

# AFRICA DAY ISSUE

JOHANNESBURG. ...

**THE** Africa Day Freedom Declaration to be taken at public meetings and rallies throughout the country this week says: "We hail the peoples of the African states whose emergence to independence has become an inspiration to the struggling masses of Africa."

"We declare our uncompromising opposition to imperialism and White domination. We claim the right to self-determination as the inalienable right of the African people.

"We call for the abandonment of foreign or racial domination of the peoples of Africa before it is too late. We demand that all governments in Africa adhere to the U.N.O. Declaration of Human Rights.

"We warn the imperialists and colonialists that no amount of persecution and coercion can stop the rising tide of freedom and independence in Africa. We demand the withdrawal of the imperialist forces from Algeria and an end to the military operations in the Belgian Congo and Central Africa.

"We demand the release of Kenyatta, Banda, Kaunda and other political prisoners and of our own leaders from the treason and other mass trials.

"We pledge to dedicate ourselves anew to the struggle for freedom against imperialism and racial discrimination and for the liberation and independence of Africa."



Premier Kwame Nkrumah, of Ghana, host to last December's Pan-African People's Conference.

## NEW AGE

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## POLICE SPY IN COURT

JOHANNESBURG.

Mr. Ben Turok M.P.C.

**A EUROPEAN** charged with fraud and forgery for selling passes to Africans told the court in evidence in his defence that he had been approached by the head of the Special Branch on the Witwatersrand, Lt. Col. A. T. Spengler, to spy on African National Congress leaders and

Lt. Col. Spengler gave evidence for the defence in this case, at the close of which Paul Harnoldus Marais was found not guilty on eight counts of fraud, forgery and uttering, but was remanded to April 17 on a charge of theft.

The magistrate said he could not find Marais guilty as charged be-

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Tom Mboya, chairman of the Pan African Conference Committee.

## LIBERALS JOIN CONGRESS RALLY

As AFRICA WEEK drew to a climax here this week with mounting preparations for the final rally this Sunday in Alexandra Township, it was announced that several bodies and groups had decided to join the African National Congress and its fellow Congresses in the Sunday rally.

- The Liberal Party will take part officially in the open air rally, and has appointed Mr. Jack Unterhalter to be a speaker there.

- Branches of the Church of Zion will join in the day's events.

- A massed choir was rehearsing for the rally.

- The Congress announced that its deputy president-general Mr. Oliver Tambo will open the Alexandra rally.

In Port Elizabeth the ANC announced that Africa Week would be celebrated with a go-slow and an economic boycott of Nationalist products.

In Cape Town meetings are to be held in the townships over this week-end.

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## THERE ARE NOW THREE TREASON TRIALS!

61 Must Appear In Court On Monday

JOHANNESBURG.

**THERE** are now three Treason Trials in South Africa. Indictments and notice of trial have been served on the 61 accused who have not been before court since the indictment was withdrawn by the Crown last October. But there are now two new indictments and two sets of summons and

the 61 have been split into two groups: one of 30 accused, and the other of 31.

Counting all the amendments to indictments before the court at various times the two new indictments served last week must bring the indictment score up to at least a dozen, probably more. Even the lawyers are losing count!

**SAME DATE**

Both new trials are set down for the same date, Monday, April 20. Both are set down to take place in the same Special Court in Pretoria and before the same Bench of three judges.

But two of the three Judges are engaged in other courts for some time ahead.

The presiding Judge, Mr. Justice Rumpff, has been appointed to the Appellate Division in Bloemfontein for six weeks starting on May 1.

Mr. Justice Bekker will be sitting in the Springs Circuit Court from April 14 for three or four weeks.

It is clear from this that the Crown has no intention to proceed with the cases on April 20. In addition the important appeal to the Appellate Division from the first treason trial, where the Defence will argue vital points on the indictment, will not come up in Bloemfontein until the middle of June.

The 61 accused must nevertheless present themselves in court in Pretoria on April 20.

This will involve them and the Treason Trial Defence Fund in hundreds of pounds of travel expenses.

It was not known at the time of

going to press; what attitude the Defence will adopt when the case is called on Monday the 20th and the new indictments formally produced in court.

**POSTPONEMENT SUGGESTED**

When the first trial of the 30 came to a surprise close in February, with the Defence being granted leave to appeal on the indictment to Bloemfontein, Mr. Pirow, Q.C. leader of the Crown team, suggested that proceedings on April 20, gazetted many months before, should be postponed.

The Bench pointed out this could not be done by the court and suggested that the person who could arrange this was the Minister of Justice.

(Mr. Pirow raised a laugh when he interjected that he was against bringing anyone extra into the case.)

But it seems the Crown has not tried to avoid the appearance of the 61 accused on April 20 when it could easily have been done by ministerial notice in the Gazette.

**INDICTMENT**

The indictment in the trial of the first 30, now to be argued on appeal has been used as the master indictment for the two served last week. These new indictments are brought into line with various amendments introduced by the Crown during the first hearing, and are identical with the exception of the periods during which the accused are alleged to have been in the conspiracy, and the speeches and documents relied upon for the various batches of accused.

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## Peace Council Cables Welensky

JOHANNESBURG.

The South African Peace Council has cabled Sir Roy Welensky, Federation Prime Minister, its grave concern at "the new danger to peace caused by events in Nyasaland and the Rhodesias. Africa's problems cannot be solved by guns and repression," says the cable, "Only an end to racial discrimination can remove this danger."

## CONGRESS FIGHTERS FOR FREEDOM



Chief A. J. Lutuli, President-General of the ANC, will be addressing Congress meetings in Cape Town on Sunday, April 26, and Tuesday, April 28.



Mr. O. Tambo, Deputy President-General of the ANC, and Mr. P. Beylveid, President of the Congress of Democrats, will be the main speakers at the Africa Day Rally at Alexandra Township on Sunday, April 19, at 10 a.m.





# SHADOW BOXING ON VARSITY APARTHEID

THE debate on the second reading of the university apartheid Bill (christened by the Nats as the Extension of University Education Bill) would have been pathetic, were it not so tragic.

For the Nationalists had no defence at all except blind prejudice, and it has become unfashionable in Nat circles now to talk openly in terms of prejudice—but not, however, to think and act in a way which would make Simon Legree look like a philanthropist.

The United Party, harried on the question of whether or not they wanted "integration," could only take a sterile stand on the right of universities to decide themselves who should be admitted.

Fearful of appearing "liberal," the United Party "fight" was like that of an old punch-drunk boxer, reeling and hitting at shadows and phantoms.

For these reasons it would be simply a waste of time to attempt any sort of serious analysis of the debate, except in so far as it ex-

posed the shallowness, and the lack of reality and principle, which is shared by our colour-blinded Parliamentary parties.

## NAT INTENTIONS

The Minister of Education, Arts and Science, Mr. Serfontein, made the Nats' intentions quite plain when he introduced the motion for the second reading.

He said flatly that in the tribal colleges which the Government proposes to substitute for the Universities of Cape Town and the Witwatersrand, the Non-White students would be educated to maintain the colour bar.

In some peculiar manner African students would so be made "bearers of their own culture."

Mr. Serfontein, who spoke for about 90 minutes, made one of the most incompetent speeches ever to come from a Cabinet Minister, which is saying something.

It was very difficult to follow his reasoning. What it all seemed to boil down to, though, was that mixed universities are "unhealthy," and that South Africa now finds itself at some strange crossroad between apartheid and integration.

## COMMUNISTS TOO

The Minister of Justice, Mr. Swart, in similar vein, said there were not only Non-White lecturers

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on the staffs of Cape Town and the Witwatersrand, but Communists were also there.

In an exchange with Mr. Hamilton Russell (U.P., Wynberg) the United Party attitude became quite clear.

Mr. Swart asked if the United Party would allow social mixing at universities—including dancing and sport—if the university authorities at any stage decided to permit it.

"Of course we won't allow it," indignantly replied Mr. Russell.

"What happens to your policy of university autonomy then?" asked Mr. Swart. "I think this episode has sufficiently proved the hollowness of the United Party's stand in this matter."

Much as it pains me, I find myself agreeing with Mr. Swart.

Mr. W. Vause Raw, a former United Party senator, a large, bluff and hearty man with all the trademarks of the group in Natal he comes from, was just as explicit.

The United Party, he said, had always stood by South Africa's traditional pattern of apartheid. In fact, it was the United Party which had given South Africa its pattern of social segregation. The United Party was absolutely against schools of mixed races.

One of the so-called United Party "liberals," who were having a difficult time in this debate, Mrs. Helen Suzman, said it was quite right that Non-Whites should be discriminated against in social gatherings and at sport at the universities.

This discrimination, lamely said Mrs. Suzman, was offset by academic advantages.

## AFRICAN "CULTURE"

The Nationalist arguments, if they can be dignified by that word, were mainly that the Africans would be able to realise their "culture" in these ridiculous colleges, and that it was unfair to expect unhappy Non-White students to be exposed to discrimination at the open universities.

The Minister of Bantu Education, ponderous Mr. De Wet Nel, even quoted the Accra conference, and

said that the tribal colleges would be a help towards evolving the "African personality." It was a pity, he added, that the speakers at Accra could not address the assembled ethnic units in their own languages.

One of the most revealing speeches on the Government side, however, was the maiden speech of Mr. J. Heystek, who has fittingly taken the place of the late Mr. Strijdom as the representative of Waterberg.

Mr. Heystek, a big and slow man, said the reason for university apartheid was the "fact" that Africans have inferior intellects to Whites.

This outmoded belief, based on prejudice and justified by faulty intelligence testing, was received with obvious approval by most of the House.

Mr. D. J. J. Mostert (Nat, Witbank) who was one of the members of the Commission on the University apartheid Bill, also excelled himself. The Nats, he said, would be quite happy to leave it to Africans to develop their own universities if only "the liberalists who have plagued the country for 300 years" would leave.

Mr. Len Lee-Warden brought a welcome breath of sanity to the proceedings when he said that the continual references to allowing Africans to develop along their own lines were only catch phrases used by the Government to cover up some piece of dirty work they wished to legislate.

After an all-night sitting, spent mostly in wild blows at flitting shadows, Sir De Villiers Graaff put the United Party case—segregation and all—and Mr. Serfontein replied with even less distinction than when he introduced the motion.

The real issue—which is not the right of universities to decide admission, but the right of any man to learn—was virtually ignored by both sides.

For in spite of all fine words, what the Nationalists propose to substitute for fairly unfettered inquiry and instruction is education in the art of saying "ja, baas" to the white man.

## EDITORIAL

# Education For Slavery

THE "Extension of University Education Bill" is merely the extension of Bantu Education into a higher sphere.

Verwoerd said, during a Senate debate on Bantu Education in June 1954: "There is no place for him (the Bantu) in the European community above the level of certain forms of labour . . . For that reason it is of no avail for him to receive a training which has as its aim absorption in the European community . . . Until now he has been subject to a school system which drew him away from his own community and misled him by showing him the green pastures of European society in which he was not allowed to graze."

Dr. Abraham Jonker, Nat M.P., in a speech at a meeting reported in the press last month, said, in connection with the proposed tribal colleges:

"We will appoint professors and ensure that the right people are there to educate the Non-Europeans. We will see to it that they are educated in the right way. The United Party can shout as much as they like that they (the colleges) are State institutions, that the rights of Non-Europeans are being taken away . . . But we will see to it that they are supervised till we are absolutely certain that they are on the right path."

The Minister of Education, Mr. J. J. Serfontein, said in Parliament last week: "The future Bantu leaders must be trained and educated not to break down the colour bars but to maintain them in the best interests of both European and Non-European."

The openly admitted main purpose of the Apartheid Education Bill is to perpetuate the colour bar and racial discrimination so that White Supremacy may survive. All the other Nat arguments are nauseating hypocritical claptrap which deceives nobody. There can be no question of "separate but equal facilities" when the whole point of separate education is to train students to accept inferiority.

The Bill may go through and the colleges be set up, despite the massive and impressive protests from the whole civilised world and from inside South Africa itself. But it will not achieve its purpose. The flame of freedom is burning in the breast of even the illiterate African today, and not all Verwoerd's Bantu Education will suffice to put it out.

On the contrary, the passage of this Bill, and the complete exclusion of Non-Whites from the educational pastures of the Whites, will only strengthen the determination of all progressives to redouble their efforts to smash the colour bar so that our country can be returned to the ways of sanity.

In the words of the Freedom Charter: "The doors of learning and of culture shall be opened . . . The colour bar in cultural life, in sport and in education shall be abolished."

## Old Clothes with a Silver Lining

YOU have probably noticed a little advertisement running in our columns for a few weeks now, reminding you that we can turn your old clothes into good money at our jumble sales.

Just how much your cast-offs can mean to us has been demonstrated by our Johannesburg Committee, which has just raised the magnificent sum of £150 12s. 6d. at a monster Jumble Sale held there last week. The sale no doubt meant a great deal of hard work on the part of many people, and our thanks go to all of them.

So please remember us when you look through your wardrobe. Remember us, too, when you go through your pockets or your purses. Just as one garment added to another makes a tidy pile, so one penny added to another soon makes a pound.

This truth, unfortunately, applies to expenditure as well as to income. The increases in postal and telephone rates have hit us hard. We send out a lot of letters and have to make a lot of phone calls.

That little extra added to your donation will help us meet these increased costs.

HOWEVER SMALL, OR HOWEVER BIG, WE NEED YOUR DONATION.

PLEASE SEND IT TODAY.

### Last Week's Donations:

Johannesburg:  
Jumble Sale £150.12.6,  
Friends £20, Dr. A. £5, R.R. £5, H.R. £3, Doctor £1, M.M. £2, W. £2, B. £2, N. £10.

### Cape Town:

A.R. 10s., Nick 10s., Rubar £7.10, S.R. 4s., Sacred River £5, S.A. £1, C.R. 10s., Double Yoke £2, Harry £1, Ally Sisters £1, Premier 10s., M.W. 10s., McSweeney £1, L.L. 10s., J.Q. 5s., R. and B. £2, Katie (Jumble) £3, Ray (Rummage) 7.9d., Dr. H. £1, Dr. K. £1, Cars £1, Somswar £1, Mica £1, Benden £1, Music Evening £15.10, H.B. £2, Dora £5.10, Anon 11.6d., Mrs. S. £5.

TOTAL: £262 10s. 9d.



## A SPY AT FORT HARE

It is disgusting to learn that an educational centre like Fort Hare is infested with spies. This year many students have been enrolled and unfortunately an old and well-known Lovedale spy has also been enrolled.

Students at Lovedale would now and again see this man coming from the Superintendent's house. When the students questioned him about his connections with the Superintendent he became emotional.

He used to come to my dormitory and boast of being chairman of a branch of the Society of Young Africa (S.O.Y.A.). "What are the current events homeboy?" he would ask.

In 1958 when he was made a prefect he strongly warned his "homeboys" against politics. "This is not a place for politicians" he said. After two days the students he had warned against politics, were called by the Superintendent and threatened with expulsion.

One of the first four expelled students of Lovedale (March, 1959) reported that this man was responsible for the tension which

existed in Lovedale in 1957 when two students were taken to the police station and forced to make statements.

Since the expulsion of Lovedale students, the few remaining Lovedale students say he frequents the Superintendent's house. Those who come from his home area say he usually visits the local Special Branch.

Shame! History will deal with this fanatic.

"YOUTH".

Alice.

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## Whites Won't Go to Heaven

The worries of South Africa have come from the white people. The white people came with apartheid into our world. God never caused people to be called "kaffers," it exists only in the minds of these people. The whites have their own power, but they do not have God's power, and they will not get into heaven.

F. SHUTTER  
Newclare, Jhb.

## A SPUR TO SALES

On behalf of the Clairwood Branch of the Natal Indian Youth Congress, I wish to convey the Branch's sympathy to Mr. Tshawe of Glen College, O.F.S., who was bullied and intimidated by the police because of the letter he wrote to New Age.

We also appreciate Mr. Tshawe's courage and sincerity in accepting our challenge to sell more copies of New Age.

The police, by attempting to subdue Mr. Tshawe, have only stimulated interest in New Age. The attitude of the people is, if the police bully and abuse a man because he wants to sell New Age, then New Age must be a good paper.

In future, when I sell New Age I shall say, buy this paper, the police don't like it. Then, I am sure, the sales will increase.

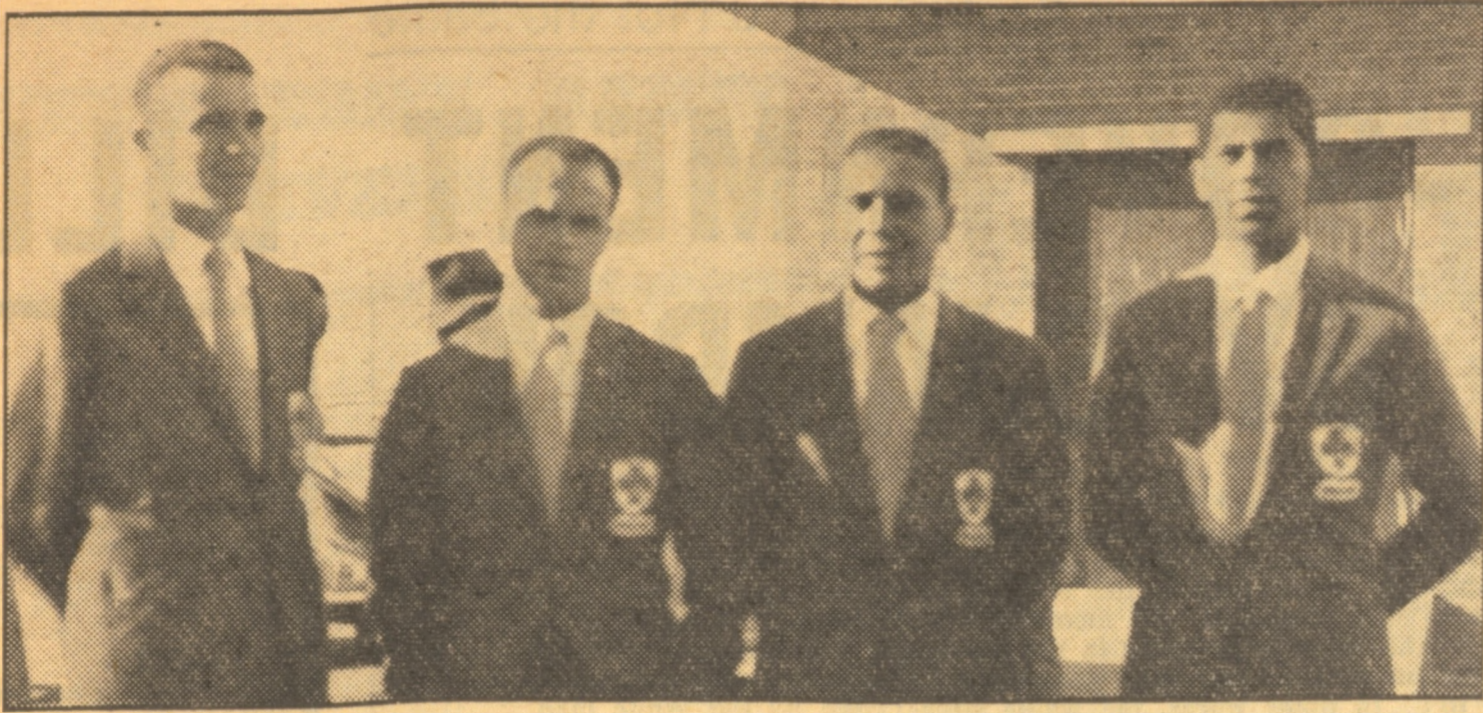
GOOD LUCK TO YOU  
MR. TSHAWE.

"AFRICA MAYIBUYE."

B. NAIDOO,  
Hon. Secretary

Clairwood Branch of the  
Natal Indian Congress.





Our picture shows the three non-white Brazilians on the right, together with one of their team-mates with whom they travelled by sea to Lourenco Marques.

New Age Interviews The Brazilians

# "IT HAS NEVER HAPPENED BEFORE"

**CAPE TOWN.** "It has never happened before," a Brazilian soccer player told New Age, when his Non-White team-mates were discriminated against while the team was in Cape Town on their way to Lourenco Marques.

The match between the crack-Brazilian team, Portuguesa De Santos, and Western Province was banned by the President of Brazil because of the discriminatory treatment meted out to three members of the team last week-end.

The three non-white players were told to remain aboard ship while in Cape Town because South Africa's apartheid policy did not allow them the same facilities as their white team-mates. The rest of the team were put up in a Gardens hotel.

**"COMPLICATIONS"**

They and another white player proceeded to Lourenco Marques by ship, which sailed on Friday afternoon. It had been decided that the

non-whites should not disembark in Cape Town because "possible complications as a result of the Union's colour-bar laws." For the same reason the non-whites were excluded from the team which was due to play Western Province at Hartleyvale on Saturday.

On Friday a number of South Africans cabled the President of Brazil informing him of the discriminatory treatment meted out to the three Coloured players and this resulted in the President in Rio De Janeiro contacting the team and ordering them not to play the match against Western Province.

**"NOT LIKE BRAZIL"**

In an interview with New Age, one of the White players, Narcisso Adelsuon, said that the team had not received this kind of treatment before. "It is not like Brazil," he said. "The other three (Non-Whites) play very good. Especially Gouveia. South African people would like to see them, I'm sure."

Congress organisations sent a

wire to the captain of the Brazilian team protesting against the discriminatory treatment meted out to the non-white players and calling for the cancellation of their matches in South Africa.

**"CHRISTIAN STAND"**

In a cable to the President of Brazil, the S.A. Soccer Federation, the non-colour-bar sports body, said: "South African Soccer Federation representing all Non-White soccerites in South Africa thank and congratulate you on your noble Christian stand in calling off Cape Town match as a protest against the colour bar in South African sport."

## ANC LEADERS RAIDED IN ALEXANDRA

Johannesburg.

The new peri-urban area authority that has taken over Alexandra Township boasts of its clean-up there, but is silent about the political clean-up it is carrying out at the same time.

Last week a posse of uniformed and plain clothes police and officials, armed with a foolscap list of political figures, raided a number of homes and premises in the Township. They went from house to house on their list demanding to see the pass books of Congress leaders and others, and scrutinising employment, tax and permit entries in the books.

Mr. Moses Kotane was one of those visited. The police party arrived at his home at 7 a.m. one morning last week to start an investigation into his residence in Alexandra. After calling at his house they went on to other premises.

Also searched were the houses of Mr. Richard Mashigo, the Rev. Tanci, Mr. Nkadimeng, Mr. Nzo, Mr. Moliwa and Mr. Mokonyane, amongst others. Former treason trialist Sam-Masemola has been endorsed out of the township.

## O.F.S. LEADER BANNED

BLOEMFONTEIN.

Mr. Caleb Motshabi, leading Congressman of this capital of the Free State has been served with a ban prohibiting him attending any gatherings for a period of five years. The ban is served in terms of the Suppression of Communism Act.

## THEY WILL CELEBRATE AFRICA DAY



Conducted by Mr. James Hadebe, secretary of the Transvaal ANC, the People's Choir rehearses for the Rally.



In Basuto blanket and on horse-back this Congress member will join the Africa Day procession to the Alexandra Township rally on Sunday.



Women's leaders will be at the rally in national dress. Here is Mrs. Dorcas Nongwa wearing Xhosa traditional dress.



Led by the Rev. M. Mgomezulu, the Free Zion Christian Church prepares to take part in Africa Week events.

## Foul Play



In New Age Next Week:

"Basutoland Prepares For Elections", by a Special Correspondent



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