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As a Prov. Secy
with all these activities
made by local Committee
warmer Section and the
O.F.S. Exec in B.J.S. we
I am very sorry to report
to the conference that we
met great disappointment from
outside Branches for not
reporting or complying
with the request from
headquarters. I could not
even send any report to
the Headquarters in G.H.B. as
had been asked from me to
report time & again at the
last Annual conference in Durban
a request was made by General
Treasurer Dr. Lanco for donations
from each Province of which
the O.F.S. Treasurer send special
copies to Branches but all
in vain

On April the President left for
 Port Elizabeth for the Emergency Confer-
 ence of which his fare was
 £5 - 11 - 8 and taxi was 10/- from
 station this money was from
 the balance of the defence Campaign
 which was £4 - 6 - 6¹/₂ and to
 fill ~~5-18-8~~ £6 - 1 - 8 members
 had to collect from their pockets
 On May Mrs Hothakobe left
 for Darban to attend the National
 Executive Committee and her
 fares were £6 - 18 - 6 these
 money had to be got from
 the ^{executive} members Collection and the
 balance from train fare was
 given as Provision

We then left for C.O.P. were all
 "members had to pay their
 fares of £2 - 5 - 0 week end
 each so total is £24 - 15 - 0
 and the delegates fee of 5/-
 amounted to £2 - 15 - 0 and from
 Khytown to Park Station ~~and~~
 + Back was £1 - 4 - 8⁰

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The O.F.S. will meet a
disappointment in this coming
Annual Conference. We therefore
call upon members ^{to be} ~~to be~~
elected please to do their
duties promptly as leaders if
they requested to do something
It will be remembered that on
the first Executive Meeting held
on the 3rd October 1954 we
came ^{to} an agreement that Bran-
ches will assist the Province
and this was never done.
So the Outside Branches must
thank Bloemfontein Branch for
keeping up Congress in the O.F.S.
otherwise O.F.S. should have never
been represented in any Conference
and have the name it is now
having we wish that as
Annual Conference is now coming
to Bloemfontein this work

At last raised £2-15-0 from membership + 10/6^d for levies and special funds for trip were £1-5-0 so the total amount was £4-10-6^d Women Section again raised an amount of £2-10-0 and from this we filled the £5-7-3^d. The total amount for Annual Conference in Durban last, was £18 for Boarding & Lodging + £48 for gate total = £66-0-0

The amount owned by BHM was then £4-3-4 for 50 cards
 Julesburg £4-3-4 for 50 cards
 Kdt £7-1-8 for 85 cards
 Unaband Paid £1-5-0 and owes 10/- for the 23 cards
 total amount owned by branches is £15-18-8^d

235
 23
 258

18 37
 116
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should not be left for
BFX people only Conference
is coming to the O.F.S.
not to Bloemfontein Branch
only therefore every Branch
is urged to put its hand in
this work Men - Women & Youths
~~E~~lected Executive members
must be in Bloemfontein
before the 15 December and
be ready for emergencies when
ever called upon.

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17 11
2 11 8 9

When we took over the office we had nothing no members ie about a certain number and we had no money. After which we ordered tickets on credit so we raised sum ^{new} to 170 ie = £15-12-6 and £1-19-6 levies we never had to share, all this for local Provincial & Headquarters but we had to pay out account of £20-16-8 to the General Treasurer. The total amount was £17-12-0 so we had to borrow a £3-3-8 from the women section travelling to Durban for Annual Conference last year was £48-0-0 without Boarding & lodging ie this £48 was from delegates pockets. Cdb had special funds of which amounted to £11-12-0 with this we thought it wise to meet delegates both boarding & lodging although it amounted to £18

→ the Hall for Annual Conference
was £6 - 6 - 0 for 3 days
and £1 - 15 - 0 for the
B.S.I.

This money was from
the Banking Book which
we got it open just
shortly August and the
books we had them
only on December had 4/-
So bank balance = £14 = 10 - 11²

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A.N.C. Conference 9 September 1956

The Conference was held in the court room in Bloemfontein in September 9th 1956. The Prov. President Mr J.B. Mafora Presided.

An open prayer was said by the Chaplain Mr Rev. Nthol. and National anthems were sung. There (was no) were no minutes as there was no meeting held previously. Because of limited time the had to be shortened. The chairman outlined the reasons of the Conference, and told the delegates that, Political situation has deteriorated in such a way that when addressing a meeting, one cannot just speak freely; and warned the delegates about using bad languages and also reminded them that, Congress is a "Non Violent body."

The first speaker was Rev Nthol. in his speech he said, wish we should be like the children of Israel we shd be determined; it matters not wh how harsh Mr Swart is or may be our aim is Freedom and that Everything is raught by prayer. In corroborating Rev Nthol, Mr Matabung said, it is was very unfair for a civilised ^{Person} country like Strydom and his followers to oppross other people because of their colour and called them communist when criticising and demanding their rights. He said that South Africa should be very careful because outside world is watching the situating very closely.

Credentialed Committee was elected and was as follows Mr. G. M. Dichabe convener Mr. I. Mthobane Mrs. M. Matlhakoana. Mr. Malimabe and the others.

Report of the Committee was Bloemfontein had 12 delegates representing 240 people Bethlehem 5 representing 100, Ficksberg 3 representing 60, Thaba Nchu 4 representing 80 people.

After this report Mr. G. Matshabi gave a short lecture on "Million Signiture".

Mr. Jim Mahlangane wanted to know as whether the whole family could sign and he was told everybody could sign but not school children.

The Presidential was read and accepted Moved Mrs. M. Matlhakoana second by G. Njezi supported by Mr. Morole and Mr. I. Sedikelo.

In it Pre. condemned Bantu Education and Authorities Acts respectfully and was supported by Mrs. L. Benjamin.
Second Session

2 pm.

Mr. S. Leggeru condemned all bad laws imposed on non-whites specially Section 17 and others.

Mrs. Lebenya said that the pass was already existing in Bethlehem. It was just like the one carried by men and it should be opposed.

Mr. Mojoro said that in Bethlehem children who boycotted the "act" are to be punished before being re-admitted in

Mrs L. Mafora wanted to know who will sign these passes, and moved that a deputation be sent to Johannesburg to join the March to Pretoria.

Mr. Dlamini said that our children will accuse us for accepting these unjust laws.

The Ex Pres Mr Nthakha said that it was his desire to see his people free before he dies. And stressed the point that without unity we shall never get Freedom. He also said that that the church is responsible for these divisions. But non-violently we will get our Freedom. Mr. W. Sebillo supported Mr. Nthakha in all he had said.

Mrs M. Matheka said that a resolution be passed following the recent Wide-raids. Because there is no underground movement. She said we are totally against that "Wide-Raids".

Mr Malimake condemned the loose use of the word Kaffer and other bad names namely "Bantu". He said we are Africans.

Local Secretary report read and accepted. At 6.00 the election Mr. Nthakha on the chair.

Mr. Nthodi suggested that election be postponed to January 1956 and supported by Mr. Malimake. Mr. J. Morooko moved that there should be no election.

and was supported by Mr Jim Mahlanga.
and the first motion was defeated.

It was decided that next election ^{will} be
in 1956. In place of Mr Schele and
Mr. Shole, Mr. Dlamini and Mr.
G. Nkomo were elected.

Mr. Mthoba asked that through his ill-
health be replaced by some body
and Mr. Matabung was elected.

A letter was to be writing to Mr Viljoen
Thanking him for the Hall.

At 7 pm the house rose. A prayer was
said by Mr. Mkhur and anthems were
sung.

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