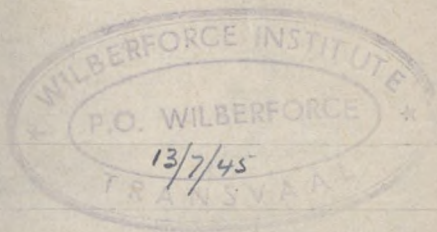


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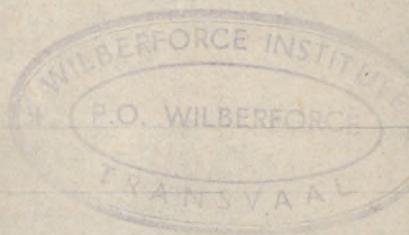


The President-General,
The African National Congress,
104 End Street,
Johannesburg.

Dear Sir,

Re Letaba Branch, African National
Congress.

According to the Native Commissioner's report, the Organiser of the above branch has not worked in accordance with the Constitution of the Congress as far as funds are concerned. He must be made to pay misused moneys to those concerned. The "train-fares," "allowances" of £5 must all be refunded and the financial position be straightened out or the man must go to jail.



We cannot afford to have our people's moneys misused and our Congress discredited. The authorities, Native Commissioners etc, must not be made to regard Congress branch organisers and officials as birds of prey out to live on the people's hard-earned money. The man must be made to straighten out the financial position or suffer as all criminals.

We may get the cooperation of the Diivelskloof Native Commission in the recovery of the money.

Yours in Africa's service
J. Nkomo.

ABX. 950714

NATIONAL ANTI-PASS COUNCIL (WORKING COMMITTEE)

P.O. Box 5569,
JOHANNESBURG.
14th July, 1945.

Anti-pass Campaign

Sir/Madam,

You are strongly reminded that a meeting of the above will be held on Tuesday 17th inst., at 5 P.M. at the Offices of the African National Congress, 58, Market Street Johannesburg.

A G E N D A :-

1. Minutes.
2. Correspondence.
3. Deputation to see Prime Minister.
4. Co-option of new members.
5. GENERAL.

D.W. BOPAPE.
HON. SECRETARY.



Dr. A.B. Xuma,
104, End Street,
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16th July, 1945. 194

Speaker:
R. V. SELOPE-THEMA, M.R.C.,
14, Perth Road, Westdene,
Johannesburg.

Dear Sir,

Deputy Speaker:
Mr. S. MAC. LEPOLESA,
637, Batho Location,
Bloemfontein.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Senior Chaplain:
Rev. Z. R. MAHABANE,
Kroonstad, O.F.S.

I have been instructed by The President General, Dr A. B. Xuma, to notify you that a meeting of the Working Committee, of the National Executive, of the African National Congress, will be held at Congress Offices, Rosenberg Arcade, 58 Market Street, Johannesburg, on the 23rd July, 1945, at 11 a.m.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

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P.O. Wilberforce,
Evaton, Transvaal.
Mr. SAM SESEDI,
716, Makenne Street,
Off Barkley Road,
Kimberley.

1. Minutes.
2. Arising out of minutes.
3. Mr. Thomas Masethe (Letaba).
4. Mr. Molepo's appeal
Heidelberg appeal
5. General Business. ← *Payments*

Yours for the cause,

D. Flood
Secretary Bookkeeper.

5400-5600

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Copy of letter to Professor Jabavu, P.O. MIDDLEDRIFT, C.P.
received on the 16th August 1945, from
Mr Peter Abrahams
98, King Henrys Road, LONDON, N.W.3., 16th July, 1945
PAN-AFRICAN CONGRESS.

Dear Professor Jabavu,

A provisional Committee has recently been formed here to convene a Pan-African Congress in Britain in the latter part of September or early October, 1945. Dr Du Bois of America is also associated with it and will probably lead the American delegation to the congress. I, as joint international secretary with Mr George Padmore, have been instructed to establish links with South Africa. I would like you, therefore, to treat this letter as an official invitation to the Congress. In relation to South Africa we are faced with a number of difficulties, and I thought you might be the best person to contact. We have not got the addresses of the various organisations like the All-African Congress and All-African Convention and the Non-European United Front, and the time element is rather against us, so I wonder if you would use your influence to arrange for these groups to send a delegation and to associate themselves with the Congress. I would particularly like South Africa to be associated in the calling of this Congress. If, however, there is any difficulty in getting a delegation out of the country, and the various groups are in agreement with the Congress, I would suggest that you mandate South Africans already in this country and send to them matters that you would like to have raised at the Congress. Unfortunately the only South Africans I have contact with at present here are your daughter, Mr Mark Hlubi, and myself.

I had intended writing to Dr A.B. Xuma but cannot get hold of his address. A friend, Mr Vil-Nkomo has sent me the address of Mr D.W. Bopape who is Transvaal Secretary of the Congress, so I am dropping him a line and telling him that I have written to you. I also have the address of Mr David Gosani, Secretary of the Non-European Trade Union Council, Johannesburg, and I will drop him a line as well. I will ask them both to get in touch with you.

I realise that this is a rather unconventional manner to deal with the matter, but no other way seems open to us, and as we want this to be a truly representative Congress of all the African peoples, we hope you will waive the irregularity in this instance.

We have chosen our date for the Congress to coincide with the ending of the World Trade Union Conference so that the African Labour leaders who had been at the Conference would be able to attend our Congress.

The sponsoring organisations to date are: Pan-African Federation; The League of Coloured Peoples; The West African Students Union. I should like one or more of the South African organisations to be included among the sponsors.

We have a very wide provisional agenda which I am posting to you separately. We hope also to have fraternal delegates from other Colonial areas and groups of subject peoples - India, Burma, Ceylon, Malaya, etc., as well as British Labour, Trade Union, and other progressive fraternal observers.

I hope you would kindly get in touch with the various groups and discuss this matter as well as any other matters you may wish to raise, and let me know what decisions have been arrived at so that I can put it before my committee as soon as possible.

I shall keep you informed of any further arrangements and developments and shall hope to hear from you as soon as it is possible. With warmest greetings, yours sincerely, P.A."

(The provisional agenda merely says Reports, Discussion, Resolutions, covering 8 days, on questions educational, political, etc.).

for African National Congress
from D.P. Jabavu
Middledrift, 16/8/45.

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98, King Henrys Road,
LONDON, N.W.3.



PAN - AFRICAN CONGRESS.

Dear Mr. Bopape,

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In relation to South Africa we are faced with a number of difficulties as I did not know the addresses of the various organisations and groups and I did not even know your address until my friend Mr. Vil Nkomo passed it to me. I therefore decide to write to Professor Jabavu who is, as you know, one of our most leading wellknown South Africans. I would have liked to have written to Dr. Xuma as well, but did not have his address. I explained the position to Professor Jabavu, and asked him to get in touch with the various organisations in South Africa, pointing out to them that this Congress was going to be held in London and trying to arrange for a delegation from South Africa to be represented. I hope you will forgive my taking this procedure of contacting an individual but that was the best I could do. Perhaps you will get in touch with Professor Jabavu at Fort Hare and discuss the matter with him, and perhaps you would also put it before your Committee.

I feel it is most important that South Africa should be represented at this Congress, not only because all the other African peoples will be represented there, but because of what the Congress in itself can do to help improve conditions.

Up to now, there is no South African organisation among the bodies sponsoring the Congress. I would very much like to see the name of a South African organisation as one of the sponsoring bodies. As I have told Professor Jabavu in my letter, it might not be possible for a delegation from South Africa to get out of the country, in that case, I have suggested that some South African already in this country might be given a mandate to act on behalf of either one or a number of South African organisations.

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With warmest greetings - Yours sincerely,

Peter Abrahams.

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98, King Henry's Road,
LONDON. N.W.3.

PAN -AFRICAN CONGRESS.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA.

(Subject to amendment and alteration at the discretion of the Standing Orders Committee).

The sponsoring organisations at a preliminary meeting held in Manchester on June, 17, 1945 have agreed upon the following agenda for the Congress.

The Congress shall be held over a period of eight days at the end of September or the beginning of October, 1945 subject to the termination of the forthcoming World Trade Union Conference to be held in Paris. As soon as it is officially announced when the Trade Union Conference is to be held we shall fix our dates and announce them.

- Saturday - Delegates report and various committees assemble.
- Evening: social function.
- Sunday - Official luncheon.
- Evening: public meeting.
- Monday - First session: Reports and discussion on West Africa
- Second session: Reports and discussion on South Africa.
- Tuesday - First session: Reports and discussion on East Africa.
- Second session: Resolutions on Africa.
- Wednesday - First session: Reports and discussion on West Indies.
- Second session: Further reports and discussion on West Indies.
- Evening: Social.
- Thursday - First session: Resolutions on West Indies.
- second session: Reports and discussion on Negro problems in North, South and Central America.
- Friday - First session: Resolutions on Negro problem in North South and Central America.
- Saturday - First session: General summing up and decisions.
- Afternoon: Special session on of Congress committees and commissions.
- Evening: Social function.

Experts on the various territories will be asked to draw up reports on them and to act as reporters. These reports will be supplemented by reports from the delegates from the various countries concerned. Resolutions presented to the Congress will reflect the problems of the countries as well as specific questions like education, trade unions, public health, political and constitutional reforms, civil liberties, etc., etc..

Peter Abrahams.

ABX. 4507/7a 17/7/45

BANTU WELFARE TRUST

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE BANTU WELFARE TRUST, HELD IN COLONEL J. DONALDSON'S OFFICE, A.B.C. CHAMBERS, SIMMONDS STREET, JOHANNESBURG, ON TUESDAY, JULY 17TH, 1945, COMMENCING AT 10 A.M.

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PRESENT : Lt. Colonel J. Donaldson, D.S.O., (Chairman), Messrs. C.H.R. Edmunds and J.D. Rheinallt Jones.

APOLOGIES : were received from - Hon. Jan H Hofmeyr, M.P. and Dr. A.B. Xuma.

MINUTES :

Minutes of Meeting held on 12th June, 1945, already circulated were confirmed and signed.

1. * DONALDSON'S ORLANDO COMMUNITY CENTRE :

(a) Constitution : The meeting approved of an amendment to Clause 4 (a) as recommended by the Trustees of the Centre.

(b) Grants from Dept. of Social Welfare : Mr. Jones reported that he was waiting for the return of the Secretary for Social Welfare from leave to ascertain from him the basis of the grants for capital and running expenditure.

NOTED.

(c) It was reported that the Town Clerk, Johannesburg had drafted a minute providing for the undertaking asked for by the Department of Social Welfare in respect of the refund of the capital grant should the building not continue to be used for the purposes of the Centre.

NOTED.

2. TRUSTEE - BANTU WELFARE TRUST: Appointment of Dr. Ray E. Phillips:

Dr. Phillips' acceptance was noted.

As Dr. Phillips is shortly to leave for the United States of America on a holiday visit, it was agreed -

that it be suggested to Dr. Phillips that Mr. O.B. Bull, who is to act as Director of the Jan Hofmeyr school during his absence, be asked to act as Dr. Phillips' alternate on the Board of Trustees until the latter return in January 1946.

3. EDUCATIONAL GRANTS :

With reference to the proposal agreed to at the previous meeting that the S.A. Native College be asked to consider all applications from individuals for assistance to continue their education; and to make recommendations thereon, the funds available to be limited to £250 p.a. in addition to the £500 now granted to the College, the following reply from Principal Kerr, dated 5/7/45 was read :

" We have always considered that we should use part of our grant for the aid of students and as you are aware we have done so since first we began. At the present moment we are aiding students taking advanced or part-time courses at Capetown and Witwatersrand Universities. We have never felt that the sums thus placed at our disposal were sufficient to grant bursaries to students taking regular High School or University Courses especially since the Education Departments in all the Provinces have fairly extensive Bursary Schemes of their own. The Transkei for example spends £750 on bursaries at Fort Hare alone, and the Provinces, with

the exception of the Free State, are fairly liberally supplied.

Needless to say we should be very willing to undertake the expenditure of an additional sum up to £250 and to expend it to the best of our knowledge but I hope the Trustees will realise that the sum at our disposal for this purpose can generally only be used to augment funds derived from other sources or to aid in the purchase of books.

I should say that we are in touch with other bodies granting bursaries and thus are in a position to avoid duplication of resources all too slender for what they have to do.

We shall willingly relieve you of the burden of investigation. "

Principal Kerr's ready response was deeply appreciated and the arrangement was confirmed.

4. ELIZABETH DONALDSON BURSARIES :

It was reported that the four nurses admitted with the aid of these bursaries to the course at the University of the Witwatersrand for the University Diploma in Nursing had failed in the examinations for Part I, and that the following letter, dated 13/7/45, had been received by the Institute of Race Relations from the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine :-

" I have to inform you that at the meeting of the Board of Examiners for Part I. of the examination for the Diploma in Nursing, the Board resolved to inform the South African Institute of Race Relations that the following recommendation will be submitted to the Senate of the University at its forthcoming meeting for approval.

"Non-European Students;

Recommended that the South African Institute of Race Relations be informed that the Board, having considered the results as a whole, is of the opinion that the admission of Non-European students to the Diploma in Nursing course has been premature and that these students should be withdrawn from the course; the Board takes this decision without prejudice to the admission of Non-European students to the course when candidates of adequate quality are forthcoming. "

The information was received with regret and disappointment. After discussion,

- IT WAS AGREED :
- a). to circularise African High Schools drawing attention to the fact that African young women who aimed at entering the nursing profession and rising to responsible positions should first matriculate as the advanced courses in nursing require that standard of education;
 - b). to thank the University for the opportunity offered to the African nurses and for their willingness to admit Non-European students to the Diploma Course when candidates of adequate quality are forthcoming;
 - c). to ask Mr. Rhinault Jones to interview the four nurses to see what could be done to help them to attain to the educational standard required;
 - d). to pay their train fares to their homes and to make a consolation grant of £5 to each;
 - e). to discontinue the four bursaries awarded as from 31/7/45.

5. BUILDING GRANTS TO S.A. NATIVE COLLEGE :

The following letter, dated 2nd July, received from Principal Kerr was read :-

" I have your letter of the 25th June and I wish to express my gratitude to the Trustees of the Santu Welfare Trust for the kind consideration they have given to my application for a grant of £5000 on behalf of Fort Hare. I note that it is suggested that we endeavour to raise an additional £5000 and then apply to the Government for an equivalent grant of £10,000. Though aware of the difficulties besetting any appeal on behalf of a Native College at this time I am willing to adopt the suggestion of the Trust and attempt to raise £5000 on the promise of an equivalent amount from the Trust. There is no doubt but that our building programme could easily employ £20,000. The three projects immediately necessary are the extension of Stewart Hall, the extension of the Women's Hostel and the extension of the Assembly Hall. Meanwhile the Churches are planning extensions of the Men's Hostels so that it would appear that increase of numbers will be possible in the near future. While every effort will be made to raise an equivalent sum before approaching the Government, I hope the Trustees will not allow our minimum requirements to fail of fulfilment should we be unsuccessful in raising the full £5000 in a reasonable time".

IT WAS AGREED : to recommend to the Trustees that the Trust set aside the full £5000 whether or not Principal Kerr succeeds in raising the full £5000 from the public, but that Principal Kerr be not informed of this at the present time.

6. DONALD FRASER HOSPITAL : Loan for Electric Plant:

The Chairman submitted correspondence with Mr. N.S. Erleigh, Chairman of New Union Goldfields, which showed that the electric plant desired for the Hospital was an essential part of the water supply of the Mine and surrounding district with a large African population dependent upon the water supply. The Department of Native Affairs was being urged to acquire the whole equipment.

IT WAS AGREED : that the correspondence be referred to Dr. Aitken:

7. AFRICAN WELFARE NEEDS :

Notes prepared by Mr. Rheinalt Jones detailing the agencies concerned with the welfare of Africans on the Witwatersrand and the nature of their activities had been circulated. As several Trustees were absent -

IT WAS AGREED : to defer consideration of the notes until the next meeting, Mr. Rheinalt Jones to put forward recommendations for action by the Trust.

8. KRUGERSDORP NON-EUROPEAN CHILD WELFARE SOCIETY : Held over.

9. PROPOSED DONALDSON POST-GRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP AND LOAN FUND:

The Chairman submitted correspondence between himself and certain African medical students in which the latter suggested the establishment of a fund to provide scholarships to enable African graduates to specialise in certain directions and to provide loans to assist them in establishing themselves in practice.

Mr. Jones said that discussions were taking place between Mr. Edmunds and himself and certain prominent medical authorities regarding ways in which the Trust might assist in the development

of medical and health services amongst Africans and in the training of the necessary personnel. Also, the Institute of Race Relations had been asked for advice as to the use to which certain regimental funds might be devoted for Native welfare. He advised that no action be taken until Mr. Edmunds and he had reported.

AGREED:

10. WELFARE OF AFRICAN SOLDIERS:

Col. Donaldson reminded the meeting of his promise to donate £1000 for the relief of distressed African ex-soldiers, and said that he had received a letter from Lt. Col. Mackford of the Non-European Army Services making certain suggestions. After discussion,

IT WAS AGREED : that Messrs. Edmunds & Jones discuss matters with Colonels Mackford & Sayer and bring up a report.

INVESTMENTS :

It was reported that on Colonel Donaldson's recommendation the following shares had been purchased :-

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| 500 Carrig Diamonds | @ 23/- |
| 1000 African-European | @ 108/- to 109/- |
| and that another 500 Carrig Diamonds would be bought if they fell to 21/- | |

NOTED.

11. SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH APPEAL :

IT WAS AGREED : to donate £25 (as last year) for the medical work of this Church.

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JDRJ/DAR:
18th July, 1945.

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DR XUMA
THE PRESIDENT GENERAL

THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS

DEAR SIR ,

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter written to Senator Basner by the leaders of the African National Congress North Transvaal Branch & Molepo's Defence Committee which speaks for itself .

We wish you to approve of the action if you think we should not intervene kindly let us know by the return of post .

Please expedite matters by an early reply .

I am , Yours faithfully ,

Isaac Kg Clili

A.M.C.

ASX. 450717c

P. O. BOX 203
PIETERSBURG
17TH JULY 1945

THE SENATOR BASNER
JOHANNESBURG

MLETZIES LAND TROUBLE

DEAR SENATOR ,

We the undersigned wish to submit the following

appeal to you :-

(1) When the Minister of Native Affairs was here in Pietersburg representations were made to him by the Chiefs and Councillors to consult ^{them} in future before deporting any of their subjects .

(2) As you are aware that a big trouble is brewing , and preparations are afoot , orders to remove certain Natives from grazing farms to residential farms , and that the authorities are going to move these Natives by force very soon .

(3) . The Native leaders of the North have interviewed the New Native Commissioner who is sympathetic to the Natives to delay the authorities to allow them to intervene by talking to the Natives who are already made so wild to agree to remove because the Government has agreed to compensate them by paying 30/- per hut and also allow them the choice of the farm to which they may go to . , and also assist them to obtain grass and provide them with transport of thier belongings .

(4) (Chiefs Matlala and Moloto each visited their followers to prevail on them to agree to remove on the above conditions . Chief Matlala was successful to prevail on his followers but Chief Moloto failed to do so on his followers .

APPEAL

To avoid bloodshed , we appeal to you to assist us to prevail on them to agree to the removal . They can fight their battles of more land being on other farms . If you agree to this appeal kindly send Mr Rangata with a letter from ^{you} to these people on or before the 20th instant because the Native Commissioner has given time only to that date .

(2) Our main fear is that if there is bloodshed for we are sure if force is used there will be bloodshed the chances of Mr Molepo's return home will ^{be} hopeless.

(3) We depend entirely on your advice . The Native Commissioner has agreed that we go and hold a meeting with ^{them} before that date . Please let us repeat that our main object is to facilitate Mr Molepo's chances of returning home . He cannot afford to ^{stay} away from his family and property .

Kindly expedite matters by an early reply ,

We are , Yours faithfully ,

- 1. S. D. Phiso
- 2. S. M. Molepo
- 3. J. Ramohlola
- 4. S. S. M. C. C. Chilo

ABX. 450718

A. W. BURTON,
M. B. CH. B.

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39. Ayliff Street,

King William's Town,

CAPE PROVINCE.

July 18th 45 194.....

TELEPHONE:
SURGERY 646
RESIDENCE 521.

Dr. A. B. Xuma, M. D., D. P. H.

114 End St,

Johannesburg.

Dear Sir,

Mr. B. Xiniwe of our town has drawn my attention to a booklet, - "AFRICAN CHARTER" which he has advised me to read. He is not aware of the actual cost which he estimates is about 2/- . I send P.O. Order for 2/6 and for same would like you to forward me a copy at your convenience.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

A. W. BURTON, M. B., CH. B. (Edin.)

A. W. Burton M.B.

Passed 23/7/45

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PENSION FUND
 TREASURER — Rev. C. D. Kwatsha, B.A., S.T.B.
 263 Durban Road,
 P.O. Korsten,
 Port Elizabeth, C.P.

19th July 1945.
 Witziesshoek.

My dear President,

I am in a happy mood to inform you that the election ^{of office bearers} of the O. F. S. African National Congress took place on the 14th July 1945 at the Bantu Social Institute. The elected officials are as follows: - President J. Jacobs, Vice President J. P. Tshabangu; Treasurer A. N. Sepothelo, Secretary Simon Elias, Committee members - Messrs. J. D. Leska, S. Molatedi & F. Molise. For health reasons coupled with the church duties resting on me very heavily, I had decided not to accept nomination for any office, but at the last minute Mr. Mthabha and others prevailed on me to accept nomination, stating among many reasons that people may ~~soon~~ interpret my action wrongly and that may handicap the progress of the National Movement at the time when some of the ministers we beginning to realise the necessity of African Ministers assisting in the liberation of the nation spiritually and materially. I am prepared President to assist my President whenever and wherever I am able to do so. I am determined to attend the Executive Committee meeting on the 12th Aug. 1945 due to meet in Johannesburg. I am writing this letter in the train to Witziesshoek, 26/7/45. Unfortunately this letter was not posted because of the mail service being irregular here. I'll be at home on the 1st Aug. 1945. Best wishes.

Your humble servant T. Tshabangu

ABX. 450720 a

COPY.

THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS.

ABX/ARM.

President-General's Office,
104, End Street,
Doornfontein,
Johannesburg,
20th July, 1945.

Mr. Moses Mphahlele,
86, Sixth Avenue,
Marabastad,
PRETORIA.

Dear Mr. Mphahlele,

I have to acknowledge, with thanks, receipt of your letter of the 28th ultimo and copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting held on the 31st May, last at the Dougall Hall, Marabastad, Pretoria, requesting me to call a Plenary Meeting of Chiefs or their representatives and leaders to be held at Pretoria on the 6th August, 1945, to form a proper constitutional Congress in the Transvaal.

There is at present a constitutional Transvaal African National Congress with Headquarters at Rosenberg Arcade, 58, Market Street, Johannesburg, and I feel that all persons interested in Congress and the welfare of the Africans should become members of the constitutional Provincial Congress and become candidates for offices, if they desire, at the next election and obtain that desired African Unity and be able to steer the African National Congress boat to a safe anchorage and achieve for our people much of what is desired.

I appreciate the part played by Rev. Makgatho in clarifying the position and the interest you and others are taking in matters affecting Congress.

Yours for the advancement of
Africans,

(SOD) A. B. XUMA,
PRESIDENT-GENERAL.

*Copies forwarded
to Provincial President
& Prov Sec.
28/7/45*

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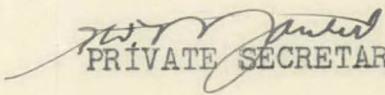
P R E T O R I A,

20th July, 1945.

Dear Dr. Xuma,

On behalf of General Smuts I have to
acknowledge receipt and thank you for your telegram
of the 17th instant, in which you convey greetings
from the African National Congress.

Yours faithfully,


PRIVATE SECRETARY.

Dr. Xuma,
President - General, African National Congress,
JOHANNESBURG.

A.N.C.

% L.P. Kumalo,
House No. 7467

Orlando West
Johannesburg
21st July 1945

ABX-450721

NOTICE OF APPEAL.

To: THE PRESIDENT GENERAL,
AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS,
c/o 158, MARKET STREET,
JOHANNESBURG.

-and-

To: C.S. RAMOHANOE, ESQ.,
TRANSVAAL PROVINCIAL PRESIDENT,
c/o 158, MARKET STREET,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Sirs,

Please take notice that we the undersigned, being bona fide members of the African National Congress (Orlando Branch) and duly authorised to make this procedure, hereby note an appeal against the validity of the election held at Orlando on Sunday the 15th July, 1945, before the Provincial President (Mr. Ramohanoe), on the grounds as set out hereunder :-

- 1.(a) THAT the Orlando Branch of the African National Congress and/or the Head Office of the Province erred in causing to be published and/or allowing publication of circulars in which names of certain candidates and the positions they wished to contest for were specifically stated therein ;
- (b) THAT the publication of the said circulars influenced and prejudiced the nation's mind and thus failed to allow people a free choice in the election.
2. THAT the Provincial President who was then presiding over the said election erred in holding that all people who were present in the said election were bona fide members of the African National Congress for the current year and eligible to vote without conducting or devising an impartial method of checking their membership in the interests of all contesting candidates.

We shall be pleased if you will cause a meeting of the National Executive to be held when we can be heard to present our case to them.

Kindly advise of the date of hearing.

We are who are ready to serve the nation.

.....
L.P. Kumalo

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~~The~~ Right Honourable Prime Minister
Union Buildings Pretoria

Na—To _____

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My Working Committee shocked Springs
incident. Conflicting evidence with press
statement justify judicial inquiry into
incident and circumstances leading up
to it. Kaffer Beer policy strongly condemned.

VAN
FROM

Xuma President-General African National Congress

§ G.P.—S. 6349—1941—2—6,250,000. S.

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RIGHT HONOURABLE PRIME MINISTER-
UNION BUILDINGS, PRETORIA.
Om
Adress.....Na
To.....Deur
By.....

MY WORKING COMMITTEE SHOCKED SPRINGS INCIDENT x
 CONFLICTING EVIDENCE WITH PRESS STATEMENT JUSTIFY
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VAN FROM **XUMA, PRESIDENT-GENERAL, AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS. x**

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UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.
UNIE VAN SUID-AFRIKA.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS.
DEPARTEMENT VAN NATURELLESAKE,
P.O. BOX } 384
POSBUS }
PRETORIA.

No. 6/278.

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26 JUL 1945

Dr. A.B. Xuma, M.D., D.P.H.,
President General,
The African National Congress,
104 End Street,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter dated the 7th instant together with one copy of "The Africans' Claims" which, it is noted, you have been good enough to furnish free of charge.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. Modise
u. SECRETARY FOR NATIVE AFFAIRS.

A.N.C

ABX. 9507266

ABX/ARM.

26th July, 1945.

Mr. L. P. Kumalo,
House No. 7467,
Orlando West,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Sir,

I am acknowledging receipt of your
Notice of Appeal dated the 21st instant.

I shall be glad to see you and your
colleagues at 11 a.m. on Sunday the 29th July, 1945,
at my home, 85, Toby Street, Sophiatown in connection
with your complaints about the recent Congress Branch
elections at Orlando.

Yours for Africans,

A B XUMA

PRESIDENT-GENERAL.

A.N.C.

ABX-450726c

ABX/ARM.

26th July, 1945.

Mr. C. S. Remohano,
Transvaal Provincial President,
140, Sixth Avenue,
ALEXANDRA TOWNSHIP.

Dear Provincial President,

I append a copy of a letter addressed this day to Mr. L. P. Kumalo, and shall be grateful to have you present at the ~~meeting~~.

Mr. L.P. Kumalo,
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Orlando West,
Johannesburg.

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Yours for Africans' Progress,

A B XUMA

PRESIDENT-GENERAL.

ABX. 950726d

ABX/ARM.

26th July, 5.

Mr. S. Elias,
Bloemfontein Locations,
BLOEMFONTEIN.

Dear Mr. Elias,

I must congratulate you for being elected Hon. Provincial Secretary of the Orange Free State African National Congress. A great responsibility has been placed upon you to do all you can to organise and unite our people for the raising of their own status and bringing about freedom to and for themselves.

I am writing to inform you that I am scheduled to open the ALL-IN-CONFERENCE OF NON-WHITE TRADE UNIONS on Saturday the 4th August next. I am arranging to arrive there the same morning. I shall remain in Bloemfontein until Sunday the 5th August. I desire to meet your Executive and would be glad to participate in any programme you may arrange conveniently.

I shall be glad to hear from you about your plans at your earliest possible convenience in order to prepare myself for them.

Yours for the Africans' Progress,

PRESIDENT-GENERAL.

ABX. 450726e

ABX/ARM.

26th July, 5.

Mr. J. Jacobs,
Bochabela Location,
BLOEMFONTEIN.

Dear Mr. Jacobs,

I must congratulate you for being elected President of the Orange Free State African National Congress. A great responsibility has been placed upon you to do all you can to organise and unite our people for the raising of their own status and bringing about freedom to and for themselves.

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Yours for the Africans' progress

PRESIDENT-GENERAL.

ABX. 450726f

2038 Gabashane Street,
BLOEMFONTEIN.
26th July, 1945.

Dr. A. B. Xuma, M.D.
President-General,
African National Congress,
Edward Road, Sophiatown,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear President,

In accordance with our conversation of Kimberley, concerning the African National Congress, I beg to communicate with you in the following terms:

Now that I have been appointed Organiser and Provincial Secretary of the African National Congress in this Province; If you are satisfied that I'm a proper and fitting one for the responsibility entrusted to me by the Free State conference, I shall then, ask to make this request. If I have to carry out my duties satisfactorily, honestly and trustfully. Make me forget my cares and worries as a man of family. Then, with all my soul, my mind, my organisational diplomatic method my strength and the profound love for my fellow Africans, I shall give this work its due attention, if only Congress undertakes to pay me a salary not less than £15. per month.

The Africans, you will agree with me, are far from being organised. I am not trying in any way to underestimate work done by former leaders of the Congress- it is indeed meritorious. But when I think of the masses, the masses that are still outside the great fold of Congress, the masses that are now ready to march with a Moses, then I realise the responsibility entrusted to me. I plead here to be given a proper and fitting chance to organise the Africans in this doomed province of ours. If I have to undertake so vast, so precious a work, under the present conditions then I feel as National Organisation, we shall not miss the goal.

Finally, if my terms communicated you here are acceptable, I would suggest that you send me your block and that of Lady Xuma. I have decided to arrange a public meeting here for six speakers from Johannesburg, if possible East London and one lady from Cape Town. I have the backing of 31 organisations, the meeting will be held on the 8th ~~20th~~ September 1945. in the Ramblers ground. The purpose, is to raise funds for the organisation. I anticipate attendance of between 15,000 and 20,000 that day, I want to make an elaborate preparations Meeting will start from 10.a.m. at 1.p.m. two foot-ball teams will give exhibition. Lunch will be served on the ground. Please ask Dr Dadoo for his block also, and these must be sent to me immediately.

Yours in the service of the Africans.

Long Live Congress !!!

Sh. Chas
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ABX. 458727

A. N. C

ABX/ARM.

27th July, 1945.

Mr. I. Leg Chili,
P. O. Box 203,
PIETERSBURG.

Dear Mr. Chili,

I have just received your letter of the 17th instant nine days after because it had my name and Johannesburg. No other address.

It is difficult to know what advice to give on this matter at this stage since I have no information about the background of the whole affair. It would have been useful if you had acquainted us with the basis of the trouble so that we could have seen the Government or the Commissioner even long before the other Tribe had moved.

It seems now that all of you are agreed that the people must be persuaded to move, of course you must have good reasons for the suggestion.

I was not able to carry out my plans about visiting Pietersburg because of almost a nerve break down from overwork. I am much improved now and would be prepared to make a week-end visit for a properly organised meeting arranged by the people and at their invitation.

Yours for Africans' progress,

A B XUMA
PRESIDENT-GENERAL.

AN AFRICAN'S VISION OF A POST WAR
SOUTH AFRICA/

By Dr. A. B. Kuma
President-General, African
National Congress.

ABX. 450728a

ABY/ARM.

28th July, 45.

The Editor,
Inkululeko,
P. O. Box 4179,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Sir,

Attached please find a copy of a letter addressed by me to Mr. Moses K. Mphanlele in reply to a letter of his forwarding resolutions adopted at a meeting in Pretoria on the 31st May last. I shall be grateful if you would, please, have same published in your next issue of Inkululeko, so that the resolutions passed at the abovementioned meeting were published in your paper some time back.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

PRESIDENT-GENERAL.

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