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The document could only benefit those who sought a peaceful solution in SWA...

'Horrifying' accident
Staff Reporter

THREE were angry mourners from the bystanders when the body of Mrs Emily Mthembu...
Mrs Mthembu, 45, of Kheswa Street, Daveyton, died when a lorry struck her down at the corner of Moke and Mahabo streets.

Six die in bus accidents
FOUR people died and eight others were seriously injured when a bus overturned just off the main road between Groblersdal and Dvynhoopstraat on Friday afternoon.



Chief Gatsha Buthelezi fends off a kick as he leaves the funeral of Mr Robert Sobukwe through a gauntlet of hostile, jeering black youths. A man with a gun, on his left, moves to protect him.

Crumb of comfort for chief
By JON QWELANE

FIRST it was Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, Chief Minister of KwaZulu, who underwent the worst humiliation in public a homeland leader ever suffered.

It was ironic that minutes after this incident Chief Buthelezi, whose humiliation had gone as far as being spat in the face, said: "They spat on Christ's face, and they are now doing it on me. And next week is the week of Christ's crucifixion," he told reporters.

But a crumb of comfort for him might be that right now to where I was attending a light almost took place.

The student promptly returned the threat, adding that "we will beat up Gatsha with you too".

Israelis hunt terror liners
ISRAEL yesterday launched the biggest manhunt in its 30-year history for three of the 11 terrorists who hijacked a bus in a bloody attack near Tel Aviv on Saturday.

Al Fatah, the largest Palestinian guerrilla organisation, has claimed responsibility for the seaborne raid, in which at least 37 passengers and six terrorists died, and 85 people were wounded.

Kraai no on the council

By STEVE KGAME
CHIEF Gatsha Buthelezi's Inkatha movement and the released members of the Committee of Ten yesterday stood firm in their opposition to participation in the forthcoming Swapo Community Council by-elections.

Inkatha and Mr Kraai were reacting to a statement by Mr J T Kruger, Minister of Justice, who last week said people released from detention could take part in the by-elections.

Two people were killed and 15 injured - five of them seriously - when a railway bus overturned on the Lydenburg-Pilgrim's Rest road on Friday afternoon.

Transkei axe to fall on SA made laws
UMTATA - The annual congress of the ruling Transkei National Independence Party opens in Umtata today. It will be officially opened tomorrow by the leader of the party, Prime Minister Chief Kaiser Matanzima.

GRAAFF-HEINEL
Young black radicals took over the funeral of the Africanist leader Mr Robert Sobukwe at the weekend to act as scheduled white speakers and eject "black collaborators".

The radicals took the lead in identifying blacks working within the officially-approved system and in insisting on their exclusion from the funeral.

Not even impeccable credentials as a black nationalist in the past saved him from rejection if they were suspected of co-operating with the implementation of separate development.

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Excluded from the revised list handed out at the funeral were Mrs Bhebe, the veteran MP, and Mr Benjamin Pogrand, Deputy Editor of the Rand Daily Mail and a friend of Mr Sobukwe's of 20 years standing.

The casualties were the worst suffered by Israel since the beginning of a series of attacks on civilian targets six years ago.

After 16 hours of thorough searching, one-seventh of the population of Israel remained under virtual house arrest as hundreds of troops and police patrolled Tel Aviv's streets and suburban areas.

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Militants take over

By ZWELAKHE SISULU and PATRICK LAURENCE

By the militants, deflected Chief Buthelezi's right to attend the funeral, recalling that the chief and Mr Sobukwe had been friends since their days as students at the University of Fort Hare.

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Bomb victims buried

By VUSI RADEBE

A SOWETO mother and her daughter who were victims of a petrol bomb attack were buried side by side at Durkop cemetery at the weekend.

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First there was grief—then came the violence and anger



Scenes from the funeral of Mr Robert Sobukwe at Graaff-Reinet at the weekend. Left: Chief Gatsha Buthelezi speaks to Mrs Sobukwe at the showgrounds shortly before he was ejected from the service. Centre: A boy, blood streaming from gunshot wounds, is carried out of the showgrounds to hospital. Right: A girl who was in the march to the showgrounds pokes a finger at the face of a policeman who does not react.

Pictures: PETER MAGUBANE

Graaff-Reinet wakes to hear of Azania

By ZWELAKHE SISULU

THE little town of Graaff-Reinet woke up with a shock at the weekend to black power salutes and endless songs of freedom from a highly publicised black youth.

Graaff-Reinet, known widely as the "Gem of the Karoo", is a neat town of impeccable architectural excellence with church spires rising high in the sky like an ascending finger of fate.

At the weekend African nationalism, which has been firmly anchored for more than a century, took a back seat in the face of a seething black mass.

The town shed its Rip van Winkle character when thousands came to pay their last respects to Mr Robert Mangaliso Sobukwe.

For two weeks, students camped at the Sobukwe house to keep vigil, and on a hill nearby police set up camp to keep a watch on the students. They had a mutual interest in each other.

At the track of dawn on Saturday cars and buses began a steady stream. Within an hour the township on the outskirts of the town was a hubbub of activity which soon developed into freedom songs.

This was to be the beginning of a day that would witness a motif of vibrant examples and disturbing contrasts.

Thousands of people lined up in front of the Sobukwe home, singing and chanting slogans. The older people gave the open palm salute of the Pan Africanist Congress, the young gave vigorous clenched fist salutes.

The crowd stirred as the coffin was brought out of the house — the open palm salute of the PAC, carried on it.

Then the march to the Oval showground in town began.

The solid phalanx moved down the winding dusty street — spearheaded by students. A group in front started a song which was immediately taken up by the winding body.

The crowd surged forward and there were intermittent shouts of "One Azania, one nation". A lanky man, sweating heavily, shouted: "Freedom and the crowd roared back: "Now".

As the procession moved down the road, it gained momentum.

The march moved into and through the town. It was as business as usual, but as soon as the crowd was spotted, the street cleared and shops shut down.

White traffic officers and police were the only ones who remained to direct traffic, but their services soon became useless as the crowd submerged them.

They stood still. The crowd broke into song. "We shall kill the dogs."

but still the traffic officers did not move.

White families, in tidy white houses kept indoors, peering through the curtains or sitting on their verandas. Abuse was hurled at them, some were even spat upon.

The speaker of the procession entered the showground Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, who stood next to the podium, looking straight ahead, was spotted by the youths.

They broke into a song "When I see Matimela, I see a stooge, when I see Mangope I see a puppet, when I see Gabela, I see ... (a derogatory word used).

The youths approached and there was pandemonium on the podium. Chief Buthelezi stood on a chair. He was urged to leave but refused.

A young barefoot boy approached the Chief and extended his hand: "Here take this," he said as he handed over a two-rupee piece, which was flung away.

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Crowds grieve for 'a man of the soil'

By PATRICK LAURENCE

A nasty scene of finger-pointing and a heated exchange followed, but other students intervened and told their colleague to leave the man alone "because he is lost in his beliefs".

Mr Sooyi Leon, leader of the Labour Party, said he was not bitter for having been asked him to leave.

"I believe it is their right not to want it. It is their right," he said in a trembling voice.

"But I had come here as a friend of Mr Sobukwe, with whom I have been close for the last nine years since he was banished to Kimberley. So close were we, in fact, that he was my family lawyer. I am so sorry for his wife and children because it is not they who are dismissed. It was my love for the man I came all the way from Kimberley to pay my last respects to Mr Leon said before getting into a car and driving away.

With him in the same car was the Reverend Allen Hendricks, national chairman of the Labour Party who had also been asked to leave.

He promised land but his noble spirit will lead us to the new Africa."

Mr Ish Mkhabela, of the Soweto Action Committee, remembered Mr Sobukwe as a "man of action" who stood for the truth.

"I see flowers behind me but I am not impressed. Robert Sobukwe went off only one kind of flower — the liberation of the black people of Africa."

Bishop Ernest Sobukwe, eldest brother of the dead leader remembered him as a "man of wonderful faith who came from a father who cut and sold wood."

But, whether the perspective was political or religious, the image that came through all the speech-making, was that of a man of indomitable spirit.

As the Reverend Allen Hendricks, attendant of the Methodist Conference, put it: "Defiance, banning and imprisonment failed to break the spirit of this great man of Africa. He will not reach

Legislation to force tankers to keep away

AN emergency airlift of about 92 tons of medicine into eastern Caprivi on Saturday helped avert a serious food shortage, according to a Defence Headquarters statement released in Pretoria.

The statement added that the prompt action highlighted the close involvement of the Defence Force with the local population's welfare.

Closure of the Botswana border port at Katanagula led to the shortage, the statement said.

Stocks of multiannual grain held by the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) at Katima Mulilo began running dangerously low.

Since traders through the eastern Caprivi are dependent on the supply, a crisis was imminent," the statement said.

Consequently the SADF was approached by the Department of Rural Rehabilitation on Friday afternoon to fly in EDC supplies.

SADF airlift averts famine in the Caprivi

from Victoria Falls. This appeal was immediately acceded to."

The presence of South African troops in SVA is still, however, the final obstacle in the way of an agreed independence for the territory.

It would have to "become soon, infamously, as said in Cape Town yesterday.

The Government is believed to be increasingly concerned at what it sees as the potential political destabilisation in the territory without the swift target of an election date to which all could work.

It also believes the first elections would have to be held soon if the necessary preparations for independence — the formation of a constituent assembly, which would be put to the inhabitants at a second election — are to be completed in the next nine months. —Sapa.

Continho back in business

LISBON. — Vice-Admiral Antonio Rosa Continho, a powerful member of the junta which ruled Portugal after the 1974 coup, will return to active duty next week.

Admiral Rosa Continho, 52, nicknamed the "Red Admiral", fell from power after an abortive leftwing coup in November, 1975. He was formally retired last August after appearing before a naval disciplinary commission on charges of violating human rights.

SA men still held in Lesotho

"Mail Africa Bureau MASERU. — Lesotho police said yesterday two South Africans were still being held under the country's security laws.

The two South Africans are Mr Kenneth Frederick Momen and Mr Theron Seepers.

The Lesotho Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr C D Molapo, told the national assembly on Friday Mr Seepers had admitted to being an official of the Bureau of State Security.

Mr Molapo was not available for comment yesterday on whether there had been any response from the South African authorities following a diplomatic note sent to South Africa last week.

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Four PE schools hit by arsonists

OWN CORRESPONDENT PORT ELIZABETH. — Four schools were damaged by arsonists in Port Elizabeth at the weekend, the Divisional Commissioner of Police Brigadier Johan de Klerk said yesterday.

Five classrooms were set alight at the Ernest Skanaas Higher Primary School, New Brighton, and two at the Ben Nyal Lower Primary School, Kwarakwe, all on Saturday night.

The Ben Nyal Lower Primary School, also in New Brighton, was set on fire twice on Saturday, once in the morning and once at night.

The principal's office, a staffroom, and a Classroom were burned.

Masungwana Higher Primary in New Brighton was set on fire early yesterday morning. Police could not give the extent of the damage.

No arrests had been made last night.

Four PE schools hit by arsonists

Israel moves in troops to hunt down killers

OWN CORRESPONDENT CAIRO. — The Egyptian President Anwar Sadat said he would lead a force to hunt down the killers of Israeli peace initiative.

The Observer yesterday said the Egyptian force was to be sent to block a peace initiative toward Israel.

President Carter yesterday denounced the attack as "senseless brutality," and sent a personal message of sympathy.

White House officials said they viewed the incident as efforts by radical elements to block a peace settlement.

Israel Defence Minister Moshe Weizman returned from the United States and said he holds Lebanon responsible for the terror attack.

Israel was reported to be moving troop reinforcements to the Southern Lebanon border yesterday.

Palestinian sources said commandos throughout

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Lebanon had been alerted for a possibly big Israeli retaliation.

The West yesterday strongly condemned the attack and France sent messages of sympathy to Israel, but



The gutted remains of the Israeli bus hijacked by Arab guerrillas on Saturday. At least 43 died and 85 were wounded.

Arab states said the raid showed "security is impossible as long as the Palestinians are without a homeland." —UPI

Foreman was unwilling to name the actors he was considering for the key roles in the film.

Chess kings

BUENOS AIRES. — World chess champion Anatoly Karpov of the Soviet Union and his Timman of the Netherlands were in the lead yesterday in the International Grandmasters' tournament in Buenos Aires, Yugoslavia, with 25 points each from 13 games. — Sapa-AP.

Chess kings

Woods to get nothing from Biko film, says publisher

OWN CORRESPONDENT LONDON. — Internationally famous actors are reported to be begging for mercy in the film of Steve Biko's life to be made by American award-winning director Carl Foreman.

Mr Foreman is writing the screenplay based on the Biko book by self-

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exiled South African editor. Mr Donald, in particular, won't get a brass farthing."

Mr Marquise denied a report in a South African newspaper that Mr Woods had sold the film rights as part of a multi-million dollar contract.

"That means that many famous people will be

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tributed to Paddington Press, he said. But this was not the case, he said.

An angry Mr Marquise continued: "There have been deliberate and quite sickening attempts in South Africa to slander the Biko book and make out that he was cheating on his friendship with Steve Biko."

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"These lies — and very deliberate lies they are — could not be further from the truth. The time and trouble Donald Woods has given freely to his campaign and belief is remarkable."

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