

1947

BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE.

P. O. Box 4767,

223, Eloff Street,

JOHANNESBURG.

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the Right Honourable G. Brand Van Zyl.

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TRUSTEES.

Mr. Walter Webber, Rev. James Dexter Taylor, D.D., and Dr. S. S. Molema.

FORMER TRUSTEES.

Rev. F. B. Bridgman, D.D. (Deceased) and Mr. Howard Pim, M.A., C.B.E. (Deceased).

BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE

ANNUAL REPORT

1947.

The year has been an extremely busy one. The work of the Bantu Men's Social Centre has been carried on and preparations for future extension of services effected under unfavourable financial circumstances. As a result of a considerable deficit which was reflected in last year's Expenditure and Revenue Account, the Executive Committee was reduced to the necessity of making a special appeal for financial assistance to a number of Subscribers, Donors and interested friends of the Centre. The response was appreciable and made it possible for the Institution to continue to render the Non-European Community the same valuable service it has rendered since its inception.

The Social Centre is the one place where African men spend their leisure-time profitably with a programme which promotes wholesome fellowship and aims at the development of its members in Body, Mind, Spirit and Character.

B. M. S. C. STAFF.

The administrative staff of the Centre was depleted early during the year by the resignation of Mr. Theo B. Mdaniso from the Secretaryship after having served the Centre for six years. We wish him every success in his present work.

Dr. James Dexter Taylor one of the Trustees of the Institution, who has served the Executive Committee for many years brought his period of useful service to a termination, when he resigned from his position to return to America. His resignation was accepted with regret. Although a Farewell function which was held in honour of Dr. and Mrs. Taylor was coloured with the sadness of saying "Goodbye" the occasion celebrated the success of a life work which has done so much good in Johannesburg and leaves its permanent memorial in the records of the Bantu Men's Social Centre.

MEMBERSHIP.

There has been a considerable increase in the membership during the past year which surpasses most of the previous records. Membership of the Social Centre is classified into five different categories:-

- (a) Life Membership - Fees £5. 0. 0.
- (b) Ordinary Membership - Fees 10s. per annum - offered to those resident within the magisterial area of Johannesburg.
- (c) Country Membership - Fees 5s. per annum - offered to those resident outside the magisterial area of Johannesburg.
- (d) Junior Membership - Fees 2s. 6d. per annum - offered to those who are bona fide Scholars.
- (e) Visiting Membership - Fees 1s. per month - offered to Africans visiting Johannesburg.

The following table reflects the membership position and it appears evident that if the staff is re-inforced there will be further possibilities of an increase in the membership.

	<u>ACTIVE</u>	<u>JUNIORS</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>VISITING</u>
1945	314	21	13	-
1946	313	22	14	-
1947	547	32	17	7

ANNUAL FOUNDERS' DAY CELEBRATION.

Our Annual Founders' Day when we are afforded the opportunity of paying tribute to those responsible for the establishment of the Bantu Men's Social Centre and expressing our thanks to those who still assume the responsibility of its maintenance and upkeep, was held on the 31st. October, 1947. Colonel T. R. Ponsford, L.L. B., O.B.E., National Secretary of the South African National Council of Young Men's Christian Associations, who had recently returned from attending several World's Youth Conferences overseas, was our Guest of Honour. The Johannesburg Symphony Orchestra conducted by Mr. Joseph Traunek provided a memorable musical programme.

INDOOR GAMES.

The provision of recreational activities is an essential part of the programme of the Social Centre. Recreation is highly diversified giving our members the opportunity of pleasurable relaxation through wholesome self-expression. Activities such as Billiards, Snooker, Chess, Draughts, Ping-pong, Badmington, Basket Ball and Volley Ball are increasingly enjoyed. Competition in these games is very keen and the championships which were held during the year were not only very interesting but made manifest a growing spirit of enthusiasm.

A team from the Bloemfontein Bantu Social Institute competed against us on the 4th., 5th., and 6th. October, 1947 in Billiards, Draughts, Ping-pong, Tennis and a Debate. The Social Centre won in all the events with the exception of the Billiards. The Activities Committee which has been responsible for the organisation of the competition merits our gratitude.

TENNIS.

Our Tennis section has been exceptionally busy during the year. A few Inter-club matches were played, but the Bantu Men's Social Centre Lawn Tennis Tournament is worthy of mention. This tournament which attracted numerous entrants was played with peculiar zeal and an appreciable spirit of sportsmanship. Many players displayed a high standard of efficiency.

Our thanks are due to Dr. Ray E. Phillips and Mr. Hoosen Jajbhay for the provision of the trophies for the competition. We heartily congratulate Mr. A. V. Hoskins and Mr. L. Bopape for winning the "A" division and "B" division Singles trophies respectively, and Mr. F. Roro partner D. P. Jemaine and Mr. Peter Rezant partner Mr. Dale Nkwana for winning the "A" division and "B" division Doubles trophies respectively.

BOXING AND PHYSICAL TRAINING.

The Physical Training Class under the direction of Mr. A. P. Khutlang has grown remarkably. Many of our members entered for the Amateur Boxing Championships which were held at the Centre during the year, organised by the Transvaal Non-European Amateur Boxing Association. They showed remarkable ability. Some of the older members of this class have joined the professional ranks and are gaining honours. The Centre has remained the venue of these Boxing Tournaments.

GUEST NIGHTS AND SOCIAL FUNCTIONS.

Our Guest Nights, as in the past, have been held regularly on the last Friday of each month. Our members and guests have been entertained with programmes which varied from month to month in order to capture the interest of our members.

From the Bioscope /.....

BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE

Registered under Charitable Institutions (Control) Ordinance 1926

BALANCE SHEET - 31ST DECEMBER, 1947.

<u>CREDITORS</u>				99	12	4
<u>LIBRARY DEPOSITS</u>				2	13	6
<u>SPORTS FUND</u>				12	14	1
<u>CLAUDE NEON LIGHTS (S.A.) LIMITED</u>				180	0	0

Gift of one Neon Sign.

ACCUMULATED FUNDS

Balance as at 31st December 1946	15131	17	0			
<u>Add Donations:</u>						
Y.M.C.A. - Toc H. S.A. War Work Fund	220	0	0			
Estate of the late Max Pollak	200	0	0			
Balance of Expenditure and Revenue Account	207	10	11			
				<u>15759</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>11</u>
					<u>£16054</u>	<u>7 10</u>

BUILDINGS

Balance as at 31st December 1946	14872	7	0			
Additions during 1947	229	7	5	15101	14	5

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FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT

Balance as at 31st December 1946	270	0	0			
Additions during 1947	40	19	6			
	310	19	6			
<u>Less Depreciation</u>	60	19	6	250	0	0

MUNICIPAL DEPOSITS

73 0 0

DEBTORS

56 4 7

CASH

Standard Bank of South Africa Limited	384	4	9			
United Building Society - St. Andrews Branch	9	1	6			
On Hand	2	7		393	8	10
				<u>£16054</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>10</u>

Certified Correct.

Johannesburg.

J. Montague Pim.

20th March, 1948.

Hon. Treasurer.

BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE

EXPENDITURE AND REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1947.

<u>1946</u>				
1009	To Salaries and Wages	1143	4	0
	Add Contribution to Y.M.C.A. - Toc			
	H. S. A. War Work Fund towards			
63	Salary of J.R. Rathebe (on	-	-	-
	Active Service)			
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1072		1143	4	0
-	" Unemployment Insurance Fund	13	11	3
338	" Water, Light and Sanitary Fees	369	19	5
74	" Games	189	14	0
58	" Insurance	60	1	9
45	" Clerical Assistance	52	17	6
	" Postage, Stationery, Telephone, Bank			
427	Charges and Sundry Expenses	376	11	8
5	" Travelling Expenses re Membership	1	8	6
28	" Founders' Day	23	15	0
61	" Depreciation of Furniture and Equipment	60	19	6
136	" Loss on Kitchen and Catering	-	-	-
-	" Loss on Sale of Investment	3	14	0
-	" Loss re Charges for Gas	47	11	0
10	" Loss on B.M.S.C. Functions	-	-	-
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		2343	7	7
	" Balance carried to Balance Sheet - Excess			
	of Revenue over Expenditure for the year	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
		207	10	11
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<u>£2253</u>		<u>£2550</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>6</u>
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162	By Membership Fees	252	7	6
399	" Subscriptions and Donations	930	5	9
300	" Donation - Native Recruiting Corporation Ltd.	300	0	0
	" Grants:			
	Board of Control - Deferred Pay			
50	Interest Fund	50	0	0
600	Department of Social Welfare	600	0	0
100	City of Johannesburg	<u>150</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	" Sundry Revenue:			
125	Hire of Hall and Rent of Rooms	265	10	8
25	Profit on Sale of Investments	-	-	-
-	Locker Rents	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
65	" Interest Received	2	9	7
426	" Balance carried to Balance Sheet -			
	Excess of Expenditure over Revenue	-	-	-
	for the year	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
		-	-	-
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<u>£2253</u>		<u>£2550</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>6</u>

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SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS.

African & European Group of Companies	25. 0. 0.
African Explosives & Chemical Industries Ltd.	50. 0. 0.
African Guarantee & Indemnity Co. Ltd.	1. 1. 0.
Aiken & Carter, Alex.	10. 0. 0.
Anglo American Corporation of South Africa Ltd.	42. 0. 0.
Anglo Transvaal Consolidated Investment Co. Ltd.	5. 5. 0.
Barker, A.E.	1. 1. 0.
Barrow (Pty) Ltd., John	1. 1. 0.
Brick & Potteries Co. Ltd.	5. 5. 0.
Castle Wine & Brandy Co. Ltd.	1. 1. 0.
Central Mining - Rand Mines Group	50. 0. 0.
Central News Agency Ltd.	10. 0. 0.
Connolly, Limited, T. & F.	11.11. 0.
Dunlop South Africa Ltd.	1. 1. 0.
Evans & Co. Ltd., Herbert	5. 5. 0.
Fraser & Chalmers (S.A.) Ltd.	5. 5. 0.
General Mining & Finance Corporation Ltd.	15. 0. 0.
Green & Morison Ltd., E.K.	1. 1. 0.
Goldberg, Estate late Harris	25. 0. 0.
Hayman, Godfrey & Sanderson	1. 1. 0.
Henwoods Limited	7. 7. 0.
Hillman Bros. Ltd.	51. 1. 0.
Hunt, Leuchars & Hepburn Ltd.	10.10. 0.
Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Co. Ltd. (Barnato) Group of Mines	75. 0. 0.
Jooste & Bryant Ltd.	2. 2. 0.
Liddle (Pty) Ltd., Joseph	1. 1. 0.
Liepner, Mr.	6. 9.
McGregor, F.	1. 1. 0.
Mackenzie, Geo.	1. 1. 0.
Macphail, A.D.	3. 3. 0.
New Consolidated Goldfields Ltd.	55. 5. 0.
Niven Trust, Robert	50. 0. 0.
Paterson-Whyte, J.	10. 6.
Phoenix Assurance Co. Ltd.	9.18. 0.
Porter & Partners, H.	15.15. 0.
Price, Dr. B.	20. 0. 0.
Prices (S.A.) Ltd.	2. 2. 0.
Pim & Hardy, Howard - Clerical Assistance	<u>52.17. 6.</u>

Carried Forward

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Brought forward	625.18. 9.
Ramsbottom, Mr. Justice W.H.	1. 1. 0.
Rand Daily Mails Ltd.	5. 0. 0.
Rand Provident Building Society	5. 5. 0.
Randles, Bro., & Hudson Ltd.	3. 3. 0.
Raphaely, S.	10.10. 0.
Smith, H.	5. 0. 0.
Solomon, Mr. Justice Saul	3. 3. 0.
South British Insurance Co. Ltd.	7. 7. 0.
Star, The	10.10. 0.
S.A. Druggists Ltd.	1. 1. 0.
Stevenson, J.H.	2. 2. 0.
Store, P.V.	2. 2. 0.
Stuttaford & Company, Ltd.	2. 2. 0.
Sunday Times Syndicate Ltd.	5. 0. 0.
Thompson (Pty) Ltd., James	1. 1. 0.
Transvaal Association of Girls Clubs	5. 0. 0.
Unit Securities & Trust Company of South Africa Ltd.	25. 0. 0.
Victoria Falls & Transvaal Power Co. Ltd.	10. 0. 0.
Viney, A.D.	100. 0. 0.
Webber, W.S.	100. 0. 0.
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