltd.		<u>15. 0. 0.</u>

£450. 3. 4.



## EXPENDITURE AND REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1942.

DR.

CR.

<u>1941</u>			<u>1941</u>		
1056	To Salaries and Wages	1026 2 10	181	By Membership Fees	163 8 0
	Less Contribution by Y.M.C.A. Tbc H. War Work Fund towards Salary of J.R. Rathebe (On Active Service)	<u>189 10 5</u>	439	" Subscriptions and Donations	450 3 4
<u>180</u>			300	" Native Recruiting Corporation Limited	300 0 0
876		836 12 5	50	" Board of Control - Deferred Pay Interest Fund - Grant	50 0 0
174	" Water, Light and Sanitary Fees	260 5 0		" Sundry Revenue:	
87	" Games	58 2 8		Locker Rents	10 0
36	" Insurance	40 17 9	113	Hire of Hall and Rent of Rooms	205 6 3
44	" Clerical Assistance	46 4 4	40	Sports Fund	<u>- - -</u>
373	" Postage, Stationery, Telephones, Bank Charges and Sundry Expenses	372 12 11	143	" Interest Received per Lighthome Bequest	158 7 3
3	" Travelling Expenses re Membership	5 12 4		" Profit on Kitchen and Catering:	
109	" Depreciation of Furniture and Equipment	95 19 6	79	Revenue	1024 5 10
				Less Expenditure	<u>1007 12 9</u>
				" Balance - Excess of Expenditure over Revenue for the year transferred to Accumulated Funds	16 13 1
			<u>357</u>		<u>371 19 0</u>
<u>£1702</u>		<u>£1716 6 11</u>	<u>£1702</u>		<u>£1716 6 11</u>



BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE  
(Registered under the Charitable Institutions Control Ordinance 1926)

BALANCE SHEET - 31ST DECEMBER 1942.

CREDITORS - Sundry

146 7 10

LIBRARY DEPOSITS

2 13 6

SPORTS FUND

98 17 11

Less Transferred to  
Accumulated Funds

35 2 6

LEGACY - Estate of the late  
M.C. Lighthome:

Balance as at 31st  
December 1941

2698 7 10

Add Interest Received

158 7 3

2856 15 1

Less Interest Received (1942)  
transferred to Revenue

158 7 3

2698 7 10

ACCUMULATED FUNDS

Balance as at 31st December  
1941

12190 2 0

Add Transferred from  
Sports Fund

35 2 6

12225 4 6

Less Balance of Expenditure  
and Revenue Account

371 19 0

11853 5 6

£14764 10 1

BUILDINGS

Balance as at 31st December 1941

11759 6 0

FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT

Balance as at 31st December 1941  
Additions during 1942

437 0 0  
38 19 6

Less Depreciation

475 19 6  
95 19 6

380 0 0

MUNICIPAL DEPOSITS

29 0 0

INVESTMENTS RE LEGACY - at par

£125 Municipality of Johannesburg  
5% Local Registered Stock 1945/55  
£625 Town Council of Johannesburg.  
5% Local Inscribed Stock 1948/58  
60 4% Paid up Permanent Shares of £25  
each of the Alliance Building  
Society

125 0 0  
625 0 0

1500 0 0

2250 0 0

DEBTORS AND KITCHEN STOCK

30 4 0

CASH

Standard Bank of South Africa Limited  
St. Andrew's Building Society -  
Current Account  
On Hand

171 15 11  
112 1 11  
32 2 3

316 0 1

£14764 10 1

Certified Correct.

J. Montague Pim.

Hon. Treasurer.

Johannesburg.

10th March, 1943.



FORM OF BEQUEST.

"I do hereby bequeath by way of legacy to the BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE, JOHANNESBURG, the sum of £ \_\_\_\_\_,"

which amount I direct shall be paid to such Institution,

or

for such purpose or purposes as the Executive Committee thereof may in its discretion decide."

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Witnesses:-

1.....

2.....

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.

TO THE BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE,  
P.O. BOX 4767,  
JOHANNESBURG.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby apply for membership in the Bantu Men's Social Centre from the year \_\_\_\_\_ for which \_\_\_\_\_ pounds \_\_\_\_\_ shillings and \_\_\_\_\_ pence may be recorded for my annual dues.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE NO \_\_\_\_\_

KIND OF MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT PAID £ \_\_\_\_\_

IN WHAT ARE YOU PARTICULARLY INTERESTED? \_\_\_\_\_

PROPOSER \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDER \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF APPROVAL \_\_\_\_\_



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