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NEW YOUTH

Official Organ of the Transvaal Indian Youth Congress.

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19th July, 1954.

Dear Friend,

Events in the recent weeks have established as never before, if confirmation was necessary, that our country, South Africa, is rapidly being led towards blatant fascist rule.

The invasion of peaceful meetings and conferences armed police and the taking down of names of delegates; the illegal entry of C.I.D. at the S.A.I.C. conference; the arrest of individuals at their own homes under the charges of 'Attending gatherings'; the general reign of terror that has been let loose are all part of the pattern familiar to all

Germany 1933, South Africa 1954, the same ideology, the same methods, the similar group of desperate rascals waging a desperate battle to perpetuate all the evil terror that accompanies fascism.

But if events in our country are to run true to the pattern of Germany 1933, then there are also the glorious pages from the history books of the peoples' struggle that should hearten and instil confidence in our oppressed masses. The fate of tyranny in Nazi Germany invariably awaits the tyrants of our land. Make no mistake about it. The increasing oppression in South Africa are the acts of frightened little men, the objective condition existing in South Africa weigh far more heavily on the side of the people than they did in Germany. Whereas Hitler could boast of some measure of support

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L.S. ...
To ...
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from the masses of Germany, our puny Malan with the astensible support of some three to four million whites on the whole continent of Africa is trying to enslave a hundred and fifty million black people. Then our struggle in South Africa enjoys the unstinted support of a thousand million awakened masses of Asia who ~~are~~ overthrown and who are struggling heroically to eradicate the last patches of imperialist rule. Asia accounts for well over half of the world's population. And our source of support does not end in Asia. In the non-Asian world, indeed in the very citadels of imperialist rule, we enjoy the backing of the masses of the people. Whereas the German democrats of the 'thirties could rely on the undaunted moral and other support of almost those countries where the people took power. Today we have the support of many more countries of the many new People's Democracies which have been born since the end of the Second World War.

The people everywhere are on the march. Imperialists, racialists, and oppressors are being driven more and more into ever fast dwindling areas of the world. This is no time to be despondant. This is no time to be complacent. Let us be up and doing, let us help to knock that one last nail in the coffin and then bury evil once and for all time.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Our annual General Meeting was held on the 13th June, 1954 at the Congress Hall. The meeting was well attended by young people from all walks of life. A tremendous applause greeted our chairman, Mr R.H. Desai, (who had just received a notice from the Minister of Justice, Mr C.R. Swart, banning him from 28 organisations, including the Transvaal Indian Youth Congress, not to become a member or office bearer of the organisations and not to take part in their activities and also prohibiting him from attending any gatherings for a period of two years.) When he said, "No amount of bannings, no amount of intimidation, and no amount of oppression will deter the peoples' onward march to human freedom and dignity".

Although comrade Desai has been banned by Swart, the youth has faith in his leadership and therefore was re-elected chairman of the Youth Congress.

The secretarial report which dealt with local and international situations were presented and adopted.

Resolutions on peace, South African and Youth were unanimously passed.

After discussing the achievements and failures of the Youth Congress, it was decided that we embark on a campaign to further strengthen the Youth Congress.

ACTIVITIES OF THE YOUTH CONGRESS.

1. Short-hand and Typing Classes.

Classes in these courses have already been started, and a large number of youth are attending, although very few Indian youth are attending we appeal to all members to take this opportunity and learn a worthy occupation. The classes are run free of charge, on Tuesdays at 5.30 p.m. short-hand and typing on Thursdays and Saturdays at 5.30 p.m. and 12 noon respectively. Join immediately. Ask your friends who would be interested to come along

2. Pen-friend Club.

A club has been started for the pen-pal fans. We have a large list of names from all parts of the world and South Africa, these people have an interest in different aspects of life and hobbies. This might interest you.

3. Study Classes.

Classes are being organised in the following subjects:

History: The history class is organised in conjunction with the Youth Forum and authorities on this subject are delivering lectures. You young historians join the class.

Mathematics: For our young mathematicians a class will be started as soon as we have enough people to start with so ask your friends to come along.

4. Table-tennis and Tennis.

All those who have a great desire for sports, will be very pleased to learn that the table-tennis and a tennis club is being formed. A ping-pong table will be again in our office soon and as soon as a tennis court is available, you will be able to enjoy a game of tennis. We appeal to members to contact the secretary if they can help in the matter.

5. Literature and Music.

All those interested in reading good books should contact the secretary. For those people who are interested in singing, a choir has been formed known as the 'Peoples Choir' which they will be able to join with pleasure. The Peoples Choir sings both local and international songs (Italian German, Chinese, Russian, African and Indian songs) of peace, freedom and folk songs. We need a lot of girls for the choir so you young singers join the choir.

6. Branches.

All branches will be revived and the West Branch (Fordsburg and Vrededorp) will be having a very interesting activity on Friday the 23rd July, 1954 at the Madressa Hall, 77 Mint Road, Fordsburg. Refreshments will be served and a beautiful badge will be donated. Come along, you might win the badge, come along.

S.A.I.C. CONFERENCE.

The 21st Conference of the South African Indian Congress was held in Durban on the 9th, 10th and 11th July, 1954. Conference re-affirmed its policy to fight for full democratic rights of the non-European people and to fight the Government tooth and nail. Conference also decided to make the Congress of the People a great success.

WESTERN AREAS REMOVAL SCHEME.

The Government's intension of removing the 58,000 people of Sophiatown, Martindale, Newclare and Western Native Township is the greatest threat to the non-European people of South Africa. This inhuman and unjust Act is being fought tooth and nail by all freedom-loving people of South Africa lead by the Congresses. If we allow them to remove the 58,000 people from the Western Areas then we are a doomed people. It is your duty to see that the homeless are given homes and not the deprivation of the home.

MASS CONFERENCE ON JULY 25TH.

In order to discuss fully the plans for the Congress of the People, a mass Conference is being called on Sunday the 25th July, 1954 at the Trades Hall, 30 Kerk Street. You are asked to come to this mass conference and play your part in making the Congress of the People a great success.

CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLE.

The African National Congress, South African Indian Congress, South African Coloured Peoples' Organisation, and the South African Congress of Democrats have decided to organise a great assembly of the people of South Africa. CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLE, where people from all organisations, including the United and Nationalist Parties together with other social, cultural, religious and political organisations have been invited to take part in this great assembly and draw up a CHARTER OF FREEDOM. This Congress of the People will be the most important activity in the history of South Africa since the great and historic Defiance Campaign of 1952.

On pages 6 and 7 we publish the historic call to the people of South Africa for the Congress of the people.

We call on the people of South Africa - Black and White
LET US SPEAK TOGETHER OF FREEDOM!

We call the farmers of the reserves and the trust lands.

Let us speak of the wide land and the narrow strips on which we toil.

Let us speak of brothers without land, and of children without schooling.

Let us speak of taxes and of cattle, and of famine.

LET US SPEAK OF FREEDOM.

We call on the miners of coal, gold and diamonds.

Let us speak of the dark shafts, and the cold compounds far from our families.

Let us speak of heavy labour and long hours, and of men sent home to die.

Let us speak of rich masters and poor wages.

LET US SPEAK OF FREEDOM.

We call the workers of farms and forests.

Let us speak of the rich foods we grow, and the laws that keep us poor.

Let us speak of harsh treatment and of children and women forced to work.

Let us speak of private prisons, and beatings and of passes.

LET US SPEAK OF FREEDOM.

We call the workers of factories and shops.

Let us speak of the good things we make and the bad conditions of our work.

Let us speak of the many passes and the few jobs.

Let us speak of the foreman and of transport and of trade unions; of holidays and of houses.

LET US SPEAK OF FREEDOM.

We call on teachers, students and preachers.

Let us speak of the light that comes with learning, and the ways we are kept in darkness.

Let us speak of the great services we can render, and of the narrow ways that are open to us.

Let us speak of the laws and the Government and rights.

LET US SPEAK OF FREEDOM.

We call the housewives and the mothers.

Let us speak of the fine children we bear and the stunted lives.

Let us speak of the many illnesses and death, and of these clinics and schools.

Let us speak of high prices and of shanty towns.

LET US SPEAK OF FREEDOM.

LET US SPEAK TOGETHER.

All of us together -

African and European, Indian and Coloured, Voter and the voteless. Privileged and the rightless. The happy and the homeless. All the people of South Africa; of the towns and of the countryside.

Let us speak together of freedom.

And of the happiness that can come to man and woman if they live in a land that is free.

Let us speak together of freedom.

And of how to get it for ourselves and our children.

LET THE VOICE OF ALL THE PEOPLE BE HEARD AND
LET THE DEMANDS OF ALL THE PEOPLE FOR THE
THINGS THAT WILL MAKE US FREE BE RECORDED. LET
THE DEMANDS BE GATHERED TOGETHER IN A GREAT
CHARTER OF FREEDOM.

We call all good men and true.

To speak now of freedom, and to write their own demands into the charter of freedom.

We call all who love liberty.

to pledge their lives from here on to win the freedom set out in the Freedom Charter.

We call the people of South Africa.

To prepare for the CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLE, where representatives of the people, everywhere in the land will meet together in a great assembly, to discuss and adopt the CHARTER OF FREEDOM.

LET US GO FORWARDS TOGETHER TO FREEDOM.

AN APPEAL FROM THE TRANSVAAL PEACE COUNCIL.

Peace, the most vital factor concerning humanity today, is foremost in the minds of the people, who are seeking freedom and liberty, yet omens of war frequently cloud the horizon, bringing despair and fear to the people. It is therefore the duty of every peace-loving individual to campaign against war, history has confirmed that only peace is possible if the people take it in their own hands, if people oppose war with all their might; no government, however powerful, can commit itself to war.

The Transvaal Peace Council appeals to all supporters to :-

- Form peace committees in your area
- Distribute leaflets
- Arrange film shows
- Call house meetings
- Invite speakers from the Peace Council-
to address your meetings
- Raise funds for publicity

For further information about the Transvaal Peace Council
Write to:-

Secretary,
Transvaal Peace Council,
3b Somerset House,
110 Fox Street,
Johannesburg.

YOUTH ACTION COMMITTEE.

A few weeks ago a historic gathering of youth took place at Port Elizabeth, representatives from the South African Indian Youth Congress, African National Congress, Youth League, Congress of Democrats Youth, and the Students Liberal Association met to discuss the co-ordination of youth work in South Africa.

A Youth Action Committee with representatives from the major national youth organisations has been set up with headquarters in Johannesburg.

The Committee has been given elaborate instructions to devise ways and means of further developing the youth movement in this country. It is expected that some decision will be announced in the near future.

SPEND YOUR FRIDAY EVENING WITH THE T.I.Y.C. WEST BRANCH.

THIS WEEK

GRAND SOCIAL

INDO-CHINA EVENING

Friday 23rd July, 1954.

at the Kholvad Madressa Hall, 77 Mint Road,
at 7.30 p.m.

FREE REFRESHMENTS.

PRIZES AND COMPETITIONS.

PROMINENT SPEAKER ON VEITNAM.

LUTULI CALLS FOR 50,000 FREEDOM VOLUNTEERS.

Chief Lutuli's call for 50,000 volunteers to campaign for the Congress of the People and against the Western Areas Scheme, was made at a meeting of over 20,000 people held at Uitenhage.

It is the duty of the youth of South Africa to answer this call immediately and pledge themselves to make the forthcoming Congress of the People the greatest assembly of the people of South Africa.

Already over 3,000 have volunteered in the Transvaal. The Transvaal Indian Youth Congress calls upon all young Indians to volunteer without further hesitation.

SOUTH AFRICA'S WAY FORWARD.

Every member of the Youth Congress must make it his or her duty to obtain and study very carefully the pamphlet 'South Africa's Way Forward' written by Mr Moses Kotane, banned executive committee member of the African National Congress and South Africa's foremost statesman and theoretician, the pamphlet provides the most brilliant analyses of the political situation.

READ PROGRESSIVE LITERATURE.

Advance. This South African people's weekly brings news about the Congresses. Read the Advance every week. The Advance needs your support - donate freely.

'Where the Devil Drives'

pamphlet on the Western Areas Removal Scheme issued by the Congress of Democrats

This is a pamphlet which should be read by every members of the Indian community.

Life is More Joyous.

Read Brian Bunting's report on his tour to the Soviet Union. This is the first publication of its kind dealing with the educational cultural and industrial life of the Russian people.

Fighting Talk.

This is one of the few journals four-square behind the Congresses. It has articles on politics, matters dealing with plays, films and science, written by prominent South Africans.

It also invites, poems, articles and short-stories of interest from readers.

THERE IS WORK TO BE DONE.

FOR THE CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLE.

Young people gather every afternoon at the Congress offices to make their contribution towards the Congress of the People. What are you doing to make this great assembly of the people a great success? Come along to our office in your spare time and help us in achieving this great aim.

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EDITORIAL.

" I AM NOT INTERESTED IN POLITICS."

"I am not interested in politics;"

"Why should I join the Youth Congress?"

"I'd rather go to a match or to a dance or cinema than attend a meeting."

These are the attitudes we constantly come up against when we meet young people and try to interest them in the Youth Congress.

Without hesitation let us declare that such ideas are false as much as they are unrealistic. We believe that such statements are hastily made without much consideration or thought.

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The Indian Youth Congress/ not because it is nice to have such an organisation; not because its members derive

any material benefit from its existence; our organisation is there because it is forced to be there - it is there as a necessity brought about by the ever-deteriorating conditions of the young peoples in our country. Our organisation exist as the guardian of the meagre rights that are still ours as young people; it is there to further the rights, to foster all that is good in the field of culture and sport and to protect our young people from the many evils to which they are in constant danger of falling prey.

While we are unreservedly pledged to support, assist and strengthen the South African Indian Congress, we are by no means a junior Congress with activities confined to politics. We are young people, we know and work amongst young people. We know that our youth like all other youth, want to laugh and dance and sing and play. They do not want their youth to be disturbed by the responsibilities and interest that go with age.

But then, we are living under abnormal conditions in an abnormal country. Where are the opportunities for youth to lead happy and carefree lives and to develop their talents to the fullest? Where are the schools for the thousands of our young people? Where are the jobs where young people are accepted and provided facilities free of racial discrimination? Where are the libraries, the theatres, the museums for our cultural needs, where are the sport fields, and parks for our millions whose talents are wasted kicking jam tins in the streets?

In short, where is the beauty of youth for us? The non-White people grow old before they know what it is to be young.

Yes, some of us seem selfishly content because we are of the fortunate few who do enjoy some facilities. But for how much longer will we bask in this false security? The Group Areas Act together with similar other inhuman measures threatens to snatch away all these.

There is not one single aspect that is unaffected by politics. And the sooner our youth realise this and decide to do something about it, the better.

We say, that in the Transvaal Indian Youth Congress, there is a place for everybody. We have a programme that is of interest to everybody. We want to develop it to strengthen it, to reach new groups of young people but we need your help. We appeal to you:-

"Ponder over these questions, turn them over into your minds and come and join us in our crusade to build a happy future for our country - South Africa".

STT BACK FOR WAR-MONGERS

The pen is mightier than the H-Bomb.

Once again we have ample evidence through discussions and negotiations, governments with political differences, can get together to solve the urgent need for peace and security without having to dangle threats of nuclear weapons and nabaal bombs.

The success of the Geneva conference in bringing about peace in Indo-China has heightened the hopes of the peoples struggling for peace and happiness, throughout the world.

The participation of the People's Republic of China at the Geneva Conference once again demonstrates the urgent need for People's China's admission to the United Nations Organisation, instead of Chang Kai Shek's bankrupt Nationalist Government hiding on the island of Formosa. (Taiwan).

Frit Dulles, enter Chou En Lai.

Atom maniac Dulles thought he was smart by only going as far as Paris for the Geneva talks and from there, hoped through robot control, bully and intimidate those settling outstanding differences. But WAR GOD DULLES, "A LA VIOLENCE POTAGE" turned sour, and how? China's Chou En Lai's mere presence in Geneva hit the bottom out of Dulles.

So Dulles goes home a complete mad-man (the only thing now left for Dulles is to jump from a sky scraper like the former Secretary for State for War, Mr Forestal) and China's leader, Chou En Lai returns triumphant man, stopping to pick up roses and good wishes for his country in Europe, India and Burma.

If the gum-chewing yankee henchmen of Wall Street think of continuing their war plans, they are mistaken. The mighty upsurge for peace and freedom in the Americas, Africa, Europe and elsewhere will not them continue in their efforts to start another war. In fact so powerful is the peace movement that if the partisans of the world peace movement were only to throw their peace badges at the enemy it will flood them.

Seating the daily Press.

The press on Wednesday the 12th August was a pleasant change. The head-lines tell the stories: "Attlee dines with Malenkov" - "British Parliament accepts Soviet invitation" (a proposed visit to the Soviet Union) - "Upsurge of Nazism made me leave West - Dr Otto John" Dr John now works for peace in East Germany.

Our Task in the Peace and Liberatory Movements.

In order to help bring peace and freedom to our brothers and sisters struggling in Kenya, Malaya, British Guana and elsewhere as well as for ourselves, it is most important that we intensify our work in the local Congress and peace branches.

How Does this help.

By arousing the people to strive for complete political rights we weaken the oppressive machinery of the Nationalist ruling class in our country; this in turn weakens the machinery of international imperialism which maintains the brutal hold on, and keeps the oppressed people in subjugation.

The fight for peace is a fight against imperialism and oppression as a whole. Therefore OUR fight for peace and freedom is a fight against imperialism and oppression. Peace and Freedom are interlinked.

THERE CAN BE NO FREEDOM WITHOUT PEACE AND
THERE CAN BE NO PEACE WITHOUT FREEDOM.

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QUOTATION OF THE MONTH.

The infinite personality of man
(as the Upanishads say) can only
come from the magnificent harmony
of all human races."

RABINDRANATH TAGORE.

BRANCHES.

We announce with a feeling of great success, the formation of two new branches in the areas of Jeppe and Newlands.

NEWLANDS.

One could easily detect the inner feelings and aspirations of the young people in that area, when they met to form a Branch of the Youth Congress.

It was decided at the meeting that the main purpose of the Branch would be to uplift the educational, cultural and political standards of the youth in that area and to play their full part in the struggle for freedom.

JEPPE.

A very enthusiastic young student from the university of the Witwatersrand finally came to the conclusion that the only useful way to spend his spare hours was to help his fellow beings by participating in the noble struggle for freedom.

Together with other friends, he called a meeting of the youth in Jeppe to form a Branch of our Youth Congress. The meeting was successful and a Branch was formed.

WEST BRANCH.

Our West Branch reminds one of an old saying 'A cat has nine lives'. This veteran Branch is like a cat. It is revived every year and dies after some time. A few weeks ago it was revived and after a function or two it seems to be in the process of dying. The Branch must be reminded that the cat died after the ninth rebirth. and a similar thing may happen to them. We hope they realise

BULLETS OF THE STRUGGLE.

All members are requested to make further efforts to publicise and sell 'ADVANCE' and 'FIGHTING TALK' for these are our bullets in the fight against Malan.

If you do not already read Advance and Fighting Talk please do so.

The news and views you will find in these papers cannot be found in our daily press and even if you hope to be thoroughly versed with what is happening both here and in the outside world, you must read these organs of the National liberatory movement.

At present, when through the caprice of Swart, our leaders and active members in the liberatory movement are being banned every day, these papers provide a medium of contact between you and those gallant men.

Buy, read, sell and advertise Advance, Fighting Talk and liberation - the bullets of the people.

E.J.

BROTHERHOOD.

While there is a lower class I am in it. While
there is a criminal class I am in it. While
there is a soul in prison I am not free.

Eugene V. Debs - Labour and Freedom.

BREAD & BLOOD.

Oh, God! that bread should be so dear,
and flesh and Blood so cheap!
Hood - The song of the shirt.

CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLE.

Tasks of Freedom Volunteers.

Chief A.J. Luthali, president-General of the African National Congress has called for 50,000 Freedom Volunteers for the Congress of the People. Many thousands, in different parts of South Africa have already volunteered. Many more are daily volunteering.

Coming so soon, when the tasks of the heroic Defiance Volunteers are still fresh in the minds of the people there is bound to be an amount of misunderstanding as to the tasks of the Freedom Volunteers. And, if their desperate attempts to discredit and disrupt the movement, the enemies of the Congress of the people will deliberately spread lies and distort the real meaning of this great movement.

Firstly it must be made quite clear that while the Congress of the People might have come about as a result of the radically changed political situation caused by the Defiance Campaign the present campaign is NOT the continuation of the Defiance Campaign.

We realise that the entire political situation in South Africa is changed today. We have to meet it with changed tactics and changed methods. And therefore the tasks of the Freedom Volunteers will be quite different to those of the Defiance Campaign. The word, "Volunteer" is retained firstly because it has become a word of honour in our struggle for freedom and secondly though they will have different tasks and duties, the freedom volunteers will be volunteers nevertheless in the same struggle.

Now, what are the tasks of the Freedom Volunteers?

It is difficult to enumerate all the tasks that Freedom volunteers will be expected to carry out. But if one were to simply ask what their tasks will be, one can say will be the 'Shock-brigade' of our non-violent army of freedom.

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They will be the active organisers against the Nationalist menace. They will go from house to house, street to street, to the factories and farms, to schools and mines, to meetings, parties, weddings, everywhere where there are people. and they will be expected to carry the message of the conveying of the Congress of the People, to gain support for it and to recruit volunteers.

They will carry the message of light and truth to areas and to people who have been kept for years and years in deliberate darkness and ignorance. They will educate the masses of the Bantu Education Act, The Group Areas Act, the Native Resettlement Act, the Native Labour (Settlement of Disputes) Act and about every other Act that is insulting to our dignity as human beings and that aims to maintain the the jackboot of oppression on our backs till eternity.

They will speak to people, study their conditions, make careful note of their grievances and demands and ensure that the minutes of these are conveyed to the organisers so that they could be expressed in the charter of Freedom.

They will bear in mind all the time that their foremost aim in carrying out their tasks as volunteers will be to strengthen the National Organisations of which they are members.

They will ensure that by their work, propaganda and careful explanation they will educate the masses sufficiently not to be provoked into violence that will be deliberately attempted by the authorities.

Freedom volunteers will carry out their tasks with courage, discipline and utmost devotion, with the realisation that their tasks will end only when our country, South Africa is free from the oppression and bondage under which it has suffered for so long.

A.M.K.

PEN - PALS.

Here are a few names and addresses of organisations to which our members can write for pen-friends.

These are but a few, we have a long list, write to us

Comitato Italiano per il
IV Festival Mondial della
Gioventu e degli Studenti,
per la Pace e l'Amicizia.
Via Vittorio Collona 18 Roma,
ITALY.

Den Norsk, Festivakomite,
Torggt 14,
Oslo,
NORWAY.

BOOKS AT 5/6.

Do you want to receive books at 5/6 each ?
You can join a new Book Club recently established
in England and receive books covering a wide range of
subjects and written by prominent authors. For instance
among the books already published are

'The Passion of Sacco and Vanzetti'
by Howard Fast, (Pub. price 12/6, Book Club
price 5/6),

'Through the Chinese Revolution' Etc, etc.

For more details write to us.

"I prefer the most unfair peace
to the most righteous war."

CICERO.

that this is perhaps their last life and that with continued efforts and struggles they will never die until the bright sun of freedom shines throughout South Africa. Long live the West Branch.

CENTRAL BRANCH.

A serious criticism is to be levelled against this Branch. Although the leading members of the Executive are in this area this Branch has been defunct for the past two years. It had a short span of life at the beginning of 1951 and that was about all. Therefore, the Branch must be made active again immediately, and should give a lead to the other Branches and not set a bad example.

Joint activities of the Branches will be held soon and if there are any suggestions, to be made, please contact the Secretaries.

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Speaker: "Forward to Freedom"

Heckler: "Forward to Hell"

Speaker: "That's right everybody should stand up for his idea".

WOMEN IN OUR ORGANISATION.

TIME and again it has been emphasised from our official platform and also from the general membership the need for embracing young women into the ranks of our Youth Congress. So far the results of our drives show a complete failure on this aspect of our work. The causes of our failures are threefold:-

1. The Youth Congress has taken decisions on this question that have never gone further than the resolution stage.
2. Many of our homes are still run on the strict Indian orthodox pattern which allow very little freedom to the womenfolk.
3. The more westernised Indian women have developed 'other interests'. I wish to make a few comments on the last point.

Too many of these young ladies have become Americanised. They spend most of their time memorising the sentimental thrashy songs that come out of the Springbok radio all day long. Their reading consists of nothing but droopy love stories out of 'Oracles', and 'Miracles'. Then there are others who have been edicted to rubber - they call it chewing gum. We also have the other group who think of nothing else but to parade up and down Central Road on a Saturday afternoon and impress the host of Tony Curtess that we have around town.

We are no puritans in the Transvaal Indian Youth Congress, but I wish to point out that our organisation can fulfil the needs of these young ladies on a very much higher plane whether it be politically, socially, or culturally. I make no apologies for the rather biting comments because I believe that these are more important

things in life that we have to concern ourselves with.

When I speak of more important things in life I am reminded of young women like Kalpana Datt and Kirawthy who took part in the famous armoury raid of Chittagong, India, in 1932. The deeds of these young women set the imagination of the Indian people on fire. Kirawthy (18 years) led an armed raid on the British officers club. She was seriously wounded in the breast and in order not to jeopardise the plane of action of her comrades she took potassium cyanide and died on the spot. Kalpana was sentenced to eight years imprisonment because of the nation-wide protest of the Indian people and such personalities as Gandhi and the famous poet Tagore, Kalpana was free after serving a number of years. Today Miss Datt stands in the fore-front of the left-wing movement in India. Who can forget such great young women patriots? Who can forget Raymond Dien who chained herself across a railway line in France in order to stop a train carrying arms for the dirty war in Indo-China? Today, we oppressed people salute this gallant young lady who contributed more than her share to stop the French imperialists in Indo-China. TODAY AFTER SEVEN YEARS OF BLOOD-THIRSTY SLAUGHTER THERE IS PEACE IN INDO-CHI NA.

Sisters, we know it is difficult to imitate this great deeds, and it is not for us to place any exacting demand on you. All we ask is that you join your brothers in the noble struggle our people have committed themselves to. All we ask is you spare ^{some time} in the service to the cause of humanity. go out among your girl-friends and break the social and so called religious barriers that has kept us apart. Smash the customs that bind you to an inferior position in your homes. Above all, stand up boldly and show the Malan regime that within the Youth Congress there are great young women who can inspire our people to revolt against misery and degradation.

Sister, when you have read this and you have still not made up your mind, ponder a little further over these great words of Passionare, Spain's greatest women leader:-

" 'Tis better to die fighting on your feet
than to live on your knees!"

JOIN THE YOUTH CONGRESS NOW AND LET US MARCH FORWARD
TOGETHER TO THE GREAT CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLE.

AFRIKA!

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"Shabaan Kader"

NOTE: The views expressed in articles appearing herein are not necessarily the policy and opinion of the Transvaal Indian Youth Congress. We welcome comments and criticism from members and readers.

Elizabeth Flynn, the outstanding labour leader of America tells in her autobiography of the famous Maude Malne; who championed for equal status for women, spoke at a street corner meeting, when she was heckled, "How would you like to be a man?"

Back came a reply from Maude Malne, "Not much, how would you,"

DR DADOO'S BIRTHDAY.

On the 5th September, 1954 Dr Dadoo will be 45 years old. Non-White South Africa - together with the steadily growing white democrats will join together in happiness and rejoicing; for we will be celebrating the birthday of one whose name has become a symbol of hope and progress for South Africa.

The nationalist Government has succeeded in banning him from active political life but they have not and will never stop or curb the great love and confidence that the masses of South Africa have for their leader.

Already messages of greetings have been pouring in from all over the country. Every youth Congress member must see to it that he or she send a message.

PICNIC.

We believe that arrangements are already under way to organise a one-day picnic on the occasion of Dr Dadoo's birthday. Watch out for details. The executive Committee of the Transvaal Indian Youth Congress has pledged to enrol hundred new Indian youth "Freedom Volunteers" to work for the Congress of the People on the occasion of Dr Dadoo's birthday.

The executive feels that this will be the best way of paying tribute to their beloved leader. It will also provide an excellent opportunity for the Youth Congress Branches to enter into friendly competitions to enrol the largest number of volunteers.

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