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FROM: THE BISHOP OF JOHANNESBURG



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BISHOP'S HOUSE
WESTCLIFF,
JOHANNESBURG.

20th January, 1960.

Dr. Alan Paton,
23, Lynton Road,
KLOOF, Natal.

My dear Alan,

Thank you so much for promising to become a Trustee of the funds of the South African Committee for Higher Education. Mrs. Anne Welsh, the daughter of Judge Feetham, is acting as Treasurer for the Committee and I will ask her at our next meeting to see that copies of the Minutes are sent to you so that you can be kept in touch with what is happening.

I am somewhat concerned about the fact that the Trustees have never replaced Judge Lucas as a trustee of the T.T. Defence Fund and this certainly ought to be done in the near future. If you are coming to Johannesburg I should be very glad to know, because I think we really ought to have a meeting of the Trustees before I go overseas. Perhaps in the meantime if you have any thoughts as to a possible trustee you would be kind enough to let me know. If we are able to have a meeting of the Trustees the appointment could be made then.

With every good wish,

Yours as ever,

+ Anne Welsh

23 Lynton Road,
KLOOF,
Natal.

26th January, 1960.

Dear Bishop,

Perhaps Mrs. Welsh, in addition to sending me a copy of the Minutes, will give me a brief history of the South African Committee.

You ask me if I have any thoughts about a Trustee to replace Judge Lucas. I can easily think of trustees in Cape Town, for example, the Archbishop, or Leo Marquard, but perhaps you want one in Johannesburg. A first-class fellow who comes from a respected Free State family is Dr. Colin Lang of Pretoria. He is still young - 35 to 40, I would say, although he looks younger.

When are you going overseas? We hope to be in Johannesburg from February 29 to March 5 on business connected with the biography.

Now, Bishop, please answer me one question confidentially. Alec Hepple sent me a proposed constitution for the Human Rights and Civil Liberties Fund. Is this the same as the Rubin Fund? I was speaking to Peter Brown yesterday and he was quite ignorant of the fact that Alec was working on a constitution. You know that I am not a trouble-maker, but Peter Brown mentioned a number of trustees to me and these seemed to be centred entirely on Cape Town. Are there two funds, or is something happening of which we know nothing. I have asked Peter to hold his fire until this matter is cleared up.

How long will you be away? I hope not long. I always feel better when you are here, and I fear there are some dark times ahead.

Yours as ever,

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