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NON-EUROPEAN HEALTH EDUCATION WEEK.
MEETING OF INTERESTED PARTIES HELD IN THE BANTU MEN'S
SOCIAL CENTRE AT 3 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 29th JUNE, 1938.

The meeting appointed Mr. Handel Thompson Chairman.

The list of those invited to attend was then called, and the following persons were present and institutions represented :-

Joint Committee of European & African Women.
Superintendent, Diepkloof Reformatory.
National Council of Women.
Chamber of Mines.
Bantu kefuge.
National Thrift Association.
Johannesburg Indian Welfare Association.
Public Health Department, Johannesburg.
Non-European and Native Affairs Department, Johannesburg.
Representatives from Orlando and Eastern Township Advisory
St. John's Ambulance Association. /Boards.
Red Cross Society.
Children's Aid Society.
Non-European Blind Association.
Sophiatown Rescue Home.
The Helping Hand Club.
Lads' Hostel, Orlando.
Salvation Army Home for Delinquent Girls.
The Wayfarers.
The Pathfinders.
The South African Temperance Alliance.
African Girl's Club, Sophiatown.
Bridgman Memorial Hospital.
Nokuphila Hospital.
Alexandra Health Centre.
Sophiatown and Orlando Nursery Schools.
University of the Witwatersrand.
Institute of Race Relations.
Bantu Boys' Club.
Coloured and European Joint Council.
Bantu Men's Social Centre.
Witwatersrand Church Council.
Orlando Teachers' Association.
Orlando Welfare Association.
Eastern Native Township Teachers' Association.
Mrs. Ray Phillips.
Mr. H. Britten.
Mrs. Hellman.
Mrs. Kuper.
Miss Orne.
Miss Brozius.

The Chairman explained that health propoganda work had been carried on during the past ten years, during the week or fortnight prior to Children's Day, first under the direction of Mrs. Bridgman and from last year by Mrs. Ray Phillips. It was thought, therefore, that the proposed Non-European Health Education Week might be run in conjunction with the work already being done. He asked Mrs. Ray Phillips to give the meeting an outline of the work which she was now carrying on.

Mrs. Ray Phillips stated that a health week has been in progress for about 10 years under the direction of the National Council for Child Welfare during the fortnight prior to Children's Day. A series of lectures was given in the native schools in

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which doctors, dentists and the Public Health Department Johannesburg, co-operated. Mothers' meetings were also held, in which lectures on children's foods, sanitation and health in the home generally were given. Health concerts were held for the school children, the primary object of which was to raise money for Children's Day, the proceeds of which were presented on a special day to the Mayoress or the wife of one of the Councillors, at a party for the school children. She stated that the children look forward eagerly to this party and hoped that it would not be overlooked this year.

The education of the Bantu towards health-consciousness was extended to the adults by the giving of lectures on V.D. and lectures for fathers.

The Indian and coloured communities' interests had also been fathered in this work by the holding of evening meetings in various areas and the showing of educational films.

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Dr. Jean Laing, as Convenor, was then asked to address the meeting. She stated that the idea of a Non-European Health Education Week came to her through a letter of one of the Johannesburg Bantu to the press. She had then approached the municipality and obtained Dr. Milne's assurance that he would assist in the compilation of a programme, and the co-operation of Mr. Ballenden, Manager of the Non-European and Native Affairs Department, in the general running of a health week. She wished to assure Mrs. Phillips that there was no wish in any way to interfere with the wonderful work being done under the aegis of the National Council for Child Welfare.

She outlined the objects of the health week as follows :-

1. To have a central health exhibition to demonstrate the advantages of healthy living.
2. To hold meetings, demonstrations, debates and plays.
3. Cookery demonstrations for the women. Miss Coles had expressed the desire that demonstrations in native cookery be also held.

Health is the greatest blessing we can give to mankind, she said, and though it is impossible to dissociate it from the children, the health week would be primarily for adults.

Dr. Laing expressed the hope that an attractive motto would be composed to convey the objects of the health education week.

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The Chairman said that he understood that the Red Cross Society were already considering the possibility of a health week, and asked Dr. Peel to address the meeting.

Dr. Peel stated that the Red Cross Society, in co-operation with the Government Public Health Department, has already committed itself to health propaganda and are at present working along the lines proposed for the health education week. The Society is anxious to work in conjunction with everybody interested and therefore had come to the conclusion that the health education

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week should be combined with the Red Cross effort in order to ensure a greater display with no waste of organisation. The Red Cross Society Health Week was held from the 4th to the 10th September, during which propaganda work was undertaken amongst Europeans and Non-Europeans and a wide field of matters relating to health was covered.

In view of the work that is already being done, Dr. Peel wondered whether they might not pool their resources and work in collaboration with each other, and therefore asked that this recommendation be placed before the meeting so that some mutual arrangement might be arrived at along these lines.

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The Chairman stated that he was quite sure the meeting would be desirous of combining in every possible way to make the health week a success, but felt firstly that a date should be fixed. The question also arose whether it should be a united effort for Europeans and Non-Europeans, and the general feeling seemed to be that the two should be combined, but he declared the subject open to discussion.

Dr. Laing (Deputy Medical Officer of Health) said :-

"We have just had a very big European Health Week, and the object of coming here this afternoon was really to do something for Non-Europeans. I think we should stick to that object. Not for a moment do I wish to discourage the Red Cross Society, but it appears to me from my experience of their previous weeks that it was not so much a health week as a Red Cross Week. Certain of the activities were of a health nature, but the primary object was partly to collect funds and partly to do a certain amount of demonstration on the objects of the Red Cross Society as such. It will be rather difficult if we are going to confuse the issue now and bring European activities into what should essentially be a Non-European Health Week. I have no doubt some form of co-operation may be evolved, but I would quite frankly not like to see any question of the Non-European element being swamped by European activities which are going to take some of the publicity and some of the funds, because my impression is that really the Red Cross Week is mainly a drive for funds."

Dr. Peel stated that he had wished to emphasise merely that the Red Cross Society was anxious to combine in the health propaganda amongst the Non-Europeans and that there was no desire to involve the meeting in the activities of the Red Cross Society along any other lines. Every effort and all the means of the Red Cross Society would be placed gladly at the disposal of those responsible for the Non-European Health Education Week whenever and how ever it was held.

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A letter from the Bantu Women's Social and Civic Society, Eastern Native Township, was read and the contents noted.

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Question : As the Red Cross effort is a Transvaal effort, it seems that the Non-European interest would probably be swamped, and more would apparently be done by having a separate Non-European Health Week, to which all the time and efforts of the meeting would be given. Though we are very grateful to the Red Cross Society for their generous offer, would it not be more beneficial to the

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Non-Europeans to devote ourselves entirely to their interests?

The Chairman said that another objection to combining with the Red Cross Society was that the date was too early, and some date towards the end of October would appear to be more suitable. Apart from this the general feeling of the meeting is that a separate health week should be held.

Mr. Ballenden stated that the object of the health week was to carry on the work hitherto done by Mrs. Ray Phillips, Mrs. Bridgman and the National Council for Child Welfare. In view of the fact that the work of these people already has a large following among both Europeans and Non-Europeans, it would be a pity to depart from the time of the year to which everyone was accustomed. Their health week had been held hitherto during October, and to fix another date would only be to stultify their efforts.

The Chairman said that he suggested tentatively the last week in October, commencing Monday the 24th. This proposal was seconded by Mrs. Ray Phillips. It was not considered that the municipal elections to be held during that week would interfere with the carrying out of the health week.

The Chairman said that in order to save time he thought the meeting should now devote itself to the election of a committee and he suggested that they decide to appoint ten or twelve institutions to the committee and the same number of persons who would come on the committee in their personal capacity.

One representative from each of the following institutions was elected to serve on the committee :-

1. Red Cross Society.
2. Municipality - one member from Public Health Department.
one member from Non-European & Native Affairs.
3. Children's Aid Society.
4. St. John's Ambulance Association.
5. Non-European Teachers - 2 Bantu representatives.
1 coloured representative.
1 Indian representative.
6. Alexandra Health Centre.
7. Bantu Trained Nurses Association.
8. One member from each Advisory Board (4).
9. Transvaal Missionary Association.
10. Witwatersrand Church Council
11. South African Temperance Alliance.
12. Bantu Men's Social Centre.
13. Indian Welfare Association.
14. Bantu Missionaries' Association.

It was then suggested that a general committee be first elected and that the general committee itself elect an executive committee. Mr. Ballenden suggested that all the bodies invited to attend be referred to in the health week as being the bodies under whose direction the health week is being run, and that ten people be selected from those present to form the executive.

The meeting showed itself in favour of the suggestion to form a general committee from those already chosen and allow the general committee to appoint the executive.

The following private individuals were then chosen to serve on the general committee along with those institutions already appointed :-

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Mrs. Bridgman.
Mr. Britten.
Mrs. Ray Phillips.
Miss Chaplin, Sophiatown Nursery School.
Mrs. Hoernle.
Mrs. Dr. Laing.
Mr. Handel Thompson.
Reverend Molyneaux.
Dr. Fox.
Mr. Jack Phillips.
Miss Florence Brown, Wayfarers.
Mrs. Christopherson, Salvation Army.

This general committee is to have the power to co-opt.

Suggestions were then called for ideas to be included in the programme for the health week.

1. A central exhibition.
2. The formation of Local Committees.
3. Cookery demonstrations and other domestic matters to be dealt with.
4. A house to be placed at the disposal of those dealing with health week, just as it is, in order that it may be shown what can be done in the way of hygiene, etc.
5. Diepkloof Reformatory willing to give physical training demonstrations during health week, and the grounds and buildings of the institution to be open to those desirous of visiting the place to see what is being done.
6. Prizes given by Non-European and Native Affairs Department for the best gardens in the four native townships (£5, £3, and £2) be awarded as part of the health week programme.
7. An essay competition. The general committee to think the matter out and make suggestions.
8. Food propaganda.
9. The work of the Health Education Week to be followed up.

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The date of the first meeting of the general committee was fixed for Wednesday the 13th July, 1938, at 3 p.m. in the Bantu Men's Social Centre.

The Non-European and Native Affairs Department has undertaken to assume the duties of secretaryship.

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NON-EUROPEAN HEALTH EDUCATION WEEK.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF GENERAL COMMITTEE HELD IN THE BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE AT 3 p.m. ON TUESDAY THE 20th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1938.

PRESENT:

Mr. Handel Thompson (Chairman)
Mr. R.L. McKibbin (S.A. Temperance Alliance)
Mrs. Major Christoffersen (Salvation Army)
Dr. P.A. Peall (S.A. Red Cross Society).
K.C. Johnson (Witwatersrand Church Council)
Miss A.C. Beale (English Church, Native Girls' Hostel).
Dr. Ray E. Phillips.
Mrs. Ray Phillips.
Miss Ruth C. Cowles - (Alexandra Township).
Mrs. C.D. Bridgman.
Mr. G. Ballenden.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the last meeting were taken as read and confirmed.

VISITS TO VARIOUS CENTRES BY MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE.

Alexandra Township.

Miss Cowles reported that in order to stimulate interest in the main Health Week, Alexandra Township had decided to have a Health Week of their own a week before the main Health Week. This would be held in the third week of October, beginning with a health parade in which 200 school children would take part. All that they required to complete their programme was several speakers and demonstrators and perhaps a film or two. Mr. Ballenden undertook to get in touch with the Secretary and render what assistance he could.

Eastern and Western Native Townships.

Mr. Ballenden reported that these two townships were in the hands of Dr. J. Laing and that progress was satisfactory.

Orlando.

Mr. Ballenden reported that Dr. Fox was dealing with Orlando. He further reported that Dr. Fox and his Committee (Nutrition Committee) would give a series of lectures in all the locations during Health Week on the question of nutrition, purchase of foodstuffs, balance of diet, etc.

At this stage it was decided to appoint a General Organisation Committee, this Committee to have the power to co-opt. The following were elected to serve on this Committee.

Dr. J. Laing.
Mrs. Ray Phillips.
Mrs. Matloporo.
Mrs. Bridgman.
Mrs. Hoernle.
Mr. Venables.

(Dr. J. Laing to be convenor).

SUGGESTIONS FOR INCLUSION IN HEALTH WEEK PROGRAMME.

1. It was decided that the proposal to explain different modes of dress for different occasions to the native people be excluded from the programme.

2. Films - Dr. R. Phillips reported that the Public Health Department had a number of films. He would, however, have to sort them out and see what could be used. In his opinion it would not be possible to arrange a bioscope show simultaneously at each centre owing to shortage of films. He undertook to investigate the matter and to report to the Executive Committee in about ten days' time as to what he could do.

Mr. Ballenden reported that the Dental Society's film "The Naughty Molar" had been hired at a charge of £2. 2. 0.

Mrs. Ray Phillips proposed that health films for children should be shown to the schools during the morning session, if possible, as there was too much racket and confusion at evening programmes. This was agreed to subject to it being possible to darken the halls.

3. Lectures on V.D.

It was decided that arrangements be made for lectures on V.D. to be held at various centres in the town and that open air lectures be given in the Wemmer and Wolhuter Men's Hostels.

Miss Cowles stated that arrangements have been made for Dr. Ordman to lecture on V.D. at Alexandra Township on Monday the 17th October, and she suggested that he might be willing to give further lectures at other centres. It was resolved that the Red Cross Society and Dr. Ordman be approached by the Executive Committee to arrange for lectures on V.D. at various centres.

4. Indian Women.

It was reported that Mrs. Hoernle had arranged mothers' meetings for the Indian Women. It was resolved that it be an instruction to the Executive Committee to approach Mrs. Hoernle with a view to asking her to undertake the week's campaign amongst Indian women.

5. Malnutrition.

Mr. Ballenden reported that Dr. Fox and his Committee were in charge of this section.

6. Dental Care:

It was reported that Dr. J. Laing was in charge of this section.

7. Economic Cooking.

On the suggestion of Mrs. Bridgman, it was resolved that the Executive Committee approach Mrs. Shearsmith and ask her to lecture, as far as possible, on economic cooking.

8. Hygiene Lectures and Infant and Maternal Welfare.

It was resolved that the Public Health Department be responsible for general health lectures and that the Health Visitors be responsible for child welfare lectures.

9. Home Remedies and Patent Medicines.

The Red Cross Society undertook to give lectures on First Aid.

10. Exhibition.

Mr. Ballenden reported that the Bantu Press Buildings would be available at the end of the month. Six different firms had already applied for accommodation, but he was limiting the letting of space to firms or bodies who would exhibit something worth while. It was resolved that the Native Affairs Department be responsible for the Exhibition.

It was decided that the Exhibition will be open the whole week, day and night, including Sunday. No charge will be made for admission.

It was further decided that any profits accruing from the Exhibition would be given to the Children's Aid and perhaps the National Body.

11. Advertising in Native Newspapers.

Mrs. Ray Phillips undertook to get in touch with Mr. Bennett and Mr. Paver and to ask them to further the propaganda in connection with Health Week by means of advertising in Bantu newspapers.

12. Arrangements for Domestic Servants.

It was resolved that the Executive Committee be instructed to arrange for lectures for native males and females in domestic service. Both the Buxton Home and Helping Hand Club offered their halls for this purpose.

13. Advertising in Local Press.

Mr. Ballenden undertook to draft letters to the Press to be signed by the Chairman, Mr. Handel Thompson, asking them to further the propaganda in connection with Health Week.

14. Opening Meeting:

Mr. Ballenden suggested that at 5 p.m. on the first Sunday afternoon of Health Week, arrangements be made for every Bantu sports and athletic team to meet on the Wemmer Grounds, and, after an address by the Mayor, that they parade through the streets - say as far as the Union Grounds to "kick off" health week.

This was agreed to and Mr. Ballenden undertook to make all necessary arrangements.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

It was resolved that the next meeting of the General Committee be held at 4.30 p.m. on the 4th October, 1938.

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NON-EUROPEAN HEALTH EDUCATION WEEK.

Minutes of Meeting of General Committee held at the Bantu Mens' Social Centre on Tuesday, the 4th October, 1938 at 4.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

- Mr. Handel Thompson (Chairman)
- Mrs. C. D. Bridgman
- Mrs. Major Christoffersen (Salvation Army)
- Mr. C. Matloporo (Eastern Native Township)
- Miss Ruth C. Cowles (Alexandra Township)
- Mrs. Ray Phillips
- Mrs. M. Nukuna (Alexandra Health Centre)
- Dr. F.W. Fox
- Mrs. A.W. Hoernle
- Miss F. Brown
- Mr. L.I. Venables (Native Administration Dept.)

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the last meeting were taken as read and confirmed, after correction as follows:-

Addition of the name Mr. Lithebe to those present.

That the word: Mrs. Matloporo be corrected to read: Mr. Matloporo.

Under paragraph 4, page 2, substitute "A mothers' meeting" for "mothers' meetings."

Orlando.

Dr. Fox pointed out that he is arranging nothing in Orlando.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:-

The Chairman pointed out that the Executive Committee had not met, and as Dr. J. Laing was not present at the meeting, it was resolved to appoint Mrs. Ray Phillips Vice-Chairman of the Organisation Committee with the object of convening an immediate meeting after consultation with Dr. J. Laing.

Mrs. Hoernle kindly offered her home for a meeting to be held at 8 p.m. on Thursday, the 6th October, 1938. This was gratefully accepted.

E.N.Township and W.N.Township.

Mr. Venables requested to ascertain, and report what has been done in Eastern Native Township, Western Native Township and Orlando.

It was suggested that the following be co-opted to serve on the General Organisation Committee:-

Miss Cowles
Mrs. Hoskins (Mrs. Ray Phillips undertook
to communicate with her)
Dr. Fox
Mrs. H.A.Henderson

SUGGESTIONS FOR HEALTH WEEK PROGRAMME.

(a) Films. Mrs. Ray Phillips reported that Dr. Ray Phillips had made arrangements for the selection of suitable films next Sunday, the 9th October, after which these would be available.

(b) Lectures on V.D. Mr. Venables requested to ascertain from the Health Department the position re lectures on V.D.

(c) Indian Women. Mrs. Hoernle reported that she had an offer of three halls, of which the best was the Indian Government School, Newtown, which could be obtained if suitable films are made available. She reported that Indian women will not take part in the Exhibition as they do not wish to attend that part of the town where the Exhibition is being held.

(d) Malnutrition. Dr. Fox reported that he had a committee working on Diet. His committee had made satisfactory progress, and outlined the lines on which they were working. They also hoped to demonstrate the importance of vegetables, milk, fruit, cereals and meat. Dr. Fox doubted whether his committee would be able to do more than carry out these lectures and demonstrations at the Central Hall, and said it is improbable that they would be able to get out into the townships.

(e) Economic Cooking. Mrs. Bridgman reported that Mrs. Shearsmith was prepared to give a lecture on Economic Cooking. She also informed the meeting that Mrs. Henderson had undertaken to assist in any way possible with cooking demonstrations.

(f) Hygiene Lectures on Infant and Maternal Welfare. There was no information as to what the Public Health Department had done in this direction.

(g) Home Remedies and Patent Medicines. Miss Cowles informed the meeting that she had made suitable arrangements with the Red Cross to send demonstrators to Alexandra Township. It was resolved to leave this matter to the Executive Committee, and that the Red Cross be asked to send a representative to the Executive Meeting on Thursday night with information as to what that Organisation was prepared to do under this head.

(h) Central Exhibition. The Chairman suggested that any balance of profit from the letting of stalls at the Central Exhibition will not necessarily be available to the Childrens' Aid and the National Body, particularly as the profit would be derived principally from European stall-holders.

(i) Arrangements for Domestic Servants. Mrs. Hoernle suggested that it was impracticable to get domestic servants sufficiently organised to attend lectures. As an alternative she suggested that householders be asked to send their domestic servants to the Central Exhibition. The Chairman suggested

that suitable advertisements be placed in the Press stating where their native servants might attend, and where all functions would be held.

It was also suggested that children who had not attained Standard VI be not admitted to the Exhibition, and that schools be requested accordingly.

(j) Publicity. The Chairman suggested that the Executive Committee draw up a definite Programme, and decide on the best means of publicising it, either as an advertisement, handbills, and translated into Bantu languages. That handbills be also distributed throughout the locations, the Native Affairs Department to undertake the distribution.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

It was resolved to hold the next Meeting at 5 p.m. on Thursday, the 13th October, 1938, in the Bantu mens' Social Centre.

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CHAIRMAN.

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NON-EUROPEAN HEALTH EDUCATION WEEK.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF GENERAL COMMITTEE HELD AT THE BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE ON THURSDAY THE 13th OCTOBER, 1938, AT 5 P.M.

PRESENT.

Dr. Scott Millar (Chairman)
Mrs. Scott Millar.
Mr. R.L. McKibbin (S.A. Temperance Alliance)
Mr. A.W. Blaxall.
Chas. Matloporo. (Eastern Native Township).
Mr. F. Hopkin-Jenkins.
Miss F. Brown.
Dr. J.D. Laing.
Mr. Karlton C. Johnson (Wit. Church Council)
Mr. Handel Thompson.
Dr. Spitz (St. John Ambulance).
Mrs. Ray Phillips.
Dr. Fox.
Mr. L.I. Venables.
Mr. Lahner.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the last meeting were taken as read and confirmed.

CORRECTION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the 4th October were corrected as follows :-

2nd Paragraph, Page 3 : Delete the words "Standard VI" and substitute the words "the age of 12".

The Minutes of the meeting of the 20th September were amended as follows :-

Delete the 3rd Paragraph on Page 2 and substitute :
"The Dental Society's film 'The Naughty Molar' was refused owing to the charge being too high."

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Mr. Venables reported that a meeting of the Executive Committee had been held at 8 p.m. on the 6th October, 1938, when the outline of the programme for the week had been fully discussed. For the information of the Committee, he read the Minutes of that meeting.

STALLS AT CENTRAL EXHIBITION.

Mr. Venables stated that arrangements had been made for 20 stalls of 10' x 10' to be available. Seven of these had already been let at a charge of £10. each and Municipal Departments were also hiring several. Difficulty was being experienced in letting the balance. He appealed to the Committee to assist as far as possible in publicising the exhibition in order that as many stalls as possible could be let.

POSTER.

It was reported that this was in the hands of the Printer.

PROCESSION AND CENTRAL EXHIBITION.

Mr. Venables reported that arrangements both for the procession and for the Central Exhibition were well in hand.

PUBLICITY WORK.

Mr. Venables stated that the preliminary publicity work had been carried out in the Locations, and further that the "Bantu World" had promised to reserve space in their next issue for "Health Week".

In regard to domestic servants, Mr. Venables stated that he would arrange notices in the Press suggesting to employers that they allow their servants time off in which to attend the Central Exhibition.

ENTRANCE FEE FOR EUROPEANS : CENTRAL EXHIBITION.

It was resolved that the entrance fee to the Central Exhibition for Europeans be fixed at 1/-.

ESSAY COMPETITION.

It was resolved :

- (a) That the Competition be for adults only.
- (b) That it be divided into three sections - Bantu, Eurafrican and Asiatic.
- (c) That it be limited to 50-500 words.
- (d) That the subject be "Health and Town Life".
- (e) That two prizes be awarded in each section.
- (f) That entries must reach the Medical Officer of Health not later than the 14th November, 1938.
- (g) That it be left to the Medical Officer of Health to nominate judges.

Mr. Karlton C. Johnson suggested that books on health subjects would make appropriate prizes for the winners of the Competition. Mr. Venables, however, was of opinion that cash prizes would be far more appreciated and would bring greater response from the natives. It was finally agreed that the prizes in each section be fixed as follows :-

1st Prize.....£1. 1. 0.

2nd Prize.....£0.10. 0. plus a book.

Mr. Handel Thompson offered a donation of £5. 0. 0. towards the prizes, and Mr. K.C. Johnson offered to provide suitable books. These offers were gratefully accepted and the Committee recorded thanks to the generous donors.

The principle of having a special occasion for the presentation of prizes was adopted.

PROPAGANDA WORK IN LOCATIONS.

Mr. Motloporo suggested that public meetings be held in the Locations at which the importance and value of Health Week

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should be stressed. The proposal was approved but unfortunately none of the members of the Committee were able to find time to address such meetings.

Mr. Handel Thompson thereupon proposed that the suggestion be communicated to each Location Committee, with a view to their calling a meeting and advertising Health Week as far as possible.

Mrs. Ray Phillips suggested that as a further means of making Health Week widely known, it be announced at any meetings held in the course of the next few days. She also stated that in so far as propaganda work was concerned it would be of great assistance if the various native Ministers in the Townships could be visited by members of the Committee and made acquainted with the importance of Health Week. The Chairman called for volunteers to undertake this work, and in response the following offered their assistance :-

Mrs. Ray Phillips	to visit	Pimville.
Mr. Blaxall	" "	Sophtown.
Mr. K.C. Johnson	" "	Eastern Native Township.
Miss Brown	" "	Western Native Township.

NON-EUROPEAN BLIND ASSOCIATION : STALL AT EXHIBITION.

Rex. Blaxall stated that his Association was anxious to hire a Stall at the Central Exhibition but the charge of £10. was rather too high for them. Their idea was to fit out the stall with suitable pictures and photographs showing the importance of the care of the eyes. In one section, a blind native would be depicted making a basket and a large poster would be displayed in his vicinity, with words to the effect that although eyesight is lost there is no need to despair for a useful job may still be learnt.

The Committee approved of this proposal and it was decided that as Rev. Blaxall's Association was short of funds, he be leased a stall at a specially reduced fee of £5. to cover the cost of erection.

It was also decided that the same principle should apply to the South African Temperance Alliance who were in a similar predicament.

TRANSPORT OF CHILDREN:

Dr. J. Laing reported that she had seen the General Manager of Transport but had been unable to make any arrangements for the transport of children.

Mr. Venables stated that he had made inquiries in regard to the hiring of buses to bring children in from Orlando and Pimville for the opening mass meeting on Sunday afternoon, but the price was prohibitive being somewhere in the neighbourhood of £25.

After some discussion it was finally resolved to make no special arrangements for the transport of children.

FILMS.

Rex. Blaxall stated that the National Council for Blind in Capetown had an extremely good film on the care of the eyes. At the request of the Committee he undertook to

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communicate with that body asking them for full particulars and suggesting that they reply direct to the Medical Officer of Health.

Dr. Spitz on behalf of the St. John Ambulance Association kindly offered the use of a 16 m.m. film. This information was passed on to Dr. J. Laing.

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Dr. Fox stated that it would be necessary to incur a number of small items of expenditure in connection with his stall and demonstrations, and wished the Committee to suggest how this difficulty should be met.

Mr. K.C. Johnson proposed that a sum not exceeding £5. be voted to Dr. Fox for the purpose of this expenditure. This was seconded by Dr. J. Laing and passed.

It was resolved that any further details arising be decided and arranged by the Public Health and Native Affairs departments.

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CHAIRMAN.

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