

**AFRICA**

**"A Lesson For Us"**

**ASIA**

# Rousing Welcome For Nkrumah In China

**THE** explosion of firecrackers, beating of drums, gongs and cymbals roared throughout the Chinese capital at noon recently as **OVER HALF A MILLION PEOPLE**, braving rain, crowded Peking's main thoroughfare to give a traditional rousing welcome to **Dr. Kwame Nkrumah, President and head of the Government of the Republic of Ghana, and his entourage on their arrival here.**

President Nkrumah has come for a friendly visit at the invitation of Liu Shao-Chi, Chairman of the People's Republic of China, and Premier Chou En-Lai. He was showered with flowers and confetti as he drove slowly, in an open limousine in the company of Chairman Liu Shao-Chi and Premier Chou En-Lai, through the cheering crowds all along the festively decorated thoroughfare leading to the guest house.

Both Chairman Liu Shao-Chi and President Nkrumah in their speeches at the airport stressed the friendship between the Chinese and Ghanaian peoples.

Chairman Liu Shao-Chi said he believed that the present visit of President Nkrumah "will surely help further develop the friendly

co-operation between our two countries and strengthen the militant friendship between our two peoples and among the Asian and African peoples in the struggle against imperialism and colonialism."

Chairman Liu Shao-Chi praised President Nkrumah as "the distinguished leader of Ghana, a famous statesman in contemporary Africa and a respected friend of the Chinese people" who "has made outstanding contributions in leading the people of Ghana in their struggle to oppose imperialism and win independence and freedom, to support the other African peoples in striving for national liberation and to safeguard world peace as well as in the cause of promoting friendship between the peoples of China and Ghana."

**Nkrumah Replies**

President Nkrumah in his reply said he hoped that the friendly relations existing between China and Ghana would be further strengthened by this visit, and that "this will also enhance the future relation between China and the continent of Africa. "Although our two countries are separated by vast oceans and continents, our common experience and aspirations unite us," he said.

President Nkrumah added:

**"Your achievement in overthrowing colonialism and imperialism is in a way a lesson for us in Africa, for we ourselves are still waging a relentless struggle against colonialism and imperialism. We are determined that we shall never rest until freedom and independence are assured for us in Africa, and until peace and happiness are guaranteed for all."**

The plane carrying the Ghanaian President landed at twelve noon amidst thunderous applause and ovations. The thousands of well-wishers at the airport waved small Chinese and Ghanaian national flags and colourful banners, beat drums and gongs, clapped and shouted to welcome President Nkrumah when he appeared at the door of the plane.

After the playing of the national anthems of Ghana and China and a 21-gun salute, President Nkrumah,

the students sang the militant African song "There is victory for us in the struggle of Africa." President Nkrumah warmly shook hands with and greeted the young Africans.

The route leading to the guest house was festively decorated with President Nkrumah's portrait erected at major junctions of the route. National flags of China and Ghana fluttered all along Peking's main thoroughfare across which hung colourful bunting and red streamers inscribed with welcoming slogans.

Crowds of workers, students, Government functionaries, men and women, young and old, lining both sides of the route clapped, shouted, played musical instruments and beat drums and cymbals amidst the explosion of firecrackers in welcome as the open car carrying President Nkrumah and the mile-long motorcade that followed moved on slowly. Many people crowded windows and balconies to greet the distinguished Ghanaian guests.

President Nkrumah, smiling broadly, waved his hands to the welcomers who showered flower petals and confetti on the guests.

**At Tiananman Square in the heart of the Chinese capital, the long motor cavalcade moved into a sea of cheering throngs, who, despite the rain, threw aside their umbrellas and unfurled multi-coloured banners, giving a tumultuous welcome to President Nkrumah and his party.**

The whole Square rocked to the deafening clapping of hands, firing of crackers and beating of drums, gongs and cymbals as the motorcade made a slow tour around the Square. Colourful balloons trailing slogans of welcome, friendship and peace, were released by young pioneers.

One thousand five hundred actors and actresses in costume performed traditional Chinese dances in the rain to welcome the distinguished guests from Ghana at the centre of the Square. They belong to various Peking professional and amateur art troupes, some of which have visited African countries.

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in the company of Chairman Liu Shao-Chi and Premier Chou En-Lai, reviewed a guard of honour formed by the Ground, Naval and Air Forces of the Chinese People's Liberation Army. A group of young pioneers presented bouquets to the distinguished guests.

President Nkrumah and the other Ghanaian guests, then walked around to meet the welcoming crowds at the airport. The welcomers waved greetings to the guests, beating drums and gongs and shouting "Welcome to President Nkrumah and the other distinguished guests from the Republic of Ghana," "Long live the friendship between the Chinese and Ghanaian peoples," "Long live the friendship between the Chinese and African peoples," "Long live the victory of the national independence movement in Africa," "Long live world peace."

**African Students**

African students in Peking were among the most joyful welcomers at the airport. Lined up under a streamer of welcome of the African Students' Union in Peking,

**THE GHANAIAN PRESIDENT WAVED FROM HIS LIMOUSINE TO THE CROWDS IN ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THEIR WELCOME.**



**Neutralists To Meet**

During his recent triumphant tour of Eastern Europe and China Ghanaian President Nkrumah spent five days in Yugoslavia. He is seen here chatting to Yugoslav President Tito with whom he discussed the preparation for the meeting of 20 neutralist Heads of State due to open in Belgrade on September 1.

**Smashing Election Victory For Malawi Congress**

**THE** smashing victory of the Malawi Congress Party, led by Dr. Hastings Banda, in the recent Nyasaland elections has demonstrated once and for all that the people of Nyasaland are determined to break away from the hated Federation and to build up an independent state of Malawi.

The impressive manner in which the Africans went to the polls was an object lesson to those who say that the Africans cannot understand the processes of modern democracy. From early in the morning till the polling booths were closed the Africans queued up patiently to cast their vote. Old men, determined to record their support for the Malawi Congress and to vote once before they die, were assisted to the polling stations. Everywhere the picture was the same: huge polls, some even 100%, never less than 90%—and overwhelming support for the Malawi Congress.

With this powerful mandate from the overwhelming majority of people in Nyasaland Dr. Banda can now press strongly for secession from federation, the acceptance of the principle of one man one vote, and the creation of an independent Nyasaland.

A long period of intense struggle lies ahead for the people of Nyasaland before they achieve these aims—the British Colonial Office and Sir Roy Welensky's Federal Government will fight tooth and nail to prevent the Africans from making further advances.

Yet the people have shown that they can overcome any obstacles put in their way—**ONLY TWO YEARS AGO THEY SUFFERED UNDER A TERRORIST STATE OF EMERGENCY, BUT TODAY THEY ARE ON THE HIGH ROAD TO FREEDOM.**

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Will readers who have spare copies of any of the above pamphlets please send them to **New Age, P.O. Box 436, Cape Town.**

**AFRICA!**

*This is the second portion of a poem by Rabindranath Tagore, the greatest voice in Indian literature of modern times. The hundredth anniversary of his birth is being celebrated throughout the world this year.*

With man-traps stole upon you those hunters whose fierceness was keener than the fangs of your wolves, whose pride was blinder than your lightless forests. The savage greed of the civilised stripped naked its unashamed inhumanity.

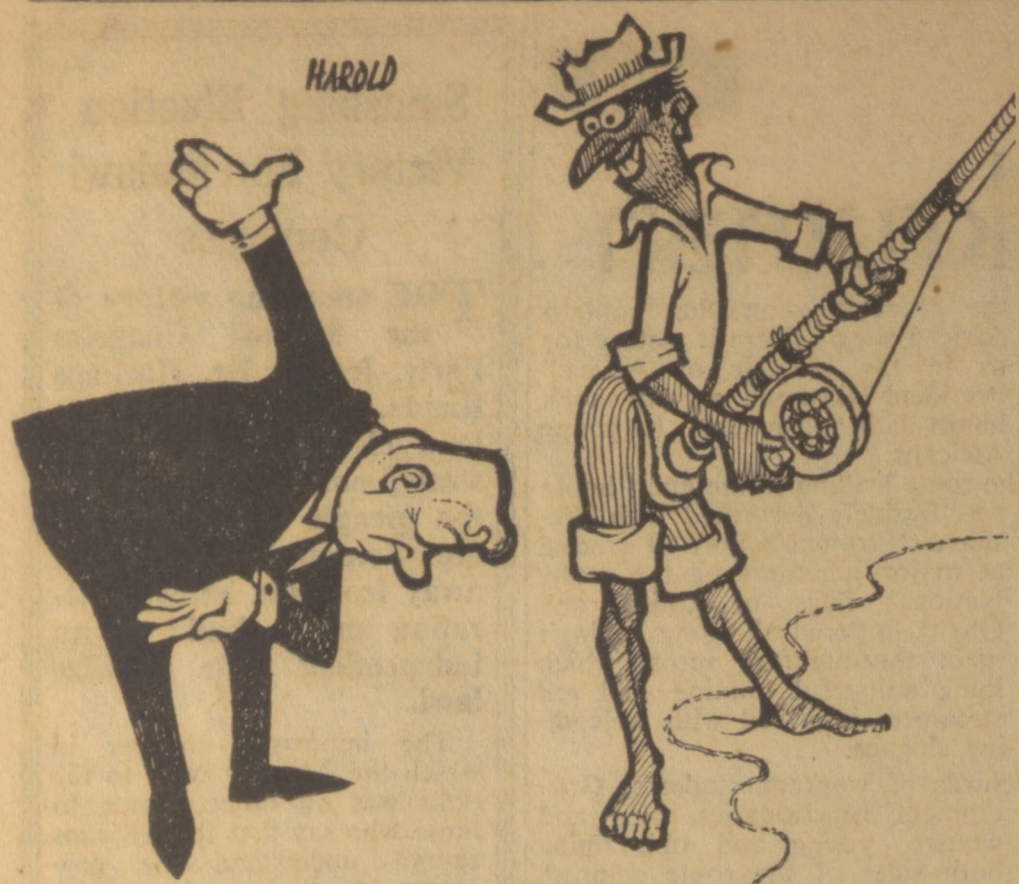
You wept and your cry was smothered, your forest trails became muddy with tears and blood, while the nailed boots of the robbers left their indelible prints along the history of your indignity.

And all the time across the sea, church bells were ringing in their towns and villages, the children were lulled in mother's arms, and poets sang hymns to Beauty.

Today when on the western horizon the sun-set sky is stiffed with dust-storm, when the beast, creeping out of its dark den, proclaims the death of the day with ghastly howls, come, you poet of the fatal hour, stand at that ravished woman's door, ask for her forgiveness, and let that be the last great word in the midst of the delirium of a diseased Continent.

**Telma's Soups are Tastiest**





**INDIAN CITIZEN: "I'm welcome to stay? Well, thanks, but I wasn't going anywhere."**

(The Government has announced that it now "accepts" Indians as a permanent part of the population and no longer hopes to force them to emigrate.)

## Soccer

# NATAL TOO GOOD FOR TRANSVAAL

DURBAN.

From M. P. Naicker

**THE** inter-Provincial soccer match between Transvaal and Natal was a drab, dreary game. Natal won 5-2 and could have scored many more but for the over-confidence of the forward line.

Transvaal, who could not field a single professional in its side because all their professionals were engaged in other matches, were out-played and out-manoeuvred in every department of the game.

Their forward line was caught off-side on more than ten occasions by the more experienced Natal defence.

Herbert "Shordex" Zuma, Avalon Athletics' dynamic right-half played his usual fast and furious game, laying the basis for many excellent Natal moves.

## Negotiate With African Unions: Says SACTU

DURBAN.

It is not "outside influence" and "agitators" which are responsible for the recent wave of strikes in Durban, but "the lack of adequate machinery to deal with grievances of the workers, and intervention by the police and the Bantu Affairs Department in disputes which could easily be solved through negotiations between worker and employer," says a statement issued last week by the local committee of the S.A. Congress of Trade Unions.

"What is needed is not high-handed action such as dismissal of the workers and legal action against them, but a careful understanding of their problems and the creation of machinery which could effectively deal with their grievances. . . . SACTU is of the firm view that the time has arrived for employers to recognise trade unions of African workers and to collectively negotiate with them on all matters falling within their scope."

Georgie Francis, Siviling Dass and Joey Chetty scored for Natal, the former scoring one goal whilst the latter two scored 2 each.

Kumalo, the Transvaal centre, scored both goals for his side.

## Next Week

Next week Avalon Athletics meet Moroka Swallows in the 2nd round of the Professional League. This match promises to be one of the best of the season.

At their last encounter Swallows beat an unlucky Athletics side by a single goal which most observers agree was scored through an off-side. Avalon, New Age learns, has lodged an appeal against that decision.

The next meeting between these two teams could well be termed a "grudge" match.

Blackpool will play Transvaal United on Saturday at the Natal-spruit grounds, Johannesburg.

## Fighting Talk

JOHANNESBURG.

The August issue of Fighting Talk is a special issue devoted to the British Protectorates of Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland. Priced at 6d. (5c), Fighting Talk may be obtained from any office of New Age or from P.O. Box 1355, Johannesburg.

## Reasons For Banning

JOHANNESBURG.

In reply to a letter requesting the reasons for his banning, Mr. Farid Adams, Secretary of the Transvaal Indian Youth Congress, has been informed that he was banned because of three speeches he made at political meetings.

The copy of the speeches sent by the Department of Justice to Mr. Adams shows that two of the speeches were extracts from evidence at the treason trial—at the end of which Mr. Adams was found not guilty; and the third speech was made in 1959, two years before the ban was imposed.

# New Innings For Cricket Opens Next Week

**NEXT** week the S.A. Cricket Board of Control will hold the most important meeting in its history. In terms of a resolution adopted at a conference on April 9 last year, the Board will have to dissolve and be completely reorganised.

Instead of a Board of Control composed of four national racial unions, there will be a single union with the non-racial provincial unions affiliated directly to it.

The transition may be a difficult one, and a period of grace may have to be set, as the Soccer Federation did in Durban last month.

Certain points are evident:

★ The racial pillars in sport are long out-moded.

★ In practice racial divisions are ignored and players move freely from one union to another.

★ The change is long overdue. But there will also be certain difficulties.

★ There are few competent administrators in cricket.

★ The Western Province, which should provide the new officials, seems to have too many disagreements.

★ The past officials, to judge by the ill-fated Worrell tour and their failure to fight for international recognition, do not inspire confidence.

Perhaps the new PRO TEM COMMITTEE should be composed of the best men from all over the country?

## Pledges

Whoever takes control must be forced to give firm pledges on the following points:

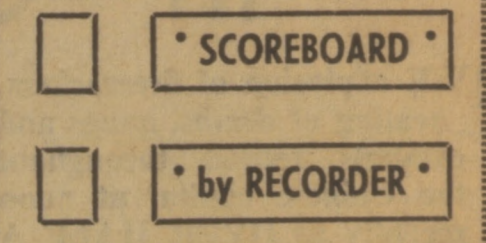
★ No discrimination among Non-Whites, or among Whites and Non-Whites must be tolerated.

★ A genuine effort must be made to secure international recognition for all our cricketers.

★ The efforts of other S.A. sports bodies to secure recognition must be supported.

## Tribute

Whatever their shortcomings, this is the right time to pay tribute to Messrs Bob Pavadai and Rashid



Varachia for a positive contribution to cricket as President and Secretary of the Board respectively.

## Query

How many of the fighters in the Worrell issue will be present at this meeting of the Board? Lutchman, Sigamoney, S. L. Singh, Louis Nelson, where are they?

## Cricket Extras

★ The Cricket Board MUST come out clearly against the racist New Zealand Cricket tour.

★ If the present officials are too timid then a new Cabinet must be found.

★ India, Pakistan and the West Indies are waiting for a lead from our non-racial Cricket Board.

★ Frank Worrell, writing in the "Observer" in London, has strongly attacked the all-white Cricket Association in South Africa.

# Daveyton Mobilises To Fight Urban Bantu Council

BENONI.

**THE** citizens of Daveyton have formed a Protection Committee to work against the introduction in their area of the first Urban Bantu Council in South Africa.

They are angry that they have been singled out for this unhappy experiment in apartheid rule, and are determined to show both the all-White Benoni City Council and the Government that this type of inferior representation is not what they want.

Last week-end thousands of leaflets were distributed throughout the township demanding:

- Direct representation on the Benoni Town Council.
- An end to tribal ambassadors.

● That the Bantu Council, an instrument to make the people administer their own oppression, should not come into being at all.

The leaflet emphasised that the establishment of such Councils would do nothing to solve the people's problems, but would only mean that "so-called African mayors and councillors, who would be spineless stooges and spies, would betray their people for a few extra bread-crumbs from the Government's table."

The Councils would not solve the problem of police raids for passes and poll tax, nor help the people to get the jobs they wanted. The Councils would only help to maintain the whole rotten existing state of affairs, and help turn the towns into battlegrounds like Pondoland, Zeerust, Sekhukhuland and Zululand, by creating bitterness and strife among the people.

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## LEAGUE SECOND ROUND

**Moroka Swallows vs Avalon Athletic**  
**CURRIES FOUNTAIN**  
Sunday, 27th August, 1961, at 3 p.m.

**Blackpool vs Transvaal United**  
**NATALSPRUIT**  
Saturday, 26th August, 1961, at 3 p.m.



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