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INDIAN HOUSES OF WORSHIP IN DANGER

Graphic Feature – Viveka Naicker

When the Group Areas Act came into effect and the Government began to 'resettle' people in new areas, the Indian people were perhaps the most unhappy of all those that were affected by the new law.

Few Indians were happy were happy to leave their homes and the areas in which they had lived for many years. Fewer still were happy to leave their places of worship.

Indians are probably more spiritually inclined that most other groups in this country. Wherever they have settled they have built their temples, their mosques and their churches.

No matter how small the community, or how poor, this aspect of its life is rarely neglected. Its places of worship range from proud, imposing edifices in the city to humble wood and iron shacks in remote canefields.

Bu always, no matter how proud or humble the community, its place or worship is treated with reverence. For they are often more in places than which to pray.



Grey Street Mosque: the largest in the Southern Hemisphere

Gathering Places

Throughout the country, wherever there are Indian, on might find halls attached to their places of worship, so that they become places in which to be married, to have meetings and concerts and to learn the vernacular.

These are the places where the people have traditionally gathered whether they were affluent business men in the city or poor workers on a sugar estate.

In Durban, which has the largest Indian population of all South African centres, there are churches, mosques and temples throughout the city.

When areas where re-zoned for particular racial groups in terms of the Group Areas Act, many of these places of worship fell into areas set aside for White ownership and occupation. In Cato

Manor alone, at least six temples and mosques have been affected. There are others at Riverside, Greyville, West Street, Somsteu Road, Mayville, Umgeni Road and Sydenham.

Old Ties are Binding

None of these have fallen into disuse. Congregations have been reduced in size, because of these people in these areas have been resettled, especially in Chatsworth. But the faithful still go to these mosques and temples, often at great inconvenience, for the old ties are difficult to sever.

The mosques and temples are still maintained and regular services are held. Buy what will happen in the years to come?

Obviously, those that maintain their links today cannot continue to do so indefinitely. When they are too weary will their children, who have grown up in new places and formed other attachments, continue to go?

Mosques and temples cannot be demolished. Both Hindus and Moslems considered sacred the land on which their places of worship stand.

Danger of Demolition

Recently, the Jamiat-ul-Ulema, a society of Muslim priests, was asked by the Department of Indian Affairs is a mosque can be demolished. The enquiry resulted in anxiety among certain Indians who felt that places of worship in areas from which Indians were removed were in danger of being demolished.

Mr S. Bridgemohan, president of the South African Hindu Maha Sabha said that the enquiry was 'disturbing'. To remove temples and mosques to make way for the implementation of the Group Areas Act, he said, was 'tantamount to rejecting God'.

Chairman of the Executive Committee of the South African Indian Mr A.M. Rajab, said, however, that there was no cause for alarm. The inquiry by the Department of Indian Affairs was merely routine. 'All that the Department wants is a clarification on the subject', he said.

Historical Monuments

Meanwhile Hindus as well as Muslims are anxious. They will not allow their places of worship be demolished for any reason.

There have been attempts by some organisations

to have their temples and mosques declared national historical monuments. Mr A.M Moolla, new member of the South African Indian Council, said that the Historical Monuments Commission should compensate communities for those places of worship which fell into white areas, then take over the maintenance of these places.

'In this way', he said, 'new temples and mosques could be built to replace those no longer used by the community, and the old ones maintained for posterity.'

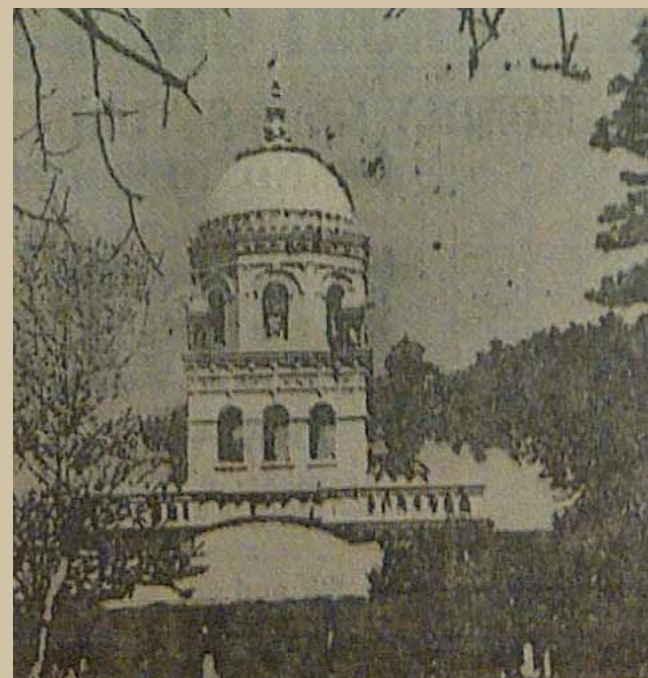
Mr Moolla emphasized that the land on which a mosque stood could not be used for any other purpose if the mosque had to be demolished because it was too old.

Promises Must be Kept

'Once a piece of land is consecrated, it remains sacred for all time'. Mr Bridgemohan suggested that Muslims and Hindus should form a common body in order to advise the Government on the preservation of places of worship.

Although Indian temples and mosques have been examined by the Historic Monuments Commission, none has been declared a historic monument.

'Our places of worship are not merely building', said Mr Bridgemohan. 'They reflect our culture and our history on this country. We do not want them lost to us. We have had the assurance that in the implementation of the Group Areas Act, our mosques and temples will not be interfered with. We must make absolutely certain that this promise is kept.'



The Somtseu Road Temple is now in an area from which Indians have been removed.

GOOD LUCK TO MISS AFRICA SOUTH

She Is A Pearl Among Women

Graphic 1970

Miss Pearl Jansen, South Africa's entrant for the Miss World contest, won the hearts of Durban Audiences when she appeared at the Avalon Cinema on Monday night.

Pearl modelled five eye-catching garments which she will wear at the Miss World contest at the Albert Hall in London on November 20.

In the first round of the contest she will wear an all-white swimsuit.

A PROMISE

Her second outfit will be a national costume. It will be made of

material resembling snakeskin.

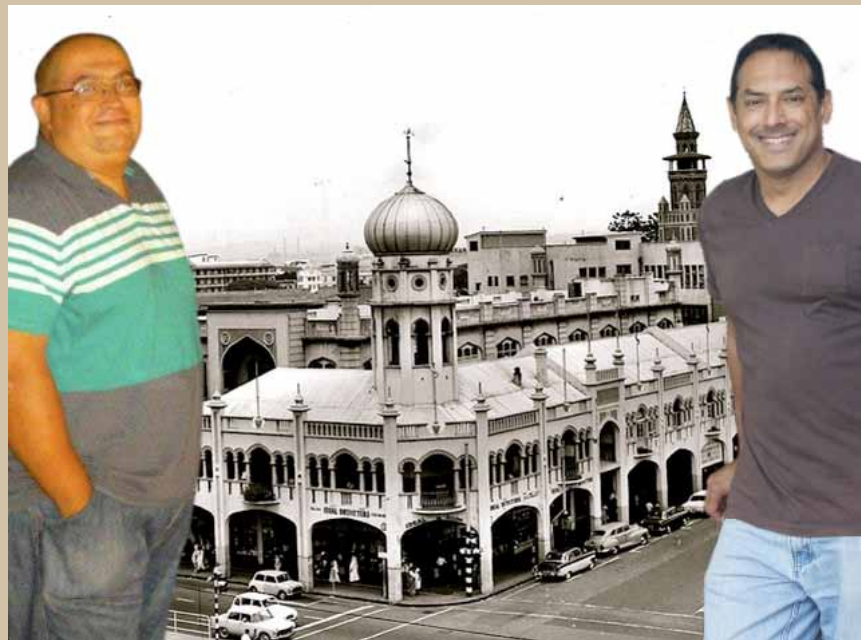
If Pearl wins the Miss World title she could earn R100.000, said Mr. M.N. Pather, Amateur Weight Lifting and Bodybuilding Federation.

Pearl who arrived on Sunday, leaves Durban on November 8 for London. After that who knows

"I promise you she will win", a jubilant Mr. A. Rasool, president Natal Amature Weight Lifting and Bodybuilding Association, told the pack audience at the Avalon Cinema.



Miss Oearl Jasen in the white swimsuit which she will wear at the Miss World contest at the Albert Hall in London on November 28.



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Gang War Nearly Erupts

Leader Reporter

Gang warfare reminiscent of the pitch battles during the early fifties, almost erupted in the heart of the City last week when car loads of men, some of whom are said to be armed with an assortment of weapons, pulled up near a café in Queen Street on Friday evening for a confrontation with another gang.

Scores of passersby, sensing trouble, cleared the streets and pavements and watched from a distance as a man alighted from one of the cars and spoke to a group standing near the café. Words were exchanged, but it was apparent after a few minutes that a 'truce' had been signed on both sides. The man returned to his car, which then drove off, followed by his friends.

The incident, it is believed, was a sequel to a fight which took place in Victoria Street one evening last week, when a youth was stabbed after an

argument.

The youth who was stabbed is a relative of a well-known personality in Durban.

Reports are that after last week's fight in Victoria Street tempers were flying high among members of the underworld in Durban. Many thought that this would be the start of another turbulent gang war, in the pattern of the Crimson League versus the Salot gang affairs of the early fifties.

Meanwhile, several well-known faces from the Johannesburg underworld have been seen in Durban over the past week. Informers claim that some of them were seen in cars – with a Johannesburg registration number – parked in the vicinity of the Durban Indian market one morning last week.

ATTACK BY 'KARATE' GANG

By DENNIS PATHER- Leader 1970

A "KARATE" gang attacked a family at their Canelands home over the Christmas weekend injuring an elderly hawker, his wife and several of their children.

The incident, I am told took place as a result of a quarrel that afternoon when the hawker, Mr. Gary Govender (48) had to intervene in an argument between one of his guests and a member of the gang that attacked his family.

Later two men arrived at his home to "apologise" for the quarrel. As they were leaving, one of the men is reported to have whistled aloud to signal four other men, who were waiting outside. All six men then attacked Mr. Govender and his son.

Some of the men, I am told, were armed with sticks and cat spanners. At least two of them attacked Mr. Govender

and his son with karate punches and kicks.

DRAGGED ALONG

Mr. Govender's son was dragged some distance along the ground during the attack and suffered several bruises on his body. It is also suspected that he sustained internal injuries.

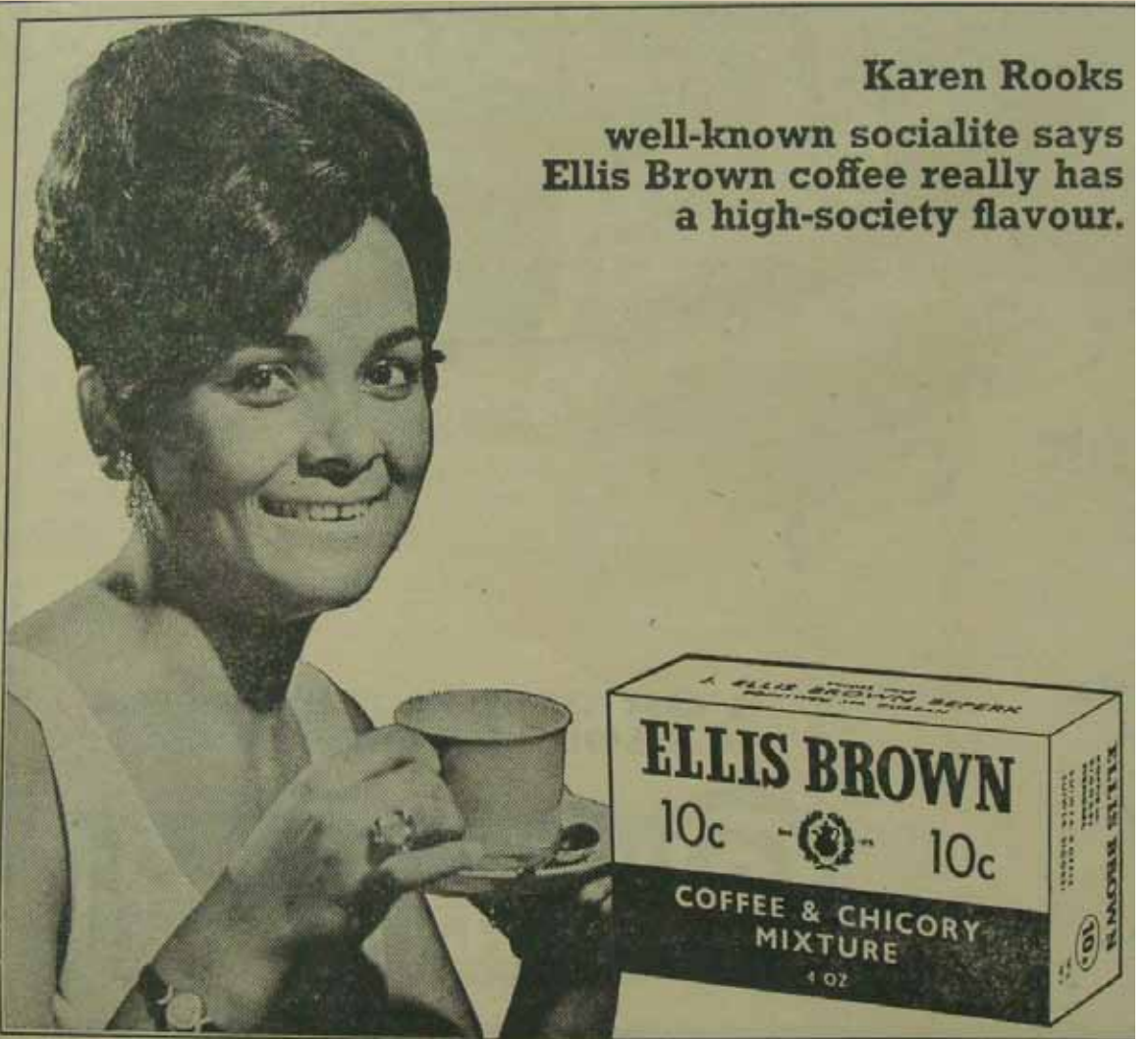
Mrs. Govender and her three daughters, who were at home at the time tried to separate the men and were hurt in the commotion. The Fight stopped when several passers-by intervened.

Mr. Govender received a gash over his left eye, which required 10 stitches. His wife had injuries on her head and face.

Police later arrested four men. Who are expected to appear in the Verulam Magistrate's court later this month.

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NIGHT LIFE



Durban South Sports Association held their first Debutants Ball at the Cinderella last Saturday. The Nine young ladies above wearing full length evening dresses and carrying bouquets were presented to Labour Party member Mr. Norman Middleton and Mrs. Middleton.

Photo: Bala Govender

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Members of Durban's top dance band, the Duke's Combo show their solidarity with a shake of hands all around. The Combo celebrates its seventh anniversary this week with their annual Duchess Contest to be held at the Pelican Restaurant on Saturday evening.

First prize for the contest is a trip to Beira and Lourenco Marques. In addition a number of other cash prizes and gifts donated by leading business houses will be awarded. Picture shows members of the band (from left) Dee Midget, Harry, Dave, Sunny, Vasi and Moon.



Mr. and Mrs. Gopaul Naidoo dancing at the Club Lotus where dances are now being held regularly



Popluar vocalist Ron Dallas singing at the Bon Chance where he is a regular attraction



The Mayor of Durban, Councillor Trevor Warman crowns Miss Lilian Murry who was chosen "Miss Durban" in the annual contest held by the Ward X Coloured Ratepayers Association at the City Hall Last Saturday night.



The top Durban pop group, The Grapvine, just back from a tour of the country, celebrated their first anniversary at the Moon Hotel last Saturday. Members of the group are seen cutting the anniversary cake.

Photo: Bala Govender

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MOVIE REVIEW

Kelly's Heroes



Kelly's Heroes is a 1970 war comedy film directed by Brian G. Hutton, about a group of World War II soldiers who go AWOL to rob a bank behind enemy lines. The film stars Clint Eastwood, Telly Savalas, Don Rickles, Carroll O'Connor, and Donald Sutherland, with secondary roles played by Harry Dean Stanton, Gavin MacLeod, and Stuart Margolin. The screenplay was written by British film and television writer Troy Kennedy Martin. The film was a US-Yugoslav co-production, filmed mainly in the Croat village of Vižinada on the Istria peninsula.

Plot

In World War II France in early September 1944, units of the 35th Infantry Division are nearing the town of Nancy when one of the division's mechanized reconnaissance platoons receives orders to pull out while under attack from the Germans. Kelly (Eastwood), a former lieutenant who has been demoted to private following a disastrous assault some time earlier, captures Colonel Dankhopf of German Intelligence. When Kelly notices that his prisoner has a gold bar in his briefcase, he gets him drunk to try to get information about the gold. Before he is killed by an attacking German Tiger tank, the drunken Dankhopf blurts out that there is a cache of 14,000 gold bars stored in a bank vault 30 miles behind enemy lines in the town of Clermont.

Kelly recruits the rest of his platoon, including skeptical Master Sergeant "Big Joe" (Savalas), to sneak off and steal the gold. Eventually, others have to be recruited (or invite themselves) into the scheme, such as an opportunistic supply sergeant "Crapgame" (Rickles); and a Sherman tank commander,

"Oddball" (Sutherland).

The expedition successfully breaks through a German-held town during a mortar barrage that has been arranged by Kelly. An American fighter plane mistakes Kelly's group for the enemy, strafing their vehicles and destroying them with rockets, forcing them to continue on foot, and three of their number die in a subsequent skirmish in and around a minefield. Meanwhile, Oddball's tanks battle their way through the German lines, but their route is blocked when the last large bridge is blown up by Allied bombers, prompting Oddball to let a bridge engineering unit in on the deal. When intercepted radio messages of the private raid are brought to the attention of gung-ho American Major General Colt (O'Connor), he misinterprets them as the efforts of aggressive patriots pushing forward on their own initiative and immediately rushes to the front line to exploit the "breakthrough".

Kelly's men race to reach Clermont before their own army. There, they find it defended by three Tiger tanks with infantry support. The Americans are able to dispatch two of the Tigers and most of the German infantry, but as they prepare to take on the last tank, which is parked right in front of the bank, Oddball's last Sherman breaks down and cannot be repaired. Powerless to defeat the tank, Kelly offers the German tank commander a share of the loot. After the Tiger blows the bank doors off, the assembled crew finds the gold cache. After dividing the gold, the men go their separate ways, just managing to avoid meeting the still-oblivious Colt, who is delayed by celebrating town residents.

SONG LYRIC'S

Carpenters We've only just begun

We've only just begun to live
White lace and promises
A kiss for luck and we're on our way
We've only begun

Before the risin' sun, we fly
So many roads to choose
We'll start out walkin' and learn to run
And yes, we've just begun

Sharing horizons that are new to us
Watching the signs along the way
Talkin' it over, just the two of us
Workin' together day to day, together

And when the evening comes, we smile
So much of life ahead
We'll find a place where there's room to grow
And yes, we've just begun

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THE HOLLIES "He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother

The road is long
With many a winding turn
That leads us to who knows where
Who knows when
But I'm strong
Strong enough to carry him
He ain't heavy, he's my brother

So on we go
His welfare is of my concern
No burden is he to bear
We'll get there
For I know
He would not encumber me
He ain't heavy, he's my brother

If I'm laden at all
I'm laden with sadness
That everyone's heart
Isn't filled with the gladness
Of love for one another

It's a long, long road
From which there is no return
While we're on the way to there
Why not share
And the load
Doesn't weigh me down at all
He ain't heavy, he's my brother

He's my brother
He ain't heavy, he's my brother...

Recipe

Puri, A Delicious Indian Bread - Recipe by Suchilla Leslie



Ingredients

2 cups all purpose flour
 ½ tsp. salt
 1 pinch sugar
 2 teaspoons baking powder
 4 tblsp. soft butter or ghee
 ¾cup milk
 canola oil for deep frying

Method

Sift dry ingredients
 Rub in butter/ghee
 Add milk. If dough is too dry, do add more milk, a little at a time, to make soft dough
 Knead dough for about 5 minutes
 Divide dough into 4 balls

On a bread board, using a rolling pin, roll one ball at a time or
 You may choose to make several small ping pong sized balls and roll them individually. When rolling dough, dust the board as well as the rolling pin with flour. You may repeat this to make rolling easier. It prevents the dough sticking to the board or rolling pin. It is less time consuming to roll one large ball, then cut them into rounds, diamond shapes or rectangles. When you roll the puris, lightly dust flour on the surface of the tray that will hold the puris once you have shaped them
 When the tray is full, simply top it with a layer of cling wrap or lunch wrap. Then add new puris that are cut, on the layer of cling wrap. You may choose to just use another tray.

When all the puris are rolled, heat oil. Get all your tools, such as a slotted spoon, some spoons or forks to turn the frying puri, paper towels and a container to receive the fried puris. You have to work quickly so make sure all this is in place before you begin frying. The oil should be between a high-medium temperature. Test a small piece of dough. It should sizzle.

Now fry the puris, about 4 at a time to begin with. The puris will swell up, quickly turn to fry the other side and remove on a slotted spoon. The puris should not brown. Press with another spoon to drain oil. Keep on a container which is lined with paper-towel. When all puris have been fried, top with a paper towel & cover. This helps to keep the puris soft.

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Suchilla Leslie



The marriage of Sadeck Cassim, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aboobaker Cassim, of Jailani Cafe, to Kulsum Jooma, daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. V. M. Jooma, took place at the Orient Hall, Durban, on Saturday night. The bridal couple are seen above with the bride's maids, Jamila and Rehana Jooma. A large number of guest were present on the happy occasion.



Mr. Surendra Naidoo (centre) of Damjee Mansions, Umgeni Road, Durban, who celebrated his 21st birthday at the A.P.S. Hall, Carlisle Street, on Saturday evening. Flanked by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.S. Naidoo, he is seen cutting his cake at the Party.

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THE BIRTH OF INDIAN SOCCER

INDIAN soccer as an organised sport came to South Africa towards the end of the last century with the formation of football clubs in Durban and the establishment of a controlling body. These were followed by clubs which were established in Pietermaritzburg and Ladysmith, leading to the formation of the Natal Indian Football Association.

Up to the year 1885, Indian participation in soccer in South Africa was virtually unknown and it was only during that year that it really started to attract the attention of the young Indian men of Durban, when a few enthusiasts started kicking a football around an open field facing Pine Street in the centre of Dur-

ban, today known as Nicol Square, where a large parking garage now stands. Enthusiasm for this once little known sport steadily grew and a year later four clubs were formed – The Union Jack, Eastern Stars, Yorkshire and Western Stars – each team playing against one another.

Soon after the establishment of the four clubs a controlling body – the Natal Indian Football Association – was formed with the object of promoting the game among the Indian community and to control players and matches. As the name of the Association was a misnomer because the clubs which were affiliated to it were all Durban based, its name was changed to the Durban District

Indian Football Association, and it was only in 1894 when clubs established in Pietermaritzburg became affiliated to the Association that it was decided to revert to the original name – The Natal Indian Football Association. Clubs established in Ladysmith joined the Association in 1896.

The South African Indian Football Association

Arising out of an offer by the late Mr. Sam China (Chinakoo Moodley) of Kimberley to present a magnificent silver trophy to be competed for by Indian players,

it was decided in 1903 to establish the South African Indian Football Association, under whose auspices matches between the various Indian clubs could be arranged, with the cup being awarded to the winning team. The Sam China Tournament, as the competing matches are called, has done much to arouse enthusiasm amongst Indian Soccer players and has kept Indian soccer consistently in the fore. Indian sportsmen have, indeed, much to be thankful for the foresight and generosity of Mr. Sam China in making the cup available, and for his efforts throughout the years of his life to promote the cause of Indian soccer.



Gandhi Johannesburg Team in stripes and Pretoria X1 called Passive Resisters in 1910



The All – India Soccer Tour

The efforts of the South African Indian Football Association over a period of twenty years to get a representative soccer team from India to tour South Africa were at last crowned with success when a team of fifteen players, under the management of Mr. P.K. Mookerjee, arrived in Durban on board the S.S. Karanja on 6th June 1934.

The team was met at the quayside by several thousand sports enthusiasts and was welcomed by Mr. Albert Christopher, the President of the South African Indian Football Association.

Of the fifteen players of the All - India team, twelve were bare-footed players while three played in boots. The local manager of the team, while in South African team was the late Mr. Willie Ernest of Johannesburg. Mr. George Singh captained the South African team.

The itinerary of the tour included all principal centres of South Africa and from both a financial and

sporting point of view was a tremendous success.

Sixteen matches in all were played, the touring team winning fifteen, losing only one against Natal at Pi-

etermaritzburg.

Of the sixteen matches played, four were test and the remainder were either provincial or divisional matches. There is no doubt that the

visit of the all All-Indian team did much to improve the standard of play amongst Indian footballers in South Africa and created more enthusiasm for this very popular sport within the Indian Community .



Coloured football

The Western Province (Coloured) Football Association was reported as holding its sixth annual meeting in March, 1910, so that the Association was probably founded in 1904. Clubs included at this early stage were De Beers, Burnley, Parkins, East Ends, Yorkshires, moltenos, Zonnebloem College, St Pauls and Spenstons, The strong English influence in the names of soccer clubs, as opposed to the more exotic and imaginative names of many rugby clubs, is evident.

Soccer organizations, as in rugby, invited some of the leading (White) citizens of the day to be their patrons, and so we find among the early soccer patrons Sir Peter Barn, Mr. W.P. Schreiner, Adv. Upington, Adv. Alexander and the Hon. D.P.de V. Graff. Among the early officials (coloured) we find such names as Messrs. S. Reagon (later an M.P.C.), S.A. Neal, A. Williams and W. Herbert.

As in rugby, a number of Unions sprang up, and in 1932 we read of attempts to amalgamate theses. A 1932 news report in The Sun said "Although at present there is a Soccer Board that controls the unions, the board has only an indirect control over the players and there is a belief among the leaders of the various unions that there should be only one union" Among the unions of the day were Cape District Football Association (including Yorkshire, Heatherley, St. Anthony's Ashton United, Spenstons, Three H's, St. John's Battswood and Devonshire Rovers), Metropolitan League and Stellenbosch League.

Among the names of the players of the day were E. Doman (later Cape

Town City Councilor) and W. Thomas, who is widely regarded as one of the best soccer players ever produced in South Africa. He played for Devonshire Rovers.

The theme of amalgamation, mentioned in 1932, was repeated in 1934 at a bazaar of the W.P. (coloured) Association Football Board at Wynberg, Cape. Speaking on that occasion, Mr. S. Reagon, President of the South African Football Board, gave some interesting facts. He recounted that association football was started in the Coloured community in 1904 with only four clubs. In 1934 there were 80 clubs, with over 2 500 members, in seven unions.

Mr. Reagon also criticized the City Council of Cape Town for not providing adequate playing fields for the Coloured community, deploring the fact that "only one section of the community is continually being catered for." He graciously excluded the Mayor of Cape Town, Mr. Louis Gradner, from the charge, however. Mr. Gradner, in his remarks, called for the formation of one controlling body as key to strength. "Sport", he said, "as it is accepted in the wider sense, should not be subjected to any bar, and I would appeal to the organizers to co-operate in all their efforts so that in the very near future your status will receive due recognition, without regard to race, creed or colour."

In soccer, as in rugby, certain sectionalism showed itself in the formation of a separate Muslim League, called the Western Province Muslim Soccer League. By 1937 this league included such teams as Shamrocks, Young Recordss, Re-

vengers, and Lilies. The formation of a Muslim League had the interesting sequel that the Muslim administrators, in order to strengthen their own league, requested the other Unions to exclude Muslims. In this way it came about that no Muslim clubs were admitted to the Cape District Football Association, although a few individual Muslims did play. In time, however, the feeling grew that there should not be a specifically Muslim League, and the League disbanded. Gradually, too, Muslims were accepted into the other soccer clubs. But the preference of Muslims has on the whole, been for rugby and cricket, rather than for soccer.

Soccer tournaments between the different Provinces and centre's became popular, and indeed the bazaar at which Mr. Reagon and Mayor Gradner spoke in 1934 was in preparation for such a tournament. At the 1936 tournament five centre's competed, viz. W. Province, E. Province, Griquas (Kimberley), Transvaal and Natal.

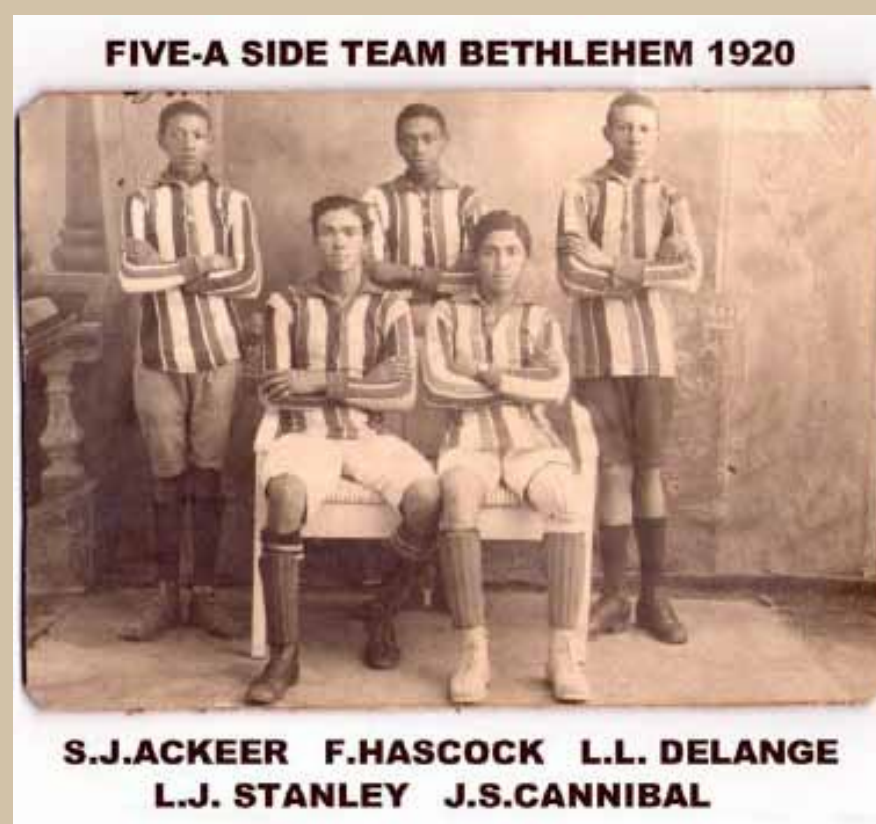
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The Griqualand West Coloured Football Association and Transvaal Independent Football Association existed at least as early as 1932, as they played one another in that year. The Transvaal Independent Football Association was evidently a different body from the Transvaal Coloured Football Associa-

tion, at whose 1933 Annual meeting membership of the following clubs was reported: Perseverance, Universals, Orientals, Rosebuds and Honey-suckles. Although small, the Orange Free State seems to have played soccer of a good standard, as we read more than once that the Orange Free State Coloured Football Association held the South African Coloured Soccer Board's trophy.

Soccer has not been inter-provincial, but also inter-racial. Mr. S. Reagon arranged for a series of matches between "S.A. Indians and S.A. Coloured" players. This was the Sam China Cup Soccer Tournaments, held in 1939 under the auspices of the S.A. Indian Association.

On the International front, in 1934 a team from India, "All India" toured South Africa. The team played a series of three tests against South African Indians, and won. "All India" also played against Coloured teams. Several South African Non-white players have, however, been of sufficiently high caliber to be invited to play for overseas teams. D.M. Bansda (Basil D' Oliveira Sportsman's Dairy, 1968) names the following: Steve "Kalamazoo" Makone (Holland and Wales, 1957), Dave Julius (Portugal, 1958), Gerald Francis (Leeds United, England, 1958), Darius Dhlomo (Holland, 1958), Napoleon "Kallie" Page (England, 1959), Joseph "Carlton" Moloi (Cardiff, Wales, 1959), Herbert "Shortey" Zuma (Holland, 1959), Albert Johannesen (Leeds United, England, 1964-67), Percy Moloi (Leeds United, England, 1967). Of these Julius, Francis, Page and Johannesen were Coloured.



COMMENTS FROM OUR FACEBOOK GROUP

Hot masala chips from Praveena's in Victoria Arcade, Victoria Street.....kebab and roti from Hansa's on the corner of Prince Edward and Grey Street....

Kausalee Naidoo: called the works,bought chips before the movies. Sean Edmund: What about crashing a baked beans bunny from Tasty Eats in Shiraz Arcade Leroy Francis: Now u talking Sean Edmund Buddy Govender: Mutton Bunny from Victory Lounge... Buddy Govender: Mutton sausages from Hansa..... Buddy Govender: Bhajia from Patels... Brijlall Ramguthee: Once tasted, never wasted. Adding spice to life, Buddy. Leroy Francis: Buddy Govender,what was the name of the cafe that was opposite the dairy in Victoria street Buddy Govender: Goodwill Lounge.... Leroy Francis: Thats the one,had some good mutton bunnies there back in the day. Buddy Govender: Clover flavoured milk IN A BOTTLE (plastic bottle just doesn't taste the same) and a long cream doughnut from just about any t-room in the Casbah..... Leroy Francis: Or a snow ball ,current square Rashid Ally: 2 wash it all down da coldest Coke in a bottle from Avalon Tearoom or Large Milkshake from Moolas Cafe. Wow dat was da goodtimes Junaid Ahmed: Samosas from Naaz Snack bar Junaid Ahmed: Also samosas and pies from that tiny shop in the arcade where the IPC was situated- straddling Queen and Grey St Sean Edmund: Leroy, don't call me Sean Edmund because you only know me as Butch, yah what about the alternative spot, Sunkist for a baked beans bunny on the bonnet of our cabs Leroy Francis: Sorry about that Butch ,will remember next time...lol Aragesan Pillay: Kebab bunny from Johnnys in sparks rd Ashwin Jagaroop: Toasted steak sandwiches from Vita Snacks in Kismet Arcade, Prince Edward street Shereen Bagwandin: Bunny chow from Tasty Eats in Shiraz Arcade Pillay Aubrey: Hansa`s spiced Sausages _ Another Winner ! Ashwin Jagaroop: Chocolate cake and milkshake from Cassillas in Victoria street Rashid Ally: Which are our present day Chow Dens. Mine is MY DINERS Colette Steeneveldt: Mutton burgers from Wimpy - near Goodhope Centre Aragesan Pillay: Snowball and chocolate milkshake from clover after schools, life little simple pleasures, Baked beans bunny from Tasty eats, and mixed veg bunny with mung dhal from Patels Ravi Govender: Toasted steak sandwich from Crystal Cafe - opposite Avalon Albert - now known as Mr Sandwich in Victoria Street Vijay Dhanraj: Small white beans curry with bread lime pickle&fanta orange. Puri patha&tea -GC Kaptiens Grey street. Unforgettable. Nazeera Bassa Asmal: china fruit from Naaz snack bar.... Satish Mohan: shish kebab on a roll and salad from tasty eats Chichi Cajee: beans quarter from patels Colette Steeneveldt: Broad beans bunny from Mullah's Cafe across from Epsom Road School. Farzana Bheda: there was a take away on Albert street next to Clover Dairies(where you could buy wholesle 5litre icecream) best steak sandwiches? ne one knows the shop? Buddy Govender: Crustals café.....opposite Avalon Albert cinema Farzana Bheda: YESSSS!!!!.... Buddy Govender: Crystals now in Victoria Street....still have that Crystals taste in their	food.. Farzana Bheda: can anyone DHL it to me to the UK? Buddy Govender: lol....said the same thing standing at a take away in Okinawa, Japan a few years ago.....could be the idea to start a business....Slmz Farzana Bheda Farzana Bheda: buds tel mackie Jagot to send it to me Buddy Govender: Lol....k...will do Farzana... Brian Warren: Mouth watering Rajan Padayachee: Remember Tasty Eats. Morgie Pillay: Buddy you are making us go crazy especially Hansas famous food Praveena Singh: Owned by another Pravina, a classmate. Leila Ally: Our Friday night special were those chicken drumsticks from Hansas....yum-my! Vijay Dhanraj: Tasty Eats in Rajab arcade. Leila Ally: Tasty Eats = the best toasted baked beans sandwiches! Robin Sewlal: Praveena's was my favourite haunt - terrific memories! Brian Warren: Kaptiens 1st stop 4 me... veg soft white bread Solly Crowie: what abt Manjras,old school one or Delhi,upstairs Mahomed Joosab: Khyber restaurant in Grey Street.... Brijlall Ramguthee: Thanks, Solly, for mentioning Delhi's upstairs. It was here, amid the hullaballoo of the Grey Street/Broad Street, complex, that I asked my now wife, ' well, what have you got to say.? That was all of 43 years ago. Must be something in the food, I guess, because we have been married for 40 years and there's no letting up! I always remind the best half of that day, and she smiles, knowing she made the right decision. Abdool Samad Moolla: The best beans bunny was from Patels in Grey Street. real value Rashid Ally: @Brij. Hi my bro Wat did both have That Great Day? Brijlall Ramguthee: Hi Rashid, it was like yesterday, when I popped the question, so I remember it well. The menu: Fish breyani, brother. Wow, it was so tasty I went for more. And more. Vijay Dhanraj: Who remembers Mullahs cafe bottom end Grey street cnr Derby street. Ravie Valaitham: yes, Mullahs had the best milk shake in town Leroy Francis: We all had our favourite eating place, but from Derby str to Queen str the quality and taste was of the highest standard and one was never disappointed no matter where u ate. Ashwin Jagaroop: Mullah's cafe was also famous for their bombay crush! Rashid Ally: Durban is da food capital of da world. Da amount of Likes & Comments will confirm this Charmaine Snyman: hey buddy is a wonder we still have tummies with all the junk we eat Prakash Vanmali: Gobble & Go in pine street - tasty burgers Mahomed Joosab: Calcutta Bazaar in Queen street with their bor, figs and spices etc... Buddy Govender: Burgers with grilled onions from BakOven in Albert Street (on the streel level of Nedbank House) Buddy Govender: Toasted bake beans sandwich from Sunkist Restaurant take-away on the beachfront... Farzana Bheda: who remembers a vendor that used to circulate buildings shouting 'daani fella'...h used to sell toffee apples and popcorn from a wicker basket ? Sam Prakash: Buddy my mouth is now watering. Andrew C Akkers: Wasn't that popcorn also in a block with the 'toffee apple' type syrup? Farzana Bheda: yes !!! was da best
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'MARATHON' HOPEFUL

'LEADER' REPORTER

The organizers of the Chatsworth 'Milk Marathon,' a walking race over an 18,720 metre course, are confident that entries will top the 1,000 mark. Already the number of entries is close to that figure and the final date for acceptance is next Wednesday.

The Durban Milk Publicity Council, which is organising the event, has released details of the competition to be held on Sunday, May 3.

In order to eliminate "running" and the taking of "short cuts," scores of marshals will be on duty on the course – stationed at 50 metre intervals – to keep check on competitors.

There will be also a number of check-points through which competitors will have to pass. Maps of the route have been posted to all entrants during the week.

A number of postmen have entered for the big walk and they are confident that this year's winner will come from their ranks.

Picture on the below shows postman Mohandas Naidoo winner of the first "marathon" who is hoping to win a gold medal in the 'open' section.



Members of the Natal team who regained the Marachia Cup after their victory in the inter-provincial swim tournament in Durban last week. On the extreme left is Mr. S. K. Naidoo, the Natal manager, and second from right is coach Mr. Samba Ramsamy.



Karate, the "empty hands" method of self-defence practiced by the Japanese from time immemorial, has a growing number of adherents, in Durban where numerous clubs are catering for the wave of enthusiasm among the young folk. Photograph shows members of a well-known karate club, (from left) Perumal Maduray, T.M. Narsai, J. Maistry, Sensei O. Mohan and Steve Chetty admiring certificates presented to them at the fifth graduation ceremony of the club held at the Vedic Hall recently. Photo: Sydney Reddy



Ratendra Chetty
Sports Administrator,
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Broadcaster says the
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Brown coffee really turns
on his tongue.





Maritzburg expose weak spot of Verulam Suburbs

by 'Leader' Sports Staff

There were two major failings in the Verulam Suburbs team that lost 3-1 to Maritzburg City at Curries Fountain on Sunday. Firstly, they had no striker fast enough to convert the many chances that came their way. And secondly, their defence lacked leadership and were at sixes and sevens in the face of any attack. The only serves to point out how sorely Preston Julius, their young marksman, who left for London on Saturday, and defenders Bernie Crowie and Siga Sylvester, were missed in the side.

The usually reliable Walla Homiel looked the part of centre forward in the beginning with several imaginative combinations with Valiant Ally that almost set the City defenders aguessing. But unable to control his temper, he played no part towards the latter part of the game, after being given marching orders by referee Fireworks Mahomed. City's pivot Stadig Ngcobo, was also sent off the field after an incident. These two incidentally were the first players to be ordered off in any game since the revival of professional soccer in July last year.

Safe Hands

Moses Ally haws done much to the City line-up by signing on several Grocends top men. Lewis Verner is a keeper in a million, who, although somewhat orthodox in style, is as safe and sound as they come. He was the star of his side on Sunday with a number of acrobatic saves in the face of a strong wind in Suburb's favour.

Suburbs were very imaginative in their approach at the start, but failed to capa-

tilise on their chances. Sure, they scored the first goal of the match, but did little to hold on to this lead. This goal came in the seventh minute from a Vincent Pillay cross which found Walla at centre. Verner was unable to hold this stinger, which rebounded off his hands into the net. City, however, slowly geared into form, with the industrious Jacob Nene piling on the pressure, and creating good opportunities for his teammates up front. City continued this midfield advantage throughout the remainder of the first half.

Their untiring efforts helped them equalise some 20 minutes later when James Mkumbi crashed home a pass from the right. They went further ahead after 5 minutes with the goal of the match. Jacob Nene cleverly placed a ball near the right hand corner of the goal from about 25 yards out. Lying sprawled on the ground, he lifted his head up to watch keeper, Aubrey Chetty, dive in vain to ward off this well timed and placed kick.

City did most of the attacking till half-time and would have been three up before the whistle when the ball rebounded off the bar. Rain, accompanied by a strong wind, played havoc on the game in the second half as Suburbs strove for the equaliser. But it was City who went further ahead through a well-timed goal from Ben Sabastian.

City can thank Verner for their managing to hold on to their lead in the second half, when, with a strong wind up in their favour he continued to hold the fort!



Suburb's Walla Homiel (centre) crashes home his side's only goal, while keeper louis Verner (on ground) and a City defender look on dejectedly.

Dharam Mohan quits Avalon

Leader

Because of certain allegations made against Mr. Dharam Mohan, cabinet member of Avalon Athletic Football Club, Mr. Mohan has resigned from the club and his resignation has been accepted.

Avalon Athletic say that he had verbally intimated his intention to resign but had promised to follow this up in writing. In the meantime, the club has requested the League to note that he has been relieved of all official duties with immediate effect.

In a letter to the SASFPL,

GOVENDER WINS CASTING TITLE



By "Leader" Sports Staff

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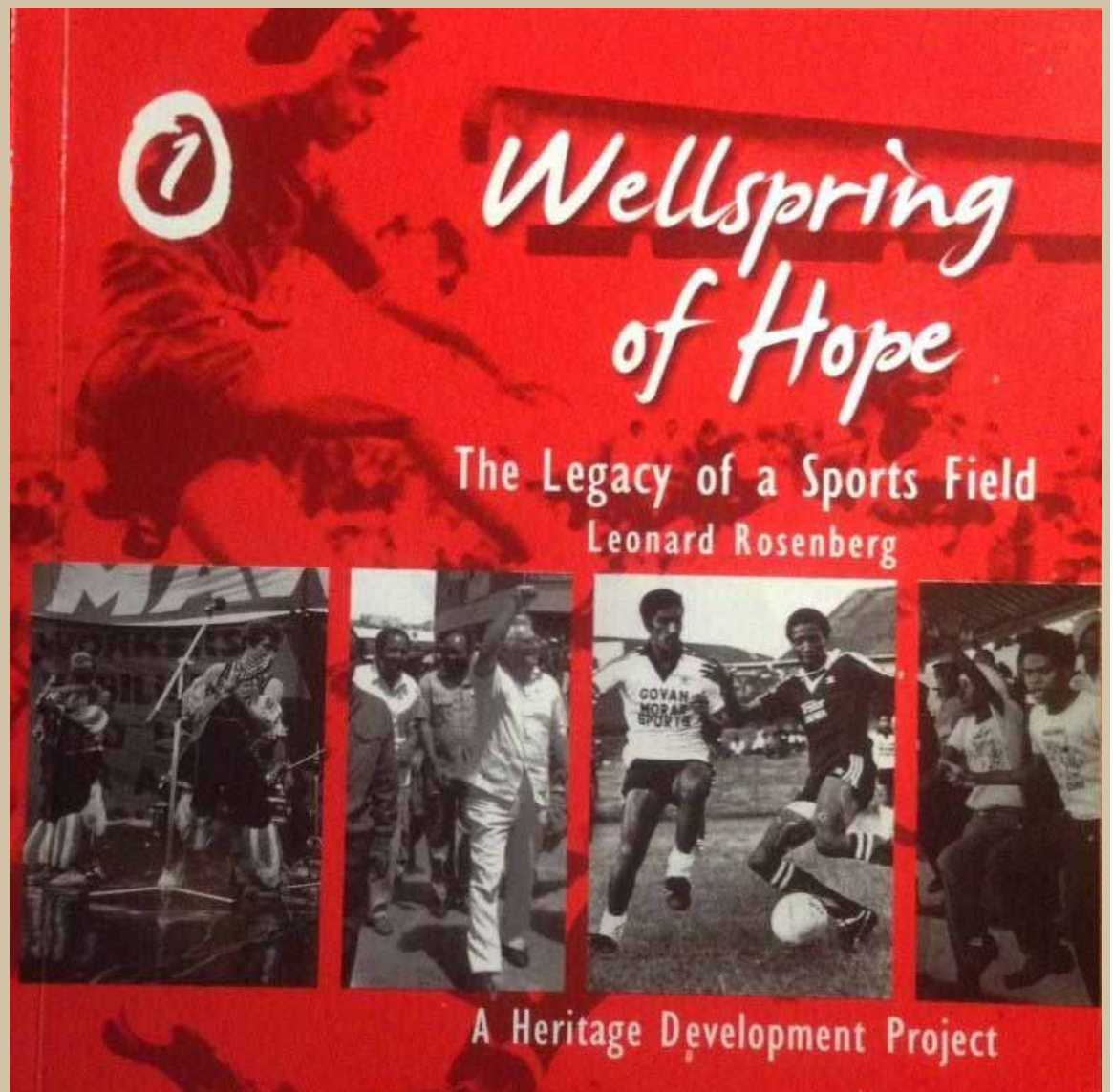
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