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## MENDI DAY IS FEBRUARY 20

Sunday, February 20 this year is Mendi Day. The occasion is one on which Africans commemorate the sinking of the troopship, Mendi, with loss of over six hundred African lives in the English Channel in the first World War. In several centres in the Union, Africans will gather in solemn prayer in memory of these African heroes who made the supreme sacrifice in humanity's service.

Mendi Day is also a call to sacrifice by Africans. The annual celebration serves the purpose of an appeal to the African community to contribute to a scholarship associated with the name of the vessel which sank with these African heroes.

In a letter to the African people, Rev. H. G. Mpitso, Hon. General Secretary of the Mendi Memorial Scholarship Fund issues an appeal to all Africans for donations to the fund which has already given assistance to deserving Africans by way of scholarships. His letter reads:

"Fellow Africans, Can you dispute the truths of these sayings: 'The world honours those who honour themselves'; 'Heaven helps those who help themselves'?"

"Sunday, February 20, 1949 will be the day when we remember those who went down with the Troopship Mendi in the English Channel on February 21, 1917. By honouring these heroes, we are honouring ourselves as a nation. We should not allow the lapse of 32 years to obliterate their fragrant memory from our minds. We should keep it green, thus demonstrating to the world that we honour ourselves by perpetually honouring our departed heroes.

"Dr. Lewis E. Hertslet who was in charge of the Troopship H.M.T. Mendi and a survivor of the Mendi disaster wrote on one occasion of the anniversary: 'We can only pray still more earnestly that the idea put forward by the Memorial Committee for the perpetuation of the memory of our honoured dead may in some tangible form such as is suggested in its programme come to useful fruition.'

"Major T. E. Liefeldt also said in an address: 'Let us, therefore, honour the memory of those who gave up their lives, and show our appreciation in some tangible way which will act as a reminder to the coming generations, the loyalty and bravery of their forefathers.'

**FIRST MENDI SCHOLARSHIP**  
Rev. Mpitso points out that the loyalty and devotion of some Africans to this cause has brought a dream to reality.

The first Mendi scholarship was awarded in 1945. Since then, only one bursary has been given each year.

"But one bursary for a population of 8,000,000 is less than a drop in the ocean. The Committee is desirous of giving as many as possible if only our people would accept the challenge," he says.

"Three million Africans by contributing 1s. each can raise a revenue of £150,000 in one year only. This amount will yield an interest of about £45,000 from which an amount of £30,000 can be given in scholarships or bursaries every year."

Mr. Mpitso further appeals to Africans to make the year 1949 a year of great things for the Mendi Memorial Scholarship Fund. Many leaders, chiefs, ministers, teachers, Congress men and others can give more than 1s. he says.

"I have been Secretary of the Fund for nearly ten years; but I hardly remember receiving a donation of anything like a £1 from these mentioned above. If there are any who have donated such amounts, they do not go beyond the fingers of my hand.

"On the other hand, I can count quite a number of European friends who have given to the Fund amounts varying from half-a-guinea to ten guineas.

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
In his annual report for the year ending 1948, Mr. Mpitso states that the Fund is maintaining its position, but is as yet far from the ideal. He reports that Mendi Com-

## ARCHBISHOP ENTHRONED



By courtesy of the 'Cape Argus'. Dr. Geoffrey Clayton is seen here with his chaplains proceeding to his enthronement in the Cathedral as Archbishop of Cape Town and head of the Church of the Province of South Africa.

## COMING EVENTS.

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14:** Johannesburg Joint Council of Europeans and Africans meets at the Bantu Men's Social Centre, Eloff Street Extension, Johannesburg, at 8 p.m. Monica Whately will speak on "Life Struggles for Civil Liberties."

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17:** Orlando Donaldson Community Centre Guest night for members. Time: 8 p.m.

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19:** Sophiatown Methodist community welcomes new Pastor, Rev. E. E. Khumalo, at the Methodist Church, Sophiatown, at 6.30 p.m.

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20:** Africans hold Mendi Day celebration in commemoration of the sinking of the troopship, Mendi, when over six hundred Africans lost their lives in the English Channel on February 21, 1917.

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25:** First members' concert and dance at the Orlando Donaldson Community Centre. Admission to senior members only, and performance by Merry Black Birds and Manhattan Brothers.

## Minister Gives Financial Survey

In the House of Assembly on Monday, the Minister of Finance, Mr. N. C. Havenga, reviewed the present financial position of South Africa. He said that the South African pound would not be devalued. The import of consumer goods might be even more severely limited, in the interests of goods required for development which were still needed in large quantities. The Railways, Iscor and other industrial needs would receive priority.

The financial year ending in March would show a surplus of £5,000,000. The Government was negotiating with the American Export-Import Bank for a loan.

Mr. Havenga said he was not presiding a decision, but that their money on luxuries as they had in the past.

## NEW D. Y. L. PRESIDENT



Mr. Oliver R. Tambo, newly-elected President of the African Congress Youth League, Transvaal. See story on page six.

## Johannesburg Will Have International Club

Inspired by examples in Durban and Nairobi, a group of people have formed an international club in Johannesburg. The aims of the club, as set out in its constitution, are to enable people of goodwill of all nationalities, creeds and races to meet one another; to undertake common cultural activities; to have an opportunity of studying and appreciating each other's difficulties and to take such steps as may be desirable and practicable to promote racial understanding and harmony.

Excellent premises now being secured at 4 Kort Street Johannesburg. The date of the official opening will be announced shortly.

Officials elected at a meeting attend by one hundred and fifty foundation members are: Mr. Basil Holt, Chairman; Rev. B. L. E. Sigamoney, Miss Violaine Junod and Mr. George L. Carr, vice-chairman; Messrs Jack Cohen, P. S. Joshi, J. R. Rathebe, M. D. Beriman, R. G. H. Howell, Cecil Nolutshungu, D. D. Randall, Miss Muriel Seymour and Mrs. Scarpnell Lean as representative members of the Executive Committee.

Mr. Alan Paton, world-known author of 'Cry, the Beloved Country' is President of the Club.

## "Nice Khaya" Is Squalid Cinderella Of Johannesburg

The siren of the leading coach sounded an eerie wail, the train crawled at a snail's pace. At this, heads peeped out of the windows questioning. But this siren was no more than a routine warning enforced at the Potchefstroom road level-crossing, the scene of a serious train-bus crash last December.

Further along, roofs of houses peeped above the horizon. These were the first houses of Pinville Township, sometimes styled by its younger residents as "Nice Khaya."

Pinville is a slum. In comparison, perhaps, only the Emergency Camps of Jabavu and Moroka come near to it. Established shortly after the South African War, Pinville was leased to Africans, who established dwellings to their own design. Most of the houses being built of raw brick, depreciation throughout the years has brought ugliness to many. Slanting roofs in many cases tell their own story of long service in all kinds of weather. Windows are often patched with plank while others have nothing more than pieces of rusty corrugated iron.

Skirting many a home are straggling fences which have been allowed to fall. In this major slum within the borders of the Johannesburg Municipality, thousands of people are condemned to live in the most insanitary conditions. As in many a township or location, overpopulation is prevalent.

"In one house which I visited, two families live in one tiny room. The windows were closed when I called, and this in spite of the heat of the sun," states the "Bantu World" representative who toured the township last week-end.

**RIPE FOR EPIDEMIC**  
The streets, or such as they were some time ago, are corrugated and studded with holes. The holes contained water after the rain.

In addition, dirty water is thrown on the streets, there being no drainage system in the location. Here and there mud and filth force the pedestrian to dodge about the streets in order not to soil shoes or trousers.

Rubbish bins are placed at some street corners, but hungry mongrels in search of food tip these bins and strew their contents of rubbish all over the streets. The outbreak of an epidemic in Pinville would be a sad tragedy, for Pinville is ripe for such an outbreak.

"The rains having just fallen, a gentle breeze brushing the township reminded one of the filth and dirt lying about. From a cow dung

## ANTI-SOCIAL CONDITIONS

In an interview with some residents, the "Bantu World" representative learnt that looting, especially at week-ends, is rife. Youths of a disorderly nature abound in the township. Armed with knives and missiles, they prowl the streets, attacking molesting and robbing workers, law-abiding citizens coming home from work with the week's pay.

The story was told of a hold-up only just last Friday evening near the station. A gang sprung on a victim, lifted him head downwards and shook him with the command, "We want our money; where is our purse, give us our money!"

This was done in full view of passers-by, the "Bantu World" representative was told; yet nobody intervened for fear of possible injury.

Police protection is in great demand, but the nearest police station is at Kliptown. There are, of course, municipal constables in the township.

## HEALTH SERVICES

Stand beacons of light. The Johannesburg Municipality has a clinic which, according to many residents interviewed, renders yeoman service to this forgotten Cinderella of Johannesburg. Including doctors' services, nurses and health inspectors are employed.

But the mother unfortunate enough to require natal attention at dead of night faces a great trial, the "Bantu World" representative learnt. The clinic is a branch of Orlando, which must be contacted for an ambulance. The delay, before the patient receives attention is disturbing.

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## Press Barred From Meeting of A.N.C. and I.N.C. Leaders

Representatives of *Umsiza* Natal and of two European newspapers were barred from attending the meeting of African National Congress and Indian National Congress leaders. Local African leaders in Natal state that no previous consultation took place with them.

The Joint Statement issued after the meeting on behalf of the Executives of both bodies refers to the "regret, shock and horror" of the recent riots and expresses "deep and heartfelt sympathy" with the victims.

The meeting placed responsibility for the riots on the political, economic and social structure of the country based on the discriminatory and differential treatment of racial groups. The preaching of race-intolerance was also blamed.

It called on the people to find ways and means of co-operation and to stand together for political liberation.

**JOINT COUNCILS URGED**  
It was resolved to establish joint councils of the participating bodies to "advance and promote mutual understanding and goodwill among our respective people."

The resolution calls upon these councils to "stand together in their fight for national liberation and their mutual, political, economic and social advancement and security."

## Arrested, Paid Fine: Appealed, Fine Returned

While on his way to a church ceremony in Sophiatown recently, an African, Mr. Victor Tonjeni, was surprised by someone who caught hold of his arm from behind. As it was a Saturday evening, Mr. Tonjeni, thinking that some hooligan was at his pranks, turned round sharply only to find himself face to face with an African constable.

"I asked the policeman what it was all about, and all he told me was that I should board a police vehicle closely," Mr. Tonjeni told a "Bantu World" representative.

Inside the car, three other Africans were present. All were taken to Newlands Police Station. Charged with drunkenness, his thumb impression was taken and he paid 10s. which he thought was his bail.

"On my release shortly after, I returned home in anger, reporting back at the same Police Station the following Monday for a hearing. When the Court Roll was called my name was omitted.

"I asked to see the Public Prosecutor, and a policeman took me to the same office where I was charged on the Saturday night of my arrest. I was there told that I had signed an admission of guilt,

## Cardinal Sentenced to Life Imprisonment

Sentence of life imprisonment has been passed on Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, the first Prince of the Catholic Church to be tried by a People's Court in Budapest. The charge against the Cardinal was high treason.

The sentence was passed on Tuesday and the Primate heard it in silence. He spoke only once during the final day of hearing.

It is understood that Pope Pius XII was deeply grieved by the sentence on Cardinal Mindszenty.

Catholics throughout the world have expressed anger and indignation at the sentence.



A familiar scene in African townships. These two African women, like many others, supplement the family budget by trading at street corners. At this period of the year, mealies roasted over coal or bonfire, are in great demand. These women travel long distances by lorry to outlying farms to purchase their stock of mealies. When this commodity is out of season, trading is done in sheep's heads, entrails or pig's trotters mostly in demand by victims of "babalaza." The takings are also used for the education of children.

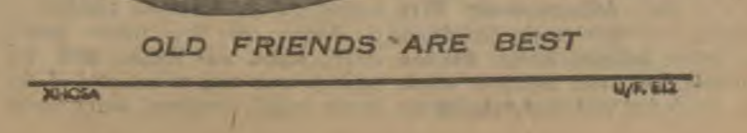
## "FOLLOW MY EXAMPLE. SMOKE FLAGS. Flag cigarettes have a fine flavour. That's why they give you more smoking enjoyment"

says Mr. Macfarlane Ncobo, a Teacher of English, Xhosa, History and Arithmetic at St. Cyprian's School, Sophiatown. Mr. Ncobo's home is at Tsomo, Transkei. He is a graduate of St. John's School at Umtata and intends to make teaching his life's work.



Mr. Ncobo knows that Old Friends are best. Old Friends are not too strong and not too weak—they are just right and have a finer flavour. That's why he smokes Flags. Follow Mr. Ncobo's example and smoke Flags too!

"Flags are Old Friends of ours too. For fifty years we also have enjoyed their finer flavour. Flags are not too strong and not too weak—they are just right!"



OLD FRIENDS ARE BEST

THE BANTU WORLD

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1949

African National Congress

(By S. M. Molema)

In a previous article, I said or implied that it is the general feeling of many responsible and interested Africans that during the last few years there has been a regrettable deterioration in the content of the African National Congress...

A CRITICAL REVIEW

That dismal conclusion one is forced to agree with after carefully observing the total irresponsibility and naivete of the executive officers and many ordinary members of that body during the Congress sessions.

The African National Congress meets once a year at Bloemfontein in the Bantu village. It meets for two days with Dingaan's Day—the 16th of December—as the pivotal date, when all officials and delegates are expected to be in their seats...

Meaning of Dingaan's Day

Dingaan's Day, because it means so much to the Afrikaans-speaking Europeans, should mean so much more in the obverse sense to the Africans.

Has not experience taught us, and History proved that when the white man laughs, the black man has to weep, when the foreigners sing for joy, the Native must lament.

Such is the tragic polarity that Europeans have emphasised, not only in our colours—white or black but also in our interests—life or death. Because, then, Dingaan's Day is a day of glorification and thanksgiving for the whites, it should be a day of humiliation and prayer for the blacks.

It is the one day, by reason of its European connotation and expansion, which should be the day of serious thought and solemn vow to forestall a second Blood River.

After twelve months of prostration, after notices in African papers of the approaching re-assembly of Congress, after the appetites of the African have been...

and their attention focussed on December 16, and the Community Hall, Bloemfontein, after high hopes of united thought and earnest search for ways and means have been aroused...

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Late Start

You get to the Congress Hall a few minutes before the appointed time. To your dismay the Hall is closed, the place is deserted and there is not a soul about nor any indication that there is some great and exciting event about to take place.

You think you must be late, or it may be, mistaken about the venue or the date, until you see a likely delegate, strolling leisurely towards the hall, then another, and then another two or three or four. Here a lawyer, there a professor, there a medico, there a journalist, now a priest, now a pundit, here a communist, there an M.R.C., there a trade unionist, and there a pedagogue.

Of officials, however, there is not a sign, and although it is now long past the time scheduled for the opening, the Hall, which should now have been crowded, and its precincts swarming with people, shows no evidence of preparation. No one has ever seen the agenda, and you are quite in the dark as to what to expect. Ultimately, however, the platform gradually fills with officials some of whom enter by the side doors, some jump up the platform, and others, like school boys, jump again down the platform, all talking or holding whispered consultations among themselves.

Order is called, devotions are offered, and 'Nkosi sikelela i-Afrika', and 'Morena boloka fatsho ja rona' are sung lustily; minutes are read and passed. Sometimes the Mayor or his Deputy arrives to open the Congress. This, however, is never a certainty, and is never properly arranged for. Always there is an incompleteness and a casualness about the Mayor's reception, giving it an air of informal formality.

After the Mayor's address, replies thereto, and his departure comes the presidential address—a survey of the white man's spurs, stabs, and stings and his pins, prongs and pricks and of the black man's burdens, tears, fears...

Condemned six years ago as a major slum, difficulties which beset the Johannesburg City Council on all sides in its efforts to house Johannesburg's African population have delayed work on its demolition and rebuilding...

The Gulf Has Widened

We publish below the second instalment of a speech made by Councillor Dr. J. S. Moroka M.R.C., at the recently adjourned session of the Natives' Representative Council. In the first instalment published in the previous issue under the heading 'The Gulf Has Widened'...

This week, he gives an answer to the charge of 'agitators'—a word which has been used to describe the Council's members. He says:

You hear Europeans say 'My kaffir is better than yours, and I can depend on mine. He is a good worker and reliable.' The Europeans will stand up for their own 'kaffirs,' and they will look well after them in many cases; but let that boy go to school and be educated—you will be surprised at the difference in the attitude of the Europeans. He at once says, 'Oh, he is no good.' He says 'No, that man is no good, all he is after is to wear a collar and a tie and he wants to marry European girls, he wants to dance with them and he wants to go and live in Johannesburg.'

Do Not Hate Our Colour

That is where the white man becomes prejudiced. The position is that the white people of this land do not hate us for our colour. But they do not want to see an African advance in civilisation. They want the African to be there to work for them and they want to be able to exploit them.

They want them so that they can go to the mines and work for 4/6d. per day so that the profits of the mines can go right up and the owners of the mines can sit back and smoke cigars. And they want the Africans to be there so that they can be called upon to work for the Europeans, and always be in a subservient position.

That is their idea. But they don't like you. But I know the attitude of the Europeans.

They say: 'Jy moenie die kaffer die reg gee om vooruit te gaan nie; jy moet hom nie na jou hoer skool stuur nie, en jy moet hom nie Parlement toe laat gaan nie; as jy dit doen sal die kaffer jou dogters wil trou en hy sal met jou vrouens wil omgaan; jy moet dit stop.'

That is all that is behind that, and they still, by each other until people get so excited that in many cases they are prepared to shoot any Native at sight. And I blame the educated people for that. They know that all these things are not true, but it is the people who spread that feeling who are the worse agitators of all.

You can imagine the agitation, the feelings, that are caused by white men stirring up their audiences and by telling them 'If you allow men like Matthews and Moroka to go to Parliament, they will want to marry your daughters.' As if we are just waiting to marry their daughters. They don't know what they are talking about but it is that kind of agitation which causes all the bad feeling.

(To be continued)

The Week In Brief

Widespread Rains: General rains in the Free State are believed to have saved a considerable proportion of the maize crop. Soaking rains have also fallen in the Transvaal, Johannesburg had two inches in the 24 hours ended Monday. Southern Rhodesia has also had intermittent rains but in Nyasaland the drought is serious. Africans are eating grass seed and roots. The Government is taking famine relief measures.

Britain Recognises Israel: Britain last week recognised the Israel Government after consultation with the Commonwealth. Pakistan has strongly denounced the recognition of Israel. Mr. Moshe Shertok, the Israeli Foreign Minister, has welcomed the recognition unreservedly. In the Israeli elections last week, the Labour Party, led by the Prime Minister, Mr. David Ben Gurion, is expected to have 43 of the 120 seats in the Constituent Assembly.

Naval Manoeuvres.—Great satisfaction is expressed in Scandinavian countries at the announcement that the Royal Navy is to hold manoeuvres in the Arctic. Opinion is held that the British manoeuvres are intended to strengthen Norway's hand should Moscow's demands become difficult. Norway's Arctic territory is strategically vital to Britain's northern maritime lifelines which, at present, are vulnerable only to Soviet submarines operating from Murmansk, the Kola peninsula or the Baltic.

Housing Conference Urged: Describing African housing as 'the most urgent national problem facing the Union', the President of the Natal Chamber of Industries, Mr. Harold Hart, suggested last week that the Minister for Native Affairs, Dr. E. G. Jansen, should call an urgent conference to solve it.

The two things required of the Government, he said, were to give priority to the housing of the African population against the background of available funds and materials, and to formulate a clear-cut national policy on Native housing with the division of responsibility equitably and well defined.

Hereros to See British Minister: Representatives of the Herero tribesmen of South-West Africa will meet Mr. Noel Baker, Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, in London on March 2 to ask for political rights for Natives in the territory.

Nizam of Hyderabad To Live in England: The world's richest man, the Nizam of Hyderabad, has decided to live in England. He refused to join the Dominion of India and 'police action' was taken against him. Hyderabad is no longer an independent state. Despite his wealth, the Nizam lives frugally on £1 a week.

Housing Conference: The Minister of Native Affairs, Dr. E. G. Jansen, intends to call a conference to discuss the housing of African workers in urban areas. Details have still to be decided.

Counter-Blockade To Be Tightened: The Western Powers have introduced stricter control of road traffic into the Russian zone of Germany. Many high-grade goods made in Western Germany and wanted for the industries of Eastern Germany. This counter-blockade is a reply to the continued blockade of Berlin by Russia.

Proposed Meeting Rejected: President Truman has refused Marshal Stalin's proposal for a meeting in Russian controlled territory. This week the Deputies of the Foreign Ministers of the United States, Britain, France and Russia met in London to discuss the Austrian Treaty. The sincerity of Russian claims to peace will be tested by this meeting.

American Minister Shocked: Dr. R. J. Donohof of the Christian Reform Church of America and Canada who is attending the 30th Synod of the Reformed Church of S. Africa, said:

'I can see that your greatest problem is the Native question. I would suggest that your best policy would be to assist their development on the lines we have adopted for the Negroes in America and especially in the northern States.' He said, though, that he was deeply shocked at the conditions in which South African Natives lived in some locations. Even in the worst districts in the south of the United States the Negroes lived in palaces by comparison.

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New Approach To African Development

Regional planning for the Bantu races was advocated by Mr. I. G. Fleming, President of the South African Federated Chambers of Industries in an address to a joint luncheon meeting at East London, of the Women's and Business Professional Club and the Round Table of East London.

Mr Fleming said: 'Native life has now been divided into three clearly defined spheres. They are the tribal sphere, the rural sphere and the urban sphere. Native life is now lived under the impact of three different social systems. The first is an essentially indigenous tribal system, the second an European semi-feudal system located in an agricultural and pastoral context for which, as a peasant, he is in affinity; and the third is the white man's urban system into which circumstances have forced him. He is developing at three different tempos and evolving three distinct types

'It is possible to see history taking shape in this matter of the three spheres. The outlines and form are somewhat dim as yet, but it would appear that within an overall policy which is in the course of crystallising, the Native Affairs Department of the Central Government will be closely and intimately associated with the tribal sphere.

'This is a suitable point to stress that if, as seems a sound thing to do, it is decided to commit the Native Reserves to the trusteeship of the Native Affairs Department, that that Department should be freed from the limiting restrictive influence of the Public Service Commission which, let me hasten to add, I believe to be unavoidable. Let the Department be to guide and lead the Native areas to a status of responsible self-government to become a kingdom within a kingdom, then its officers must become

specialists in Native administration and development rather than civil servants working in the Department of Native Affairs. 'Divorced thus in some degree from frustration, imagination and understanding would have the opportunity of combining with experience to assure that national and legitimate aspirations of the adolescent nation would find expression in the laws which it will create to govern itself.

SYSTEM SHOULD BE ALTERED

'Furthermore, the present system under which the Native Affairs Department takes its place in a queue with other Departments to obtain its quota of available engineers, technicians and other departmental officials, should be radically altered. It is being paid for at a price not to be calculated only in terms of delay and waste of time, as frustration in

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TSOSA NYOOKO EA SEBETE SA HAU—

Kantle ho Celomel—U tla bona a khoroa hosang mosebetsi...

Sebete se ts'oanetse ho ba le pante tse peli tsa nyooke...

U ka fumana nyooke ena ka ho sebela lipilisi tsa Carter's...

Bo batleha barekisi ba "Bantu World" naheng tsa Transvaal...

"PHAFA" O RE:

Rutang Bana Ba Lona Mekgoa E Metle Gammogo Le Oona Maitseo

Sechaba ga se teng se ka bang le tsoelopele, sa hola ho ea pele...

Ka nako le nako re iphumana re tsietsa ke boits'oaro ba bana...

E ne e se ts'oanelo gore ntoeng ea rona ea go sokolla bana ba rona...

Molato Ke Oa Mang? Ka nako le nako re bona maitseo...

chere le batsoadi ba supana ka menoana. Ntoa magareng a bona...

"Ts'oene ga e ipone lekopo," ba rialo ba tsebang dieema le maele...

Mona ga eka ikemisetse go ipela sebakeng sa motho eane ke eeng...

Ke tla mpe ke bua feela tseo ke di bonang; tseo di leng pepenene...

Ga go thuse letho go balega 'nete' ba bang magareng a rona...

Bana ba rona kajeno ba kgelogile mehlaleng ea botho. Bana ba rona...

Ga ke tsebe gore ba boletsetse ka mang go tsuba matekane, go rogakana le gona go tagoa...

Gape, gae koana, u ke ke ua ba fumana ba le ka malapeng a bo 'm'a' bona...

Ke tisa gore tichere ga e na molato ga ngoana a salla le diterata...

Ke nthe e ts'oanang le "famo" moo motho a eeng a bona go emisoa...

Eo e ne e se nthe e etsoang mehleng ea rona ga re sa nthe re le bana...

Thuto le botho di tsamaisana gammogo. Go ke ke ga thusa letho...

Ba bakae bana ba ruteng kajeno, ba nang le thuto tse phagang...

Go ts'oana feela le go akgele daemane difariking; go ts'oana feela...

Tahlegelo E Kgoi Kajeno, batsoadi ba bangata tha ba lla ka tahlegelo tsa chelete...

Batsoadi bao kajeno ba lla selo se hlomolang pelo: ba bona bana ba bang...

Ke pelo-bohloko gobane ts'e nyego ena e atle ka matla, 'me ka nako e tlang...

Ke nthe e ts'oanang thata ga re nagana kamoo moloko ona oa cha ba se kang...

Sechaba sa bo "Stofelina Thandamadoda," "Socrofinia 'Mama-rigoo,"...

Ke fela moo. Oa lona motsaalle oa 'nete, moelisi oa 'nete le mosupa-tsela...

—"Phafa!"

MONA LE MANE

Go utlwagala gore koana ditereng tsa Pietersburg le Potgietersrust...

Ba tsa bophelo lega go le jwalo ba tsoile letsholo go thibela gore...

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**'M'alitaba's Chat**

A welcome visitor to these columns last week was the well-known, and, I believe, popular columnist, "Sjambok". This columnist had some pertinent remarks to make to African women; and as I have no intention to follow his attack, I leave it to those among you who care to answer the writer of "Women And Smoking" published in last week's issue.

"Sjambok" may be right or wrong in his observations, but be that as it may, nobody is muzzled and, to some extent, we are free to say what we want. His attack has, however, also brought about the contents of this letter.

Some times, we do things which are not in keeping with ourselves or our status. In fact, we do things which, if passed unnoticed, can be of great harm, not only to ourselves, but to others of our class or group.

**Insobriety.**

Now, there is that disturbing growth of drunkenness which seems to have taken a grip over a good number of African women. This is particularly the case among a type of African women and girls in the towns and cities.

Be it far from me to assume the role of a moralist, but to shut an eye to a glaring wrong which has wide-spread ill-effects on our people would be to out-judas Judas himself at the game of betrayal. I do not say there is anything particularly wrong with drinking within reasonable limits, but I regard as a curse and abomination any excessive drinking of alcoholics, especially by women.

A drunken man is a horrible spectacle to behold; but what more of the woman staggering on the streets?

**Human Radios.**

Then among our many "sins of commission" is the broadcast of domestic news in public. People often say that but for the cost involved in fares, public vehicles afford passengers interesting news broadcast from human radio machines.

Actually, what they mean is that in public vehicles, some people make it their practice to gossip in loud tones, and speak about things which one would consider private affairs.

I think I can vouch for this. In my own experience, it is women who are chief offenders. If her husband has done something wrong, she must release the volume of feeling in her bosom by "pouring out the 'painful' news" to her friend or neighbour, "Nondaba". This is usually done in loud tones, be it in public gatherings, public vehicles and so forth.

Beyond calling this stupid, I can see no good that can be derived from this practice which African women would do well to give up. After all, those free listeners in their turn spread this scandal to the detriment of those concerned.

**Painted Lips.**

Then again, among our many sins is that of "ape-ing" others without due thought of what this means. I have no quarrel with people who follow fashion, as long as that fashion suits public taste.

Now there are those red-painted lips against a black background. What an ugly sight!

If those African women who paint their lips only knew what impression they create on others who see them, I believe they would cease making themselves appear ludicrous in this manner.

I suppose the idea behind painting their lips red against a black background is to add to beauty. In actual fact, the position is in reverse. It is some

of these things which earn us those annoying names and unflattering complements from other people. Nature has been extremely kind to the African woman whose rich colour needs no artificial beautifying agent to add more grace to beauty.

The whole thing is as foolish, I imagine, as painting the lilly or adorning the peacock for added lustre or beauty — "M'alitaba"



Emily Dhlamini (left) and Isabella Twala were on their way home to Evaton when the cameraman took this picture on a Saturday afternoon in Sophiatown. Carrying a basket each, both girls had done the day's work of distributing chickens among customers in the City. The demand for chickens is great among Africans who relish a chicken dish on Sunday. Evaton women are doing a roaring trade in chickens and eggs, and if they cannot come out to town themselves, they send their children to deliver their orders. Both girls are at school in Evaton. They hope to follow the domestic science course on completing their primary school stage.

**Children's Corner**

11, Newclare Road, INDUSTRIA, J.H.B.

Dear Young Readers,

One thing which I would like to write about to-day is behaviour. If you walk around those places where white people live, you will almost think that nobody stays there. Everything is all nice and quiet.

If you visit the parks, you will see white children playing in a quiet way, but enjoying themselves all the same.

Now, in our case, things are quite different. Little boys and girls where we live make all the noise to make you sick. Once school is over, our homes are filled with noise made by little boys and girls.

This noise is made even till late in the evening. Why can these children not play in the same way as white children?

I think you want to remember that in some home or other, there is a sick baby, child, mother or father. Sick people do not like noise. In fact it makes them more sick.

Again, there are those people like your teachers, your "unfunderstand" or a student trying very hard to learn. But they cannot learn if you make noise for them, nor can the good people in Church say their prayers when all the noise goes on outside.

**Learn Good Habits**

It is a good thing to learn good habits while you are young. Most of these grown up people who shout in the streets you will find that they learnt this bad habit from their childhood days.

As you grow up, your teachers will perhaps tell you the meaning

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**SHEEP, GOATS AND PIGS**

**SHEEP**

The good sheep-owner takes good care of them.

He provides food for them, especially for the ewes that have lambs.

Oats, lucerne or kikuyu grass can be grown by the man who wants a strong, healthy flock.

He does not allow his sheep to starve, or to die of cold.

If scab has been found he at once reports it to the nearest stock inspector or magistrate, and asks for permission to dip his sheep.

He does what he can to prevent worms by dosing them regularly with worm remedies; if worms are already present he gives the proper medicine.

**Asks Demonstrator**

If he does not know what to do for these or other troubles, he asks the demonstrator, or some other wise person, to tell him what to do.

He sees that his sheep do not go thirsty.

He prevents dogs and jackals from attacking them.

At shearing time he shears them in as short a time as possible, but takes great care that he does not cut through the skin and leave nasty wounds.

After shearing, if the weather is fine he dips them twice at an interval of 3-10 days to kill the "keds", (shearing disease) but does not do so until he has first got permission to dip, from his stock inspector.

When a sheep has to be killed, he does it quickly with a sharp knife, and tries not to cause fear or pain.

**GOATS**

Much of what has been said about sheep is also true for goats. Goats have more sense than sheep. A good she-goat can be milked;

its milk is good for babies. But it will not give milk unless it is well cared for. Food, extra food, is needed, oats, lucerne or kikuyu grass can be grown for her.

Your goat must have plenty of water to drink, every day.

Shelter from cold and rain should be given, and shade from the hot sun.

Keep the shed clean, and the floor dry; a goat does not like lying on a dirty, wet floor.

Do not tie up your goat all day; she needs plenty of exercise. If she must be tied up, then give her a long wire or rope and let her loose for part of the day.

Do not hit your goats. They like to be treated well. In some countries people make companions of them.

**PIGS**

Feed your pig well. He can eat many things. The dried skins of melons and pumpkins make good food for him.

Give him plenty of water.

He should not eat human manure—this may give him a disease, which is passed on to those who eat his flesh.

If he is kept in a pen, this must be clean. It should be of good size, and must be sheltered from the sun and rain.

Do not let lice grow on your pigs. Make a mixture of sulphur and oil or old motor oil and rub this well into the skin, all over the body.

If young pigs do not thrive in spite of getting enough food, then they probably have worms, and the owner should ask the demonstrator or stock inspector what medicine to give them.

**News From Various Centres**

**GEPIHISTON.**— The Germiston Local Social Club held a students' farewell evening at the Turton Hall recently. Earlier in the evening the young people took part in indoor-games. A young couple in cowboy regalia, strumming two guitars, entertained the students with songs.

The guest of honour was Mr. J. R. Rathebe, who talked about his overseas visits, particularly in the United States. He said that the American Negroes were proud of themselves as a race, they were determined to lift up their own people into world prominence.

"Joe Louis, the present world heavyweight champion, was the result of the mighty efforts of the Negro people of America, particularly those of Jackie Blackburn, his original trainer."

At present the Negroes were considering a fund for Joe Louis, who is almost a millionaire, to retire undefeated.

That, Mr. Rathebe said, was a clear example of solidarity and co-operation in the race.

"That is what we Africans ought to do. In a total of nine million Africans, six million are illiterate; but that ought not to prevent us being proud of the very few prominent Africans in our midst."

He also mentioned the numerous educational centres in the States. In Atlanta, Georgia, there were no fewer than five universities. He had also been to Tuskegee University which was founded by Booker T. Washington.

He said that the Africans should, like the Negroes, help to bring up their own people. — Leslie B. Sehume.

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Muso oa Ma-Dutch ka Koloni o ne o batla o sa lakatse ho ka thusa...

Ka lebaka lena, bohoto ba ntoea na jara ke Maburu a neng a le haufinyane le meeli...

Ha lumeloa hore hobe teng lekhota le, empa marena a maholo a Ma-Xhosa 'ona a seke a ba teng...

KARABO EA MA-XHOSA Potsoeng ena Ma-Xhosa a ile a araba ka hore, karolo e neng e le...

Komishinara oa Maburu, Wagener, a qobella Ma-Xhosa hore a seke a nna a tseka ho ka fumana...

Ka nako eo, Morena Ndlambe e ne a se a tsoere marapo a 'Muso ka matla-matla...

POLELO EA NDLAMBE Ndlambe a boela hore eena ka ho eena o lakatsa eka Maburu le Ma-Xhosa...

MA-YESEMANE LE HO FETISOA HA 'MUSO KOLONI Ke ka nako ea selemo sa 1795 ha Ma-Fora...

Hape-hape, kathoko, ho mona ho ne ho e-na le Maburu a sa hlopheng molao a neng a sa hlopheng...

Mongoli Peal, o histori, o ngo-tse ka ketso e 'ngoe e ts'abehang ka ho fetiswa ka lebaka la moea...



Monna ho bontsa'oa beng ba likhomo tse sebisisoang Klipkuil moo ho ruoang liphofofo teng mane haufinyane le motse oa Rustenburg.

HO FOKOLA HA SEEMO

Mogoverono oa Ma-Dutch, Sluysken, ka ho bona kamoo seemo sa litaba se fokolang kateng...

NTHO E LE 'NGOE FEELA

Ho qaleng ha sona ho tloha ho Xhosa ho eka fihla ka Palo sechaba sena e ne e le ntho e le 'ngoe feela...

MORENA GCALEKA

Gcaleka, Khosana e khole le mohlambi oa Palo, a na a hlahisa kong ea 1730 A.D., a hlokhala ka...

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NDWENWE: Pula e neng ka kholi ea Ts'itoe ke e ka etsang inchisi tse peli le .94 Ka libakeng...

Thexiso E Lekhomo Likhomo li eme hantle ka 'tsela ebileng e makatsang, 'me hoja ho ne ho e-na le thekiso, ea nako le...

Likolo Ka kholi ea Pulungoana selemong sena se sa tsoa feta sa 1948...

Lijalo ka sebakeng sena moo ho ileng ha ba le pula e lekanyeng li ntle li mela hantle...

Ho hile le meketse e monate naholo ea baahi ba koano hona ka kholi ea Ts'itoe...

Maketeng ona ho ne ho le teng Makhona a mangata a tsoang ka Durban, le ka libakeng tse ling...

Lehae Le Letle Transvaal Le Ea Pheletsong

(KA K.G. COLEMAN)

Morero oa pele oa ho ahele Ma-Afrika matlo oa ho qaloa ke Lekala la Litaba...

Ho thehoa ha motse ona oa ka mahaeng oa Ma-Afrika, oo ha nako ena ea joale...

Taba ea ho ahele Ma-Afrika matlo hangata ke boikarabelo le moralo oa bo-masepala...

Ma eka etela ka Temba, karolo tse ka bang peli ho tse tharo...

Maoha o nte o tsoellisoa pele ke baahi ba Ma-Afrika ka tlas'a tsa-

Boholo ba banna ba malapa bo sebetisa ka Johannesburg kapa ka Pretoria...

Boho ho le teng tselu ea libase tse mathang mahareng a levenkele la Gwebeni...

Mong base eo hammohe le moghobi oa eona ba ile ba ahloloa ke ho se hlokomela molao...

Bana ke barutuo sekolong sa Tema sa Port Hare ba bontsa'oa mona ba lokisa manyoro.

Advertisement for Tux Trousers. It features a photograph of a woman in a suit and text describing the quality and style of the trousers. The text includes '... on the field', 'the time... the place...', 'determines your choice of clothes', and 'TUX TROUSERS THE ACME OF PERFECTION'. At the bottom, it says 'Featuring at the finest stores—everywhere!'.

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