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## NATION MUST FIGHT DICTATORSHIP

### An Urgent Call To Action

JOHANNESBURG.

THE PUBLIC SAFETY BILL IS AN INSTRUMENT TO IMPOSE A RUTHLESS NATIONALIST BROEDERBOND DICTATORSHIP ON SOUTH AFRICA. IT WILL BRING TO THIS COUNTRY ALL THE HORRORS AND TERRORS OF A FASCIST POLICE-STATE. IT IS AIMED AT DESTROYING NOT ONLY THE NON-EUROPEAN ORGANISATIONS BUT ALL ANTI-NATIONALISTS.

This is the earnest warning in a call for opposition to the measure issued this week by the working committees of the African National Congress and the South African Indian Congress.

### PROTEST DAY ON FEBRUARY 8

February 8 has been fixed as a day for Union-wide mass protest meetings against the Bill. A week later, on February 15, there will be large-scale provincial protest conferences in which delegates from Congress branches, trade unions, factories, churches and other organisations will take part. This new measure, the statement of the two Congresses says, presents the most serious challenge yet to civil liberties and the rule of law in South Africa.

the electorate believe that the Nationalist Government is powerful enough to be able to preserve public safety. Such an attitude is fraught with tragic consequences for the people.

The Congresses issue a call to all democratic forces in the country to raise their voices and organise a determined opposition to this Bill.

This is the gravest challenge yet to the future of South Africa.

#### BILL TO DESTROY THE COURTS

The Bill is an instrument to impose a ruthless Nationalist-Broederbond dictatorship in the country.

The wide and sweeping powers given to the Governor-General, or in actual fact the Minister of Justice, can and will be used to suspend laws and render the courts ineffective; destroy not only the Congresses but all anti-Nationalist bodies; round up leaders and throw them into concentration camps; crush civil and other fundamental liberties and the democratic right of citizens to organise and express their legitimate opposition to the anti-democratic and oppressive policies of the Nationalists. It will impose martial law.

#### NO-ONE SAFE FROM WITCH-HUNT

The Congresses warn all the people of South Africa, White and Non-white, that this draconian measure will make the country undergo all the horrors and terrors of a fascist police state.

No person, no home and no organisation will be safe from the witch-hunt it will let loose. It is a mistake to assume that these measures are intended only as an electioneering stunt to make

For full details of the  
**CRIMINAL LAW  
AMENDMENT BILL**

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### BRASS HATS WANT WAR

LONDON.

Gen. O. P. Weyland, commander of the U.S. Far East Air Force declared in Tokyo on the inauguration of the new American administration that he is "ready to bomb the Chinese mainland," says an International News Service report. Last week, Admiral Robert P. Briscoe, commander of the U.S. Far East Naval forces followed up the threat by saying that if orders came the Navy had the power "to hit Manchuria or the China coast with carrier-based planes, in conjunction with the Air Force".

### CAPE T.&L.C. CALLS MASS MEETING

CAPE TOWN.

A mass meeting in the City Hall on February 16 has been called by the Local Committee of the S.A. Trades and Labour Council in order to urge workers to remove the present Government. The meeting will try to further Trade Union unity in face of repressive Governmental legislation and interference with the Trade Union Movement.

### Transport Company Cashes In

JOHANNESBURG.

Textile workers at a Standerton factory last year got wage increases of from 2s. 6d. to 3s. a week. This year the private bus company which carries them from the location to the factory announced increases in the weekly fares from 2s. 9d. to 6s. a week. This increase, they said, was because the workers had received pay increases!

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# STRONG REACTION TO FASCIST THREAT

Tell Us Another One!

LONDON.

During a quiz on the troopship taking the Black Watch, famous Scottish Regiment, for service in Korea, a questioner asked: Who are we going to fight for? When the official answer came—"the United Nations"—there was a roar of laughter. This was revealed by a Black Watch war prisoner in a letter to his mother in Scotland. The Scottish soldiers were captured when they took over a section of the front from American Marines near Panmunjom.

## SPY HEADS COLD WAR

WASHINGTON.

The Eisenhower Administration has decided to set up a commission "to prepare an American strategical psychology in the cold war". It is headed by Mr. William Jackson, Chief Deputy of the Secret Services in Gen. Omar Bradley's staff.

## Tyrannical Powers Condemned

CAPE TOWN.

**T**HE public has been swift to react to the grave dangers inherent in the Bill supposedly designed for its security. Prominent citizens and public bodies have come out strongly against the terms of the Public Safety Bill, and the Advance has received reports of deep concern and powerful condemnation from all parts of the country.

A report of the stand that the African National Congress and the S.A. Indian Congress have announced that they will take appears elsewhere in this issue. Meanwhile the Congresses in Natal have issued a special protest.

Their statement says that S.A. will no longer be ruled even by a Parliament of the White electorate, but will be at the mercy of a group of Nationalist dictators in the Cabinet, with Minister Swart as the Great Dictator. "The Non-European people will oppose this Bill to the bitter end. They have had many years of bitter experience of being denied fundamental human rights.

Mr. H. Wright, Chairman of the Western Province Local Committee of the Trades and Labour Council, said "The Minister of Justice will be an all-powerful dictator and our few remaining liberties will be enjoyed only at his pleasure. I cannot believe that freedom-loving South Africans, irrespective of political opinion, will submit to the establishment of a police state."

The Chairman of the Labour Party in Natal, Mr. R. Arde, told an Advance reporter that the Bill should be termed the "Suppression of Freedom Bill".

"If the Nationalists win the general election, it will be possible for the Broederbond-controlled Government to use the provisions of the Bill to deprive any group of people opposed to its policies of their democratic rights. The past record of the present Government leaves little room for optimism on this subject."

### Q.C.'s COMMENT

In Cape Town, the Advance reporter was inundated with statements on the Bill.

"The Bill gives arbitrary and tyrannical powers to the Governor-General, i.e. to the Minister of Justice, of a kind unprecedented in any civilised country today," said Mr. Gerald Gordon, Q.C., a well-known Advocate and author.

"This measure is a sequel to the Government's consistent contempt for Parliamentary institutions as already manifested in measures like the Suppression of Communism Act, and proves that by the 'volkswil' they really mean rule by the will of the Nationalist Government."

Just before he left for England last week, Mr. E. S. Sachs, veteran Trade Union leader, gave a statement on the Bill to Advance. He said:

"If Swart is so anxious to maintain law and order, why does he not take steps to stop the bands of hoodlums who roam about the country breaking up with violence and intimidation lawful meetings of Nationalist opponents?"

Mr. Sachs added that Swart had nothing but contempt for the law, and his new Bill was designed to wipe out law entirely and set up a lawless tyranny. He concluded with the hope that "the Europeans, especially the workers, will not be bluffed by the Nationalist propaganda and will see clearly Swart's perfidy".

### MOBILISE TRADE UNIONS

Dr. Robert Forsyth, an old fighter in the campaign for a democratic S.A., said "Mr. Swart is completely unfitted to have such powers. When he was a child his mind was poisoned by the suffering endured in a concentration camp, and although fifty years have elapsed, his poisoned mind still influences his political activities. We are to become citizens of a police State."

Miss Ray Alexander, a prominent Trade Unionist, stated:

"Every Trade Unionist must mobilise his membership in a campaign to fight against this Bill. There is no real safeguard for workers contained in the Bill, their only safeguard is to defeat the Nationalists."

## CLARION CALL

### Running Out Of Lies

There has been a noticeable scarcity, this last week, of newspaper allegations about anti-Semitism in Russia and Czechoslovakia. The Iron Curtain, which was lifted by the Western propagandists for a short while during the Prague trials and at the time of the arrest of the nine Russian doctors, has descended again.

The Western Press worked the anti-Semitism story as hard as they could. They captured a few wavering victims, but for the most part the campaign misfired. The witch-hunters were caught out straight away in one nasty lie about the Swedish doctor who was alleged to have treated Zhdanov for incurable cancer. The day after the story appeared, it was nailed by the doctor himself, who stated he had never disclosed to anybody who his patient was and what he was suffering from.

### No Eye-Witness

Then we read stories about the multitudes of Jews who were fleeing from Eastern Germany to Western Germany to escape a new Hitler terror; only later it turned out most of the refugees weren't Jews at all.

And finally the London Observer's Mr. Crankshaw, who had at first declared that it was not necessary to be in Russia to sense the panic which must be spreading amongst the Jews there following the arrest of the doctors, lamely admitted a week later that "Stalin's purge" was not directed against the Jews at all!

Evidently it's not necessary to be in Russia to invent the most fantastic lies about the country.

### Censorship To Blame

However, it is not easy for South Africans to acquaint themselves with the truth these days. There is hardly a bookshop in any main centre which stocks left publications, books or magazines. In addition, week by week the Government Gazette contains long lists of publications from both the Eastern and Western world which have been banned by the Minister of the Interior, Dr. Dönges.

It is the Government's intention, clearly, that South Africans should be allowed to hear only one side of the story, so that in time, willy-nilly, they must become victims to the war-mongering scare propaganda of the western press.

I have made a fairly close study of the lists of publications banned by this Government over the last year or so, and I have come to the conclusion neither Dr. Dönges nor any of his officials has ever read any of them. Many of the magazines banned I have never heard of, let alone seen in this country. Many of them are in foreign languages which could be read by only a fraction of the people in South Africa.

My guess is that the Government is receiving lists of publications from a foreign Government — probably the United States — and is obediently banning the lot without taking the trouble to find out what they are all about.

### The Case Of Aldridge

Can anyone guess why the novels of James Aldridge were banned, for example? I am ready to bet ten to one Dr. Dönges has never read any of them; in fact, probably never heard of Aldridge before his name appeared on the black list. For if he had, he would have discovered the novels themselves were politically rather innocuous, and certainly constituted no incitement to revolution.

The real reason is probably that Aldridge, who visited Moscow last year as a member of a delegation from Britain, afterwards wrote a series of three articles on his experiences which were printed in the London Daily Worker. He was also rash enough to make a statement in support of the world peace movement.

Aldridge is not, as far as I know, a Communist. But in the eyes of Dönges and his overseas masters, he is obviously as bad as one. So, not being able to lock him up, they ban his books instead—and then boast about freedom of the press in the western world!

### Verwoerd Forewarned

Of all the Nationalist Cabinet Ministers, the only one who gives the impression that he really believes in the theory of apartheid is Dr. Verwoerd. In his speech in the House of Assembly last week, he said the Nationalists intended in this generation to lay the foundation for separation between the races which would last for centuries. In time, the whites and the blacks would be completely independent of one another.

Verwoerd admitted that integration of Africans in the South African economy had continued practically unabated since the Nationalists came to power. Industrial development would have to be slowed down, he said, if it threatened to interfere with his apartheid plans.

Most Nationalist big-wigs, including the Prime Minister, have conceded by now that since the South African economy is based on African labour, the "separate state" apartheid theory is impracticable.

For Malan and Strydom and the others, apartheid simply means no rights for Non-Europeans now, and the future can take care of itself. But Verwoerd still lives in his hopes and dreams.

### A Game Of Chess

He pictures a South Africa eventually laid out like a chess-board, with the blacks all nicely and tidily thrust on one side, and all contact between the races reduced to a minimum — although somehow the blacks will still be required to do all the dirty work.

Like the fascist-minded crackpots who turned Europe into a shambles in the 30s and 40s, Verwoerd, deluded by his master-race philosophy, forgets he is dealing with human beings, not chess-pieces. He will have to learn the hard way that the African people just will not live the way he wants them to live. To them life is real, not a game; Verwoerd's plan will never be fulfilled.

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# BUNTING CONDEMNS NATIONALIST TYRANNY

## Accuses Minister Of Incitement

CAPE TOWN.

**BEFORE** a crowded and attentive House of Assembly last Thursday, Mr. Brian Bunting (Native Representative for Cape Western), in his maiden speech, forcefully expressed the African people's complete lack of confidence in, and opposition to, the present Government and its policies. The circumstances of his election, said Mr. Bunting, was in itself a protest by the African people against the attempts by the Minister of Justice to interfere with those few rights of representation still left to them.

"They do not want the Minister of Justice or anyone else," he said, "to dictate to them as to who they should or should not send to Parliament."

"I would just like to add to that," said Mr. Bunting, "that the attacks which have been made on me since I became a member of this House and the reflections which have been cast on me are at the same time a reflection on every other member of this House, because if one member may not enjoy his right to be heard in freedom and security then no other member may enjoy his right to be heard in freedom and security. That is something which I hope hon. members will consider when future attempts are made, if they are made, to interfere with the franchise rights of the African people or any other section of the people."

"The manner of my election and the events of the last year are an indication that the African people of this country and the Non-European people generally are now challenging the whole system of rule in this country. I think that is something which is understood on the Government benches—that the African people are to-day staking a claim for participation in the Government, for the right to take part in the framing of decisions which affect them and the country, for the right to sit in this House, for the right to sit even in the Cabinet. Yes, even the right of an African to be Prime Minister if necessary."

### NO CONTACT

"Honorable members may not like what I say, but the trouble is that they come too seldom into contact with the African people themselves. They never see them in this House and they do not know what is going on in the country. The only contact they have with the mass of the Non-European people is through the police force and that is a completely inadequate form of contact for framing policy in Government."

"The African people to-day, as we saw in the last year, are now

staking their claim for citizenship in this country. Wise Government would take that claim into consideration and would attempt to meet the just demands of the majority of the people in this country."

Social change, said Mr. Bunting, is a continual process, brought about by the emergence over the centuries of the submerged and oppressed classes and groups into the light of day where they can acquire the education and ability and opportunities to contribute to the general welfare of humanity. That process, he said, was going on in our country as well, however much members were unwilling to acknowledge it.

### MUST BE ANSWERED

"Social change is going to take place in South Africa," he said, "and no attempt by this Government or by any other government to turn back the wheel of history can possibly succeed."

"We are dealing here with the determination of the bulk of the people of this country to have citizenship rights and their demands will have to be answered in one form or another in the course of the next few years."

"... this change can come about either peacefully or violently. It is my desire and the desire of the African people that this change should be brought about peacefully, without violence and without bloodshed and without friction between the races."

"But it is my charge, and the charge of the African people, that the policy which is being pursued by the present Government is making that desire impossible of fulfilment."

"The present Government, by insisting rigidly on the preservation of White supremacy at all costs—as expressed in statements, for example, by the hon. Minister of Lands that the changes I have indicated will come about only over his dead body—is indicating to the mass of the people of this country that they are not prepared to tolerate as long as they are in power any sort of change in the status of the Non-European people, including any extension of the franchise or any extension of the rights and liberties of the people."

### ABSOLUTE FRAUD

"They are not prepared—and they show it by their actions and the legislation they passed during the last few years—to budge a single inch in acceding to the reasonable demands of the mass of the people of this country for a place in the sun and a stake in the country."

The whole policy of apartheid, as enunciated by the Nationalists, said Mr. Bunting, was an absolute fraud, intended to deceive not only the rest of the country but themselves.

"It is simply part of a fairy story intended to lull their conscience so

that while in fact they are implementing a policy which involves monstrous cruelty against the mass of the people they hold out the hope of pie in sky—that at some future stage a state will be created in which the Non-European people will get their rights."

As far as the Non-Europeans were concerned, said Mr. Bunting, apartheid simply means "Suppression and subjection in perpetuity."

### SUFFERING

Referring to the Illegal Squatting Act and the destruction of squatters' houses, Mr. Bunting asked the members if they had "any idea of the suffering which is being caused to whole families of men, women and children, who in a matter of moments have been deprived of their homes and who, under the Native Laws Act passed last year, have nowhere to go, but become criminals if they remain in an urban area for more than 72 hours?" If they had any conception of what they are doing, said Mr. Bunting, there would not be cries of "Mau Mau" coming from the Nationalist benches.

Criticising the Prime Minister's assertion that Nationalist rule had brought prosperity and industrial peace to South Africa, Mr. Bunting said:

"If we have prosperity in this country it is only enjoyed at the top of the social ladder. The mass of the people have seen very few of the crumbs from the rich man's table, and you cannot talk to the African mineworker, who works to-day at a wage which is scarcely 3d. a day higher than it was 25 years ago, about prosperity and industrial peace."

The general effect of the Government's policies was to convert the African people into a nation of nomads and gypsies and wanderers, people with no rights and no hopes and without a future.

### SWART'S INCITEMENT

Mr. Bunting alleged that recent riots were not merely the result of the policy of the Government, but in actual fact provoked by the police force.

"As a result of the trigger-happy attitude which now prevails in the Police Force, there were African dead lying on the ground in Port Elizabeth and East London before a single European had been touched and before a single building had been burned down. Many of the actions and statements of the Minister of Justice to the police force constitute very little else except incitement."

The attitude of the police, and their handling of the Non-Europeans was in fact a daily incitement, said Mr. Bunting.

Turning to the United Party, Mr. Bunting said that if the Nationalist Government had forfeited the respect and allegiance of the Non-European people, the Opposition had also done nothing

so far to inspire confidence that they would do anything more to redress the grievances of the Non-Europeans.

### NO DIFFERENCE

"In other words, the United Party would do all the things the Nationalist Party had done, but would do it more cleverly, without having Acts on the Statute Book against which 'agitators' could rail..."

"Where is the difference in essentials between the policy of the United Party and the policy of the Government, as far as the mass of the people of this country are concerned?"

"... if the United Party feels that it can go to the Non-European people with a bluff of consultations and with no policy to consult about, it will have no better reception from the Non-European people than the Government has had."

Referring to Nationalist interjections of "Mau Mau", Mr. Bunting quoted a letter which the Rucks had written to friends just before they had been killed. The letter stated that they did not trust their Kikuyu houseboy an

inch, and that every time he opened the door to bring in the next course of their supper they both pointed their guns at him.

### NAT. RESPONSIBILITY

"Do you want to live like that in this country?" asked Mr. Bunting of the Nationalist members. "Is that what you want to see in this country?"

Nothing, he said, would do more to bring a Mau-Mau to this country than the policy for which the Nationalist members were responsible. The African people, however, did not want to be in the situation in which the people of Kenya are existing to-day. They do not want race hatred and violence. They do not want riots and police shooting. They only ask for the right to live in this country freely and equally as citizens.

Mr. Bunting concluded his speech by quoting a recent statement by the President General of the African National Congress:

"We ask White South Africa to accept us now. We do not want to drive the Europeans away. We wish to share equally as partners in this country."

## Facts At Your Fingertips—

# JEWS ARE MADE TOOLS OF U.S. AGGRESSION

**TEL AVIV** has become the leading centre in the European and Mediterranean area for dissemination of Cold War propaganda, having taken the place of Marshal Tito's capital, Belgrade. To cover the mobilisation of Jewish organisations and the Government of Israel to serve America's aggressive aims, a violent spate of propaganda is being put out to convince the world that the Soviet Union and her allies have descended to ugly forms of racism, anti-Semitism and persecution of Jews. This is part of the world-wide strategy of American propaganda aimed at suggesting that the Socialist countries and not the United States have become the heirs of Hitlerism. But the facts are against the American and Zionist publicists. Here is a selection of hard facts:

● "Once again we have been forced to set up underground machinery in Eastern Europe."—(Jacob Pat at the February 1951 meeting of the American Jewish Labour Committee.)

● "Our fight is not against the State of Israel, which is a State we helped to bring into existence and have rendered aid to on previous occasions: our fight is against the present Israeli government. The present government of Israel has sold that country to the American Imperialists, for dollars."—Rudo Pravo, official Czech organ.

● Advertisement for the 1 billion dollar Bond drive in the Chicago Sentinel of January 3, 1952, was headed "Why It's Patriotic Duty to Buy Israel Bonds". It said: "First and foremost is the question of American security in the Middle East. The Arabian oil, African air bases and the uranium mines of the Belgian Congo are vital to the welfare of our country, and the tremendously effective army of Israel numbering over 200,000 constitutes a most powerful weapon for the protection of these interests."

### JEWSH LIVES SAVE DOLLARS

"The use of the army of Israel for this purpose means that American soldiers will not be sent to these shores. This will eliminate the risking of lives of thousands of American boys in addition to saving many millions of American dollars."

● Mr. Browdy, the then president of the Zionist Organisation of America, in the course of a request for a loan for Israel from the American Government, said, "Israel is ready to fight Commu-

nism. With the exception of Turkey, Israel is the only country in the Middle East which will offer resistance to Communism in case of aggression."

● At the 1952 congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union three Jews were elected to the Central Committee.

● The president of the Hungarian Peoples' Republic, Matyas Rakosi, is a Jew.

● In the Soviet Union the Jews form one per cent. of the population. Of the 1950 Stalin Prizes, nine per cent. went to Jews.

● July 5, 1952, Associated Press message: "Western diplomatic reports from Bucharest said that the fact that Mme. Pauker was Jewish was a major factor in the internal rivalry for power which led to her purge... Mme. Pauker was said to have incurred the Kremlin's displeasure because she arranged to have her aged father sent to Israel two years ago..."

### FACT SUPPRESSED

Associated Press did not publish the fact that the new Foreign Minister appointed in place of Mme. Pauker was a Jew, Sbugitch.

● Mr. Sidney Silverman, British Labour M.P. and at the time of his statement vice-president of the World Jewish Congress (British Section), was reported in the Jewish Chronicle of April 25, 1952, as having said:

### WICKED AND IMBECILE

"I would like to make it quite clear that in my opinion any suggestion that there is anti-Semitism connected with this problem (the situation of the Jews in the Soviet Union) is morally wicked and politically imbecile."

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# PUBLIC SAFETY BILL MEANS POLITICAL TERRORISM

Thousands of South Africans have recoiled in horror on reading or learning of the terms of the Nationalist Public Safety Bill. All South African liberties are in greater peril now than at any time in our history. The bill grants to the Government unlimited powers to suspend every act of Parliament and all law and order in the country, with the exception of military conscription, Parliamentary elections and the Industrial Conciliation Act.

The Cabinet are empowered, whenever they are of the opinion that a state of emergency exists, to suspend all laws anywhere in the Union and to publish emergency regulations for anything they deem necessary. **These regulations can carry any penalty, including death, for any contravention, as well as confiscation of goods and property.**

## SOUTH AFRICAN FASCISM

Under this bill the Government may, in one stroke of the pen, abolish the courts of law; set up concentration camps; suppress all opposition newspapers; introduce slavery and forced labour camps; send firing squads to kill; imprison people without trial; destroy villages and homes; confiscate property; close down schools; and crush all political opposition. Behind the cloak of legalism under this bill, a distinctively South African brand of Fascism can be established overnight, accompanied by a blitzkrieg against every human right and liberty. The powers enjoyed by the Government may be delegated to any persons or bodies.

All regulations made under the new law have to be submitted to Parliament for approval, but that

is scant protection. Our Parliament goes off for holidays for almost half the year, and six to eight months may elapse before the Government are required to submit their regulations to Parliament for approval.

## RETROSPECTIVE

The Minister of Justice is entitled to exercise, on his own, these vast powers of regulation for a period of ten days. Moreover, regulations may be made retrospective for four days to cover any action already done by the police or the military or other government officials. If the Police get out of hand and drench portions of the country with blood, destroy property, confiscate goods or money and falsely arrest people, the Government can declare a state of emergency within four days and exonerate the crimes already committed by the Police and Defence Force.

All legal safeguards whatsoever can be abandoned by the Government. Under the regulations, they may set up a twentieth century inquisition, use torture or third degree on any person, imprison the judges and magistrates of the country and deny every man access to the courts of law.

## IDENTICAL WITH NAZI POWERS

The bill is a precise repetition of the powers which the aged German president, Hindenburg, yielded to Hitler when the Nazis began their murderous regime in 1932. It is Fascism by act of Parliament. Parliament is being called upon to play the role of Hindenburg towards Dr. Malan. It is now obvious that the Sup-

pression of Communism Act was merely a curtain-raiser to the great trek towards Nazism, initiated by the Nationalist Government.

The drive to Fascism under this bill is open, unmasked and unashamed. Under the bill the Government grab power to chain the entire people to fascism by setting up a regimented police-state tyranny. A reign of political terrorism against the working class and every section of the

*By a Special Correspondent*

people can be commenced within twenty-four hours of the passing of the bill. The Government may seize private property, including Post Office savings and bank accounts, factories and businesses.

## ISSUE MUST BE FACED

Although the Governor-General announced in the King's speech that the country was tranquil and the Government had everything under control, less than a week later the Government are seeking the utmost dictatorial powers to achieve a coup-d'état without forces. The question facing every man and woman is whether free government can be sustained and preserved by the murder of all liberty and the destruction of every freedom.

Hampered by the courts and innumerable unfavourable legal

decisions, the Government now take the power to abolish the courts. **Harrassed by public criticism of their foul deeds, the Government now propose to take power to banish freedom of speech and of the press. Resisted by political opposition, particularly that of the Non-Europeans, the Government now seek the right to outlaw all opposition political parties and organisations.**

To succeed in their plot they have endeavoured to turn the country into a madhouse of racialism, hysteria and suspicion. To stampede Parliament into signing its own death warrant, the Government have embarked upon a campaign of calculated misrepresentation, falsely linking the Resistance Movement with riotous acts of violence under police provocation, together with wild references to Mau Mau terrorism and world Communism. This is the path the Government hope to take to Nationalist dictatorship and lawlessness.

## GRAVE RESPONSIBILITY

The people of this country face a grave choice. If they yield to the Government's anti-Non-European and anti-Communist policy, or are silent because they are afraid, they bear the same responsibility as those Germans who co-operated or were silent when Hitler prepared Germany for Nazism and world war. Those who are bluffed by the Government's propaganda barrage into acquiescing in these powers of life and death over the nation being given to the Government, are like men who are so afraid of being murdered that they commit suicide to avoid being killed.

Such laws as the Public Safety Bill are tools of tyranny, fashioned to conquer perpetual power and suppress the entire nation. They open the door to naked dictatorship. A halt must be called to stop the Government and drive it out of office. We cannot allow the Government to abolish democracy in order to "preserve" democracy.

## APPEASEMENT FATAL

There can be very few left today who do not believe that the Nationalists will mercilessly exercise the revolutionary powers they threaten to take. All are in danger—those who have the courage to act in defiance of their tyranny, those who vote against the Nationalists, those who fight Apartheid or Christian National Education, those who oppose a Broederbond Republic with one official language and state church. **There can be no appeasing the monster of fascism created by this bill. Every man and every man's freedom of conscience and religion is in deadly jeopardy.**

All democratic forces in the country must rally to join together and do battle with the Nationalists in their totalitarian ambitions. There can be no compromise with despotism in a country where only the remnants of freedom are to be found. The savage provisions of the Public Safety Bill are a sign, not of the strength of the Nationalists, but of their fear and desperation. It is the mark of the beast at bay, afraid that its days are numbered and that power may be wrested from his claws by the advancing forces of democracy in South Africa.

# GROUP AREAS PLAN FOR CAPE TOWN

## Most Of City "For Europeans Only"

### CAPE TOWN.

**FEARS that the Group Areas Act would mean nothing but hardship for the Non-European have been strengthened by the map published by the Planning and Reference Commission, showing some of the proposed Group Areas in the Peninsula.**

The map covers two parts of Cape Town. The first stretches right round Table Mountain and includes all the land above the De Waal Drive, Vredehoek, Oranjezicht, Tamboers Kloof, Schotsche Kloof, Three Anchor Bay, Sea Point right through to Hout Bay and thence to Constantia Nek. In this whole area, covering many square miles, one small section, Schotsches Kloof, is reserved for Malays, and all the rest is for Europeans only.

Africans, Indians and Coloureds will not be able to occupy premises anywhere in the area, in spite of the fact that many are living and trading there now.

The second section of the map covers the Cape Flats area from Pinelands through Athlone. In this part, too, the Europeans are allotted a handsome portion, although it seems that the Athlone district is to be the main residential area for Non-Europeans in the Peninsula.

Athlone is to be divided into three strips, one each for Coloureds, Indians and Malays. No provision at all is made for Africans.

The proposals are still open for objections, to be lodged not later than February 16, when the Land Tenure Advisory Board will consider them and make recommen-

dations to the Minister. An official of the Board, when questioned by an Advance reporter, said that the whole process will be "a slow one". The Planning Commission is now in another part of the country, and will not return for a few months to complete the more difficult part of its job.

## NO PROVISIONS FOR EXPANSION

Even at this early stage when the full effects of the Act have not yet been felt, it is possible to draw some conclusions as to the manner in which the Government is approaching the task. Firstly, it is already clear that most Europeans in residential areas will not have to vacate their premises, while the many pockets of Coloureds and Indians in these areas will be "wiped out".

The land available for the Non-Europeans will not be increased at all to cope with the intolerable overcrowding that exists among the poorer sections of the community. Vast empty spaces will, on the other hand be left open for European expansion.

It is apparent that an attempt is being made to split the Non-European population as much as possible. The worst sufferers will be the Africans, who have not been allotted any land whatsoever in the proposed scheme. The thousands of Africans who now live in the areas covered will be forced

to leave their homes, presumably to be sent back to the Reserves or else to be confined to out-of-the-way locations.

## GHETTOS

The Indians who live scattered all over the Peninsula will receive Ghetto treatment, for they will be grouped into a small area near Athlone.

One of the most fantastic proposals is to separate Malays from Coloureds. Members of the Advisory Board will find it difficult enough to distinguish between Coloureds and Europeans in many cases, and the only basis for differentiation between Coloureds and Malays, an official told the Advance reporter, will be a cultural one.

The few European traders who have shops in Non-European areas are most unhappy at the possibility of losing their business and have complained bitterly to the Press. They claim that the Coloured people are not capable of running the stores, and suggest that a narrow tongue of land be left open for Europeans only. Yet it seems that their fears are groundless, for the Minister has the power to issue special permits for certain people to remain in an area set aside for a different racial group. The Minister, no doubt, will agree with the European shopkeepers that the Non-Europeans are not ready to take over their businesses.

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Part of the huge crowd at Moroka Square, New Brighton, seen giving the A.N.C. salute to Chief A. J. Luthuli when he addressed them there on Sunday, January 25.

## JAPAN FILMS TOO TRUTHFUL

LONDON. Hopes that two outstanding Japanese films, the first of their kind ever made, would be seen by audiences here and in other countries have been dashed by an order of the American-dominated Japanese Government prohibiting their export. One film is based on the terrible lives of the Japanese coalminers in the Northern Island of Hokkaido and the other is "Children under the Atom Bomb". They were made by a progressive Film Unit with the help of the workers and have drawn the biggest audiences in Japan since the war.

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## SAUER SQUEAKS

CAPE TOWN.

Australian workers have no time for South Africa's race policy and attacked their Government for supporting Malan at UNO. Papers arriving from Australia also show that newspapermen were not impressed by the squeaks of Mr. Paul Sauer in defence of Nationalist racism. The Australian News-Review quoted Sauer as saying on arrival at the Essendon Airport: "Surely you wouldn't tolerate an aborigine walking around this airport terminal? You'd throw him out quickly, wouldn't you?"

## HUGE PROFIT FOR GOLD MAGNATES

JOHANNESBURG.

The estimated profit of the Anglo-American Investment Trust for the year 1952 totals £3,670,000. This amount was arrived at after allowance had been made for taxation. The increase over the 1951 total is more than £1,000,000.

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## CAPE TOWN PROTEST MEETING

CAPE TOWN.

Hundreds of people gathered on the Grand Parade on Sunday to protest against the Public Safety Bill. The meeting was called by the Cape Advisory Boards and Vigilance Association, who invited several prominent speakers to address the crowd.

Mr. G. Ngotyana explained briefly how the Public Safety Bill would affect all opponents of the Nationalists. "We demand the right of every man and woman to take part in the making of law in the country. Malan must obey the will of the people which demands freedom for all."

Among the long list of speakers were Councillor C. Ally, Messrs. S. Mfaha, A. Sachs, O. Mpetha and Mrs. A. Silinga. At the end of the meeting Mr. Sachs read out a resolution which was unanimously adopted, amidst singing and cries of "Afrika!"

It condemned the Nationalist Government in its attempt to enact the Public Safety Bill, which it described as "a brazen act of Fascism designed to destroy the few remaining rights left to the people." The meeting further promised support for the struggle for democratic rights, and finally stated that "no amount of intimidation will stop the national liberatory struggle from gaining freedom in our time".

## PRIEST SILENCED ON PEACE

NEW YORK.

Father Clarence Duffy, a Catholic priest from the diocese of Killmore, Ireland, is in New York and was invited to address students of the City College of New York. He chose the subject: "Ways to end the war and achieve world peace." Shortly before the lecture and when the students were already gathering, Father Duffy telephoned to say he could not appear. The reason: The ecclesiastical authorities of New York Diocese had forbidden him to speak on peace, under penalty of losing his good standing in the Church. Father Duffy had just made an appeal for clemency for the Rosenbergs.



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# Crowded Rand Meeting Condemns Zionist Campaign

JOHANNESBURG.

A LARGE mass meeting in the Selborne Hall, Sunday night, heard Adv. A. Fischer, Q.C., just returned from Eastern Europe describe charges of Soviet and East European anti-Semitism as a "political hoax pulled on the world, a most monstrous lie and a deliberate attempt to poison international relations." The world was again seeing, he said, the use of the technique of the great lie to inflame people for war.

The meeting was organised by the South African Society for Peace and Friendship with U.S.S.R. Groups of Zionist-Socialist youth party members barracked the speakers furiously throughout, but at the close of the meeting only a small minority of the six hundred in the crowded hall voted against the resolution, which called on all to reject this campaign which was designed to induce people to believe that there was Government-inspired anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union and the Eastern democracies.

The campaign could only lead to the creation of needless fears and terror among Jews throughout the world. It could only lead to an increase in international tension. Above all, it could only lead to the creation of an atmosphere favourable to the outbreak of a third world war.

### ESPIONAGE

Adv. J. Slovo described the campaign as a weapon in the cold war, and he detailed the efforts of the American ruling class to overthrow and subvert the Governments of the Soviet Union and the Eastern Democracies by open espionage and the encouragement of underground organisations in these countries. Some Zionist bodies had been discovered to be party to these espionage efforts, he said. Mr. M. Szur said that anti-Zionism was not anti-Semitism, and he described how official socialist countries outlaw all forms of racialism and assist in the development of the national cultures of minorities, including the Jews. Mrs. Hilda Bernstein described the hysterical war atmosphere in the United States of America.

Zionist bodies and press here have been trying desperately hard to stampede Jews into acceptance of the slander of anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union and eastern Europe. Jewish organisations in the Union have been flooded with material from their counterparts in America and Britain, who have gone quite hysterical on the issue. What so-called evidence there is, no one knows.

No single Jewish or Zionist organisation or newspaper has paused in the campaign of vituperation to place this "evidence" calmly before the public. The public has been swamped beneath the deluge of rumours and conjectures by the "experts", and anti-Soviet poison ladled out by the Zionists' newly-won allies in this campaign—the Thomas E. Deweys, the Tories of Britain and, in this country, the cartoonists and leader-writers of Die Burger and Die Transvaler.

### BOARD OF DEPUTIES

At a meeting some twelve days ago of the Jewish Board of Deputies and the Zionist Federation, only two deputies voted against the resolution expressing consternation and alarm at anti-Semitism policies in Czechoslovakia and

other countries under Communist rule. Their minority speeches were with bitter personal abuse and a warning had to be made from the platform against "witch-hunting". Some of the deputies wanted publication in the Jewish Press of the names of the two dissentients, presumably to single them out as marked men in the community.

It was noteworthy that in the Board and Federation resolution the Soviet Union was not mentioned by name as being guilty of anti-Jewish policy, although Czechoslovakia and "other countries under Communist rule" are. Apparently the "evidence" against the Soviet Union has been particularly flimsy, so much so that the campaign here has thus far stopped short of levelling any direct accusation at the U.S.S.R.

## Peasants Beat U.S. Bombers

LONDON.

An amazing feat, proving the basic miscalculation and weakness of the American round-the-clock bombing of North Korea, has been the announcement from the All-Korea Peasant Conference in Pyongyang that the country last year reaped a record wheat crop. Despite day and night harrassing raids by U.S. planes, the machine-gunning of peasants working in the fields and attempts to fire crops with incendiary bombs, the actual harvest of all grains was 13 per cent. above the previous year and 130,000 tons above the peak year of 1948. The peasants often had to work by night but they were helped by Korean and Chinese armymen and their crop has assured the food supply of the country.

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