The World of Entertainment

The vivacious GEETABALI, queen of the Indian screen, who plays the lead in the surprise picture which will be shown at the midnight matinee at the Avalon Theatre tomorrow. This is a great picture with a great cast.

ANOTHER Indian screen masterpiece that has been looked forward to for some considerable time is "Hangama", which will be showing at the Albert in the next few weeks. Hangama is the essence of life, because it is born of conflict, and life is an eternal conflict; a conflict of emotions, of the forces of evil and virtue, of human minds that are all alike and yet diverse.

If ever there were two human beings who were living proof of "unity in diversity" they were Makhan and Hindu. Hindu was a god-fearing person, a gentleman to the core who kept his principle of Truth and Honesty above everything else, but Makhan his bosom friend was at the other end of the rope. To him the end always justified the means.

In spite of having differences of the fundamental principles governing their lives, they were inseparable and Hindu loved Makhan for his friendship and not for his qualities. At the same time Hindu always looked forward to bringing Makhan to the right path. But every effort of his in this direction proved not only futile, but [illegible] Truth and Honesty may be good principles but they proved not very helpful in the day to day life. So much so, that Hindu's beloved Truth and Honesty saw him turned out of the town. Makhan had to follow, the two being inseparable.

But this proved a blessing in disguise for Hindu. Relieving a new world, he met Rajan and Madhu Rajan, who, through her all-embracing love and affection, was striving hard to bring a revolutionary change in the life of her beloved Madi. As the law of nature would have it, Rowa with all his cunning and evil designs was always there to foil her efforts to replace evil with virtue.

The climax of the story is reached when the answers to these two questions unfold themselves:—Did Rajan, with her superhuman love and sacrifice, overcome the forces of evil? Did the upright and god-fearing Hindu succeed with Makhan? The answers to these are exactly what [illegible] Productions have named, "Hangama."

PRODUCERS' GUILD

A NEW producers' organisation, Film Producers' Guild of India, was formed last month in Bombay at a private party hosted by V. Shantaram. The move was supported by Mehboob Khan, A. R. Kardar, Raj Kapoor, [illegible], J. B. H. Wadia and [illegible].

PAYMENT ALLOWED

MR. MOHAMMED ALI, Prime Minister of Pakistan, said in Karachi a few weeks ago that the Government had sanctioned the release of certain Indian films lying at the customs. It is also learned that the State Bank of Pakistan has permitted the payment for these films.

MISS IS A MRS.

MISS SHANTI DEVI, who recently made her screen debut in Variety Productions' "[illegible]" [illegible] in private life, Mrs. Shanti [illegible].

NO MORE A GANGSTER

IF you like Humphrey Bogart, the screen's tough man, for the gangster parts he used to play, you can take it for certain that you will not be seeing him any more in gangster pictures. He said, "One thing's certain, I will not play gangsters any more."

He went on, "If I did I'd laugh myself silly. It's a funny thing, but people still think of me as a gangster. They blame me for those [illegible] boys but I haven't played a gangster role in years. My next picture is a comedy-adventure film, "Beat the Devil.""

PHARAOH'S TEST

PERRY PRINZ uses Pharaoh's [illegible] to check the natural grace of prospective chorus girls. If a girl can walk in her bare feet with the same grace she can achieve on high heels, then she's got what you want, alone.

GEMS IN BROWS

THE average woman wears her diamonds on her fingers, but not Joan Crawford. The star of the technicolour "Torch Song" wears hers on her eyebrows. One of the most unusual aspects of the star's make-up for her "Two-Faced Woman" number in the film is diamond studded eyebrows. There are six diamonds, of varying sizes, over each eyebrow.

KALAVATI LEARNING HINDI

A CANINE find is the heroine in Ranjit's forthcoming picture, "Reporter." The studio has selected Kalavati, a circus dog, which can do all sorts of stunts. It is said that it can even imitate human speech and laughter and can recognise numbers from one to ten. The trouble with Kalavati, acquired for 2,000 rupees, is that she can only understand Marathi. So she is being taught Hindi. [illegible] evidently has no taste for studio life and has lost her appetite. The makers are in search of a suitable girl to lend advice to Kalavati, who will also sing a [illegible] song. The story is based on the theory of reincarnation. The wife of the hero, Agha, who plays a newspaperman, is reborn as a dog and recognised him as her husband in her previous life [illegible] him. The film is directed by [illegible].

FLYNN HAS PARALYSIS

THE noted American screen actor, Errol Flynn, was stricken with partial paralysis of the right leg when he was dancing with a young film actress in Venice. He was immediately removed to her residence and put under medical care.

Flynn had slipped on the floor while dancing and was unable to rise. He was given a series of injections. Specialists who have been called to his bedside have remained silent on the nature of his affliction. Reports are to the effect that it resulted from an injury to the nerves of his leg and of the back.

MICKEY SPILLANE IN TROUBLE

IT was a commonly held belief that the movie version of Mickey Spillane's "I, The Jury" would stir up some fireworks. [illegible] by Keith Rogers, President of the California Association of private investigators, [illegible] condemned the movie.

"Private investigators do their jobs without the help of blonde acrobats on their laps, and whisky bottles on their hips," said Rogers. "Sixty million readers have been poisoned by Spillane's phony dicks and I'm fearful of the future harm the film series will do. Private investigators are decent businessmen, not the caricatures that Mickey Spillane has drawn."

HITLER FILM

HUNDREDS of police, some armed with water hoses, stood in readiness when the controversial [illegible] "Twelve" had its first showing in thousands of cinemas throughout Germany last month.

Authorities feared Communists would try to start a riot as they did when the Rommel film was shown in the British sector. Last minute cuts in the film included a speech in which Hitler raved at Sir Winston Churchill and called him, "scoundrel, lunatic and candidate for the scaffold."

The cut was ordered at the last moment by Germany's Board of Film Censors before they passed the film for public showing.

CALAMITY JANE

JANE WYMAN is working on her third picture as a handicapped person. In "Johnny Belinda" she turned in an Oscar performance as a deaf mute.

In "The Glass Menagerie" she had a club foot. Now in "Magnificent Obsession", her props are a white stick and a pair of dark glasses for her role as a blind girl.

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Message of the Stars

The Astrological Guide for December 25 to 31 is as follows:—

Friday, December 25: Lunar day 5th of Paush Vad. Magha Nakshatra rules till 6.16 p.m. Moon in Leo. Generally favourable for most activities. Deal with animals in training, buying, selling or transportation. Salute and caress. Cultivate new acquaintances. Good for folks of Aries, Scorpio, Capricorn, Cancer and Leo. Adverse for those of Aquarius.

Saturday, December 26: Lunar day 6th. Purvaphalguni rules till 8.42 p.m. Moon in Leo. Mainly unfavourable for buying, selling and transportation. Make no changes or removals. Don't get into arguments with your friends or relatives. Adverse for Aries, Scorpio, Sagittarius and Pisces.

Sunday, December 27: Lunar day 7th. Uttaraphalguni rules till 10.45 p.m. Moon enters Virgo at 5.20 p.m. Avoid the opposite sex. Not a good time to expect favourable response in matters of love and affection. [illegible] Good for those of Aquarius and Pisces. Adverse for Taurus, Libra, Gemini [illegible]

Monday, December 28: Lunar day 8th. Hasta [illegible] Moon in Virgo. [illegible] medicine and pharmacy. Deal with animals in training, buying, selling and transportation. Good for folks of Aries, Scorpio and Capricorn. Adverse for Cancer and Leo.

Tuesday, December 29: Lunar day 9th. Hasta ends at [illegible] a.m. Moon enters Libra at 0.6 p.m. Begin new undertakings, [illegible] Make changes and removals. Good for Aries, Scorpio and Sagittarius. Adverse for Aquarius and Pisces.

Wednesday, December 30: Lunar day 10th. Chitra rules till [illegible] a.m. Moon in Libra. Ask favours of those in position and authority. Give presents, ask for an increase in your salary, pay visits to your old acquaintances. Good for those of Cancer, Leo, Taurus, Libra, Gemini and Virgo. Adverse for those of Aries, Scorpio, Sagittarius and Capricorn.

Thursday, December 31: Lunar day 11th. Swati ends at 10 a.m. Moon enters Scorpio at 5.31 a.m. Take no notice of trifling annoyances and petty worries. Control anxiety by peace and patience. Begin no bonds, loans, guarantees or securities. Adverse for those of Taurus, Libra, Gemini and Virgo.

Changeable weather with cloudy conditions and rain in places is expected about December 26 to 31.

The good days to plant or sow seasonal crops bearing fruit under the ground are December 25, 28, 29 and 31.

The Imam of Islamic Mosque, Pretoria, Mr. I. K. Bux, who is on holiday, arrived by air and is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ismail H. Mia of 45 [illegible] Copley Drive, Durban.

TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC

This is to notify that no Officials or Members are authorised to collect funds for the Rosevilla Indian Educational Society at the present moment.

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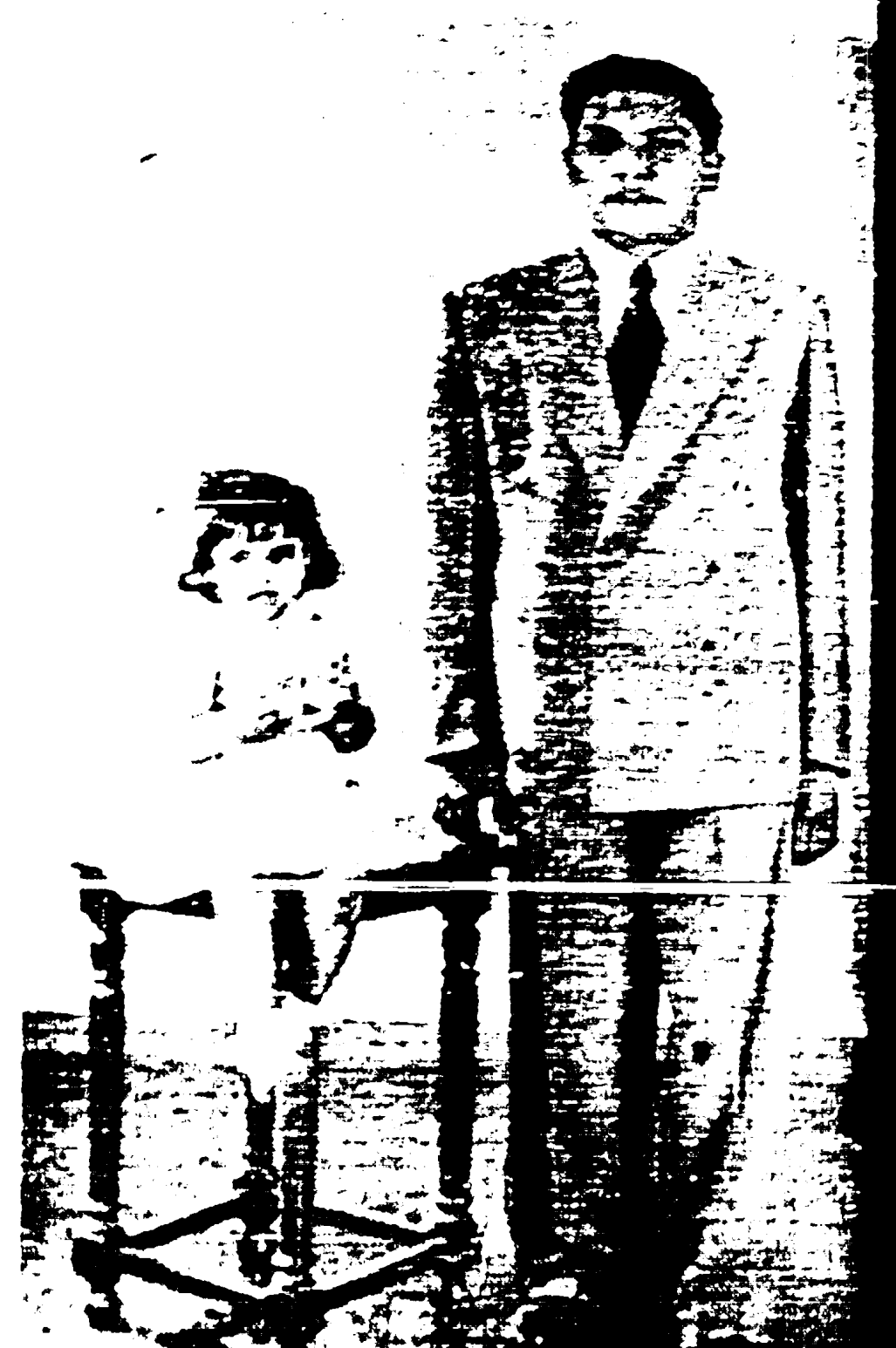

RAJKUMAR AND ROSHILA

Son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Boodhoo, grandson and grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Boodhoo, of Pomeroy, and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Singh, of Pentrich, Maritzburg, celebrated their 11th and [illegible] birthdays on 19th and [illegible]ember, 1953, amongst many friends at their residence, [illegible] Natal.

SINGH—MAHARAJ W

The marriage will take place between Amarsingh, second son of [illegible] Mrs. Balraj Singh, of [illegible] Street, Glencoe, [illegible] Babu and the late Mrs. [illegible] Singh of Glencoe, to [illegible] youngest daughter of [illegible] and Mrs. Munilal Mungal [illegible] Jan Smuts Highway, [illegible] Sunday, January 10, 195[illegible] Avalon Theatre, Durban, [illegible] at 10 a.m.

Xmas cheer for aged

MARITZBURG.—For the 35 aged and destitute inmates of the Aryan Benevolent Home in Pietermaritz Street the Yuletide festivities will not be much different from that in store for those placed in more fortunate circumstances, according to Mr. R. M. Moorgas, secretary of the Aryan Benevolent Society.

Christmas dinner will consist of mutton biryani, chicken curry and fruit. Cakes and sweetmeats will be served for afternoon tea. The management of the [illegible] and Cumberland Hotels have also promised a small quantity of liquor at their premises for the old people.

Similar fare will be served on New Year's Day. These dinners have been made possible through generous donations from the Mayoress's Christmas Cheer Fund, £10 from Mr. S. Ramburran and £5 from Mr. [illegible], the spiritual healer who conducted a campaign at the Home a few months back.

The Society also acknowledges a donation of £20 to its general account by the City Sporting Club.

In addition to this, the Society entertains the inmates to tea and sweetmeats at a city tea-room every Friday.

Mr. Moorgas told a "Leader" reporter that plans for a larger kitchen, dining-room and pantry at the Home have been finalised and building operations will commence early in the New Year.

[illegible] son of Mr. and [illegible] Maharaj and grandson of [illegible] the late Mr. [illegible] Kramarin, and of [illegible] of Trust [illegible] who will celebrate his [illegible] birthday on December [illegible]

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REACTIONS

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KOREA

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and, secondly, there was the view point that the whole purpose was to achieve results and not to follow "a proper timetable," particularly when the explanation period did not begin when it should have begun.

Mr. Nehru said that he could understand the objection to keeping prisoners indefinitely in detention. That would be wrong and improper. But if a few weeks "this way or that" would solve the problem more satisfactorily "it seems to me a very rigid, legalistic and rather narrow-minded interpretation to insist on that period of limit."

ITALO-INDIAN CULTURAL RELATIONS

NEW DELHI. — An Association has been formed in Rome to promote cultural relations between Italy and India. The Indian Ambassador to Italy, Mr. B. R. Sen, presided at the inaugural meeting. About 1,000 Italian artists and others attended an exhibition of works of two Indian painters and a sculptor arranged on the occasion. Signor Guiseppi Medici, leading agricultural expert of Italy, is President of the new Italo-Indian Association.

3-D HITS DURBAN

THE greatest step forward in the motion picture industry—three dimension, "the four-eyed revolution"—which has stormed the film colony of Hollywood and has overshadowed television, has now hit this country.

The first non-white audience in the Union saw the "House of Wax" in 3 dimension, starring Vincent [illegible] Monday.

The go-getting, energetic and enterprising Mr. Papenfus, manager of the "Royals" has done it again. He scored with "Aan," and now, after much negotiation and effort he has rounded the film goers' year with a terrific attraction. The "House of Wax" was only released in July.

"This is merely the forerunner of many things," said the smiling and proud Mr. Papenfus. "We have new seats, and the interior face of the cinema will soon have a new look. There are a lot of improvements to be made, and only the best films will be shown here."

THREE DIMENSION

Three dimension is the new cinema technique where everything on the screen appears realistic. Roaring lions seem to leap out at you from the screen, a ball struck by a cricketer seems to shoot out right at you making you duck, and beautiful girls reach out alluringly. The film has to be viewed through polaroid glasses.

The "House of Wax" is based on the highly successful conventional shocker, "The Mystery of the Wax [illegible] cidal maniac proprietor of a wax-works who embarks on a large scale plan of revenge, following an eerie battle with his former partner. Vincent Price, hideously made up, acts with appropriate fiendish as the fiendish villain, and the supporting players, too, thoroughly enter into the spirit of the bizarre macabre. The staging is equally effective, but it is the 3-D camera work, together with multiple "speakers," which enable sound to keep pace with the "in the lap" illusion, rather than the strength of the cast or the accuracy of the settings and details that puts this film in a class of its own. It not only scares an audience, but tickles and intimidates them. Grand fun and the last word in hair-raisers, it'll need extra police to cope with the crowd.

EW YEAR WISHES

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Indian Cheer at Michaelhouse

A Christmas cheer, organised by Michaelhouse School for all the Indian children of Michaelhouse, was held recently.

The function started on a pleasing note with refreshments served to the 36 excited children present. The party then adjourned for sports, after which presents were distributed to all the children by the committee.

The Indian parents express their warm gratitude to the organising committee under Mrs. Morgan, wife of the Rector of Michaelhouse, for their unique gesture.

This was a scene at the farewell party given to Hajee Ebrahim Mohamed, a prominent Pretoria personality, shortly before he boarded the Comet to start a tour of the world. (See story on Page four.)

Miss Mkize and Mrs. Badasingh, of Durban, seen registering an African mother for the free milk scheme at Cato Manor. (See story on page five).

Indian art exhibition praised

NEW DELHI.—The recent Indian Art Exhibition in Cologne has been an unprecedented success.

Visitors to the exhibition exceeded 10,000 and according to the Director of the Museum, normally no exhibition whether of French or German art was visited by more than 2,000 people.

The art critic of "Frankfurter Allgemeine" remarked in a long [illegible] released new forces in India which are finding expression in art, and the face of the new art is cosmopolitan and of great interest to the German public."

STRIKING FEATURE

The "Deutsche Zukunft" (Dusseldorf) remarked: "The German public is thankful to the Indian Government for exhibition of these beautiful objects. A striking feature of the exhibition has been the presence of working class men and women to the exhibition which is regarded as a demonstration of the profound feeling of simple German people."

The Christmas message published on page one of last week's issue of "The Leader" was contributed by Pastor Rowlands, of the Bethesda Temple, Durban.

Riots in Calcutta

CALCUTTA.—A hundred people were injured, six seriously, in 30 minutes of bloody fighting in the dock area of Calcutta between rioting dock workers and policemen, last week.

One thousand rioters attacked a police party summoned to quell the disturbance arising out of rivalry between two trade unions. Police reinforcements opened fire and charged the mob with batons.

More than 100 dockers were arrested.

The dispute between the two unions one Communist and the other supporting the Government Congress Party — exploded when one of the unions prepared to hold a meeting.

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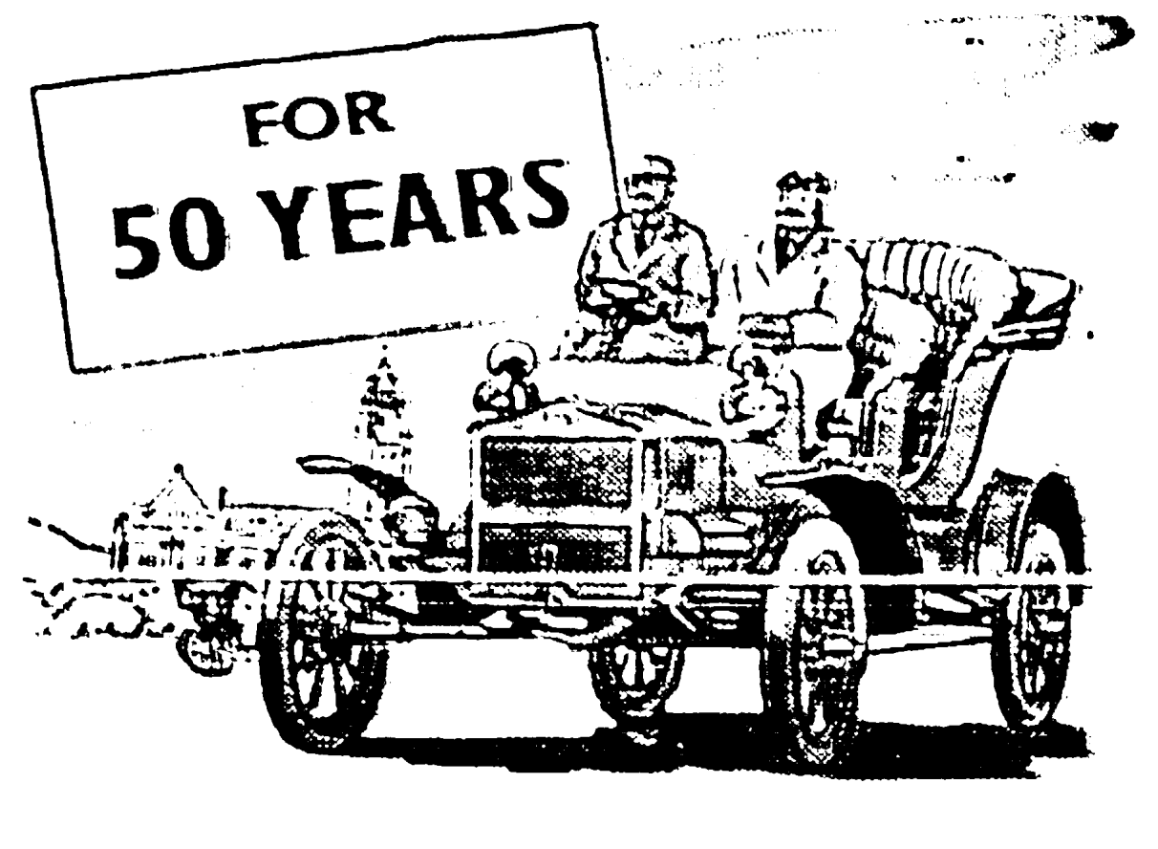

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FAQUIR IN THE "INNER CIRCLE"

It is very surprising now, even in these enlightened times, many in this country still believe that the magician operates through some supernatural force. In fact the Faquir himself always thought so, until last week, when for the first time in the history of the Natal Magicians Circle an ordinary member of the public was admitted to their "inner circle."

My senses ceased to exist anymore. No, I was not hypnotised because nobody came near me, nor did any of them gaze into my eyes. But then to see money melt with even greater rapidity than any of us can achieve, so to speak, in the open market. It had an even more surprising way of coming back, even half a crown for mysterious reasons could run up a person's arms and began dancing [illegible]

SCIENCE LOOKED SILLY

In fact I saw every natural law of science and logic shattered beyond all possible repair. Cards rose into the air. Billiard balls multiplied with the bewildering rapidity of rabbits; Newton's law of gravity defied, and silk handkerchiefs visibly changed colours.

To cap it all, I had my mind read much to my extreme annoyance. Then there was the hungry chap having a meal of razor blades. Not forgetting [illegible] who was trying to make Faquir disappear.

They're a very secretive bunch these magicians. If just one of them will tell you how it is done. Just as well, for a trick will lose its appeal once the simple secret is known.

"Mirrors" I said. I must have sounded funny, for they all laughed at me. "No, it is all done by hard practice and misdirection these days," I was assured by their president, "Chand" Singh. "By the way, here's your wallet" he said gently handing me my money bag. I clutched at my pocket, he was right.

BIG CONVENTION

He also told me about the big Convention that they are having on January 16, when all the "greats" and "Professors" from all over Africa will be the guests of the Natal Magicians. It's going to be a grand affair from what I gather, with two days of magical demonstrations and lectures. There is also going to be a competition among magicians. Now we will probably know who is the greatest of them all.

Among the "top shots" who are specially coming down is [illegible] the famous Transvaal magician, who will be accompanied by [illegible] the magician from the Free State. What I would like to see is one magician trying to disappear his rival.

"We agree it has been a long time coming," said Mr. "Chand" Singh, "but then a convention in the true N.M.C. fashion is no ordinary affair. It has taken months of careful planning and negotiations to see this through. It certainly wasn't one of those things which when you say "abra cadabra" or something sounding even funnier, and hey presto! it's done.

GREATEST IN AFRICA

"In fact, every magician of note will be here and it will provide the general public with a splendid opportunity of seeing the finest magic performed by the most famous magicians in one [illegible].

"For once we will really be able [illegible] something [illegible] up session. Besides the presidents of The International Brotherhood of Magicians, the Magic Circle, London, S.I.M. India, all others have been notified of this great gathering, so there's no illusion about that: it will be nothing but the greatest magical event ever held on the African continent," he added.

As I was leaving to be in time for another appointment, and before anybody tried one of those disappearing tricks on me, I overheard one magician complaining to another about the shortage of rabbits. As I walked down the street I thought a real magician only required an empty top hat and a wand for the job.

A NEW TRICK

Talking about magicians, here's something they could ponder about. P. C. Sorcar, the celebrated Indian magician, has plans to invade the show world of Europe and America with a new trick, designed to meet the challenge of Hollywood's latest cinema technique, three-dimensional films.

I understand that his act, "Film to Life," now being perfected, is a fantastic programme combining movie and stage techniques. His screen players will step down from a moving picture projected on the screen and present themselves in flesh and blood on the stage. The stage and screen artists will then put over jointly several incredible acts.

INCREDIBLE

Just imagine, a cigarette on the lips of a stage artiste will be lighted by a screen character. A glass of milk will be poured by a stage actor, who will afterwards drink it. A handkerchief thrown by the stage player will be caught by a screen player.

Finally, the artiste who emerged from the screen will go back into the screen and continue their act in the movie. A veiled light focussed on the stage players will prevent interruption of the movie show. The film will be in gorgeous colour and Sorcar himself will play the leading role.

This great illusory trick is no invention of the famed magician. Years ago it was performed by Sorcar's close friend, the Horace Goldin, the most illustrious magician of his day. When he died in 1937 the secret of this act died with him. A true showman, Sorcar did his own research and rediscovered the formula.

IN WORLD CLASS

Sorcar believes that competition in the amusement field is healthy [illegible] for the stage and screen. Neither the stage nor the screen, he feels, can supersede the other for any length of time. If the stage is at the top with a [illegible] the screen will not be [illegible].

Sorcar admitted that he had learned a great deal from films, especially in the matter of presentation of his magic show. His items are so arranged that they move just like a screen plot and reach a climax.

Hailed as one of the world's greatest magicians, Sorcar has the distinction of winning twice the Sphinx Award, the Nobel Prize of magic, in New York. A clever illusionist known for his array [illegible], he is at present in India.

FESTIVAL OF MUSIC IN INDIA

NEW DELHI. — The National Academy of Music, Dance, Drama and Films, set up by the Government of India, will sponsor the National Music Festival in March next year. This will coincide with the award of medals to "Musicians of the Year" by President Rajendra Prasad.

This has been announced by the President of the Academy, Mr [illegible] [illegible]

Mr [illegible] said the Academy was making all efforts to preserve the works of great artists of the [illegible]. It had already made about [illegible]

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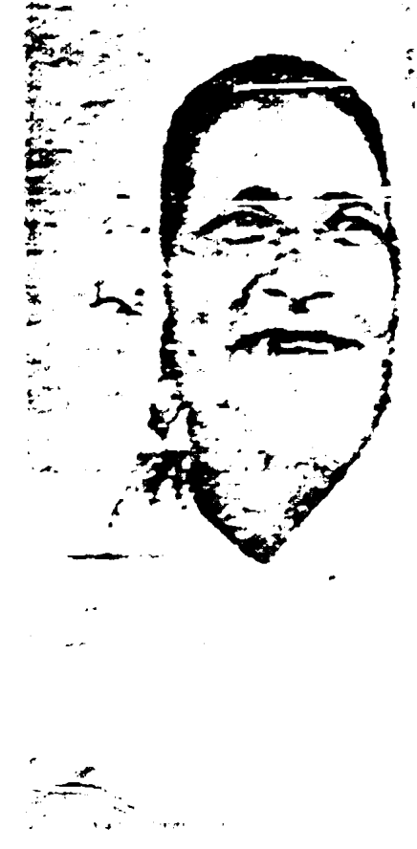

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WHAT OF THE FUTURE?

DURBAN: While one is pleased that more and more boys and girls are getting a secondary education, one cannot help being concerned about the economic future of these young men and women, writes Bobby Harrypersadh. What avenues of employment are open to them commensurate with their educational background?

I asked leading educationists to comment on the recent survey I carried out in regard to the record number of Indian students who wrote the Junior Certificate and Matriculation examinations recently. Statistics showed an unprecedented all-round increase, and for the first time also a new high had been reached in the number of girls writing these examinations.

All records for candidates entering the national examinations held in Durban by the M.L. Sultan Technical College were also shattered. The increased enrolment of students and the introduction of full-time courses in 1953 added greatly to the number of entrants.

The figures for the number of candidates entered for the Matric. and J.C. examinations indicate the slow but steady progress that is being maintained in Indian education. A very small percentage of the matriculants will no doubt proceed to the University to read for medicine, law, science or the arts. There is room for a very much larger number at the Springfield Training College. With the abolition of the post-J.C. teachers' certificate for men as from 1955—only those with a matriculation certificate will be admitted to the two-year diploma course in teaching.

NEED FOR COMMITTEE

I obtained the views of Dr. S. Cooppan, the only non-European with a triple degree (M.A., M.Ed., Ph.D.—all South African), who is a lecturer in psychology at the Springfield Training College; Mr. P. R. Pather, chairman of the Natal Indian Education Committee; Mr. Jack Naidoo, registrar of the M.L. Sultan Technical College and chairman of the Indian and Coloured Juvenile Affairs Board; and Mr. [illegible] secretary of the Congress Education Committee.

All are in agreement with Dr. Cooppan's suggestion that the whole position of employment opportunities for the Indian youth needs to be carefully surveyed and a responsible action committee ought to be formed to deal with this specific issue, and to explore all possible avenues of employment in commerce, industry, agriculture, Government and other services.

TEACHERS AND NURSES

Dr. Cooppan said that girls who have a Junior Certificate are still admitted to the Training College for a two-year course leading to the Senior Teachers' Certificate. There is, he said, a great demand for trained teachers, and this demand will continue for some years to come.

"There are over 20,000 Indian children out of school. The Indian Education Committee and the Natal Education Department are working on a five-year plan to accommodate all these children. About 100 teachers will be required every year for the next five years to cope with this backlog in education. [illegible]

"Nursing is another field into which our girls could enter now. [illegible]

RESTRICTED MOVEMENT

Mr. P. R. Pather, chairman of the Natal Indian Education Committee, said:

"The problem of placing our boys in decent jobs when they leave the primary and secondary schools is indeed serious. [illegible] the Natal Indian is restricted to his Province and is thus prevented from selling his labour in the Cape and Transvaal Provinces.

"The other is that the Indian youth is not as free as the European [illegible] [illegible] For instance the Indian youth is prevented from being apprenticed as an electrician or plumber. He cannot become an accountant, surveyor, architect or chemist for the simple reason that no European will accept his articles.

CLOSED-DOOR POLICY

"There is one other factor: certain leading European industries are not prepared to employ Indians. A certain tobacco company, a motor firm, and a tyre company are but a few of the major industries which adopt a closed-door policy against the Indian.

"The higher grades of employment in the Durban Corporation are not open to our people. Nor does the Provincial Government offer any employment to the Indians.

"Sastri College and the other secondary schools in this province are turning out yearly a large number of matriculants and it is extremely difficult to place them in decent jobs because of the several factors that I have mentioned. Unless something is done to remedy the position, I am afraid we will be creating an educated unemployed class.

"It would serve as well to carry out a survey with a view to ascertaining what happens to a matriculant immediately he leaves secondary school. At the present moment we have no conception of the tragedy that befalls many of these matriculants. The survey is long overdue. Once such a survey is completed it would be wise to convene an all-party conference to devise ways and means to help our young men.

TRAINING IN AGRICULTURE

[illegible] many of our people were attracted to the urban areas, thereby deserting the land. There is scope in intensive farming and market gardening. If some of our schools were to introduce training in agriculture as part of the curriculum we would be able to send many of our matriculants back to the land.

"This to my mind would solve the problem to a large extent. Approaches should also be made to the European industries which deny employment to our young men. These approaches would be most effective if they derived that strength from a conference such as I have indicated," said Mr. Pather.

GRAVE PROBLEMS

Mr. Jack Naidoo, registrar of the M.L. Sultan Technical College, and chairman of the Indian and Coloured Juvenile Affairs Board (1951-52), said: "At this time of the year when our thoughts turn to the spirit of goodwill and peace on earth, we [illegible] to ponder over some of the grave problems that face the youth of our communities.

"Year after year statistics show the increasing number of youths who are entering for, and successfully completing, the Junior Certificate and Matriculation examinations. This in itself is a good sign that we are making strides in the educational progress of our community, while at the same time satisfying our own educational aims and aspirations. Where lies the future for these boys and girls who are completing their preliminary training and are eager to enter a profession or a trade?

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

"In my dual capacity as registrar of the M.L. Sultan Technical College and as chairman of the Indian and Coloured Juvenile Affairs Board for 1951 and 1952, I have been able to become personally acquainted with the problems that face these young people, and in the giving of advice one is confronted with the acute difficulties that face the Indian. For the student with means the legal and medical professions are open, while the teaching profession can still absorb a considerable number of students to meet normal requirements.

"What of commerce and industry, which are growing so rapidly in this country? To date, the Sultan Technical College, which has dealt mainly with part-time students, has had little difficulty in placing its students as clerks, typists, bookkeepers, [illegible], etc. Students are encouraged to qualify as rapidly as possible for employment, and employers, in general, realising the high standard of training received at this College, readily welcome our students.

SUITABLE OUTLET

"I feel confident that were such full-time training made available to young people in the secondary stages of their education, a suitable outlet for employment would naturally result. Parents should therefore seriously consider a vocational and a practical type of training for their children in addition to what they are accustomed to today. A purely academic type of education is not suitable to every one. Some of our students have been absorbed by the cinema, motor and furniture industries. Beyond this, very few other avenues are open to us.

"In conclusion, I would like to bring to the notice of all those who are leaving school and are unable to go further with their education, the advice of the Department of Labour, where you should register. The employment officer will endeavour to find suitable openings and will refer persons of 15 to 18 years of age to the Juvenile Affairs Board, the officers of which will be able to render further assistance and advice.

"Girls who have passed standard VI and have difficulty in completing their preliminary pre-training entrance qualification will be given special assistance for further training."

COLOUR BAR POLICY

Mr. J. N. Singh, secretary of the Congress Education Committee, commented: "The problem of the future of those students passing through the institutions of higher learning is twofold as far as Indian and other non-European students are concerned," he said.

No matter how [illegible] find a solution to the problem of finding suitable jobs for those who had higher qualifications, one was confronted by the colour barrier, as a result of which almost all skilled jobs in the Government, Provincial and local services and departments allied with them were strictly reserved for Whites. A similar attitude was adopted by most big businesses.

"Therefore," continued Mr. Singh, "the fight to end the colour bar is of paramount importance in solving the problem of the educated.

UNUSED RESERVOIR

"We must use every channel to demonstrate not only the injustice of this colour bar policy, but also to show its wastage as far as the huge unused reservoir of potentially skilled workers is concerned. The country is being unnecessarily kept poor by rejecting the willing and able contribution that the non-White trained personnel can give to its prosperity and progress.

"Most modern nations are doing everything in their power to have educated and trained men and women to build their future, but South Africa is content to limit its progress by using only a quarter of its manpower—the Whites. In the international field this luxury will leave the Union far behind the modern nations."

BUREAU NEEDED

Mr. Singh said that the second and perhaps short term programme was for the community to make provision for the employment of their educated men and women.

"The teaching, medical and legal professions could only absorb a limited number. It was for commerce and trade and private industry to create vacancies for those having high schools.

A bureau to sort out the avenues of employment and to register those seeking situations requiring personnel with secondary education would help to ease the immediate needs of those qualifying now. "But in the long run it will rest with the people of South Africa to break down the colour bar policy which baulks the progress of our coming generations," concluded Mr. Singh.

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Always remembered by his loving wife and dear children, [illegible]
Mr V M Padayachee, died on 6th January 1951. 492 Longmarket Street.

Thanks Notices

Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] and sons, of 76 [illegible] Road, Springfield, wish to express their sincere thanks to friends and relatives for their kind messages of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes sent in their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to Messrs. K. [illegible]

[illegible] wish to thank all friends and relatives for their kind messages of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes sent in their recent sad bereavement.

Mr Moses Naidoo of 19 May Street, Durban, who underwent two successful operations at the St. Aidans Hospital wishes to thank doctors, sisters and nursing staff for his speedy recovery.

Appreciation

Pastor Samuel [illegible] of the [illegible] Faith Mission, Stanger, gratefully acknowledges with thanks and cordially reciprocates Christmas and New Year greetings received from members, friends and relatives. [illegible]

ANCIENT MSS. ON GOLD AND COPPER PLATE

NEW DELHI.— Manuscripts written on gold and copper plates, wooden boards, and palm leaves in several Indian languages are now on view at an exhibition which opened in London on December 2. Exhibits include copies of classics from India like the Rigveda and Ramayana.

A magnificent copy of the Quran, written in gold and belonging to the early 14th century, is also on show. The exhibits are from the British Museum and the exhibition is being held on the occasion of the bicentenary of the Museum.

JAIPUR (India).—The joint campaign launched by the police in three Indian states—Rajasthan, Madhya Bharat and Uttar Pradesh, to wipe out dacoit gangs, has resulted in the capturing or killing of their leaders in the deep ravines of Chambal Valley, which borders these States.

The Chambal Valley is an ideal hideout for the dacoits, since they can easily escape from one State to another.

THE QUALITY OF MERCY

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THE quality of mercy is a fundamental attribute of a saint. [illegible]

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"The Leader" Editorial

PIETERMARITZBURG, FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 1954

JUDICIAL MURDER

FEW tears will be shed among those who value human liberty for the death of Beria, for so long the merciless head of the Russian secret police. But the manner of his death must disappoint all who had hoped that the new régime in Russia was likely to show more respect for the elementary decencies of public life.

Beria was executed with startling suddenness after a trial that seems to have been secret, and the result of which was made clear in advance by a mass campaign of vituperation by the organs of State publicity and by workers' meetings. The circumstances in which Beria and his fellow-prisoners were shot are such that the executions can be described as nothing less than political murder, for, however criminal one may believe Beria to have been, he shared responsibility for the crimes he committed with those who have now dyed their hands in his blood.

It is impossible, or should be impossible, for those who, in South Africa and elsewhere in the world demand justice for themselves and for their fellow-men, to look to Moscow for inspiration and guidance. The Russian State has often enough in the past branded itself as a crude and merciless tyranny. It is clear that nothing has essentially changed and that those who rule in Moscow in the place of Stalin maintain themselves, as did former rulers, by a mixture of propaganda and ruthless [illegible]. Nor is it possible to [illegible] of the present idols [illegible] Soviet people will [illegible] ignominious death. Those [illegible] still pin their hopes [illegible] humanity on the camp [illegible] Russia must surely [illegible] casional doubts.

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Durban Beach

WITH so many urgent needs for money to provide decent housing, sanitation, and transport, it is deeply disturbing to observe the frivolity with which the Durban City Council is pouring wealth into the sea in order to win from it a few acres of sand. If any proof were needed of the topsy-turvey nature of South Africa's social policy it surely could be found here. There are miles of beach within easy reach of Durban, and almost all those who at present sit in their serried ranks and burn themselves brown on the grimy sands of the town beaches own cars, and could quite easily transport themselves to more spacious surroundings if they really wished. But it is to the advantage of the established commercial interests of the Marine Parade to concentrate the crowds and the profits simultaneously, and the fantastic waste of money in sand pumping and other extravagances is chiefly for their benefit, not for that of the community as a whole.

There is much talk of the beach as "Durban's greatest asset." It is of course nothing of the sort. It is a source of profit for a section of a section, and it is in the interests of this tiny minority that the money of the ratepayers of all races is being squandered. This is a q[illegible] which the Liberal Par[illegible] well take up, for the [illegible] mind which tolerate[illegible] unjustifiable waste of [illegible] in itself a social evil.

Farewell to Durban minister

DURBAN. — A farewell service was held for the Rev. A. J. Clemens in the Lorne Street Methodist Church on Sunday. A large congregation, representing the South Coast, North Coast and the Durban central circuits, was present to bid farewell to a Minister beloved by all.

Mr. Clemens, who worked in connection with the Durban and Coastal Methodist Indian Mission for 16 years, has been transferred to Maritzburg. He will commence his ministry there in January.

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ON WORLD TOUR

PRETORIA. — Hajee Ebrahim Mohamed, a prominent Pretoria personality, has, we believe, acquired the distinction of becoming the first South African Indian to embark on a tour of the world when he climbed into the Comet at the Jan Smuts Airport on December 15 bound for Cairo, the first lap on his long journey.

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Cato Manor milk scheme: help needed

[illegible] while Cato Manor continues to be a subject for all and [illegible]—the large majority of whom are theorists and planners on [illegible]—[illegible] band of women social workers, in keeping with their go-ahead policy, are grappling with the problem of [illegible]

[illegible] and District Women's [illegible] includes a large number [illegible] housewives, has been [illegible] free milk to needy African [illegible] for sometime now. They [illegible] need of financial and [illegible] in order to extend [illegible]

[illegible]

that they could not go anywhere and so began building shacks in which to live. All these factors led to a number of problems which face us today. African women at Cato Manor—like all others—have to live, and with no work and nobody to provide for them they have to look around for other means of livelihood—selling shimayane happens to be one of them. When an African woman wants to do business in town she is refused a licence simply because [illegible]

HORRIBLE CONDITION

"Most Africans live in the most horrible conditions in Cato Manor. They have children to educate and most of them find it difficult to make ends meet, while many more hardly have any visual means of support. They have children to feed, clothe and educate and the State does not help towards education. Does it not seem rather out of joint that the poorest African has to pay to educate her children and the rich European is not only provided with compulsory, but free education? The children run wild and get into all kinds of mischief and become fledgling delinquents.

A NUMBER OF PROBLEMS

"It would help a great deal if more kindergarten schools were provided in the area. This would give mothers a chance to go out and work.

"The problem which we are talking about is only one aspect of the larger problem and we are hoping that our appeal for assistance will not go unheeded," she added.

The Durban and District Women's League has been very active during the year. They raised funds for the Springs [illegible] amounting to about £100, and they have played their part in the New Cave Lake flood relief committee, which assisted the poor families to an extent of £1,000. They also made representations for compulsory and equal education for all non-Europeans. These were among their activities during the year. — Bobby Harrypersadh.

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Vinoba Bhave on his philosophy

PATNA: Acharya Vinoba Bhave, originator of the Bhoodan Yagna (Land-gift) movement, said that he was always anxious that people should not give land without understanding the philosophy behind it.

"I do not want them to part with land under any pressure. To preach pure religion—the religion of humanity—is my inner motive."

Frail, ascetic Vinoba Bhave, who has toured India asking the rich to donate land to the poor, has already collected 1,900,000 acres of land in this way. By 1957 he hopes to achieve the target of 50,000,000 acres.

Referring to his decision not to leave Bihar till the land problem of the province was solved, Vinoba Bhave said, "I have taken the decision in the sacred city of Gaya and it is the memory of Bhokha which has inspired me to do so."

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INDIAN TOBACCO BAN SUGGESTED

MADRAS. — The Indian Central Committee has recommended to the Indian Government a six-month ban on the export of tobacco on a commercial basis. This would be an experimental measure in view of the "serious situation arising out of large accumulations of stocks of Indian tobacco in foreign ports."

It was also announced that the Ministry of Commerce has decided to appoint sales officers in Britain, Europe and Eastern countries for the sale of stocks of low-grade tobacco which had accumulated in India.

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This photograph shows young African children and mothers queue-ing up for free milk at Cato Manor.

INDIA'S UNHAPPY PROGRESS

NEW DELHI: Strikes, stonings, smashed heads and shattered windows have become the symbols of India's unhappy progress towards full education.

Student agitations, for years an intrinsic part of Indian academic life, have lately taken a more serious turn—bringing from the Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, a stern threat that he would close down centres of higher education.

These were the kind of incidents to which his attention was drawn.

In Lucknow, a long-standing dispute between the university administration and 2,000 students erupted into riots in which two people died, dozens were injured and communal life was brought to a halt for five days. [illegible]

In Trivandrum, 1,800 miles to the south, students who alleged injustice in their activities were goaded for absolutely [illegible].

In Agra, the city of the Taj Mahal, colleges were closed while rowdy student elements held "sympathy strikes" for those injured during the Lucknow riots.

One of the country's leading educationists, Professor Venkataramaiya, expressed a widely held view when he said, "In India, young men undergoing the process of education have become strangers to an orderly and well-regulated life."

WHOM TO BLAME?

It is difficult to know whom to blame for the unhappy state of education in India. Teachers accuse students of irresponsibility and "wanting to be men before they have finished being boys."

Students say that university officials interfere in their private rights, which allow anyone the right to play politics—and that the teachers are lacking in ability and knowledge of modern methods of instruction.

There is some truth in each of these claims.

Students say that if they are irresponsible it is because of their lack of confidence in the future. Most of them know that their graduation diploma will be little more than a ticket to an unemployment bureau.

UNEMPLOYMENT

According to the latest figures published by the employment exchange, there are 10,221 graduates and 112,562 matriculants at present unemployed in India.

A foreign correspondent who recently advertised for a private secretary received more than 200 applications from university graduates who were prepared to accept salaries as low as £8 a month.

An educationist, asked to comment on this student unemployment, said, "In India, there are not enough jobs to go round. To establish some basis for selection, the Government decided that all clerical staff should be university-trained.

"As a result, the schools and colleges in the country have become factories, turning out mass-produced products at such a rate that they cannot be absorbed in the employment market."

This is the excuse offered by students for what teachers call irresponsibility and "a general failure to face up to the future"—a future which really does not exist.

LOW PAY

Teachers, in reply to students' accusations of inefficiency, say: "What can you expect? Empty stomachs are not conducive to brilliant minds."

Teachers in Indian primary schools receive less pay than labourers, and professors are on a par with senior clerks. A primary teacher gets £2 a month, a professor about £25.

Relations between students and teachers are worsened by overcrowding. India's 30 universities are catering for [illegible] students, and the country's [illegible] teachers have to cope with the education of more than [illegible] pupils.

Lecture halls and classrooms are packed to the doors, but universal education is still little more than a cherished hope in the Government's mind.

"If we were to provide the sort of basic education we consider necessary, it would be much more than the total income of the Government of India today," said Mr. Nehru recently.

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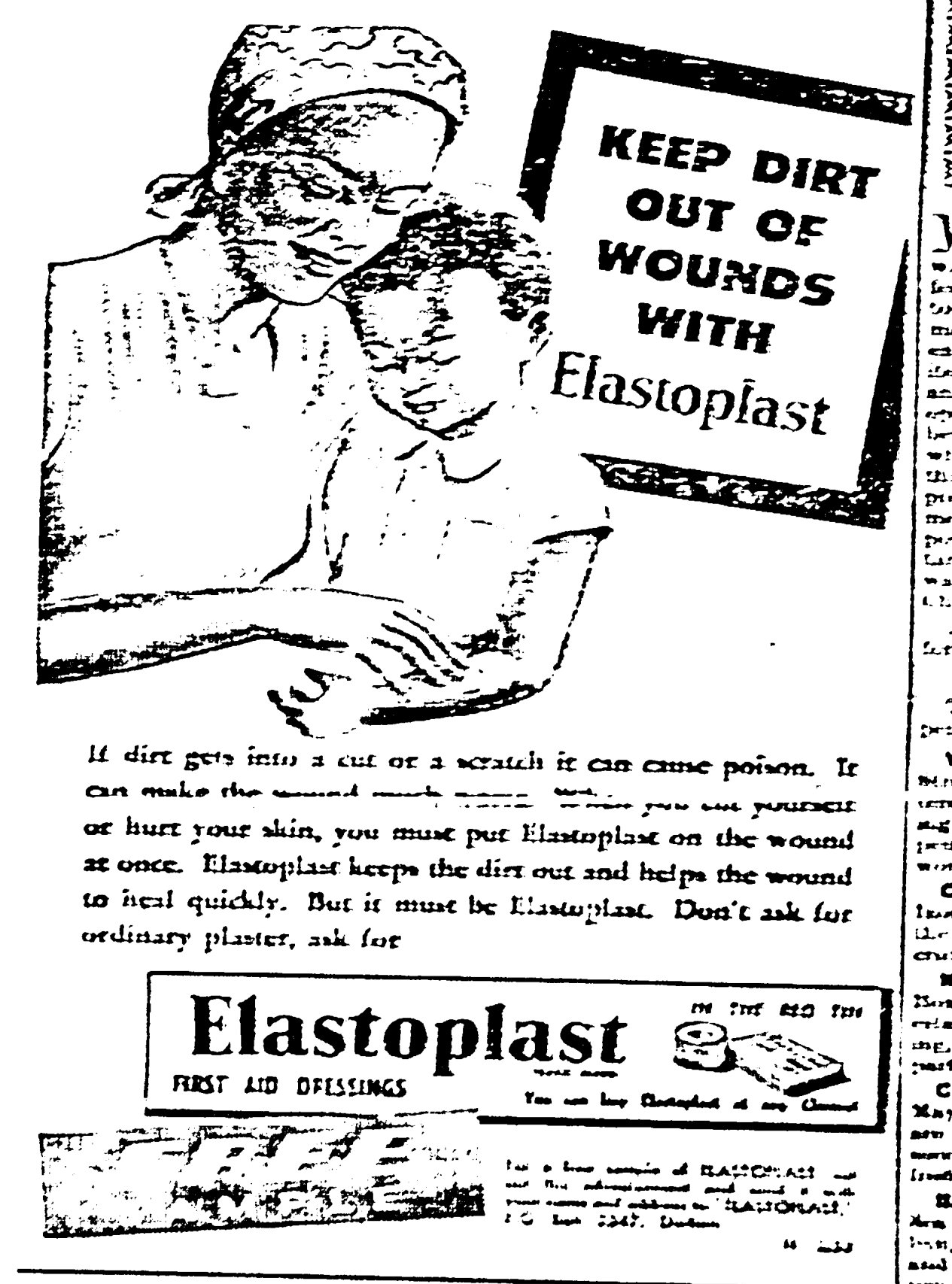
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MY DEAR CHILDREN,—Christmas is over and with it the [illegible] fun and frolic. At these yearly festivities most of us give ourselves to merriment, not worrying what tomorrow has in store for us. To many eating is about the most important item on the Christmas programme and then comes the excitement of opening presents. You would perhaps better remember the Christmas which has just gone by the nice things you had to eat and the lovely presents you were given! But remember not to forget the more important, or rather the most important part of Christmas—goodwill towards man. Thank you for the [illegible] Christmas cards you have sent.

Along with you, I am also waiting for the New Year.

PEN FRIENDS' CORNER

The following is a list of names of pen friends for this week:—

Vinay Ramsamy (14), 22 [illegible] Street, Maritzburg, Natal, whose interests are in outdoor sports, reading and cinema, would like to have pen friends from any part of the world.

Chellu Shanz (16), P.O. Box 12, [illegible], Natal, desires pen pals from the Union and overseas. Interests, cricket, football and cycling.

Miss Rookshana A. Peer (14), P.O. Box 2, Glencoe, Natal, whose interests are in music, sports, and reading, desires pen friends from any part of the world.

Cyril Peter (17), 22 Edward Place, Mayville, Durban, whose interests are in swimming, cycling, boxing and soccer, would like to have pen pals from the Union and overseas.

R. Singh (17), 69 Valley Road, [illegible] Lake, P.O. [illegible], Durban, is interested in soccer, boxing and cinema. He would like to have pen friends from any part of the world.

EXAMINATION EXPERIENCE

In response to my request for examination experiences only one member from the [illegible] of writing Keshan Maharaj, of P.O. Box 24, Umzinto, who is fifteen years old writes: "I must say that my temperature was up during examination time. Before that, we had to read day and night. When the day came for our P.S.C. examination we were really shivering with fear. The moment I entered the examination room all my fear disappeared. I saw many other P.S.C. candidates were in the same boat.

"I was quite at home in the examination room after getting used to the papers and the first week of the exam. At first, the typewritten sheets made me feel a bit jittery, but one soon gets used to things.

"When the examination was over, we had a nice time. We played games such as snakes and ladders, table tennis and rounders. On the last day we had a party. And an enjoyable one it was. We had such delicious things to eat." (I wish I were there, Keshan!—Chachajan.)

MOBILE HUNTING LODGE

The world's first transportable hunting lodge has just been shipped from the United Kingdom to Saudi Arabia for delivery to Crown Prince Saud.

Manufactured by a well-known British firm, which specialises in prefabricated buildings, the entire lodge consists of three pleasant looking aluminium structures which are connected by communicating passages to form a self-contained compound. It provides space to accommodate the Prince and his retinue and can be easily transported and speedily erected in the most remote parts of the country. What makes it [illegible] particularly suited for use in desert country is the fact that no site work is necessary as the [illegible] where the ground is [illegible] level. No skilled labour or special tools are required and three unskilled persons [illegible] one hour and take it down in half that time.

The hunting lodge designed for Crown Prince Saud incorporates such special features as extra wall boarding and panels lined with green damask and ornamented with the Prince's coat of arms.

Each unit of the lodge is fitted with portable shower cabinets which are manufactured by the same firm.

C. R. Naidoo, of P.O. Box 47, [illegible], wants to be Junior Leader's own William Wordsworth. He writes: "I am writing about an experience we had during our camping trip. It's about water and the creatures that live in it. I took a little water and examined it and saw a small creature called a newt. This creature is somewhat like the lizard, but you would find that it is different in many ways.

"The newt moved about over our [illegible] and very freely, but we left him there in his home. We moved further up on the bank of the river, and found a lizard on a rock basking in the hot sun. The lizard is a peculiar creature. On a hot day or in the evening, he would be still and sleepy. The lizard we saw was basking on a rock. I placed my hand under it and lifted it up. It tried to wriggle out but I held it firm. When I set it on the ground, it disappeared into a crevice. When we looked into the crevice, we saw the eyes of the lizard. They looked like [illegible].

We returned home in the afternoon."

MEMBERS CONTRIBUTE LAUGHS

Harassed Wife: "I've been trying to think of a word for two weeks."

Husband: "How about 'fortnight'?"

Teacher: "Tommy, if you bring me some lilac tomorrow, I will give you a kiss."

Next day: "Here's some lilac, Miss, but I have sold the kiss to my big brother for sixpence."

Judge: "Why did you commit a second theft after you had been acquitted on the first?"

Prisoner: "I had to pay my lawyer."

(Sent by Paro Devi, of 170 Bel-Air Road, Mayville).

Teacher: "Jack, use the word 'defence' in a good sentence."

Jackie: "The cow jumped over de fence."

Gypsy: "I see a huge black man in front of you."

Labourer: "Oh, I drive a locomotive."

(Sent by Sunny Naick, Box 20, Maidstone).

Boss: "How's that you're only carrying one sack, when the other men are carrying two?"

Workman: "Well, I suppose they're too lazy to make two trips."

(Sent by R. Deeplall, P.O. Box 152, Stanger).

Mother: "Why, son, you've been very greedy. You have eaten all the cakes that I had kept for your father."

Little Tommy: "But the cakes were all [illegible] so got rid of them, and now I have a stomach-ache."

(Sent by L. Sharma, [illegible] Road, Mayville).

Till Next Week

Chacha

RHINOS A SHORT

GAUHATI. — The State Government banned the export of ceros for the next there are estimated about 200 left in the forests of the region.

A special Bill is being considered to tighten up tion of the animals.

Zoos all over the especially in the States, want to buy of the one-horned rhinoceros. They 13,000 and (£1,150 and £1,

Teenagers' colum

HELLO TEENAGERS,—The year now drawing to a close has been a very eventful one. Lots of crazy things had happened. International quarrels, wars, inventions, flying saucers and Russian bombs have featured high in the year's events. The announcement by the Iron Curtain leaders that they too had the hydrogen bomb put the clamp on America's ego, and threats of an atomic war became meaningless.

Only a few weeks ago President Eisenhower made an announcement for the harnessing of atomic This announcement came at a time when everyone was beginning to doubt their future existence on this planet. Eisenhower's brought forth another the Russian quarters acceptance of the plan.

So the year 1954 seems lot of possibilities. We the mirror of our future happy New Year to you

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ATAL NNIS TLE

P. Roopnarain won tennis singles title Habibkhan on Sunday at the courts. Gobin and won the doubles

Surendra Glen won the singles and this player J. Persadh went on doubles title.

of spectators when players Tennis Association Association. They were to forming a Great enthusiasm displayed by the officials of both

for the day was between P. and

CENT FOREHAND

was played with within twenty took the set not dis the second set to of the match rallied magnificent drives and opponent in four 4-6, 6-2, 6-4.

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singles championship by Surendra Glen, young player of

the Sastri College Tennis Club. His opponent was one of the Arbee brothers of the Tongaat Tennis Club.

M. I. Mathir and Mahommedy lost to J. Gobin and Habibkhan in four sets in the A division doubles championship match, the score being 5-7, 6-2, 6-4 and 6-2.

The B division doubles championship was won by J. Persadh and Surendra Glen who outplayed the Arbee brothers in three straight sets.

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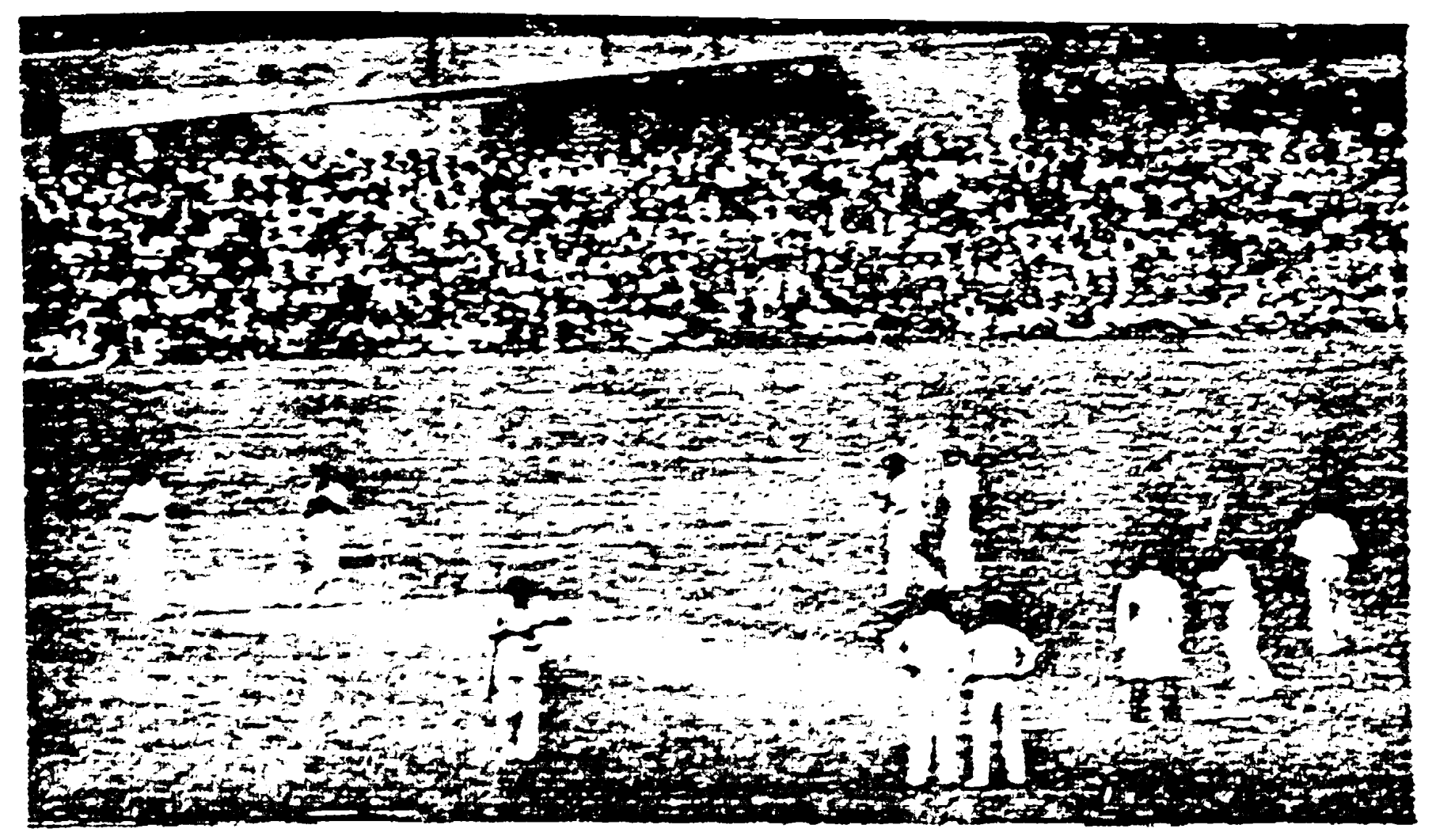
The first unofficial Test between the Commonwealth Silver Jubilee Overseas Cricket Team and the Indian Team was formally inaugurated by the Prime Minister, Shri Jawaharlal Nehru, at the Willingdon Pavilion recently. This photograph was taken during a lull in the match after a member of the Commonwealth team had been dismissed.

BOXING APATHY CRITICISED

DURBAN: "The apathy in the Council is magnified by the apathy created by the boxers. The Council will be helpless if it does not get the co-operation of the clubs. The Association is the responsibility of the Clubs. It is elected by you; it represents you," said Mr. Frank [illegible] in the secretarial report of the Natal N.E. Amateur Boxing Association, which he presented last week.

"I appreciate the difficulties of the members of the Council, but this does not condone the apathy displayed by certain officials and clubs."

The following recommendations were made by the secretary: 1, That attempts be made to stage tournaments at other centres in Natal; 2, that trainers do not turn amateurs to professionals before they have had sufficient fights and experience; 3, that clubs hold socials so that members of various clubs begin to know each other.

Some of the outstanding amateurs of the year were:

Louis Joshua (Premier), is clever, quick and has dynamite in both fists. Entered the ring in 1951—bantam weight champion of Natal. Chosen to represent Natal in S.A. Championships. Had 13 fights in amateur ring: won eleven, lost two.

Edmund Fisher (Lonsdale), is endowed with courage, colour and grim determination. Featherweight champion of Natal. Selected to represent Natal. Entered ring in 1952. Had thirteen fights: won twelve, lost one.

Baya Govender (N.M.B.A.), is one whose courage cannot be denied and whose determination is second to none. Runner-up flyweight division. Selected to represent Natal. Had [illegible] fights, won ten, drew one, lost four. Has an excellent prospect.

P. Biddy (Premier), is fast and forceful and carries a punch that counts. Flyweight champion of Natal 1952-53. Represented Natal at 1952 championships. Was the most coveted bantam—champion of champions 1953.

S.A. CHAMPIONSHIPS

Commenting on the S.A. Championships, the report said: "At the last annual general meeting of the Board, in accordance with the constitution headquarters was transferred to Natal. Most unfortunately the officials elect had to wait for the records. Further, they waited on Western Province to call a Special General Meeting to confirm the officials elect on the Board for 1953.

"As a result of this delay, the South African Championships which were billed for August, 1953, were postponed to September, 1953. Since the prestige of Natal was at stake the Council urged the members of the Board to continue with their work for which they were responsible.

"In the meantime other centres were advised of the delay in staging the championships. I am glad to report that the Board is now doing a fine piece of work with great determination to promote the championships—probably early in 1954.

"Comparatively speaking the entries were rather poor this year. Therefore, the championships which were to be held over three days were completed in two evenings: on the first evening there were seven fights and on the second evening there were seventeen fights.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

"During the year five good nights were held. Quite frankly it must be admitted that it did help the boys to understand ringcraft and public performance and also to eliminate ring-fear.

"Apart from the three charity tournaments the Association staged a tournament almost every month. In view of this there was sufficient incentive for the boys to continue training consistently. Undoubtedly every boxer had a sufficient quota of bouts before the championships and the trials.

"The referees put in a great amount of work. It is through their tolerance, perseverance and sportsmanlike spirit that all their decisions were welcomed. Fairplay was the key word of every referee and judge and fair play it was without question. The Association is most grateful to members of this board.

APATHETIC

The apathy in the Council is consequently magnified by the apathy created by the boxers. The Council will be helpless if it does not get the co-operation of the clubs. The association is the responsibility of the clubs. It is elected by you. It represents you. It makes decisions in your name. Its shortcomings are your shortcomings.

"If it does not function efficiently, competently and in accordance with the purpose for which it was constituted, the remedy is with you. I appreciate the difficulties of the members of the Council. But this does not condone the apathy displayed by certain officials and clubs.

"In conclusion I wish the incoming officials every success. Wherever opportunity arises I shall promise to still serve you in whatever little way I could," added the report.

Tried to set up own Red State

CALCUTTA.—Nine members of the Indian Communist Party, alleged to have tried to establish a Communist State through a reign of terror at Kakdwip, about 30 miles from Calcutta, have been sentenced to transportation for life.

The court was told that in 1947 the Communist Party of India recruited peasants and trained and drilled them in terrorist activity, promising them land.

Kakdwip was chosen because of its inaccessibility from Government headquarters and because the neighbouring forest and sea offered easy escape in the event of attack, it was stated.

The prosecution said that the Kakdwip territory was completely terrorised from the end of 1949 until the middle of 1950. Several armed clashes took place between police and the Communists.

During Communist raids three men and one woman were killed, seven men and two women injured, and several houses were burned down. Order was restored with the greatest difficulty.

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The engagement took place recently of Jagathambal (Bonnie), eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Naicker, of Benoni, and grand[illegible] Thatuma Naicker, and Vadival (Danny), eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ramasamy Padiachy, of 5 [illegible] Street, [illegible], Johannesburg, and grandson of Mrs. [illegible]. They will be married at No. 2 [illegible] Hall, Johannesburg on February 7. Friends and relatives are requested to kindly accept this as a personal invitation. [illegible]

PRABHAWATHY ROSHNI

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rajaram Deena, of 8 Gladstone Street, Dundee, and grand-daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Beharrie Ahee, of Browning Street, Dundee, Natal, who celebrated her second birthday among friends and relatives on December 5.

POOBALAM GOVENDER (RONNIE)

son of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Govender and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. V. Moonsamy Govender, of [illegible] Road, Isipingo, who celebrated his first birthday on Monday, December 28, 1953.

RONNIE

son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Haslee, of Harvey Street, Umkomaas, and grandson of Mrs. P. Govender, of 37 Delhi Avenue, Mayville, who celebrated his first birthday on December 16, 1953.

DEVANUND AND DEORAYTHEE

Twin children of Mr. and Mrs. Ramoo Singh and grandchildren of Mr. C. B. Singh, of Clairwood, Verulam, celebrated their first birthday on December 11, among friends and relatives.

TEMPLE OFFICIALS

DURBAN.—At the annual meeting of Government Place Shree Siva Subramoniar Temple committee the following were elected as office bearers for the ensuing year:

Stewards: Messrs. K. M. Nair and G. Naicker; Trustee, Messrs. [illegible]; T. N. Govender; President, Mr. R. P. Naicker; Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. S. Govender; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. P. S. Govender; Hon. Auditor, Mr. K. S. Govender; Hon. Asst. Sec., Mr. P. S. Govender.

Vice-Presidents: Messrs. M. S. Govender, Bobby Govender, K. G. Govender (Peter).

Committee Members: Messrs. Daddy Thambiran, T. G. Govender, A. Sam, M. K. Govender, M. N. Govender, P. N. Naidoo, M. K. Bobby, P. Govender, C. R. Govender, K. M. Naicker, T. S. Govender, R. T. Naidoo, M. Nyalingum and P. R. Naicker.

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ADVICE TO INDIANS IN AFRICA

DARES SALAAM.—Mr. Apasaheb B. Pant, India's Commissioner in East Africa said that India had no desire to "interfere in the domestic affairs of any country." He was replying to a toast proposed in honour of Prime Minister Nehru at a [illegible] dinner to celebrate the Prime Minister's birthday.

COUNTRY "GUESTS"

Explaining what Mr. Nehru meant when he advised Indians in Africa to consider themselves as "guests," Mr. Pant said Mr. Nehru's advice to permanent Indian residents in Africa was that they should contribute to building up a pattern of society in which all races could live together without discrimination or domination by one race over another. Mr. Nehru, said Mr. Pant, had termed those Indians "guests" who were residing in Africa temporarily. This did not apply to those Indians residing there permanently.

Over 600 Indians attended the dinner. Among those present was Nawab Saidia Ali Khan, Pakistan's Commissioner in East Africa, who also associated himself with the tributes to Mr. Nehru.

Welcome for doctor and nurse

MARITZBURG.—Dr. D. Vasithasen Chetty, of Maritzburg, who graduated recently at Wits University, and Miss Padmini Chetty, of Durban, who has returned after graduating in nursing and midwifery at Guy's Hospital, London, will be welcomed to Maritzburg by the Veda Dharma Sabha at the Regent Cinema on Sunday afternoon.

Oatlands school's effort

PORT SHEPSTONE.—The Port Shepstone Indian Child Welfare Society broke all records by collecting the sum of £118 17s. 6d. for the Children's Day Fund, through the medium of the four schools in their district.

The Port Shepstone Government Indian School organised a [illegible] which contributed a [illegible] sum to their amount of £[illegible].

The Oatlands Indian School held a [illegible] and jumble sale. The success was entirely due to the [illegible] friends and well-wishers, the [illegible] £[illegible] [illegible]. The school has [illegible] Children's Day [illegible] the Society by [illegible] for competition among the Indian schools in the district.

It is learnt that the Principal of the school [illegible] the Society [illegible] more than £[illegible] to the Children's Day Fund [illegible].

The [illegible] and [illegible] Indian schools collected the sums of £[illegible] and £[illegible] respectively.

Message of the Sta[rs]

By SWAMI

The Astrological Guide for January 1 to 7 is as follows:

Friday, January 1: Lunar day 12th of Pank Vata. Vishakha Nakshatra rules till 8.30 a.m. Moon enters Scorpio at 2.25 a.m. Clear up your correspondence, write, study, attend to educational and literary works. Deal with commission and businessmen and matters concerning books. Good for Gemini, Virgo, Aquarius and Pisces. Adverse for Cancer and Leo.

Saturday, January 2: Lunar day 12th. Anuradha rules till 1.20 a.m. Moon in Scorpio. Good day for most activities. Cultivate new acquaintances. Good for love, pleasure and courtship. Clear up all your correspondence. Good for those of Aries, Scorpio, Taurus, Libra, Cancer, Leo and Capricorn. Adverse for Aquarius and Pisces.

Sunday, January 3: Lunar day 13th. Jeshta rules till 1 p.m. Moon enters Sagittarius at 1 p.m. Unless care is exercised when handling vehicles of all kinds, accidents are likely to occur. Do not cultivate new friendships and beware of contentions with friends. Adverse for Aries, Scorpio, Sagittarius and Capricorn. Good for Pisces.

Monday, January 4: Lunar day 14th. Mool rules till 2.16 p.m. Moon in Sagittarius. Avoid the opposite sex. Cultivate no new acquaintances. Unfavourable for love, pleasure and courtship. Make no changes and removals. Adverse for those of Taurus, Libra, Gemini, Virgo and Pisces. Good for Aries, Scorpio and Capricorn.

Tuesday, January 5: Lunar day 15th. Amavasya, New Moon at 4.21 a.m. Purvashadha rules till 3 p.m. Moon enters Capricorn at 9.16 p.m. Have no dealing with persons of wealth and high position. Do not disclose your intentions; keep your own counsel. Avoid overindulging and excitement. Adverse for those of Cancer, Leo, Aquarius and Pisces.

Wednesday, January 6: Lunar day 1st of Pandi Suda. Uttarashadha rules till 3.14 p.m. Moon in Capricorn. Another unfavourable day. Adverse for making changes and removals. Start no new enterprise, ask no favours, seek no gain. Adverse [illegible] Capricorn and Sagitta[rius].

Thursday, January 7: [illegible] 2nd. Shravan rules till [illegible] in Capricorn. Mainly [illegible] for love, pleasure and [illegible] farming, general [illegible] courtship. Good for [illegible] for Taurus, Libra, Ge[mini] Cancer, Leo and Sagitt[arius] for Aries and Scorpio.

Stormy weather [illegible] heavy rain in places [illegible] about January 2 to [illegible]

The good day to plant [illegible] seed crops bearing fru[it] [illegible] ground are on January [illegible] crops above the ground [illegible]

The lucky numbers [illegible] to apply on the Turf [illegible] are 2, 4, 6, 7, 12, 15, [illegible]

Colours: Violet, pu[rple] and royal blue.

The year 1954 open[s] [illegible] conjunction of Mars and [illegible] January 5th an Annu[lar] [illegible] the Sun occurs in the [illegible] of Libra, invisible in [illegible] but visible [illegible] as a partial eclipse in [illegible]

Further on January [illegible] Eclipse of the Moon in [illegible] events will be visible in [illegible] beginning at 2.50 a.m. [illegible] at 6.14 a.m.

These phenomena [illegible] sion and disturbance [illegible] world, troublesome times [illegible] and unfavourable period [illegible] and agriculture.

There will be excess[ive] [illegible] storms in places causing [illegible] a large extent.

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S.A.I.O. TALKS REVEALED

DURBAN: "All that the South African Indian Organisation in Executive discussed was to devise ways and means to bring about a round-table conference to resolve the deadlock between South Africa, [I]ndia and Pakistan. No member of the Executive suggested that the Indian case should be withdrawn [fr]om the United Nations," said Mr. P. R. Pather, joint secretary of the South African Indian Organisa[ti]on, in an interview with "The Leader".

[Mr.] Pather was commenting on an [illegible] on the South African Indian [Organisation] for an alleged "[illegible]". It was alleged that the [Organisation] had suggested that the [illegible] of the treatment of South African Indians should be withdrawn [fro]m the United Nations.

"In this connection the Youth [Congress] appears to be vociferous," [continued] Mr. Pather. "It is no secret [that] as the Peace Congress was [illegible] recently, I would have [illegible] the Youth Congress, but I [illegible] that the apostle of truth, [the] 'Indian Opinion' should fall in [the] same category as the Youth [Congress]."

Mr. Pather said that all the S.A.I.O. in Executive had discussed [was] to devise ways and means to [bring] about a round-table conference [to] resolve the deadlock between [South] Africa, India and Pakistan. [No] member of the Executive suggested that the Indian case should [be] withdrawn from the United [Nations].

[illegible] there was nothing wrong in discussing the question of the round-table conference. I realise that once the Indian question is settled many of our friends will be out of jobs in political organisations. But that should not be a bar to stick to truth.

"It makes me sick and tired hearing the phrase repeated ad nauseam that 'there can be no compromise on principles.' And yet, the very people who indulge in this loose talk are the worst compromisers. They little realise that in the matter of education, primary, secondary and University, we have acquiesced and still continue to acquiesce in the policy of separation. A school that is being erected on the land belonging to the Phoenix Settlement falls within the category of separation. So in all spheres of our daily lives. Why then talk of principles from the house tops?"

Mr. Pather added: "We need hardly assure the Youth Congress and the 'Indian Opinion' that the South African Indian Organisation will do nothing that will not be in accord with its policy, nor will it act contrary to the best interests of the Indian people."

After being away for a year, these South African boxers returned by the Karanja last week from their campaign in Australia. They also fought in New Zealand and India. Left to right: Mr. Harry Makela (Manager), Kid Dynamite, Ace Chocolate and Panama Flash.

"A step towards war"

BANGALORE.—The Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, told a public meeting in Bangalore that if the proposed United States military aid to Pakistan became a reality it would be a step towards war. "It is a step not only towards war, even world war, but a step which will bring war right to our doors," he said.

The Prime Minister of Pakistan, Mr. Mohammed Ali, said that there would be no conditions attached to any aid, military or otherwise, given by the United States to Pakistan.

Mr. Ali told reporters that talks between the two countries were still informal and no final decision had yet been taken by either side.

"There is no question of any commitment with the United States, other than that we will defend our region."

Indian fears were entirely unfounded, he said.

"We have no aggressive designs against any country—least of all India. Our main idea is to preserve our three freedoms—political, economic and ideological."

Mr. Mohammed Ali said that Pakistan would not enter a military alliance with the Western Powers "against those of the East."

"Nor, indeed, is there any ground for presuming that we should ever enter into any arrangement with any Power which would in any way endanger our freedom or the security of our region," he added.

The Prime Minister revealed previous statements that Pakistan would not offer bases to any foreign Power.

Race Relations Meeting In P.E.

JOHANNESBURG: Mr. H. F. McArthur, the Mayor of Port Elizabeth, will officially open the 24th annual council meeting of the South African Institute of Race Relations at 8.15 p.m. on Monday at the Technical College main hall in Port Elizabeth.

The Institute's council meeting has for many years been held in Cape Town, and the decision to hold it in Port Elizabeth stems from a plea by Institute members that other centres be given the opportunity of participating in this important annual event.

On the orders of her doctors, Dr. A. W. Hoernlé, the President, has left for the South Coast, where she is to have a complete rest. Thus, for the second year in succession, the annual council meeting will not include an address personally given by the President. [illegible] was read on his behalf by Dr. J. Reyneke, of Pretoria. Dr. Hoernlé, who had completed a great deal of study especially to prepare her address in, owing to her ill health, prevented from even writing it.

Port Elizabeth will, therefore, have the opportunity of hearing Dr. Edgar H. Brookes give an address on the general topic of race relations (on the evening of the opening) and of hearing other leading South African men and women discuss our affairs during the other three days of the meeting.

On the second day the "Hoernlé [Lecture]" prepared by Mr. J. D. Rheinallt Jones, the Institute's late President, [illegible] of the Institute, Mr. Quintin Whyte.

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NEW DANCE TECHNIQUES

DURBAN: New techniques and ideas in Indian dancing will be seen on the South African stage shortly. They have been brought by a Durban school teacher who made a specialised study of the arts under famous "gurus". His performances were so impressive that he was offered two contracts, which he had to turn down in order to return and encourage the art in this country.

The school teacher, Mr. D. P. Singh (Donald), familiarly known as Devabandhu on the stage, returned last week after a six months tour of India, Pakistan and Ceylon, by the "Karanja."

Now named "Surya Kumar," he visited important art centres in India and studied as much of Indian art as possible during his stay abroad. He gained further knowledge of modern and traditional Indian art in the form of Indian drawings, paintings, music, dancing, singing, Indian costumes, jewellery, architecture, and visited the temples in various parts of India.

Mr. Singh has devoted many years of his life to the study of all branches of fine arts. He is well known on the stage as a character classical dancer and singer, and has often been heard over the air from the S.A.B.C.

He is a school teacher at the M. K. Gandhi Government-Aided Indian School, Durban. Besides producing and arranging dances and tableaux for his own school, he has assisted charitable institutions, religious organisations and several schools. He was also on the staff of the Glencoe and Malvern Government-Aided Indian Schools.

RECEIVED ENCOURAGEMENT

As an artist, his drawings and paintings have created much interest in educational circles.

The man behind the scenes who [illegible], encouraged and supported him in his venture is his colleague, Mr. [illegible] Naidoo, who is also a teacher at the M. K. Gandhi School. Mr. Singh is also very much grateful to the Natal Education Department. He obtained special leave from the Department to enable him to complete his studies. Miss Wyatt Stark, Art Organiser of the Education Department, who favourably commented on his work, was also keen that he should do specialised training in the arts.

Mr. Singh had the good fortune of meeting some of the finest sculptors, artists, film stars and many leading personalities of the stage and film industry.

He said: "I studied the four principal dances of India, namely (a) Kathak; (b) Bharat Natyam; (c) Manipuri; (d) Katha Kali. I was named 'Surya Kumar' by Guru Bhaskar Roy Choudhury."

He studied these dances under renowned artists, and particularly specialised in male dances. In Imphal—the land of Manipur—he studied the Manipuri dance under Uday Shanker's Guru, Mohi Singh, who is 73 years old.

Mr. Singh had to turn down a three-year film contract, which was offered to him by Mr. Ganga, Public Relations Officer, Film Division of Bombay. He was a guest at the Gemini Studios for three days and also visited many studios in Bombay. At the Central Studio in Bombay he met "Miss Malram" (Surya Kumaree, a South Indian), Mr. U. S. Sonny, Producer-Director of the Studio told him that he was the first South African to visit his studio.

THE MANIPURI

Surya Kumar poses in the Manipuri dance of North-Eastern India—or the Land of Manipur.

Admission of school pupils

DURBAN.—The Indian Education Committee, in a letter to grants [illegible] principals of Government [illegible] and private platoon schools, draws attention to the Natal Education Department's circular advising [illegible] how to admit pupils into schools when the new term begins at the end of the month. They point [out] that the scheme suggested is [not] compulsory in Government [illegible] schools.

At the last meeting of the Indian Education Committee held [illegible], it was decided to call a meeting of the grantees of Government-aided and private platoon schools to discuss in detail the advantages of the scheme outlined by the Department and to get their cooperation in the matter. With that in view a meeting of the grantees will be held at Sastri College on [illegible] morning.

[Mr.] P. Rasion, secretary of the Committee said: "It is hoped that the meeting may also serve the purpose of bringing the grantees together [illegible] an association of grantees [illegible] for the life of the Indian community."

Milo Pillay for Durban

DURBAN.—Mr. Milo Pillay, of [illegible], will visit Durban [illegible] Easter Week to make [illegible] on physical culture. [illegible] Mr. Pillay is now president [illegible] Amateur Weight[lifting] [illegible] and Body Builders Federation.

[illegible] along with him film[s] [illegible] and physical culture [illegible] is made to all [illegible] take advantage [illegible] presence in Dur[ban] [illegible] introduction to [illegible] of culture.

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OBITUARY

The death occurred of Suppaya Katheravalu (Tommy) Pillay, a retired storekeeper of Malonjeni, Dundee district at the age of 72 years, at the residence of his daughter and son-in-law Mr. Chin Ragavan, 173/21 Prince Edward Street, Durban on December 2, 1953, where he was on a visit. He collapsed in the bathroom due to heart failure. He is survived by his wife, seven sons and five daughters and a number of grandchildren.

He was the father of Mr. E. S. Pillay of the Magistrate's office, Dundee, and Mr. S. S. Pillay, general dealer, of Malonjeni, and brother of Mr. V. K. Pillay of Dundee. The burial took place at the Dundee Cemetery where a large number of relatives and friends gathered to pay their last respects to him. The deceased was of a quiet, unassuming nature and was respected and liked by all who knew him. He was born in Verulam, Natal, where his late father, Katheravalu Pillay, was employed as a foreman in the Hill Estates and later as a butler to A. K. Dykes.

The late Mr. Tommy Pillay served as a youth under European employers on the diamond diggings, Kimberley, before the Boer War. From the Transvaal he was one who was suddenly put into trucks to be moved away to Natal during the Jameson Raid in the times of the Transvaal Republic. He was one of the lucky survivors when the big ever-remembered explosion of four trucks of dynamite took place at Braamfontein. In his younger days he served officers as a chef during the Boer War in the Transvaal.

In 1910 he married in Durban and then moved to Vryheid, still engaged in the catering trade. Here he was

TOMMY PILLAY

engaged to cater for Masonic Lodge meetings and many special dinners including one to General Louis Botha. In 1916, he commenced business on his own on the South African Railways and Harbours, Vryheid East station, running his own refreshment room and stall, catering for all trains under contract with the three Collieries Ltd. He relinquished business at Vryheid East in 1919 when the catering department of the South African Railways and Harbours took over from Collieries Ltd.

He was unsuccessful in obtaining a trading licence in the Vryheid town [illegible] laws of the Transvaal Republic on Indian trade restrictions, Vryheid once being part of the Old Transvaal Republic. He eventually settled down at Malonjeni in the year 1920, where he started up a general dealer's trade, but was forced to give up business to his son owing to health reasons.

Floral tributes and messages of condolence were received from the following:—

Dundee: Beloved wife, sons and daughters, M. N. Naidoo and family, Mr. R. R. Aiden, R. Narain family, Jimmy, Clara and Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Pillay and family, Members and Officials Young [illegible] Orchestra, T. S. Pillay and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Naicker and family, Mrs. P. Jackson and family, V. K. Pillay and family, M. R. Pillay and family, Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Pillay and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Paul and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kallie, Society of Young Africa, Dr. A. I. Limbada and Staff Nurse, Natal Indian Congress (Dundee Branch), Mr. T. D. Pillay Bros. family, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. James and family, [illegible] family ([illegible]), [illegible] family, Mr. and Mrs. H. Moodley and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. Govender and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Naicker and family, Mr. and Mrs. Marie Pillay, Mr. and Mrs. Mackay and staff, K. Nair family, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Pillay family, Dr. C. Naidoo family, [illegible] Staff and [illegible] Union [illegible] Ltd., Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Naidoo, Mr. [illegible] ([illegible]).

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Johannesburg: Teddy Pillay, Alfred Kannan, Pala Pillay, Mummy Pillay, Lazar [illegible], Stanley Barlow family, Don Hanna and family, Gorabhai and family.

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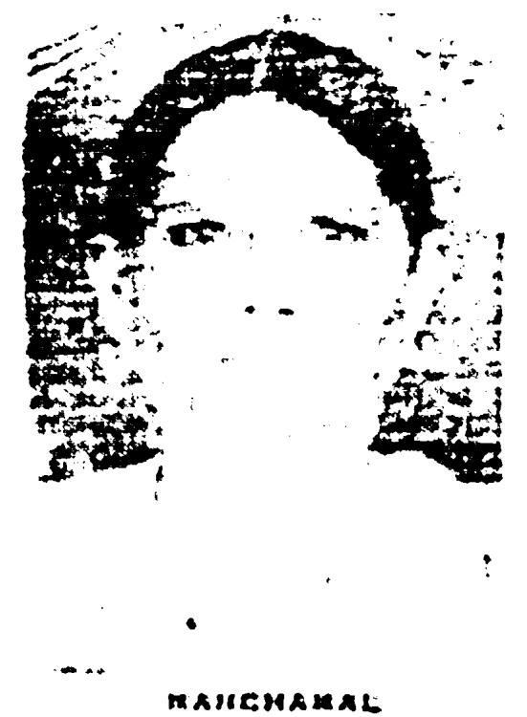
The death occurred of Kanchamal, beloved wife of Mr B. [illegible] Govender, on December 26, at Wyebank. She leaves behind her husband, four sons, five daughters and five sons-in-law. Her remains were interred at the Wyebank cemetery on the next day.



KANCHAMAL

The religious memorial service of the deceased will take place on Saturday night, January 9, and will be continued on the following day (Sunday) [illegible] at 9 a.m. Inserted by A. Gunna Govender.

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The death occurred after a short illness of Kalichuran, of Isipingo, on December 17, at the age of 62 years. He leaves behind his beloved wife, six sons, four daughters, three

KALICHURAN

brothers, two sisters and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss. Many tributes were received by the bereaved family.

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The death occurred of Parbathaye on December 21, 1953, at the age of 80. She was the widow of the late

PARBATHAYE

Moothoo Moorgan Govender of 226 Bellair Road, Cato Manor.

She leaves behind two sons and three daughters, 35 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren to mourn their loss.

DORRIE ISAAC

The death occurred, after a long illness, of Mr Dorrie Isaac on December 14. Loving husband of Koosal and father of B. Singh and Kamsingh and brother-in-law of Mr and Mrs. Peter Naidoo.

THE LATE (COWBOY) VAHE

Mr. Essop Ismail Vahed, popu[illegible] known as "Cowboy," died peacef[illegible] at the St. Aidan's hospital early [illegible] Saturday morning. The decea[illegible] aged 48, was well known among [illegible] large circle of friends among all sec[illegible] tions of the community as a box[illegible] and cricketer of repute. He also ra[illegible] a boxing school and was at one tim[illegible] on the staff of Avalon Theatre, Dur[illegible] ban.

The late E. I. Vahed leaves [illegible] widow (a sister of Mrs. E. H. Ism[illegible] and Mrs. I. M. Fakat), his brothe[illegible] and two sons (the elder son who wa[illegible] away in Capetown flew by plane fo[illegible] the funeral), four daughters, [illegible] niece, Mrs. E. M. Moola. There wa[illegible] large number of mourners prese[illegible] at his residence, at the Mosque an[illegible] at the graveside.

DURBAN.—Dr. H. J. Simon, lec[illegible] turer in Native administration at [illegible] University of Capetown, will deliv[illegible] a lecture on "Is South Afri[illegible] Fascist?" at the M. K. Gand[illegible] Library Hall, Queen Street, Durba[illegible] on Sunday at 7 p.m.

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obby Naidoo's London Column

[illegible]ATS by the score have [illegible] arriving in London on [illegible] way home from the United [illegible] Several of the Indian [illegible] have come and gone in [illegible] week, including the Pre[illegible] of the General Assembly, [illegible]ya Lakshmi Pandit, and [illegible] of the Indian delega[illegible] Rajeshwar Dayal and [illegible]

[illegible] few days in Lon[illegible] Pandit made her head[illegible] at her favourite hotel, [illegible] in Mayfair. Later last [illegible] Krishna Menon came to [illegible] to leave again on Sat[illegible] to get to New Delhi for [illegible] with the Prime Min[illegible] then possibly to proceed [illegible] Indian capital to Korea. [illegible] has been the architect [illegible] Korean truce and it is his [illegible] wish that the peace be [illegible] and that everything is [illegible] settled in the Far East [illegible] be sent as soon as pos[illegible]

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VAC STARTS

[illegible]TION time is here again [illegible] several of the South Afri[illegible] students who are at colleges [illegible] technical schools away from [illegible] have come down for the [illegible] until the New Year. [illegible] will return to their [illegible] Among those I met was [illegible] and Govender, the son of [illegible] Mrs. R. G. Govender of [illegible] in East Africa and Dur[illegible] went to Aberdeen to com[illegible] studies in pharmacy. He [illegible] he is one of only four [illegible] in this Scottish fishing [illegible] month ago he went to [illegible] to visit some of the [illegible] African students at the [illegible] there, Dr. J. A. [illegible] of Chaka's Kraal, who [illegible] earlier this year, is at [illegible] the dental hospital. He [illegible] have returned late last [illegible] but has delayed his depar[illegible] a little while. Govender [illegible] that Dr. Naidoo will be [illegible] London this month.

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BENNY SINGH

[illegible]Y SINGH arrived in Lon[illegible] from South Africa last [illegible] to rejoin his family, who [illegible] been here for over two years. [illegible]ossible that Mr. Singh will [illegible] the management of the [illegible] acrobat, gymnast and [illegible] Master Gang—Ganga [illegible] Pillay. Gang has been prac[illegible] a gymnasium in Isle[illegible] near the West Middlesex Hospital, where a number of South African girls are doing their nursing courses. He has perfected a new act which I will be seeing in a full-dress rehearsal very soon. He has new ideas and a new costume for his British debut. He is amazed at the various spell-binding acts here and is certain he will find his own particular niche.

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FIRST A.M.I.R.E.

AHMED KADODIA, who was with the radio department of the Victoria Furniture Mart when I was still at College and later with Dunmillan and Murray in his hometown, Stanger, has been in London for almost six months. He is at the E.M.I. Radio Institute and will be the first South African Indian A.M.I.R.E. when he qualifies soon. He almost joined the Royal Air Force as a radio instructor but was dissuaded from doing so by his people in South Africa. He has been busy with his work and has little time to get around. I met him when he called on me at my flat without any warning. He is hoping to go to the United States after he qualifies completely in radio engineering here, before returning to South Africa. He lives in Bayswater and travels way out of London to Hayes, Middlesex, where he studies with over four hundred other radio experts—many of them from India.

21st ANNIVERSARY

LAST week was the twenty-first anniversary of the B.B.C.'s Empire programme and I went along to Broadcasting House with other Press men in London to a cocktail party. We were addressed by Mr. J. B. Clark, the Director of B.B.C. External Broadcasting. It was on December 19, 1932, at 9.30 a.m. that the now familiar "This is London Calling . . ." was heard for the first time throughout the world. We also listened to a recorded review of the events since the inauguration of the service. In the 20 minutes that the programme lasted it covered the major happenings of the past 21 years—the voices of the Duke of Windsor — then King Edward — Ramsay McDonald, Lord Reith, Stanley Baldwin, Winston Churchill, Atlee, Hitler, Neville Chamberlain—all had a few seconds in which their voices came back to remind one of the distant past.

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RECORD SPENDING

THIS Christmas has been a record one for the withdrawal of National Savings, which totalled a mere £73,000,000 in December alone. The Treasury points out that over £25,000,000 in notes are in circulation.

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QUOTATION OF THE WEEK

If it were not so cold, you might even have seen me dressed like Gandhi.—President Naguib.

NEHRU ON COLONIALISM

Common outlook in Asia "anti-Western?"

NEW DELHI: The Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, said in an interview that a common outlook was developing in Asia and was to some extent "anti-Western" because of a feeling that the Western powers were supporting colonialism.

Mr. Nehru spoke to American reporters accompanying the Vice-President of the United States, Mr. Richard Nixon, on his visit to India.

He said that the common outlook growing up in Asia reflected long domination by Europe.

The "anti-Western" feeling was directed against the United States to some extent because the United States was supporting colonialism in places such as Indo-China and parts of Africa.

"I have no doubt that the United States is not in favour of old-style colonialism," said Mr. Nehru, "but she has supported colonialism for other reasons in some areas."

Asked whether he thought India was misunderstood in the United States, Mr. Nehru said, "It is not always particularly easy for any country to understand the position of another country."

Americans, he added, should remember India's background of long struggle against the British.

DIFFERENCES

Although Indians did not bear Americans any ill-will, there were differences between India and the United States in their approaches and policies on many issues.

"Regardless of opinions," said Mr. Nehru, "any policy based on non-recognition of Communist China is likely to be defective."

Major facts could not be ignored in any situation, and the control of China by its present Government was a major fact.

Mr. Nehru defended India's policy of neutrality on the ground that other things were more important than military defences.

"No practical statesman should say that a country does not have to develop defences, but one can overdo it," he said. "If one spends too much of one's resources on the military aspect, one spends less on economic improvement, which is the real strengthening thing.

"Constant reference to military aspects creates a psychology which, instead of making people think peace, makes them think of war. Fear is a bad companion."

PERIOD OF PEACE

India wanted a long period of peace to build up the country after the long struggle for independence from Britain. She ardently wished to avoid war, and he did not think war was near.

"War and aggression can both be avoided because both sides recognise the terrible consequences," Mr. Nehru said. "There is not likely to be any marked aggression because aggression means war and both sides know it."

Modern war was so terrible that it might produce problems far greater than those which had caused it.

Mr. Nehru confirmed that India was concerned over the possibility of a military alliance between the United States and Pakistan. He declined, however, to elaborate on this subject, which is believed to have been the main topic of discussion between him and Mr. Nixon.

He said that India was "not at all anxious" to have the Korean peace conference in New Delhi, as North Korea had proposed, but India would not stand in the way if other countries wanted the peace conference there.

ODERNISING INDIA'S NTURY-OLD RAILWAYS

[illegible]DELHI — India's century-old [illegible] have embarked on a [illegible] of modernisation. [illegible] Indian Railways are [illegible] orders for 720 locomotives [illegible] Rs. 1,000,000,000 (about [illegible] sterling). Some orders [illegible] been placed with firms [illegible] Austria and Japan.

[illegible] has the largest order so [illegible] in each country [illegible] known, but an order for [illegible] placed with one Japanese [illegible] There are also negotiations [illegible] other Japanese firms. [illegible] railway authorities invited [illegible] from all over the world for [illegible] of the locomotives. Talks [illegible] representatives of dif[illegible] have begun in New [illegible] it is expected that all [illegible] be placed by the end of [illegible]

[illegible] locomotives are expected [illegible] delivered before March 31, [illegible] end of the Five Year Plan. Payments will be made in [illegible]

[illegible]C. Bhattacharya, Financial [illegible] for the Railways said [illegible] when the Five Year Plan [illegible] (March 31, 1951) Indian Rail[illegible] had a total stock of about [illegible] locomotives, 20,000 passenger [illegible] and 202,000 goods wagons. [illegible] 22 per cent. of the locomo[illegible] per cent. of the coaches and [illegible] cent. of the goods wagons [illegible] age, the normal life of [illegible] in years. [illegible] Five-Year Plan laid great [illegible] the rehabilitation of rail[illegible] Planning Commission re[illegible] pointed out to the States that [illegible] essential to expand transport [illegible] particularly railways, if the [illegible] projects in the Five-[illegible] were not to be affected.

They added that bottlenecks in transport could upset the progress of the plan.

Railway authorities point out that at the beginning of the plan period Indian Railways did not make satisfactory progress in their rehabilitation programme. For the first three years they placed orders for only 789 locomotives, 3,800 passenger coaches and 32,000 wagons. Of the locomotives 407 are from India and 382 from abroad.

During these three years some of the existing railways stock had to be condemned and there was little improvement in the position. Of the orders placed, the railways had up to the end of May taken delivery of 390 locomotives, 3,000 coaches and 19,500 wagons.

"This time we decided to make a special endeavour to obtain as many locomotives and coaches as possible, so that the position could improve," Mr. Bhattacharya said. "We are, therefore, trying to place orders for a large number of locomotives and wagons, both in India and abroad, so that we may be able to bring down the percentage of overage stock," he added.

If the present plan is implemented, the railway authorities anticipate that the percentage of overage stock at the end of the plan period will be 20 per cent. locomotives and coaches, and 10 per cent. wagons.

Experimental orders for wagons are being placed with Indian manufacturers.

Experts estimate that if by March 1956 India has 400 locomotives and 20,000 wagons more than she had in April 1951, she will have enough to meet the country's increased industrial production.

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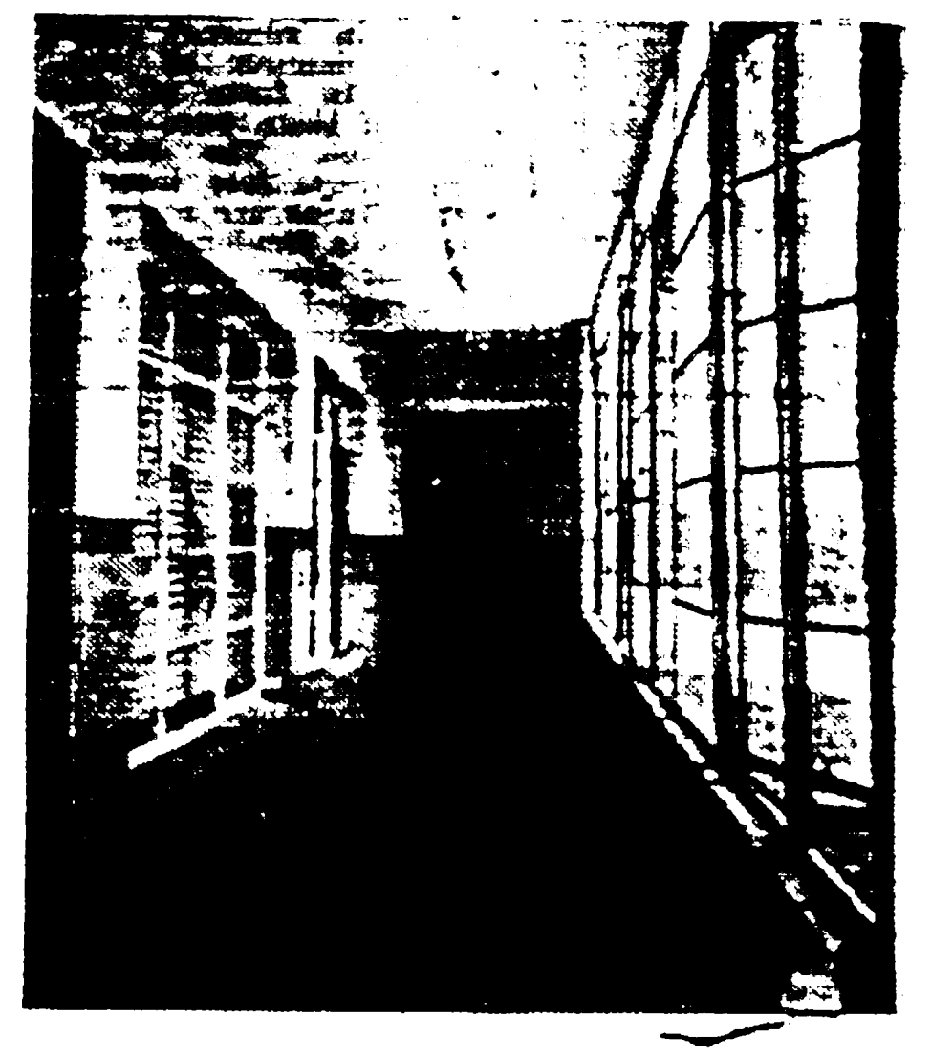

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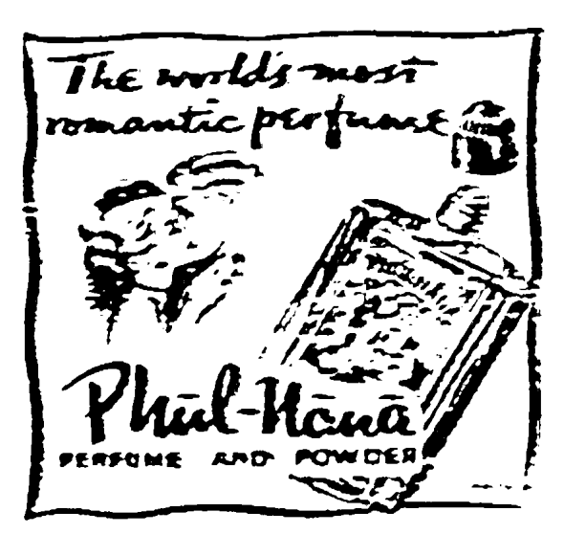
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CYCLE POLO

NEW DEHLI.—A new game, cycle polo, was introduced to the Delhi public at the National Stadium on December 7 in connection with the celebration of Flag Day week. Cycle polo, which has never been played in Delhi before, has been recently introduced in the Army as an organised game.

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SURYAKUMARI

LAST month when South Indian star Suryakumari went south to take part in the inaugural celebrations of Andhra State, a storm of rumours burst over Bombay's studio horizon. These reports said that Suryakumari was returning to Bombay after marrying an important government official there. Surya issued a statement contradicting these rumours but we know, from our experience of Indian pictures, that when a woman says "No" she means "Yes" and when she says "Yes" it must be interpreted as "No."

Of course, there is nothing strange in rumours about the dazzling damsels of the silver screen. In fact, it would be strange if there were no rumours about them. The whirlwind of youth always lets loose a dust storm. There are many youthful charmers in filmdom who wish and pray that there should be a non-stop series of rumours about them to keep their names in the limelight of publicity.

DIVORCE?

NALINI JAIWANT is reported to have fallen a victim to the craze of studying law-books. It is said that she enjoys the laws concerning divorce. No wonder hubby Virendra Desai is feeling rather nervous that Nalini's study of divorce laws might have a direct effect on her some day.

ACCIDENTS IN PROFUSION!

A FEW weeks ago Kamini Kaushal went to Panchgani for the outdoors of a picture in which she is working. And Dilip Kumar also went to Panchgani about that time. Both these news items are quite separate and have no con[illegible]ther, so readers are advised not to jump to any rash conclusions. The presence of Kamini and Dilip in Panchgani was merely accidental and there is no reason to believe that some other accident would take place from this accident.

MEHBOOB'S "AMAR"

MAHBOOB KHAN is busy with the shooting of "Amar". Dilip Kumar and Madhubala are playing the romantic lead in this picture and the growing friendship between this pair has robbed the sleep of Madhubala's father, Attaullah Khan. He has developed chronic insomnia.

There was a scene in "Amar" in which Madhubala slaps Dilip. It was such a terrific blow that the pain lasted for many days and nights. Those in the know say that this was an indication of Madhubala's love for Dilip.

Well, in filmdom you can never tell. At times those very hands that slap are chained with flowers. In real life it is so, too.

It is said that Bengali charmer Sumitra is also giving similar slaps to Pradip Kumar, the hero in "Anarkali". It is reported that this is precisely the reason why Pradip's cheeks are looking more rosy these days.

JUST CAN'T SLEEP

A GOOD night's sleep is a big problem to many Hollywood film stars. Cyd Charisse can sleep well only when its raining. Joan Crawford never sleeps more than two hours a night. Jeff Chandler has nightmares about riding a horse backwards. Maureen O'Hara dreams that she is falling from heights and Shelly Winters and Piper Laurie have nightmares about car crashes.

CRAZY PARTIES

WHEN stars want to let off [illegible] parties, the crazier the better. Friends threw Barbara Stanwyck a "pink" party because that is her favourite colour. The walls were lined with pink flowers, all the women wore pink dresses and one male guest, Gilbert Roland, wore a pink shirt.

At another lavish "do" Mickey Rooney, Keefe Brasselle and Don Taylor made up a three-piece band with drums, clarinet and trumpet. Jane Wyman's party piece is a comic M.C. act.

Red Skelton, for a gag, jumps into a swimming pool fully dressed. Anne Francis broke her ankle but she likes parties so much that she went to one on crutches.

AMERICAN VERSUS BRITISH!

HOW to make a jungle film, M.G.M. style: for "Mogambo" chicken and wine were flown out to Gable and Ava Gardner. How to make a film British style: for "Golden Ivory" being started in Kenya, hunters will be hired to kill food for its stars, John Gregson and Susan Stephen.

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MARITZBURG.—"Every individual achievement raises the status of our community, whose wellbeing is ample reward for the services extended to them," said Mr. S. R. Naidoo at the Regent Cinema when he joined with the Veda Dharma Sabha in welcoming back to Maritzburg Dr. D. Vamnthavan Chetty and Miss Padmini Chetty.

Dr. Chetty is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Chetty of Maritzburg, and graduated last month at Wits University; while Miss Chetty is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Chetty of Durban. She has returned after graduating in nursing and midwifery at Guy's Hospital, London.

Dr. Chetty was garlanded by Mr. G. Jugwanth (who presided) and a bouquet was presented to Nurse Chetty.

Thanking the Veda Dharma Sabha for extending a welcome to their son and daughter respectively, Mr. S. D. and Mr. C. G. Chetty promised their cooperation to the community at all times.

Other speakers were Pandit S. Jugmohan, Mr. S. K. Naidoo and Mr. D. S. Vather.

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EW GARAGE OPENED AT STANGER

GER: It was a great day for Stanger when one of the biggest and best equipped non-White rages in the country was opened at Rood Street, Stanger, in the presence of the Mayor, leading of the town and members of the motor trade. Mr. E. M. Moola, speaking at a dinner to mark ning of the garage, paid tribute to Mr. G. Mather, managing director of a string of motor firms, d shown enterprise, honesty and sincerity of purpose over the many years he had been in the business.

ayor, Mr. L. Lavoipierre, the public of Stanger e be well catered for. The ge was a great asset to and he complimented Mr. for his foresight and en-

. E. Greenwood, manag- tor of the Vacuum Oil (S.A.), said that suc- not come from wishful it sprang from honesty erity of purpose. "We people who are efficient ccessful," he asserted. [illegible] the bowling ability of Tay- d the batting of Gooff. We also respect those successful in other fields." eenwood said that Mr. was a shining example of ful man.

hairman of the S.A. Motor Mr. B. S. Atkinson, that the motor business s as tough as it was in years. He admired Mr. 's courage in investing so oney in Stanger's new

PROGRESS

M. Moola traced the of Stanger from its the present day. The ent of this coastal town, was fostered a great Mather family. "I can no fear of contradiction that this is one of the finest non-European garages in the country," Mr. Moola added.

Mr. D. D. Lalla, secretary of the Indian Cane Growers' Association, asserted that the new garage not only enhanced the prestige of the Mather family but it also enhanced the prestige of the motor trade, Stanger and the Indian community.

The managing director of International Harvester, Mr. E. A. Pritchard, said that the people of Stanger were very fortunate to [illegible]

Mr. L. G. Machin, district manager of International Harvester, was the M.C. and he also paid a tribute to Mr. Mather's initiative.

THANKFULNESS

Mr. G. Mather, who is managing director of Stanger Garage and Filling Station, Stanger Motor Centre, Stanger Tyre Services and Coastal Electrical Contractors, said: "When I look back over the years, I must honestly say that it is not a spirit of pride or personal achievement which fills me, but rather a feeling of deep thankfulness to those who were prepared to help our organization at a critical time when no one knew whether our firm was going to be a success or not."

Mr. Mather added: "The last twenty-one years have been eventful years indeed. We have watched, with our growth, the development of Stanger from a small dorp to a vigorous and growing town whose status has recently been elevated to that of a borough. We have seen its dusty unpaved streets transformed and many of its shabby old buildings give place to new, modern structures. And, in this connection, I must emphasise that no town could progress unless it has a sympathetic and progressive group of persons at the head of municipal affairs. Stanger is fortunate in this re[illegible]gard."

Mr. Mather said that the phenomenal development of Stanger during the last ten years was due primarily to the drive and vision of the councillors and their efficient staff.

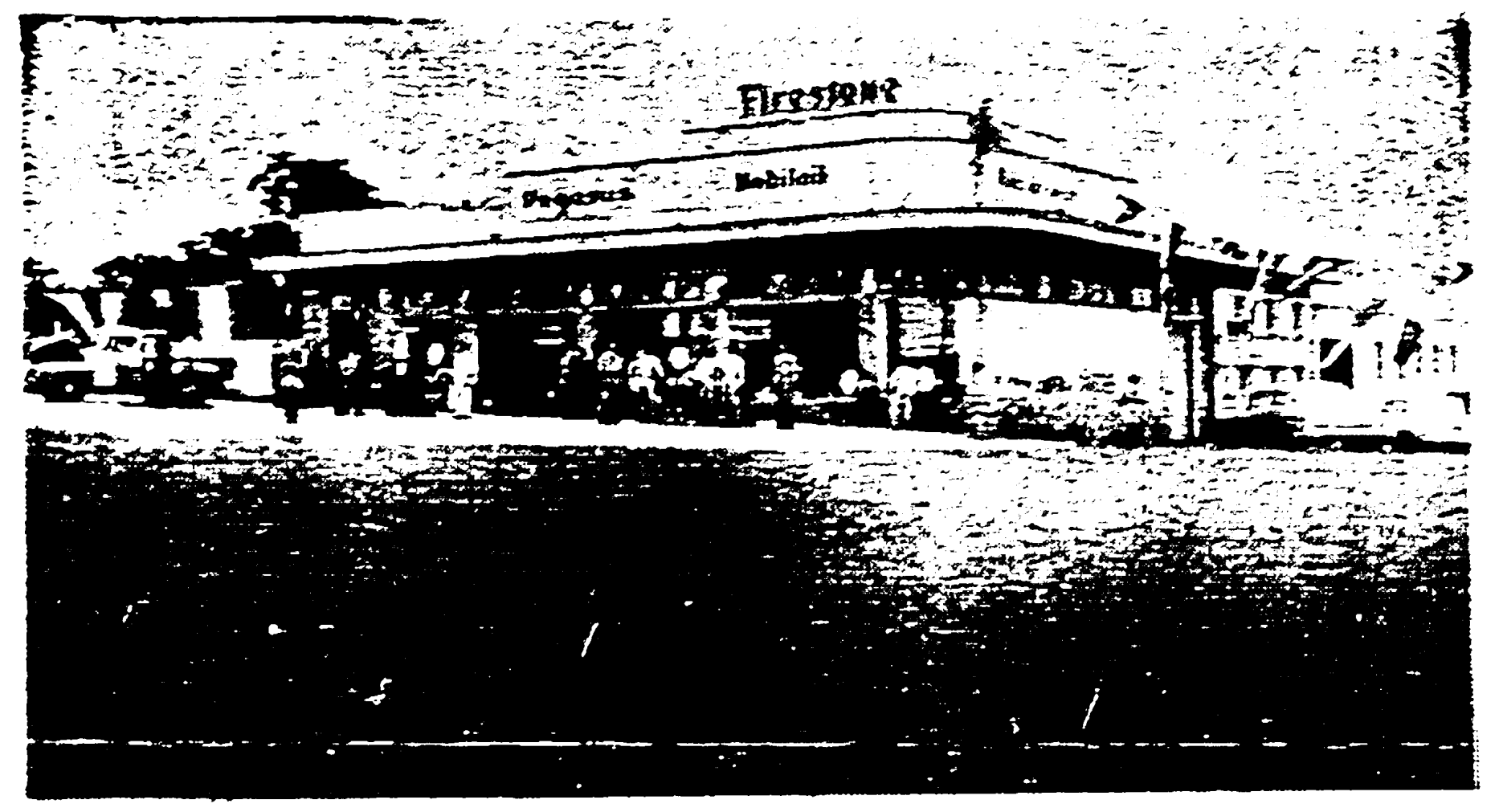
Mr. Mather will shortly be opening a tyre retreading factory in Maritzburg. This will be the first of its kind for non-Europeans in Maritzburg.

BEGINNINGS

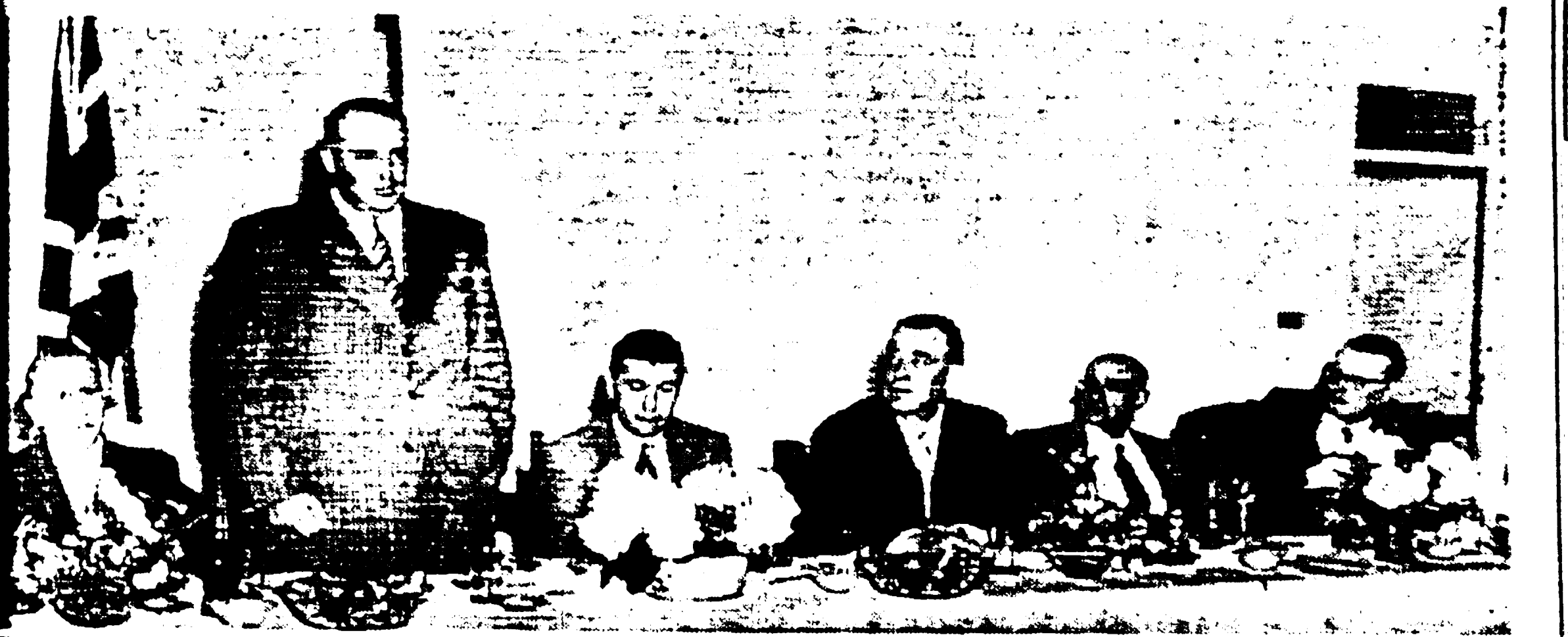
Mr. G. Mather commenced business in 1932 in a small wood and iron shop with a staff of two petrol attendants. In 1942 he bought an adjoining shop. In 1947 he was appointed agent for International Harvester. 1948 saw him open an electrical contracting firm known as the Coastal Electrical Contractors (Pty.) Ltd. In 1949 he opened a retreading factory in Stanger known as Stanger Tyre Services.

Mr. Mather has also encouraged an Indian youth, Gorender, to take up electrical wiring under his European foreman, Mr. Stone. Later Gorender wrote his electrical wiring examination at the Technical College, where he was successful. He is now the only Indian electrician in the country.

The present garage managed by Mr. Mather is the largest and best equipped non-White garage in the country, employing a staff of 60, comprising three fully qualified Indian mechanics and three Indian apprentices plus European, Coloured and African staff.



This impressive structure is the new Stanger Garage and Filling Station. It has been described as the most modern and best equipped non-European garage in the country.



picture was taken at a dinner on the 21st anniversary of the Stanger Garage and Filling Station, at their new premises, where leading nalities of the motor trade and the Mayor and town councillors were entertained. Left to right: Messrs. G. Mather (managing director firm); L. Lavoipierre (Mayor); B. Atkinson (chairman, S.A. Motor Traders' Association); E. A. Pritchard (managing director, International Harvester); Mr. E. M. Moolla and R. C. Gibson (Town Clerk).

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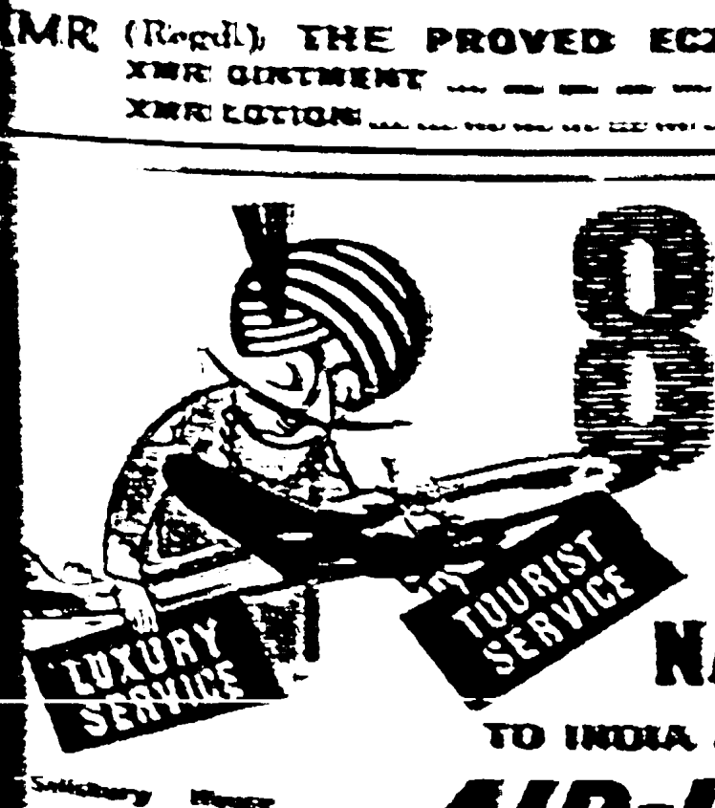

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AN enjoyable function was held at the South Coast Madressa Government-Aided Indian School to mark the sixth anniversary of its opening and to bid farewell to the first Standard VI pupils. The function was also held to celebrate the award of the Coronation Medal to Mr. A. M. Moolla, grantee of the school.

A large number of parents and friends responded to the invitation of the school. The honoured guests included Messrs. A. M. Moolla, grantee; M. A. Motala, A. M. [illegible], secretary of the school, Advocate Ismail Meer and Mrs. Fatima Meer, as the guest-speaker; Y. A. Lockhat, G. [illegible], school principal; Ismail Meer of the "Indian Views," A. I. Meer and [illegible], principal of the M. L. Sultan Technical College.

The programme included songs, dialogues, plays and sketches from the Madressa and English departments. The outstanding sketches included "The Witch Doctor" by the Standard VI pupils; The "Birthday Gift" by pupils of Standard I; [illegible] by pupils of Standard [illegible].

Mr. S. M. Ismail, the principal of the school, thanked the audience for responding to their invitation in such large numbers. This was a good sign and augured well for the future of the school, he said.

The urgent need for extensions, the provision of library books, radio, sewing machines and suitable washing and drainage facilities were stressed in his school report. He hoped something would be done during the holidays. The erection of the school fence was also necessary.

The school had made progress in other directions. This was the first time that the school has turned out Standard VI pupils.

Mr. A. M. Moolla, grantee, thanked the principal, staff and pupils for inviting him to present the prizes. He was delighted to be with them. He gave the children some useful advice and urged the parents to co-operate with the school in order to advance the education of their children, who were making rapid progress in all their work. He spoke of the useful work done by the principal of the school. The success of the school was largely due to his efforts and he expressed the thanks of all those who were connected with the running of the school, including the teachers.

Mrs. Fatima Meer was presented with a bouquet on behalf of the school. She congratulated the principal, staff and pupils for their splendid efforts. She [illegible] herself, like the rest of the audience. She was pleased to see so many girls at this school.

Mr. K. P. Govender, the sportsmaster, announced the winners of the various trophies. Mr. Moolla presented the trophies to the house captains. He also presented the prizes to the children and wished them every success.

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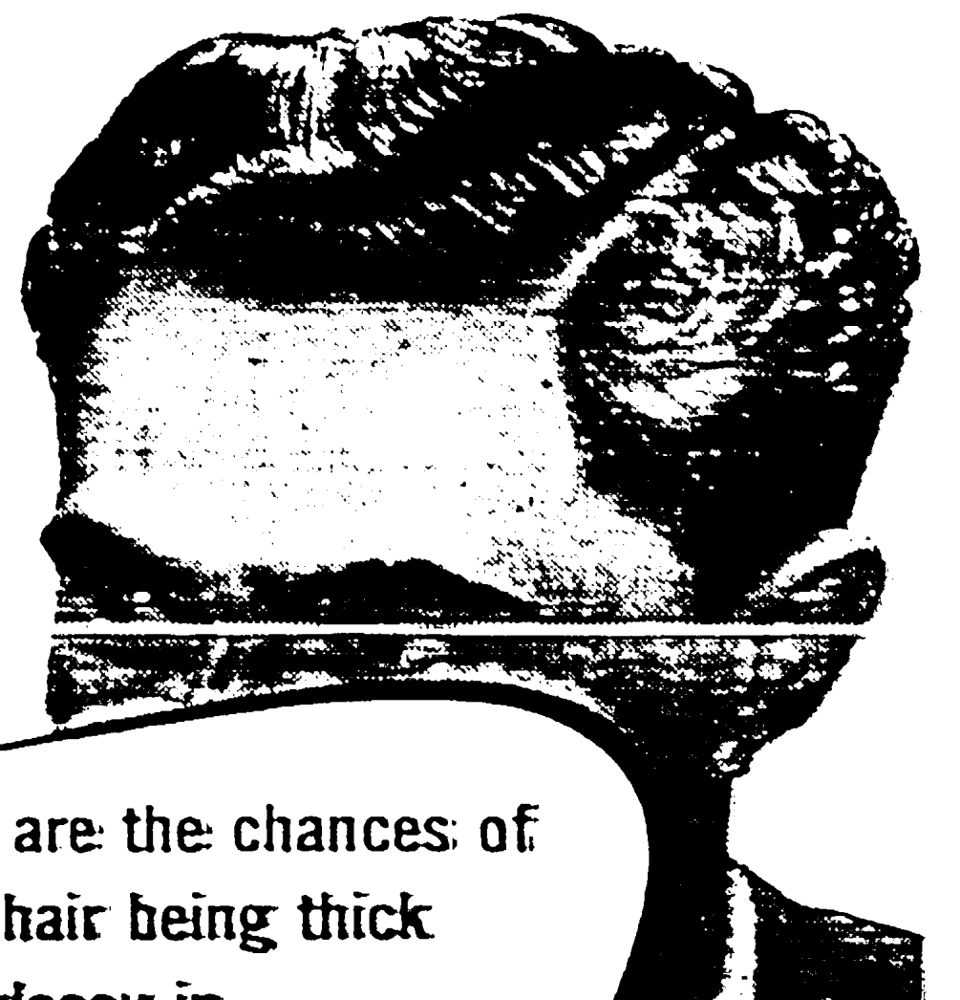
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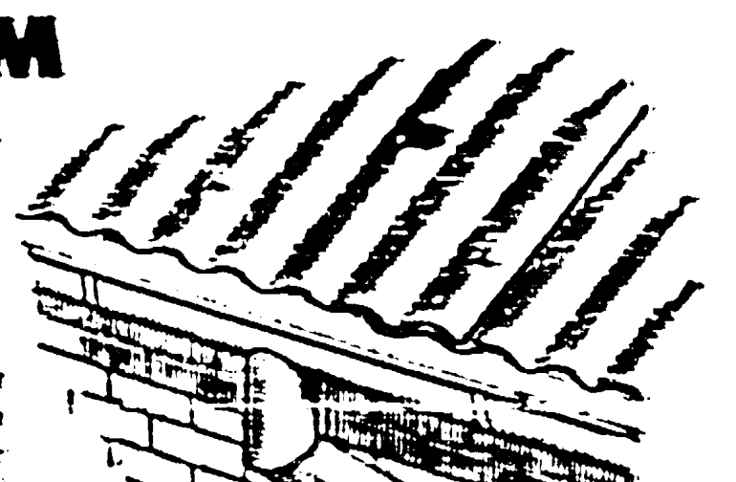

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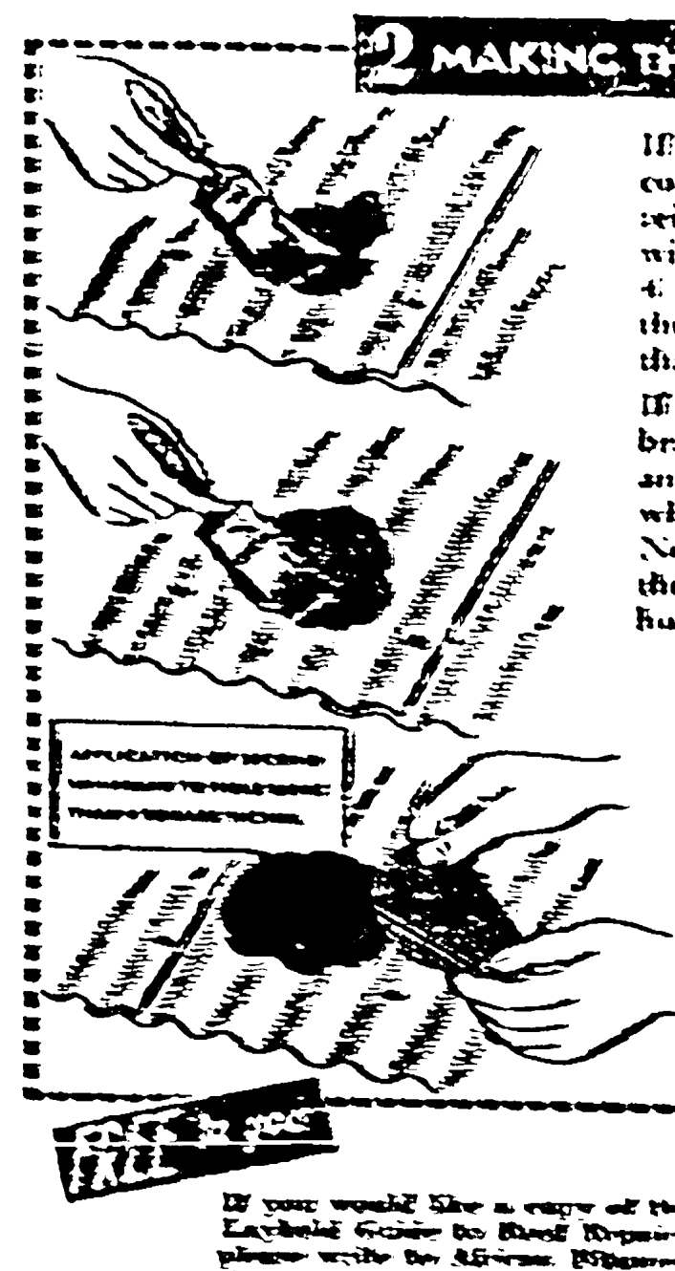

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Diary of the Week

CHRISTMAS is over and with it the "For Him" and "For Her" season has come to a close. Good. But the people who are most unhappy are the racketeers in "Blank" Street.

Two months ago I bought a tie in a "Blank" Street shop for 9s. Four days before Christmas I saw the same tie, same brand and in the same shop. There was a little slip on it which said "His Christmas Gift, 12s."

Only three hob up for this season of goodwill. As usual, Christmas becomes a monstrous auction of sentiment with the poorest people paying the highest price.

NONSENSE

FROM the sublime to the ridiculous. I popped into an African joint the other day for a cup of coffee. A notice on the counter said, "If in your indulgence it is your pleasure to have a light repast, it is our pleasure to serve you."

What darned tortuous nonsense for a cafe.

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

I CAN imagine my readers making all sorts of New Year resolutions and breaking them before many days have passed, then waiting for 1955 and making those same resolutions over again. It is all so simple and all so silly. If a thing has to be done you don't have to wait until the New Year to put it into effect. You must have the courage and the will power to do it now. "Now" is the operative word.

The psychologist William Marston asked 3,000 persons: "What have you to live for?"

He was shocked to find that 94 per cent. were simply enduring the present while they waited for the future; waited for "something" to happen; waited for children to grow up and leave home; waited for next year; waited for next time to take a long-dreamed-about-trip; waited for someone to die; waited for tomorrow without realising that all anyone has is today because yesterday is gone and tomorrow never comes.

If you must do something, the time is now. But no New Year resolutions for me, thank you. I am too unpredictable. I sometimes surprise myself.

IS MOKONE ANOTHER TULI?

THE biggest upset in non-European boxing in South Africa in 1953 was Elijah Mokone's convincing victory over Alby Timong, featherweight champion of South Africa and 6th ranking fighter in his division in the British Empire. Reports from Capetown say that there was no fluke about Mokone's win and that this quick-silver dual champion was just too clever for Timong. It is true that Timong had weight troubles but the palm must go to Mokone for coming inside 126 pounds when he usually fought in the 135 pound class.

Mokone is booked to proceed overseas after his Durban clash for the lightweight title against his most formidable challenger in South Africa, "perpetual motion" Young Seabela, and whatever the outcome of this fight I think he will take tons of beating for the British Empire featherweight title. Mickey Duff thinks that Mokone is another Jake Tuli. He is not the only one who thinks so.

BANTU ARTIST

DOWN from Rhodesia was Bantu artist, J. Dervie, a 20-year-old lad, a product of a Roman Catholic institution, who speaks very little English. He speaks French fluently.

On the advice of a friend he came to Durban two weeks before Christmas and disposed of 80 landscapes that he had done in oils. His gallery was the little garden outside the Main Post Office and within three days all his pictures were snapped up at £1 each.

I spoke to a number of people who were very impressed with his work and predict a great future for him. He will be back again in Durban towards the end of this month and by the sale of his pictures hopes to raise enough money to proceed to England for further study.

Success has not gone to this young man's head. He still has his feet on the ground. I wish to goodness that less accomplished people had theirs there too. But then, I realise that in wishing too much.

JACK SOLOMONS AND £10,000

IT is Jack Solomon's life's ambition to find a British heavyweight big enough and clever enough to hold his own with the best in the world. A year ago he made a bet with a prominent bookmaker. He was wagered £10,000 to £10 that he would not find a British heavyweight champion of the world within five years. Well, time is running out. He has only four more years to go. And I cannot at the moment see Jack Solomons winning his bet. Certainly not with his Don Cockell.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

BESIDES cards from my personal friends I received cards from quite a few of my readers. One card said "To the Writer of the Scandal Column." It bore no name. All I can say is "Thank You!" It cannot be from anyone else but a reader of [illegible] Column."

REG WRIGHT'S OFFER

REG WRIGHT, one of the greatest South African goalkeepers of all time, told me the other day that he is willing to coach any promising Indian goalkeeper or run classes for them if there was a good number willing to come under his care. This is a great opportunity that should not be missed. He is prepared to give his services free.

He is also prepared to make arrangements for Billy Butler, ex-Arsenal and England right wing, holder of three Cup medals, to coach Indian soccer players if the proper approaches are made and terms can be come to. There is no better man than Billy Butler to take charge of Indian footballers in Natal, and Durban in particular, if the Sam China Trophy is to make its return to this Province.

Let us see what the authorities are going to do.

UNCROWNED WORLD CHAMPION

CO-GETTING: Gonnie Govender, ex-"Indian Mirror", ex-"African Drum", ex-Johannesburg, is soon to bring out a publication centred around the life of South Africa's pride and glory, unassuming, gentlemanly Jake Tuli, flyweight champion of the British Empire and No. 1 challenger for the world title held by the Japanese, Yoshio Shirai.

I have seen the dummy and it is going to be some book. It will be profusely illustrated and will contain nearly 100 pages. He has already received an advance order for 10,000 from a non-European publishing agency in Johannesburg. Good luck, Gonnie. I, more than anyone else, will be looking forward to its appearance.

THIS WEEK'S LAUGH

The way to fight a woman, said John Barrymore, is with your hat. Grab it and run.

—JOE FRANCIS

Message of the Stars

By SWAMI

The Astrological Guide for January 8 to 14 is as follows:

Friday, January 8: Lunar Day 4th of Thai Sudi, Dhanishta Nakshatra rules till 2.20 p.m. Moon in Aquarius. Mainly an unfavourable day, especially for love, pleasure and courtship. Take no notice of trifling annoyances and petty worries. Adverse for those of Taurus, Libra, Gemini, Virgo, Cancer, Leo and Aquarius. Good for Capricorn and Pisces.

Saturday, January 9: Lunar Day 5th Sathabisha rules till 3.20 p.m. Moon in Aquarius. A favourable day for love, pleasure and courtship. Clear up all your correspondence. Seek the favour of your elders. Good for children's affairs. Good for those of Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Virgo, Libra, Scorpio, Cancer, Leo and Aquarius.

Sunday, January 10: Lunar Day 6th Purvabhadrapad rules till [illegible] a.m. Moon enters Pisces at 5.25 a.m. Make no changes, removals and alterations. Start nothing new, ask no favours, seek no gain; rest and avoid worry. Keep out of argument with the family. Adverse for those of Aries, Scorpio and Capricorn.

Monday, January 11: Lunar Day 7th, Uttrabadrapad rules till 10.30 a.m. Moon in Pisces. Avoid law or dealings with lawyers, speculators, brokers and landlords. Shun speculations and investments. Sign no bonds, bails, guarantees and securities. Adverse for Capricorn and Sagittarius.

Tuesday, January 12: Lunar Day 8th, Revati rules till 9.00 a.m. Moon enters Aries at 9.00 a.m. Avoid pursuit of wealth and high position. Do nothing of importance. Do not disclose your intentions. Keep your own counsel. Guard your health. Adverse for Cancer, Leo, Sagittarius and Pisces.

Wednesday, January 13: Lunar Day 9th, Aswini rules till 7.15 a.m. Moon in Aries. A mixed day. Good for correspondence, writing, studying, attending literary and educational works. Make no changes and removals. Good for Sagittarius. Adverse for Aries, Scorpio and Capricorn.

Thursday, January 14: Lunar Day 10th, Bharini rules till 5.40 a.m. Moon enters Taurus at 12.17 a.m. Generally favourable, especially for love, pleasure and courtship. Good time to expect favourable response in matters of love and affection. Good for Taurus, Libra, Gemini, Virgo, Cancer, Leo and Aquarius.

The good days to plant or sow seasonal crops bearing fruit above the ground are January 8, 9, 10, 13 and 14.

Changeable weather with cloudy and unsettled conditions and rain in places about January 8 to 11, and again about 13 to 16.

The lucky numbers and colours to apply on the Turf on Saturday, January 9th are: 2, 4, 6, 7, 12, 13, 15 and 18.

Colours: violet, purple, crimson and blue.

MR. EDWARD DUNN

Mr. Edward Dunn, Dire Municipal Entertainment, Dur will open the Fifth Annual vention of the Natal Ma Circle, which will be held on day, January 16, at the Du International Club.

The Circle has planned biggest ever convention in Africa. Leading from the Rand and Cape present.

University Results

DURBAN. — The follow tained passes on the subjects cated in the recent exam held by the University of Na

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Abbreviations:

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ypical African child drinking milk at the Cato Manor Clinic. e Indian and African women performing sterling service in uding free milk for undernourished children.

Cricket at Michaelhouse

BALGOWAN. — The Michaelhouse ground was the scene of a le encounter between the visiting Cricket Club and the XI.

Balsmann, the local skipper, the toss and sent Colenso to bat. The side crumbled to the of Benjamin (3 for 11) and (3 for 20) and were soon back in the pavilion for a meagre 53. Michaelhouse then hit up a fast which D. Balsmann contributed 18 and H. Balsmann 19. fared a little better in their second venture and made 72 runs Manjoo 22, Balsmann 16). H. Baker was in form with the ball, three for 13 and H. Minor for 13. Michaelhouse hit up the deficit lost to win by 10 wickets.

Do you hear what I hear?

There's the next-door baby again. Sounds like a case of nappy-rash to me. They should do what my folks do — smooth on a little 'Vaseline' brand White Petroleum Jelly every time nappies are changed. No nappy rash then!

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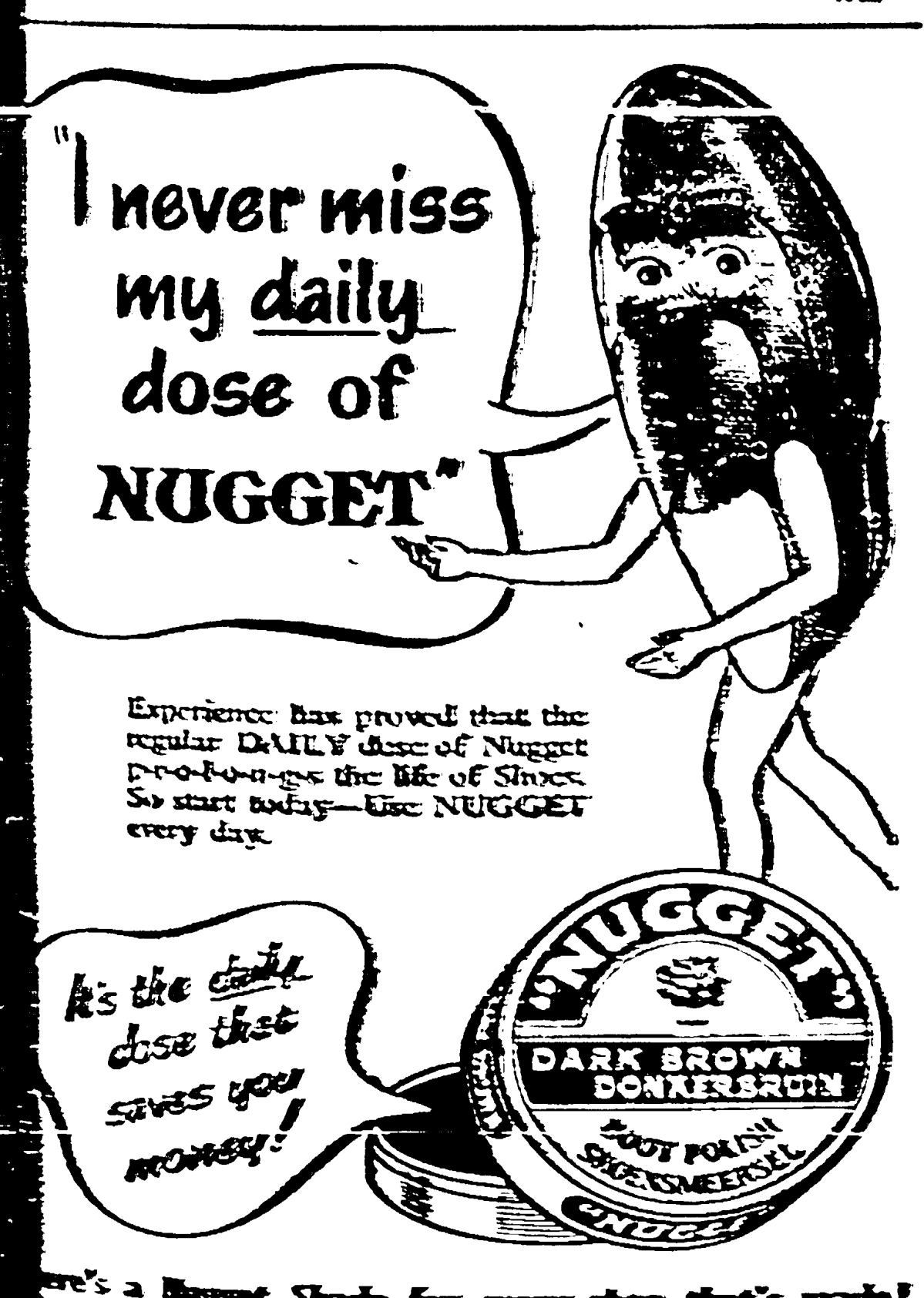
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Points from Readers' Letters

Congress Properties

MR. V. C. NAIDOO, of Mayville, Durban, writes:—

The joint statement released by Messrs. A. C. Meer, A. I. Meer and Ahmed I. Bhoola in connection with their resignation from the N.I.C. calls for a reply.

Their whole Christmas story is centred around the Congress properties, which, unfortunately, has been chosen as a target to obtain an excuse for their resignations.

I wish to explain the N.I.C. action in regard to the properties so as to clear any misunderstanding which may exist in the minds of the general public.

Realising the heavy rates and the huge cost of maintaining the two properties, certain members of Congress, [illegible] would be utter selfishness and shortsightedness on our part to hold the properties in trust, when in fact they could be turned to better use to serve the Indian community.

After taking many facts into consideration, there was a concerted move at the last provincial conference to have the properties donated to an independent trust whose duty it would be to utilise the revenue for the upliftment of the educational and cultural standards of the Indian community.

The conference empowered the incoming committee to take whatever action it deemed necessary in regard to the properties, keeping in mind of course the wishes of conference. Here I might mention that this decision was carried by an overwhelming majority of the delegates present at conference.

Those other delegates, apart from those who resigned, voted against this resolution. They are still members of Congress. While two of them are now convinced that Congress's decision was correct, the other is still strongly opposed to this decision. Like any other democrat he is continuing to fight against this decision within Congress.

These members who resigned talk of the dictatorial attitude of Congress leadership. Two of them, who were still members of the Congress executive at the time, will remember that rather than take a decision in terms of the conference resolution the leadership was democratic enough to place the plans of the executive before a working committee meeting for their consideration. The working committee, [illegible] on it from every branch in Natal, discussed this matter at length and decided finally to donate the properties to an independent trust. Presently the properties are in the process of being handed over to the Mahatma Gandhi Educational and Charitable Trust. No doubt when the transfer is complete full publicity will be given to it. My good friends need not worry about any secrets surrounding the property issue—there are none.

Congress action in donating the properties to an independent trust is a major contribution to the educational and cultural advancement of our people. Especially on the question of education, Congress has always played a most prominent role in fighting for facilities for our children. The Congress High School is a good example of this.

These men claim that the late Mahatma Gandhi would not have agreed to the transfer of the properties. What right have they to assume this? In my opinion this great tactician would most certainly have welcomed such a move.

School Books

Mr. R. Harris, of Plessislaer, writes:—

NOW that the school year is rapidly approaching, once again a perennial difficulty presents itself. Parents, both rich and poor, are compelled to dig deep to meet the cost of books.

However, an alarming and non-progressive phenomenon has emerged recently in Indian schools in Maritzburg and district. Book lists reveal these facts:

(1) Unnecessary textbooks appear. For instance a textbook on civics.

(2) Extra-large packets of crayons for young primary children, including colours I dare say will not be used, e.g. white.

(3) More than one textbook for certain subjects, for example in arithmetic.

(4) Dozen single exercise books for a child in the junior standards.

(5) Tables book.

Here are suggestions which I hope schoolmasters will study.

(1) By considering the parent you will be serving your community.

(2) Be practical, not idealists with your heads in the clouds.

(3) Buy fewer textbooks. One copy of a textbook can be used by a teacher for the whole class.

(4) Realise the cost of children's books, etc., to a bare minimum by cutting down book requirements.

With the high cost of living, the unsatisfactory status of the average Indian and the unnecessary waste of books and stationery, will school teachers please be more rational. I hope other wise parents will also voice their opinions.

Racing Selections

BY "ROSLYN"

Selections for Scottsville race meeting on Saturday, January 9, 1954.

First race, Stewards Handicap, Maiden Juvenile Plate (C. & G.), 4 furlongs:
1. WEALTHY WAY
2. CARUSO
3. ETIQUETTE
4. PIANTRE

Second race, Scottsville Handicap, 7 furlongs:
1. GOLD MINE
2. PASS ON
3. NIFTY
4. SODA WATER

Third race, Stewards Handicap, 6 furlongs:
1. DISTURB
2. SWING FAN
3. PERCUSSION CAP

Fourth race, Maiden Plate, 5 furlongs:
1. BROWN CHERRY
2. CHARM
3. FINE MEMORY
4. HIGHLAND MARY

Fifth race, Maiden Juvenile Plate, 4 furlongs:
1. SASBAIT
2. MY TOUT
3. ROMNEY LASS
4. MANIPUR

Sixth race, Stewards Handicap, A Division, 9 furlongs:
1. BURLINGTON
2. HORSE SHOE
3. SNEEZER

Seventh race, Scottsville Handicap, 2nd Division, 7 furlongs:
1. SACRED DAWN
2. DONOR
3. LOVING CUP
4. VIGOROUS

Eighth race, Scottsville Handicap, 3rd Division, 7 furlongs:
1. BRAGGART
2. DIANE
3. SHUMMELE
4. LIFE GUARD

Ninth race, Scottsville Handicap, 3rd Division, 7 furlongs:
1. REGISTRATION
2. SPLENDID KEY
3. BOMBER'S MOON

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For the one we loved and cherished so dear.
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But in visions we are always together.
Your pleasant memories are silently kept,
You left us suddenly, your thoughts unknown,
But you left a memory we are proud to own.
Life will never be the same
To us the world would be like heaven
Just to have you back again.

Always remembered by [illegible] and family, 192 [illegible] Hall Road, Durban North.

MOODLEY

In treasured memory of my beloved husband and our dear dad, R. M. Moodley, late of Victory Lounge, Durban, who passed away on December 31, 1951.

Happy and smiling and always content,
Loved and respected wherever he went.
Always so thoughtful, loving and kind
What a beautiful memory to leave behind.

Ever remembered by his sorrowing wife, daughter, grand-children, brothers and family, 96 [illegible] Avenue, Durban.

Naidoo: A tribute of love and remembrance to the memory of my dear husband and our beloved Daddy, V. G. Naidoo, who passed away, December 28, 1951.

A loving husband and father only lent,
One of the best God ever sent.
His heart was kind, his friendship true,
Loved and respected by all he knew.
To a beautiful life came a sudden end,
He died as he lived everyone's friend.

Ever remembered by his loving wife and dear children.

Thanks Notices

Messrs. [illegible] (Govender), M. P. Appavoo Govender, 284 [illegible] Road, Cato Manor, wish to express their sincere thanks to relatives and friends for their kind messages of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes sent on their recent sad bereavement of [illegible].

Soobrayan: In loving memory of my dearest wife and our loving mum and sister, Thirumallamah Soobrayan, who departed to eternal and peaceful rest on the 10th February, 1953.

Our thoughts and words are often of you,
[illegible]
Every day in some small way.
Sweet memories of you pass our way;
As wife, mum and sister you played your part.
Your parting has left us with a broken heart.
The sorrow we feel, words cannot explain,
The ache in our hearts will always remain;
Till memory fades and life departs,
You live for ever in our hearts.
We mourn for you in silence and still [illegible],
But all there is to answer is your photo in a frame.

Always remembered by her beloved husband, children, brothers and sister, 100 [illegible] Road, [illegible], Durban.

Naidoo: In loving memory of V. G. Naidoo who passed away on December 28, 1951.

Years may come, years may go,
But deep in our hearts a memory is kept.
Of one we loved and will never forget.

Always remembered by Mr. and Mrs. K. [illegible].

Naidoo: In cherished memory of our dear father-in-law, V. G. Naidoo, who passed away on December 28, 1951.

Sweet are the memories silently kept,
Of one we loved and will never forget,
Deep in our hearts he will always remain,
Till God in his own time unites us again.

Always in our thoughts. Ever remembered by Mr. and Mrs. K. Naidoo and Mr. and Mrs. K. P. Naidoo.

Vengetsamy: In loving memory of our beloved mother, D. Thailamah, who passed away on January 2, 1953.

Happy memories, sincere and true,
Will always remain, dear mother, of you.
You left us suddenly, your thoughts unknown,
But you left a memory we are proud to own.
The sad ask how much we miss you,
Life will never be the same.
To us the world would be like heaven
Just to have you back again.

Ever remembered by her sons, Messrs. V. R. Peter Ross and family, [illegible], Mr. and Mrs. R. Thomas of Kwambonambi, Zululand, friends and relatives.

Naidoo: In treasured memory of Soona Naidoo, who was called suddenly to rest on January 4, 1953.

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And will be for ever more.
You have gone, but your spirit is still with us,
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Always remembered by his loving mother, brothers and only sister, Dhanalutchmee ([illegible]), 443 Boom Street, Maritzburg.

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PIETERMARITZBURG, FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, 1954

WHAT OF 1954?

TWELVE months ago the customary New Year wishes for happiness and hope for the future were expressed with the same warm sincerity which we again today find among men of goodwill. But 1953 was destined to be a disappointment to the millions who asked only for the fulfilment of a simple wish for peace and security. While it is true that the glimmering of a returning world sanity was reflected in the signing of the Korean Armistice, subsequent events showed how ill-founded was that tiny spark of hope—the war was merely converted from being one in public, to one continued behind the scenes. As 1953 foundered towards a dismal end, it saved for its successor one Parthian shot—the threat of a world-wide financial slump in the New Year.

Nearer home, 1954 has been greeted with messages from Dr. Malan and other political party leaders in South Africa. But, however sincere those outside the Nationalist 'ring' might have been in their expressions of tolerance and goodwill, the Prime Minister's platitudinous statement dealing with the ideal of a more complete South African national unity rang hollowly. The year, as far as the Government is concerned, promises to be a period of an intense consolidation of the discriminatory laws already on the Statute Book. There is, for example, work to be done in making "appeal-tight" the administrative procedure to be followed under the Suppression of Communism Act. It is probable, too, that further irritating steps will be taken to tighten up apartheid measures in post offices, railway stations and other State institutions. Work on the Population Register will go ahead, particularly among the Natives of Natal and there will be an increase in the executive tempo of those responsible for applying that Gargantuan piece of impracticability—the Group Areas Act.

In all, the Government can be expected to use their second term of office vigorously to entrench their doctrine of [illegible] superiority—and, perhaps, [illegible] may add some new facet [illegible] well. The dark clouds on the horizon of 1954 appear to [illegible] scure all hope, but it will be [illegible] impatient and, indeed, a foolish mortal who cannot look beyond and see the utter folly of those who build sand walls to hold back the sea by legislating against the just progress of mankind.

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Enrolment will take place at the University buildings (situated at the rear of Sastri College), Winterton Walk, on the following days:

B.A. Students (part-time): Friday, February 19—3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Saturday, February 20—9 a.m. to 12 noon and 2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

B.Sc. Soc. Sc. Students: Saturday, February 20—2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

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Remedial Education Students: Saturday, February 20—9 a.m. to 12 noon.

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B.A. Students (full-time): Wednesday, February 24—9 a.m. to 12 noon and 2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Students unable to attend at the times given above should make a special appointment.

Students who intend to enrol for the University Education Diploma or for the first year Bachelor of Commerce Course are asked to notify the Organiser as soon as possible as the formation of these courses will depend on the number of students enrolling.

N.B.—All part-time students who enrol after February 20 and full-time students who enrol after February 24, will be liable for £1 late fee fine and £2 late fee fine if they register after March 30.

A final time-table will be posted on the notice boards of the University of Natal Offices, non-European Section, and students should acquaint themselves with this before enrolling. In 1954 classes will not be held on Saturdays after 1 p.m. nor on Sundays.

Opening of University Residence: (Wentworth), from February 1, students coming from a long distance may go to the hostel in the first place, provided they notify the Hostel Warden, but it may not be possible to admit them to permanent residence as the accommodation at Wentworth is reserved in the first instance for medical students.

Further particulars and all necessary forms will be provided on application to the Organiser, non-European Section, University of Natal, Durban (Phone 2-5982).

Appreciation

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Pillay extend a personal thanks to all friends and relatives for their kind assistance and messages of congratulation and gifts on their recent marriage on December 27.

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at 2.30 p.m. sharp.

All members residing in Overport and District are kindly requested to attend.

AGENDA:

1. Minutes.
2. Chairman's Address.
3. Secretarial Report.
4. Treasurer's Financial Statement.
5. Elections.
6. Election of Delegates for the 7th Annual Provincial Conference.
7. Resolutions.
8. General.

R. RAJKUMAR, Chairman;
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GENERAL MEETING
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of the
NATAL INDIAN CONGRESS
will be held on
Sunday, 31st January 1954
at the
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at 2.30 p.m.

AGENDA:

1. Minutes.
2. Chairman's Address.
3. Joint Secretarial Report.
4. Treasurer's Financial Report.
5. Elections.
6. Election of Delegates to the 7th Annual Provincial Conference.
7. Resolutions.
8. General.

ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

S. B. Maharajh,
Acting Chairman
C/o 1 Queen St., Maritzburg.

FIFTH ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING
of the
Mayville and District
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NATAL INDIAN CONGRESS
will be held on
Sunday, 10th January 1954
at the
ARYA SAMAJ HALL
(opposite Mayville Theatre)
at 10 a.m. sharp.

All members residing in Cato Manor Gardens, Cato Manor & Mayville are requested to attend.

AGENDA:

1. Minutes.
2. Chairman's Address.
3. Joint Secretarial Report.
4. Treasurer's Financial Report.
5. Elections.
6. Election of Delegates for the 7th Annual Provincial Conference.
7. Resolutions.
8. General.

N. R. [illegible]
V. S. M. [illegible]
Joint Hon. Secretaries
P.O. Box 24, Mayville.

[illegible]E NEW YEAR—[illegible]WO MESSAGES

"The New Year message for 1954 is one of goodwill towards all men, women and [illegible] of South Africa, irrespective of their colour," said Mr. P. R. Pather, president [illegible] Indian Organisation, in an interview with "The Leader".

[illegible] the year 1954 will [illegible] peace to the world. [illegible] speech at the [illegible] has had splendid re[illegible], and the fact that [illegible] desire on the part [illegible] Powers to restrict [illegible] to civil use only [illegible] the future. [illegible] known as the cold [illegible] been visible for some [illegible] of late, [illegible] people in South Africa [illegible] to play in 1954. [illegible] shown our exemplary [illegible] and I do hope that [illegible] to show the same [illegible] Apart from our politic[illegible] are many matters [illegible] our attention [illegible] there should be no [illegible] the Indian people [illegible] together on the [illegible] education. That was a [illegible]. In such matters [illegible] and housing there [illegible] of opinion. As it [illegible] of education, so [illegible] action be taken to [illegible] problems. There [illegible] as well, but I [illegible] they are [illegible]. Let me hope [illegible] 1954 will bring about [illegible] unanimity on the [illegible] of our [illegible] would like greater [illegible] of our people to break away from parochialism. Nothing could be more destructive to the welfare of the Indian people in South Africa than this cursed parochialism when it comes to national matters. By all means have your temples, mosques, churches and religious institutions, but do not let them get the better of you. We must build and develop an Indian community in the true South African spirit, so that the country can be proud of the community. This is my important message for 1954," added Mr. Pather.

N.I.C.

Mr. J. N. Singh, general secretary of the Natal Indian Congress said: "The New Year will have to be faced with determination on the part of the people of South Africa, both White and non-White. The Nationalist Government will attempt to consolidate its programme of apartheid in keeping the non-Whites in subjection.

"The Group Areas Act, the new Native Education Act and the legislation curbing the freedom of organisation, assembly and speech will be used in an attempt to keep the Nationalist policy entrenched.

"Although most of these anti-democratic measures are aimed particularly against the non-Whites, the European section, too, is subject to their jurisdiction, and unless they resist the application of these Nationalist measures they will find that their democratic privileges are withering away.

"The future, however, is not black. There is a growing spirit of resistance among the people of South Africa, under the leadership of the African and Indian Congresses and the Congress of Democrats, representing a small but active European section of the population. It is heartening to find that there is a great deal of co-operation and joint activity between all the sections of the population under the leadership of the congresses.

COLOURED PEOPLE

"The Coloured people also face a serious challenge in the New Year. The Government-appointed commission on the Coloured vote is busy hearing evidence and will no doubt make its recommendations. One is impressed by the large body of opposition that has come from organisations and individuals from all sections of the South African people against the removal of the Coloured voters from the common roll.

"The Coloured people in Durban and everywhere in the country are alive to the danger of this Government attempt, and have taken a strong stand for the extension of the vote to all. These signs are a happy augury for the future and we can both look forward to a year of a grand struggle for Democracy and against Fascism in South Africa," added Mr. Singh.

[illegible]APA DAY" HAS [illegible]NOT LOST HIS MAGIC

BY LEONARD NEILL

[illegible] a wrinkled Indian, Jetsabh Dayall Govandala, living [illegible] Natal town of Dundee, celebrated his 93rd birthday.

[illegible] will probably go by [illegible] the little man, whose [illegible] many years been [illegible] and whose [illegible] bears the evi[illegible] of toil, has cut [illegible] place in the realm [illegible]. For, behind that [illegible] a pair of sharp [illegible] ... as he is fondly [illegible] seventy years ago [illegible] knife throwing cham[illegible] held for eight years [illegible] eighteen. [illegible] Papa Day can still [illegible] with uncanny accu[illegible]. I remember when at [illegible] many youths are be[illegible] themselves as [illegible] champions, I began [illegible] from the little man in [illegible] throwing. [illegible] others, three White [illegible] Indians, we visited [illegible] humble wood-and-[illegible] on the outskirts of [illegible] Saturday morning to [illegible] in this more [illegible]. This contrasts [illegible] four European boys [illegible], all around [illegible] age, became known [illegible] "Dominoes" — four [illegible] blacks. [illegible] art in this pas[illegible] in any other. The [illegible] blade, the proper grip, [illegible] distance, the correct [illegible] as it leaves the [illegible] moment in the [illegible] movement when the [illegible] the fingers, these [illegible] vital factors must [illegible] of the knife [illegible]. And when you [illegible] comes the time [illegible] the knife and hurl [illegible] of a Wild Bill [illegible] his six-shooter. [illegible] these points, and [illegible] Finally he [illegible] his Sun[illegible] became [illegible] to him in 1886 [illegible] championship for [illegible] year. [illegible] of his ability was [illegible] summer morning [illegible] his small flock of [illegible] year-old grand[illegible] stepped upon [illegible] sitting, half [illegible] its hereditary head [illegible] its attention [illegible] Sote feet away [illegible], and in an instant had drawn the bronze-handled blade in his belt and sent it spinning through the air to split the reptile's head. He was then almost seventy years of age.

When I last saw him the skin of the snake—a jagged V-shape representing what was once its head—adorned the wall of his rough living room.

Today, with his flock of goats and his small family, Papa Day lives a secluded, peaceful life, ever remembering his youth when his accuracy in knife-throwing went unsurpassed.

RACE RELATIONS MEETING

(Continued from Page 1)

will deliver a paper, "A Review of Recent Legislation," while on the third day Mr. N. N. [illegible], head of the Department of Economics at the University College of Fort Hare, himself an African, will speak on "The Response of Africans to Industrial Employment." This address will be followed by one on the contentious subject of "Equal Pay for Equal Work," by Dr. Sheila van der Horst, lecturer in the Department of Economics at the University of Capetown.

In the afternoon, Professor Monica Wilson will give a "Survey of Conditions in the Ciskei." Professor Wilson was one of the scientists engaged under Professor [illegible] to survey the Keiskammahoek; a survey which was recently published in four volumes, the "Keiskammahoek Rural Survey." She can, therefore, speak with authority.

On the last day the meeting will concern itself with "The Health of the non-European."

[illegible] member of the Institute, is well known for his understanding of the race problems of this country. His address in Port Elizabeth is certain to be of the greatest interest to all thinking South Africans.

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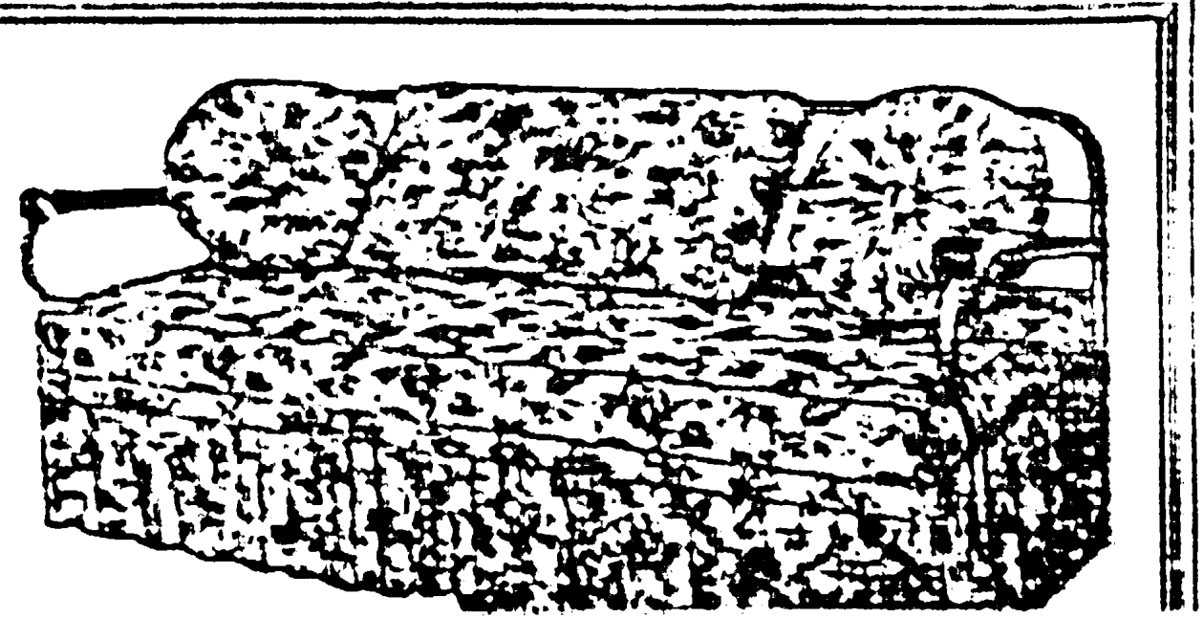

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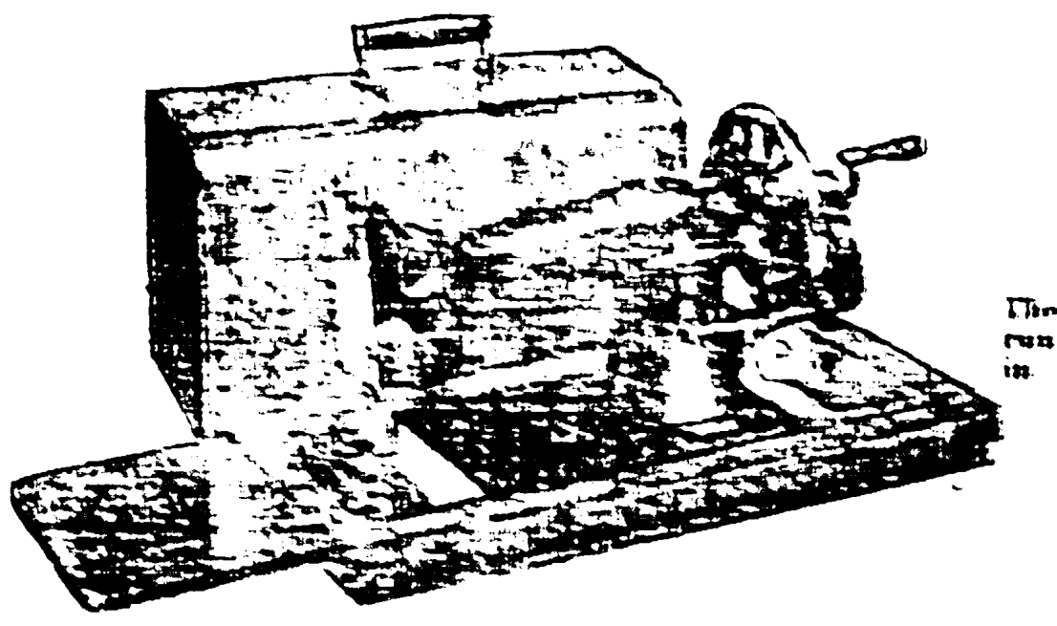

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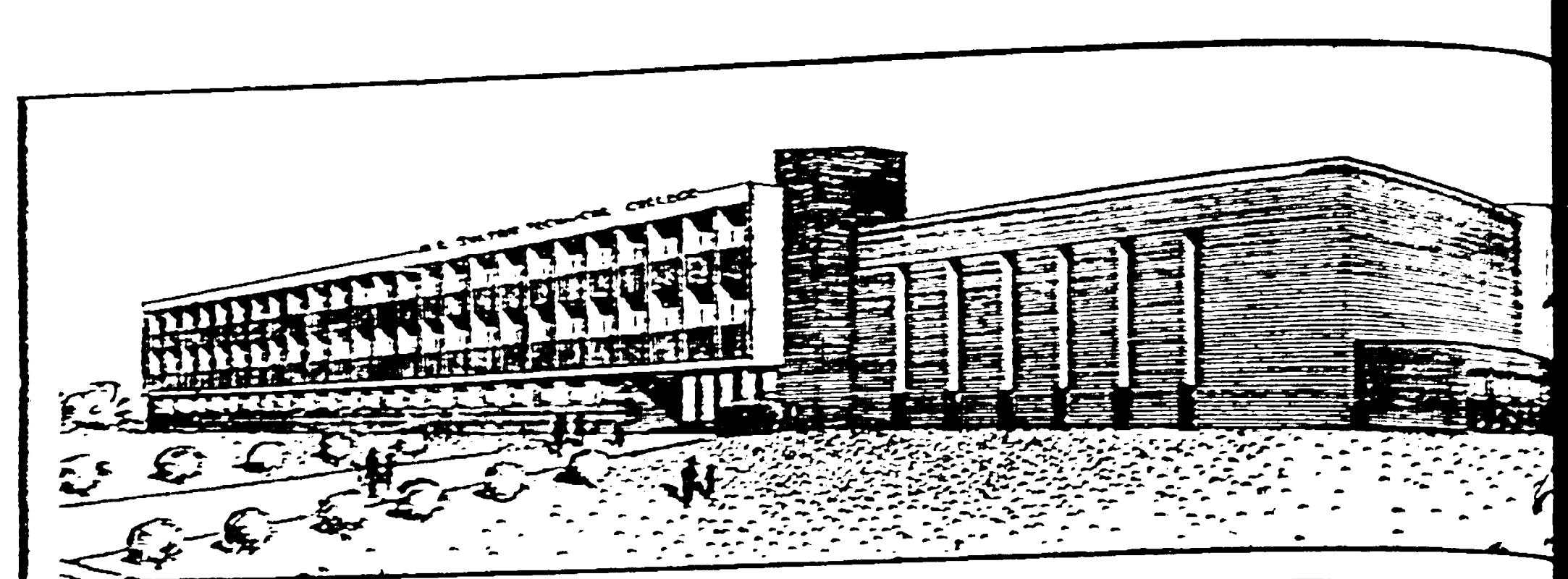

M. L. SULTAN COLLEGE STILL NEEDS £22,000

DURBAN: Prominent European and Indian personalities were present at an "At Home" function accorded by the chairman, council and principal of the M. L. Sultan Technical College recently at the Sastri College Hall. The College's building fund, which still needs £22,000 to complete its £123,000 building project, was officially launched at the function and an appeal was made for donations.

Mr. H. Nattrass, principal of the M.L. Sultan Technical College, emphasised the fact that the developments taking place now in connection with the College would have an important bearing on the years to come. There would be no difficulty as all sections of the community would be catered for.

Mr. Nattrass explained that the College had obtained permission to train artisans, furniture workers, motor mechanics and homecrafts. There would also be commercial and secondary high school. All these departments, he said, would be well-equipped and salary scales and posts had already been advertised. He went on to outline the big £123,000 project, and in the process showed how an amount of £37,250 had been collected, and that a further £25,250 was still needed. Of this figure, the Muslim Merchants had promised £3,000 and the Natal Indian Canegrowers' Association £3,000, leaving a balance of £11,000. He made an urgent appeal to the community for the amount still required and emphasised the fact that there would be no sectionalism—the College would have its doors open to all sections of the community.

NEIGHBOUR

Mr. A. M. Moolla brought a message of goodwill from the Orient Islamic Trust, which will be a next door neighbour to the M.L. Sultan Technical College. Speaking of the future, Mr. Moolla said he felt sure the money needed would come. He reaffirmed the promise made by the Muslim Merchants to donate £3,000 towards the homecrafts section of the College.

Suitably qualified men and women should be given an opportunity to pursue the work for which they were trained. "If these avenues are not opened to them in the near future we will have a mass of trained people doing nothing," added Mr. Moolla.

Mr. P. R. Pather gave an assurance that the Indian people would find the £25,000 needed to complete the first part of the building scheme. He said that he was extremely pleased to hear from the principal that his ideal was to make the College a thoroughly Indian institution. He was particularly pleased because Mr. Nattrass made the declaration in Sastri College, the sponsors of which as early as 1929 were imbued with the same ideal. In contributing to the erection of the Sastri College the Indian people had felt the urge to found an Indian institution which would build up an Indian character and not a sectional one.

TRIBUTE

Mr. Pather paid a tribute to Dr. Narbeth and the principal, Mr. Nattrass, whose untiring efforts have been directed towards the building of an institution which would be second only to the Natal Technical College. Mr. Pather went on to say that the £25,000 would be forthcoming without any difficulty. He pointed out that Sastri College and three other secondary schools, not to mention numerous primary schools, were living monuments to the generosity of the Indian people.

Dr. E. W. Narbeth gave the historical background of the College since its early beginning way back in 1929. He said that he had completed 25 years service for the Natal Technical College and hoped to complete the same period of service to Indian technical education in another one and a half years' time.

EUROPEANS

Mr. H. H. Dhupelia paid tribute to the European members of the College Council, who had done much for Indian technical education. Mr. Dhupelia expressed his deep sense of appreciation to the M.L. Sultan Trust for setting a lead in the field of education in this country.

Mr. S. Christopher, who was described as the instigator of Indian technical education in Natal and who has been vice chairman of the College Council since its inception, said that he had implicit faith and confidence that the College would grow from strength to strength. He stressed the fact that there was no room for sectionalism and reminded Indians that they should continue to show by their acts and deeds that, as South African nationals, they were worthy of this country. He looked forward to the day when the College would be a home for all races and a spirit of goodwill would prevail at all times.

Others who brought messages of goodwill were Mr. Arthur Hopewell, M.P., Professor Kelly, on behalf of the University of Natal, and an old member of the College Council, Mr. A. Gordon Wills.

CRICKET DEFEAT AVENGED

MARITZBURG: Maritzburg's second cricket XI avenged the team's defeat at the South Coast on Boxing Day with an innings' victory over the Inter-District B side in a match at Fitzsimmonds Road, Maritzburg, over the

Rain, which had interrupted play at 2.25 p.m. on Saturday and delayed the resumption for two hours on Sunday morning, held off long enough for a single innings' decision to be reached. The match finally ended shortly after the start of the Maritzburg second innings.

This interdistrict game enhanced T. Ganna's claims for a place in the Natal side. Mixing aggression with a wide repertoire of strokeplay, the tall South Coast lefthander found no one to stay with him after Kathrada had left after opening the innings.

Apart from Kathrada (29) and Ganna, who was undefeated with 55, none of the other District batsmen reached double figures. M. Moodley, seemed [illegible] that he is one of the best of their bowlers. He gave away only 42 runs for his bag of six wickets in 13 overs.

Maritzburg's Van Naidoo, picked for his spin bowling, came to light as a batsman at a critical stage in the City's first innings. Going in at the fall of the seventh wicket with only 88 runs on the board, he took command of the attack to put on 42 runs with "Pa" Kajee (18) for the eighth wicket and another 48 runs with V. Edwards (13), before being snapped up in the country for 54 invaluable runs.

The innings of both sides were almost identical in pattern. After "Baby" Cassimjee had raced ahead of his opening partner, P. R. Naidoo (18) he was unfortunate to be run out with 37 runs to his credit. Then the City's fortunes slumped and another six wickets fell with the addition of only 37 runs. Van Naidoo retrieved the position and the innings finally ended for a total of 176.

The District's opening pair had collected 38 runs and after the second wicket had fallen

PLAYS STAGED FOR F.O.S.A.

DURBAN.—On Friday the St. Anthony's Concert Party, under Miss Rebecca Charles, staged plays at the F.O.S.A. Settlement. Miss Francesca Joseph gave a commentary of the Nativity and also sang "Bless This House."

The plays were well received by the audience. Mr. Francis Peters, headmaster of the F.O.S.A. School, Sister Cecil and Brother Sylvester entertained the children to tea.

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have done better without them," he said.

POLICE USED TRAPS

OTHERS found running an exacting task and could not keep pace with the ball. Some missed catches "accidentally on purpose"—they dodged the ball fearing injury and appeared to make believe that they could not get to the ball in time. One lawyer sustained a slight injury and had to get another to do the running for him.

While he was trying to wield a bat with meticulous care, I took particular note of one attorney who had played cricket with a tennis ball in his back yard (according to police information). He did not disappoint; he must be commended on his painstaking attempt at reaching double figures.

The police used more traps in an effort to beat the men of the legal profession. That was the secret of their success, and the lawyers, who appeared to be in a hurry, ended up in a quick procession, mounting a small total.

ADVOCATE BAFFLED POLICE

BUT the policemen found their match in an advocate who baffled them with his tricky leg spinners. He was au fait with both bat and ball, as he had played until recently in provincial matches.

After two attorneys had failed lamentably in their job, they handed over to the advocate. After being duly "briefed" he dominated the scene. His modus operandi was intriguing. In fact a few policemen who had obtained some inside 'dope' about him, viewed him with suspicion.

Needless to state, their fears were well founded. The policemen's wickets tumbled like ninepins, and before long, he had accounted for eight of them, providing conclusive proof of his ability. The method of approach of one policeman was amusing. Here I'm letting you on to something which should be off the record. On making a close examination, I found that the ball hit the bat more times than he hit the ball on making the attempt! His efforts at holding the fort in a gallant bid proved futile. He made a few vicious swipes, as if he was handling a truncheon! The reinforcement which followed, however, did much better.

HIT AND RUN CASES

THE policemen generally hit the ball and run. It did not matter how the ball was hit — or whether it was hit at all! On the field they were sharp and alert, and the lawyers found it hard to penetrate the cordon of eager, catch-snatching hands which spread like a monster hand-cuff across the field.

There were frequent boisterous appeals from the police wicket-keeper. These were enough to unnerve some lawyers and shatter their morale, and what is more, there was evidence of this too. One lawyer threw up his hands in despair quite a few times suggesting it in no uncertain terms.

However, an interesting afternoon's cricket came to an end in a drawn game.

I am sure the sporting public would like to see more matches of this kind in the future, and it is hoped that the players will not only confine it to themselves. This reminds me of the fact that on a number of occasions I have seen more players than spectators on the cricket field.

DELAYED ACTION

A CRICKETER was out and was walking back rather despondently to the pavilion. He was met by the next man in who was on his way to the wicket. He asked what the bowling was like. The other batsman replied: "Listen brother, you better take it easy.

WOMEN'S DARTS

WHO said Maritzburg is a Sleepy Hollow, anyway? asks my fellow-scribe in the capital. Take the fair sex, for instance. Not content with showing their prowess at lawn and table tennis, they are thinking of wielding King Willow before the season is out, and there are whispers of a hockey club or two next year.

But in the meantime they have invaded the men's domain of darts. One wet evening last month, a couple of these damsels drifted into the Dencer clubhouse and tried their hand at the game. Recruits were not long in forthcoming, and now there is a round dozen of them hitting the bulls-eye and scoring doubles and trebles every week; and already there is talk of a trophy being put up for competition.

The male members are in danger of being shunted out of their club-house, so my good friend, Bobby Naidoo, tells me. He's chairman of the club.

Well, and what do you know now?

It's jet-propelled from the one end and delayed action from the other!"

GOOD WISHES

THE Faquir wishes to thank his many readers for their beautiful cards and letters. In reciprocating, he wishes all readers of the "Talk" a happy New Year. May 1954 bring peace and prosperity to all of you.

From time immemorial, men have chosen to see in the passage of one year to the next the promise of better and happier times. And this occasion is no different [illegible] glad that 1953 is ended and that 1954 has begun, the year that is past having so little to commend it in progress and satisfaction, the year that is to come so much in the magic of promise.

Hope springs eternal in the human breast. What a splendid compensation this is for the drab uniformity of so many lives; this belief that round the next corner, tomorrow or next week or next month, lies something new and rich and joyous for us all; a piece of luck in better employment; a renewal of health. All these things and more make up the magical hopes of the New Year.

The human mind is peculiarly resilient. It persists in buoyancy, accepting and meeting disaster and returning victorious to the human struggle. Man is always being beaten but is never beaten. The character of man survives and will go on surviving into and out of 1954, until the day will dawn when, by faith and resolution, he will discover his individual and social salvation. Once again, a happy New Year to all of you!

EASTER FESTIVAL PLANNED

DURBAN: In pursuance of a decision of the last Council meeting of the Natal Festival Society, held in October last year in Durban, the heads of the different sub-committees have been active in compiling a detailed programme for the envisaged Festival to be held in Durban.

The heads of the sub-committees reported their progress and submitted a detailed programme to the Executive Committee, after a lengthy discussion and consideration of the various aspects of the Festival, tentatively accepted the programme and agreed to hold the Festival during the Easter holidays.

The cultural programme of the Festival will be held on a competition basis with all races and nationalities participating. It will be a review of the artistic and cultural wealth of the people, and will reveal the hidden talents of our youth.

Among other things, the cultural programme includes national dances, choirs, soloists, instrumentalists, drama and ballet. The best singers, dancers, choirs, dance groups and players will be awarded certificates of merit.

ART EXHIBITION

The art exhibition and competition will show the best work in painting, photography and kindred art.

Nearly every branch of sport will be catered for—athletics, weightlifting, football, tennis and many others.

The Natal Festival Society makes an appeal to the people of Natal to prepare for the Festival.

In a statement to "The Leader" the Society said: "We call upon young musicians, dancers, sportsmen and artists, members of cultural groups and members of all organisations—educational, cultural and political to participate in this great event in the lives of our people.

"We anticipate that it will strengthen the bonds of friendship amongst our youth in this land and lay the foundation for a lasting peace and harmony in our country and demonstrate our love for peace, friendship and culture."

SCOUTS FOR LEXDEN

DURBAN. — Eight Indian Scouts will join 32 African Scouts to do the wood badge course this month. This is a very special training in scouting.

These 40 Scouts will be drawn from all parts of Natal. The course will be held at Lexden in Maritzburg. The training will be held from January 9-15.

Indian Scouts are: M. E. Isaac (Rover Leader of the Cavendish Crew); M. G. Naransamy (Cub Master of the Wolhuterkop School Pack); S. Govindsamy (Assistant Rover Leader of Cavendish Crew); S. M. Naicker (Assistant Rover Leader of Stella Hill Crew); H. Dowlutkhan (Scout Master of Bluff School Troop); M. S. Pillay (Assistant Cub Master of Bayview School Pack). Two other Rover Leaders will also join the group.

Mr. P. K. Singh will be the quarter master. He will be in charge of all the feeding and cooking arrangements.

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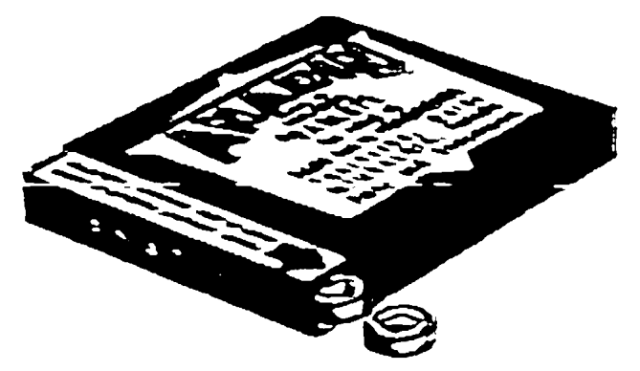

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MY DEAR CHILDREN, — The year is 1954. It is usual for people to make wishes, or resolutions as they are called, at the beginning of each year. Have you made any new year resolutions? It's not yet late, you know.

Now you should make resolutions which you can keep. It is the easiest thing in the world to break a resolution by making some silly excuse.

My New Year resolutions are: to endeavour to make each of you write (some members are just silent readers and don't take an active part in these columns), to make these columns more interesting by introducing competitions, stories, serials and pictures.

My resolutions depend on you. Please don't [illegible]

RIDDLES

H. Mukesh, of 121 Pine Road, Clairwood, sent the following riddles:

(1) How many sides has a circle? (Ans. Two, An inside and an outside.)

(2) What sort of lion lives in Hyde Park? (Ans. Dandelion.)

(3) Why did the farmer take some hay to bed? (Ans. To feed his nightmares.)

(4) How can a fish be kept from smelling? (Ans. By cutting off its nose.)

Rajkumarie G. Singh, of 62 Shabally Road, Clairwood sent these.

(1) Why is a college student like a thermometer? Ans. He is marked and graduated by degrees.)

(2) Which dog has no licence? (Ans. Hot Dog.)

(3) Where was the Queen crowned? (Ans. On her head.)

LAUGH AND BE HAPPY

An American on tour noticed a lazy Indian chief lolling at the door of his wigwam.

"Chief," he said, "why don't you get a job in a factory?"

"Why?" grunted the chief.

"You could earn a lot of money. Maybe thirty or forty dollars a week."

"Why?" insisted the chief.

"If you worked hard enough and saved your money, you'd soon have a big bank account. Wouldn't you like that?"

"Why?" asked the chief again.

"For Pete's sake! With a bank account you could retire, then you wouldn't have to work any more."

"Not working now," pointed out the chief.

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The scene in the film was tense. The audience sat enthralled. Suddenly the hero gave the heroine a resounding slap across the jaw. In the stunned silence that followed, a little voice piped out from the stalls: "Mummy, why doesn't she slap him back, like you do?"

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Doctor: What is the trouble?

Patient: I have a cold, cough, headache, twitchings—

Doctor: Quite normal, too, considering the weather. The man who does not feel those symptoms is sick.

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It was the end of a cricket match and a player who had batted badly and fielded even worse approached the captain. "I think I'll get along now, if you don't mind," he said. "I've got a train to catch."

"Quite all right," said the captain. "Better luck with the train!"

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Burglar: I'm not really to blame, Your Worship. I was foodless, friendless and homeless.

Magistrate: My man, you move me deeply. Food, shelter and companionship shall be yours free for the next six months.

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Old Gentleman: "[illegible] sonny?"

Sonny: "Yes, sir."

Old Gentleman: "And where did you learn?"

Sonny: "In the water, sir."

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Mistress: "What made you over-sleep this morning?"

Daily Help: "There are nine of us in the house, but the alarm was only set for seven."

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FATHER KNOWS BEST

Small boy: "My father and I know everything in the world."

Older boy: "All right, where is Africa?"

Small boy (after thinking hard): "That's one of the things my father knows!"

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Father came home from work and after a consultation with his wife, he called his son.

"Take off your jacket and come upstairs with me, my lad," he said grimly.

"But dad," whimpered the boy, "[illegible] you?"

"I'm certainly going to," said the angry parent. "Didn't I tell you I would settle with you if you misbehaved yourself?"

"Yes," said the boy. "But I thought it was only a joke, like you told the grocer you were going to settle with him."

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John was given a bike for his tenth birthday. Showing off, he rode round the block and when he came back to his parents he said, "Look, Mom, one hand!" Around he went again and the next time he passed them he said, "Look, Mom, no hands!" and took both hands off the handlebars. The third time he came round he opened his mouth and said: "Look, Mom, no teeth."

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A traveller in the middle of the Sahara Desert was amazed to come upon a man in a bathing suit. "Where on earth are you going?" he demanded.

"Swimming," replied the man.

"But you're a hundred miles from the sea."

"Yes," replied the other. "Wide beach, isn't it?"

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Mother: "Poor Johnny has drunk the ink. Whatever shall I do?"

Father: "Write in pencil."

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Tommy was tired of Arithmetic. He was waiting for the teacher to correct his sums so that he could go. "Your last answer is wrong," the teacher said. "You must stay behind." Tommy glanced at the clock. "By how much am I out, sir?" he asked. "Fourpence," was the reply. Tommy put his hands in his pocket and produced the amount. "I am in a hurry, sir," he said. "Do you mind if I pay the difference?"

THE MILKY WAY

The Milky Way, one of the most striking sights in the heavens on a clear night, is in for a very thorough examination by astronomers during the next few months.

A giant telescope has been erected at Bloemfontein where conditions are ideal for studying the stupendous galaxy of stars.

Observations and mathematical calculations are to be made over a period of years, and it is hoped that many of the mysteries of starland will be solved.

More than any other celestial object the Milky Way has affected man with a sense of mystery and unknown destiny. To the American Indians it was the "path of souls." In ancient mythology it was the highway of the gods to Olympus.

Its very name commemorates an ancient legend that Juno, when suckling Mercury, scattered milk across the skies.

But this feeling of deep association with the stars, and the simple affection for them which we find in Chaucer and other medieval poets, have been destroyed for us by astronomers who have measured their vast distances.

These astronomers tell us that there are some stars in the Milky Way whose light takes not hundreds, nor thousands of years to reach us, but hundreds of thousands.

Twelve years ago a new type of star cloud was discovered in the Milky Way, consisting of an immense "crowd" of stars, 5,000 of which have been counted so far. The light from this star cloud takes 300,000 years to reach us, which means it is 12,000,000 billion miles away.

Gazing at the Milky Way on a clear night about one million stars are visible to the naked eye. A 100-inch telescope, however, will reveal about 1,500 million, and there are many more, too numberless and too remote for any instrument to count.

One might think this would cause overcrowding. But as one astronomer has remarked: "Set three wasps flying over Europe, and its skies would be more crowded with wasps than the Milky Way is with stars."

Sir James Jeans describes the Milky Way as the rim of a great cartwheel revolving around a central hub. Our sun is one of the lesser stars of this cartwheel system or galaxy, and our proud earth is comparable to a speck of pollen floating in the Pacific Ocean. Yet in the universe there are at least 100,000,000 stellar cartwheels similar to the Milky Way.

Another brilliant star-gazer, Dr. Subrahmanyan Chandrasekhar, predicts that the Milky Way will not always hold together in its vast cartwheel across the heavens. The cartwheel, he says, will eventually stop rotating and the stars will "jump their tracks," becoming wanderers lost in space. This calamity will not occur, however till about the year 9,997,000,000,000!

Best times for seeing the Milky Way are in the evenings in autumn or winter, when the "cartwheel" effect can be observed. It is then high in the heavens, and suffers less from the interference of our atmosphere.

Its appearance has been likened to that of an old, gnarled tree trunk, but even with a small telescope the detail becomes clear.

At one point it may consist of thousands of separate stars scattered irregularly upon a background of darkness; at another of star clusters following one another in a long procession; at another the stars seem to collect in small soft clouds, like drifting foam.

Till Next Week

Chachajan

ABOMINABL SNOWMAN

NEW DELHI. — The "Daily Mail" (London) has an that it is sending an ex to the Himalayas to try down the "abominable man." The "Daily Mail" that the attempt to "great mystery of the Him would be carried out by of leading explorers, and technicians, includ Indian zoologist.

Mrs. PAND ON U.N CHARTER

NEW YORK.—Mrs. Pand dent of the United Na called the Charter of the mass of words."

[illegible] honour, she said: "Men get together and create their conscience by a mass One such mass of words Nations Charter."

Mrs. Pandit said that Charter was created joy. She added: "Men of the Charter any more all it. They interpret it. terpret it. It is the only of us can hide behind not want to fulfil our That is not the way to

Mrs. Pandit said the was a long one. She reached through a gradual world conscience, leading final elimination of the flict.

She said all nations the same goal even if followed were not the same

She added: "There suspicion of motives put our faith in your way lies tragedy and world."

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No Chinese Raids

NEW DELHI.—An offic man in New Delhi has ports have appeared effect that armed Chine from Tibet have carried into India and that India have been waylaid and

"The Government of to state that these reports lutely without any border incidents have taken

Teenagers' column

HELLO TEENAGERS,

Among the most important problems besetting the French Union is that of the industrialisation of Africa and more particularly of the Sahara. Will modern techniques overcome deserts? Already in the United States, Australia, South Africa and India this seems to be happening.

The Sahara, it seems, may not escape this general scheme. It has, furthermore, the advantage of being relatively close to Europe.

The "Sahara Files" include some projects capable of immediate realisation and various plans for research.

In the first category figures the opening up of mines and affiliated industries which already call for the enlisting of capital and manpower. The exploitation of these vast desert regions will increase their strategic interest; they occupy a remarkable geographical position, but cannot be fully utilised until they contain water, electric power and industries.

INDUSTRIALISING SAHARA

In the immensity of the Sahara, the first stage chosen for industrialisation has been the region of Colomb-Bechar. It can be linked with Paris in less than 7 hours by ordinary plane, and in 4 hours by jet. Colomb-Bechar is a town offering remarkably habitable conditions, owing to its good climate and water resources. Around the town and in the Guir basin, water is adequate for covering the needs of various industries. Furthermore the line of the first sector of the Mediterranean-Niger railway normally branches off to Colomb-Bechar, thus ensuring a good link-up for the transport of supplies to the zone, the evacuation of raw materials to transformation centres to be set up in Morocco and Algeria and for the transport of products to the sea.

Finally the north west Sahara has unusual mineral possibilities. In the vast sedimentary terrain of the Sahara, there is a reasonable likelihood of petroleum deposits. Prospecting ready cover an area times as large as Fran liminary sounding has less than 62 miles from Bechar.

Coal is abundant. Coal terrain in extensive have already been dis tion. They are admitted but this coal can be to coke and used in the steel industry. The basin is very vast, known and seems to reserves. Other to be prospected. About from Colomb-Bechar, the Ougarta, numer of iron ore have been the two basic elements and steel industry are here together.

COAL REGION

Of the six coal-bea which have been disc at Colomb-Bechar duces 250,000 tons year. Geologists have of primary outcrops and found that the period is very largely particularly in South has left basins Westphalia basin Europe. The capacity at a billion tons.

There are indications other minerals. mined at Bou-Arfa Colomb-Bechar. The going on for deposits and lead. Salt layers as a basis for a chemi hinging on coal gases.

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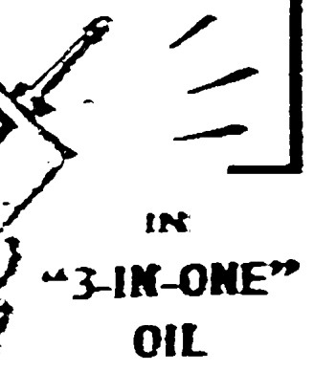

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THE INDIAN VILLAGE WELL

In thousands of villages in India the local well plays an important part in the lives of the inhabitants. In the following article Dr. Verrier Elwin tells of the history of these wells and the effect they have had on the social, economic and literary life of the country.

AMONG the many laudable enterprises by which the Government of free India is attempting to revive the vast network of villages, large and small, which covers the entire country, is the construction of dams, tanks and wells to provide water both for cultivation and for domestic use. Now I am going to say something about the village well which plays so important a part in the life and in the thought of every villager. In countries where the rainfall is distributed throughout the year the well plays perhaps a less vital part but in India, where for so many months not a drop of water falls from the sky and where at certain times the heat is the main topic of conversation, the well with the cool dark water in its depths is the source not only of life and comfort, but also of poetry.

In thousands of small villages, the well is a sort of club—for the women. The men probably have their meeting-place where they discuss and settle village-affairs, but for the women the well is the centre where everyone gathers, where gossip flies from mouth to mouth, and where sometimes, I am afraid, the most violent quarrels begin.

In the old days many wells were restricted to certain people; there was a lot of snobbery and pride associated with wells. Millions of people were not allowed to use the best wells of the villages; their untouchability condemned them to inferior water, often drawn from little holes in the ground. Twenty years ago, I remember going with one of the great Congress reformers of that day, Seth Jamnalal Bajaj, and watching him open well after well which for centuries had been fenced off, restricted to the use of comparatively small groups of high-caste people, making them available to everyone who was tired and thirsty. And today, by law, every well in India is open to every citizen, no matter what his social or caste standing, no matter what his religion. There is an old legend that once, in time of drought, the headman of a village went to a holy man to beg him to pray for rain, promising to give him his daughter in marriage if all went well. The rains came, but the headman having got what he wanted refused to fulfil his promise, whereupon the holy man cursed the village well and made the water brackish. Later, he so far relented as to say that if the water was given free to all it would turn sweet again. But presently the headman, who seems to have been a very tricky sort of fellow, imposed a water-tax, and the water at once became brackish again. It was only when the tax was remitted that it was once more sweet and fresh. And today, the water of the free wells of India is, spiritually at least, sweeter than it ever was before.

There are, of course, a great many sacred wells, some of them connected with the wanderings of Rama and Sita during their exile. Sita's well is to be found in Mirzapur on the Bindhyachal hill in the northern State of Uttar Pradesh and many pilgrims still go to visit it. In Benares there is a well which is believed to give wisdom to all who drink from it, and many others, as we would expect, are supposed to cure various diseases. Omens may also be taken from wells; at one village in the Himalayas the people go or used to go to the well to divine the prospects of the harvest, testing these by the way a brass vessel was filled with water within a certain time. Sometimes fortune may be tested by throwing a coconut into a well; if it floats, life will smile on you; if it sinks, life will frown.

A store of romance and poetry has gathered round the village well. Water is such a lovely thing and so perfect a setting for a girl's beauty that we find many examples of maidens being wooed and won as they draw water from a well or go bathing in a river or pond. This is how, in the Bengal ballad tradition, Chandravati and Jayachandra meet; how the water-maiden Kanchan first sees her princely lover.

The tribal poets are never tired of singing about their wells and the things that happen by them. Here is a translation of a Gond Karma song:

O water-girl, with tinkling anklets
That sounded under the dark mango tree;
O water-girl, your pot of bronze
Is shining in the setting sun.
Your lips are dry and thirsty as my heart.
O water-girl, with swaying hips
Go to bring water from the lonely well.
Fear not the dark, I'll go with you.
My heart is thirsty, water-girl.

"A tree cannot grow without water," so runs a Pardhan proverb, "nor can love."

Here are some more tribal songs about the well.

Cold in summer's heat,
Warm in winter's cold
Is the water in the well,
And the body of my love.

And again,

This is the way of love,
Tie the neck of a pot with cord,
Throw it down the well,
And bring up water to quench your thirst.
It goes down deep,
It goes down deep
And brings up water.

It is often said that there is no place where a girl looks more beautiful than by the well. Her upright and graceful carriage is emphasised when she places a heavy pot on her head, and indeed the incomparable grace and dignity of Indian village women is due not a little to the carrying of water-pots.

How shapely is the pitcher on its stand,
How sweet my water-girl down by the well,

I have one rather mysterious song, supposed to come from the lips of a little tribal girl who is afraid:

Do not send me
To fetch water,
For I fear the well
And its deep sound
Like that of a cloud.

The similes of the flower that blossoms when revived by water, of the traveller who has no bucket and on gazing into the well feels more thirsty still, of the depth and sweetness of the well which is like the best love, recur constantly. There is a Punjabi song which was translated long ago by Temple:

I was going to the watering-place to draw water
And my lover met on the road;
All my trouble went away altogether,
And my heart blossomed greatly like a flower.

The digging of new wells, the repairing of old ones to make them clean and sanitary, and, I may add, some kind of education to persuade the people not to foul the wells they have, is a good thing and a thing of great importance. On several occasions I have witnessed the dismay and confusion when the rains delay their coming and the water available for a village gets less and less. The only time, then, that you can get clean water from the well is very early in the morning, long before dawn, and a heavy new burden is laid on the women of a village, most of whom are already overworked, for not only have they to break their hours of rest but often they have to go long distances to scrape holes in the beds of streams or wait for fresh springs. It is good, indeed, that today, not only official agencies, but also the people themselves are more and more delving into the earth to win one of its most precious gifts, the sparkling treasure that has fallen from heaven and which brings a heavenly comfort and refreshment into human life.

INDIAN GOVERNMENT'S STERN CONTROL OF OPIUM

NEW DELHI.—As a result of stern Government policy, opium is becoming harder and harder to get.

Opium smokers and opium chewers are not the only ones affected. Hundreds of farmers who in the past have made a good living from growing opium-producing poppies are now having to turn their hands to vegetables and wheat.

The Indian Government has given notice to local addicts that they had best cure themselves by 1959, because after that date all the opium in the country will be produced for medical purposes only.

Farmers are affected because the poppy-growing acreage is being reduced.

In India this is the season for opium cultivation. In the northern part ploughmen are tilling the soil (they must plough each plot at least 20 times) for next year's crop.

By February the fields will be a mass of red and white blooms and in April the farmers will go to work with their peculiar four-bladed knives, slitting the pots and draining off the liquid.

This year's acreage, however, will be only a fraction of that cultivated in the days when opium was one of India's main crops.

About 30,000 acres will be put to the plough this season compared with 400,000 acres in 1935 and 300,000 acres in the prosperous days of the '90's, when China was a keen buyer.

As it is, the Indian Government will net some £500,000 profit from a harvest which will be valued at around £2,000,000.

Indian opium growers say that British and American farmers who complain of Government control have not even the vaguest idea of what that word "control" means.

Controls are enforced, a Government inspector said, to prevent opium smuggling. Officials believe that if they can control the latex from its source they will do much to prevent illicit sales. They agree, however, that they are only partially successful, as a valuable smuggling traffic still exists.

Because of the risks they run, smugglers' rates are fantastically high, well above those of the State Governments who sell direct to licence holders.

The Madhya Pradesh Government, for instance, buys its opium at £4 a seer (two pounds), sells it to hospitals at £4 10s. a seer, and to addicts at 300 rupees [illegible] sterling a seer.

The smuggler's price goes up to 2,000 rupees (£153) a seer with the prospect of an even higher figure when addicts are denied Government licences.

India is convinced that the only way to combat drug addiction is to curb opium at its source.

"If opium is produced for medical needs, with no surplus, there is no question of a large-scale traffic," a Government official said. "We believe that, and we are acting accordingly."

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Correspondence to be published

NEW DELHI.—The Indian Government has decided to allow the director of Archives to publish two volumes of the Fort William-India House correspondence.

This material, which constitutes correspondence between the East India Company's Fort William Government at Calcutta, and the Board of Directors in London, is a valuable source of material for modern Indian history.

The [illegible] Commission has asked the Indian Government to grant similar permission to expedite publication of four more volumes of the correspondence.

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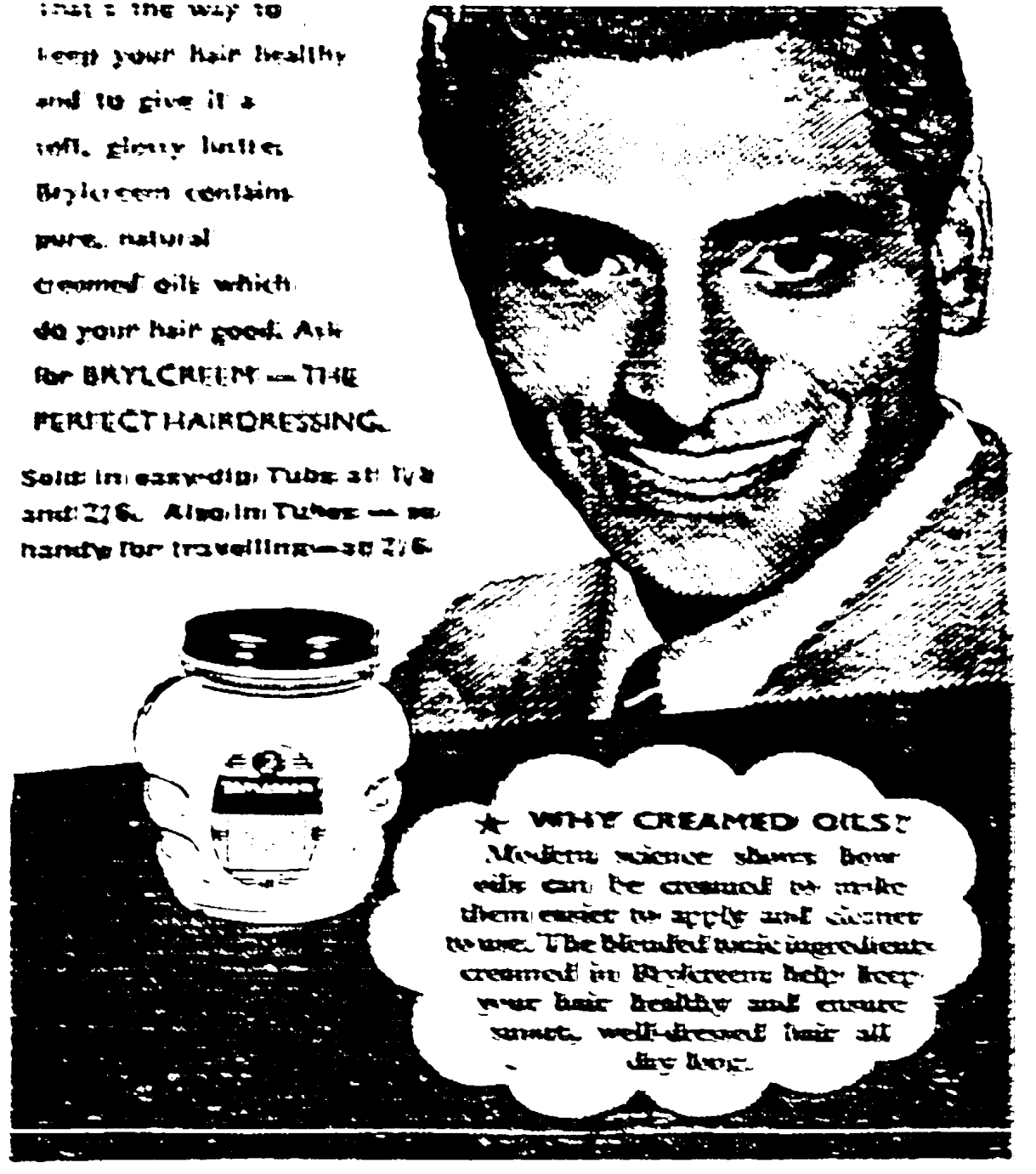

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SPORTS REVIEW OF 1953

By BOBBY HARRYPERSADH

WHILE White South Africa can pride itself on achievements and exploits in the year gone by in the field of international sport, non-Europeans can only reflect on successes and failures on the domestic scene. Except for Jake Tuli, who brought honours to this country, we have yet to prove our mettle against another nation. But the biggest question mark which will go down in the annals of South African sport is none other than the passport episode.

Another year of sport went by not unmarked however, by certain [illegible] of a rather [illegible] nature. The passport refusal with [illegible] or warning to the South African Indian Football Association led to a major controversy, [illegible] the country's leading papers expressing themselves editorially and [illegible] an international scandal, [illegible] the matter being even raised in Parliament. Unfortunately wiser counsels did not prevail and for the time [illegible]

It is hoped that this battle will be settled amicably in the New Year and the reciprocal visit by S.A.I.F.A. will eventuate.

Failing a satisfactory solution, it is hoped that India will raise the question with the International Football Federation so that some steps can be taken by world nations to prevent recurrence of the unfortunate discriminatory action against footballers, obviously on racial grounds.

It is rather unfortunate too that matters in this connection went beyond the sphere of sport and penetrated into the realm of international politics.

SPORTING AMBASSADORS

Nationwide interest was aroused in non-European professional boxing, and the achievements of our boxers both at home and abroad were closely followed. Jake Tuli, whom I rank as the sportsman of the year, returned with the Empire flyweight title. I predict that fortune will smile upon him in the New Year—1954 should see Jake crown his illustrious career with the title held by Yoshio Shirai, and thus become the second South African to capture a world championship.

Among our less fortunate sporting ambassadors who made their mark overseas were eight other boxers, some of whom, although they did not do as well as Jake, did rise in the ladder of fame and station, and earn a good account of themselves. These were Leslie McKenzie, Alby Tissong, [illegible], [illegible], Panama Flash, Kid Dynamite and [illegible]. The last three competed in Australia, and also had [illegible] in India and New Zealand.

FOR OVERSEAS

David Samaai, the only non-European in South Africa to have participated three times in Wimbledon championships, who partnered India's No. 1, Naresh Kumar at Wimbledon and won 10 trophies in English county tournaments in 1953, [illegible] to enable him to travel to England.

A fund is to be also launched shortly to give Reuben Govender, who was chosen as "Mr. South Africa" at the South African Body Builders and Weight Lifters Federation recently at Capetown, an opportunity of competing in "Mr. Universe" and other competitions.

The general public as a whole, and sportsmen in particular, should do their very best to see that these two first-class sportsmen are given a chance of proving their worth overseas.

[illegible], a most promising and enterprising young [illegible], left for the United Kingdom and Continent to seek pastures new. I wish him Godspeed in his endeavours to [illegible] Dicky Pather, of Durban, the celebrated Royal Command performer, who has spent the best part of his life overseas, [illegible] in what was described as a "headline" wedding in London towards the latter part of the year. I hope this [illegible]

TEAM OF THE YEAR

The year saw three "hoodoos" being broken in soccer circles. In Natal, Uplands won the All-India trophy for the first time in 19 years; Transvaal won the Sam China trophy after 25 years, and the S.A. Indian XI drew with the Coloureds for the first time after having sustained defeats since they first met in 1928.

The South African Indian Football Association celebrated its golden jubilee in grand style when they became "the team of the year"—soccer champions of 1953. The Durban golfers celebrated their silver jubilee. An important event to mark the cricket calendar was the tournament staged by the S.A. Cricket Board of Control. The Coloureds annexed the Dadabhai Bros. trophy for the first time in this national series.

There was nothing really startling to enthuse about golf, weightlifting, [illegible] badminton, etc., all of which had routine activities. While reporting the big events in soccer, cricket and athletics, a rather disconcerting feature has been the failure to stage the 1953 non-European amateur boxing championships in Durban. [illegible] that it did not come about in 1953. Nevertheless, boxing fans will be only too pleased to see it staged in the New Year.

POLITICS AND SPORT

That sport has done a great deal more to improve race relations than most [illegible] put together is an acknowledged fact. In this country many people turn, perhaps unconsciously, to an activity that is almost entirely free from the unhappy [illegible] differences that bedevil so many aspects of our national life. Nobody wants to know about the politics of a centre-half or a fast bowler. The heart-warming roar of a football crowd sounds just the same in any language. Is it any wonder that people turn to sport with a sense of relief?

But, knowing the political set-up of this country as we do, it was inevitable that politics should enter into sport. There was the passport refusal to the S.A. Indian soccer team for India; the trouble over Tuli when he won the Empire title and then the [illegible] of a Nationalist Councillor because the Johannesburg City Hall was to be used for a reception to Tuli on his return from England.

BIGGEST KNOCKDOWN

But perhaps the biggest knockdown to the colour-bar-in-sport policy of this country came when the International Table Tennis Federation meeting in Bucharest turned down an application by the South African Table Tennis Union because of "racial discrimination in South Africa."

The colour bar did not permit non-Whites to become members or officials of the South African Table Tennis Union and therefore the application has been declared invalid under Article 2 of the World Federation Constitution. It is not difficult to foresee, as time marches on, that other sports should also suffer the same setback.

INTERESTING COMMENTARY

To sum up, the year under review reflects an interesting commentary on [illegible] headlines during the past twelve months have been purposeful. In spite of the increased and increasing stature of non-Europeans in soccer and cricket—two of the principal sports indulged in by our people—they still have to make their debut in the international field. Unfortunately negotiations for an East African tour by the S.A. Cricket Board of Control did not materialise.

Administrators among the [illegible] in the various branches of sport have much to do in 1954. Your guess is as good as mine as to what achievements will be chronicled during the year. But one thing is certain: if the enthusiasm and interest obtaining at the present time is any criterion, then much should be done in a progressive spirit.

JANUARY

S.A.C.B.C. Annual Meeting: The biennial general meeting of the S.A.C.B.C. was held at Capetown and headquarters were transferred to this centre (W.P.) from Durban. The question of encouraging schoolboys, coaching, and the idea of the Cape centre affiliating two teams were some of the matters which came under discussion.

Transvaal Wins S.A. Tourney: Transvaal won the S.A. Indian cricket tournament for the Christopher trophy in Capetown, by beating Natal, holders of the trophy, by [illegible] runs on the first innings of the deciding match. S. Rhodesia participated for the first time.

S.A. Indian Team: Five Natal players were selected for the S.A. Indian team to take part in the S.A. interrace cricket tournament.

Triangular Athletic Meet: The visiting W. Province and [illegible] participated in the Silver Jubilee sports meeting organised by the Avondale Athletic and Cycling Club gave a fine performance at Currie's Fountain. Their representatives either won or were placed in most of the events in which they took part.

Marathon Runners Wanted: An appeal was made for at least 15 marathon runners in order to revive the non-European marathon between Durban and Maritzburg.

Motor Cycle Meet: Some spectacular riding was seen and Tommy Logan, who was outstanding, carried off the [illegible] Championship Trophy. Tommy Chetty was second, and Mahomed Khan third.

Badminton Club Formed: A Women's Badminton Club was formed at the St. Anthony's Hall. A friendly match was arranged with the Y Club.

Soccer Team for India: The All-India Football Federation invited the S.A. Indian team to tour India for 6 weeks, from May to July.

A levy of £1,000 of which Natal was to pay £250, the Transvaal £250 and each of the four Cape centres £100—was decided upon by [illegible] the S.A. soccer tour of India.

Swimming Bath: A deputation from the Durban Indian Surf Life Saving Club which met representatives of the Durban City Council was told that a sum of £20,000 had been approved for a swimming bath for Indians, but the difficulties were the question of finding a suitable site and money. The point the Club emphasised was that their negotiations with the City Council for a swimming bath for the Indian community went back for about 25 years and the Council's intentions were not [illegible] after 2 decades of representation by them.

FEBRUARY

Athletic Trials: The Natal athletic and cycling trials held at Currie's Fountain produced some fine performances by the athletes, particularly from Adams Mission. [illegible], the S.A. Novice Champion, was outstanding and there was no doubt that he would earn further honours at Kimberley.

Cricket Tour: "Inhuman and unpleasant social conditions in South Africa which are not of our own making," were blamed for complaints in India and Pakistan over a proposal that cricket teams from these countries should tour the Union, in a report submitted to the S.A. Cricket Board of Control by its secretary, Mr. M. N. Varachia, in Johannesburg.

Boxers to India: Three S.A. non-European boxers fought in a command performance in India for the Maharajah of Mysore. Managed by [illegible] Phillips, who came to the Union with the Welsh boxer Ronnie James, the boxers plan ultimately to reach Australia. They are Ace [illegible], Basuto welterweight; Philip [illegible], Basuto flyweight; and Reuben Zondi, a Zulu bantamweight. Also travelling with the boxers is [illegible], the Zulu Manager of the Invicta Sports Club, Sophiatown, Johannesburg, of which the boxers are members.

MARCH

Malays Join S.A. Board: The S.A. Coloured Cricket Board, popularly known as the "Barnato Board", met in Johannesburg to discuss the proposals of the S.A. Cricket Board of Control that in order to become a member the Barnato Board must change its name to the S.A. Malay Cricket Board. The meeting agreed to change its name.

Team Selection: The soccer race for selection was on, with all players on their mettle for the S.A. tour of India and the large crowds which attended games showed the enthusiasm which had developed.

Cricket Test in W.I.: The fourth cricket Test between India and the West Indies ended in a draw, rain washing out play on the last day. With one Test left to play, West Indies lead by one victory. 3 Tests were drawn.

Natal Trials Unavailing: The Natal soccer trials gave some "borderline" players a chance to show their paces, but most of them did nothing to sway the [illegible] of the provincial selectors.

[illegible]: White boxer [illegible] in London according to promoter [illegible] Chetty, who returned from England with [illegible], former S.A. lightweight champion who did not prove as successful as expected in S.A.

Australia's 'No' to Boxers: The [illegible] immigration officers in Sydney refused to allow 3 S. African non-European boxers and their trainer to land. The boxers were Panama Flash [illegible], Ace [illegible], Kid Dynamite.

APRIL

S.A. Indian Team Selected: The South African soccer team for India had a blend of youth and experience and could have been moulded into a force to be reckoned with.

S.A. Table Tennis Body Barred: The International Table Tennis Federation meeting in Bucharest turned down an application by the S.A. Table Tennis Union because of "racial discrimination."

Carruthers at Gala: World boxing champion, Jimmy Carruthers, with his wife, Myra, attended the Indian sports carnival in Durban organised by the Durban Indian Lifesavers' Club.

S.A. Interrace Cricket: The failure on the part of the S.A. Indian team to pull off an outright win after commanding a lead on the first innings against the Coloured XI cost them the Dadabhai Bros. Cup, of which they were holders, when they lost by 7 wickets in what was regarded as the final of the national interrace cricket series which ended in Johannesburg on Easter Monday.

S.A. Athletic Meet: A number of potential athletes and cyclists who should be able to reach international standards, if given the opportunity and sufficient encouragement, were seen in action at the 3rd annual national championships held in Kimberley.

[illegible] cricket team, after completing a three months tour of the West Indies, left Kingston (Jamaica) for London on its way back home. The team, led by Vijay Hazare, was the first Indian team to visit the West Indies. The team won only one first class match during the tour — against Jamaica colony by six wickets. Of the five Test matches played, four were drawn and one resulted in a win for the West Indies.

E. African Cricket Tour: According to a letter received by the S.A. Cricket Board of Control, in Johannesburg, the Asian Sports Association, which has its headquarters in Nairobi, welcomed a suggestion that it should send a cricket team to S.A. sometime towards the end of the year. The Association said that it would forward detailed terms concerning the tour as soon as possible and sought further information in regard to cricket in this country.

MAY

Tuli Misses Fight: Throat trouble which caused Peter Keenan, British bantamweight champion to go into hospital for the removal of his tonsils cost Jake Tuli a big fight in Glasgow during Coronation Week.

Pandey Promotion: Slumber David, dual champion of the Transvaal, beat [illegible] on points in an eliminating contest for the right to meet Alby Tissong for the S.A. featherweight title.

Cruel Blow to Indians: The refusal by the Minister of the Interior to allow the S.A. Indian soccer team to tour India caused dissatisfaction and depression among the Indian people in particular and the community as a whole. Years of protracted negotiation and planning were brought to naught on the eve of the team's departure.

New Sam China System: The S.A.I.F.A. discussed a new scheme for the Sam China competition to replace the centralised tournament system.

JUNE

Seaman Chetty's Bill: Seaman Chetty staged his first tournament. Black Hawk ko'ed Speedy Ramdas in the main fight.

[illegible] All Night Session: Strong disapproval of a letter written by a Transvaal official to the Minister of Interior in connection with the S.A. Indian soccer team's tour to India was expressed by officials and delegates at the biennial meeting. The official concerned challenged anyone to prove that he had been responsible for having the travel permits of the 17 players refused. After an all-night session the meeting completed its business at 5 a.m. on Sunday morning.

Tour Cancellation Deplored: Mr P. [illegible], President of the All-India Football Federation, commenting on the Union Government's refusal of passports to 17 S.A. Indian footballers to tour India, said: "It seems to me that considerations which should find no place in sport have weighed with the S.A. Government with the imposition of the ban against a visit to India by its Indian footballers."

Tenzing's Triumph: With the news of the conquest of Mt. Everest on May 29, the eyes of the world focussed on Nepal-born and Indian domiciled Tenzing—"Tiger of the Snows"—as he is aptly called, who with E. P. Hillary of New Zealand, has reached the summit of the world's highest mountain, [illegible] feet.

Samaai in Durban: The Natal Indian Lawn Tennis Association gave tennis enthusiasts in Durban an opportunity of seeing David Samaai, the only non-European from South Africa to have competed at Wimbledon, when he played in exhibition matches at the Centre court. Samaai and his team proved outstanding.

Drowning Toll: The Durban Indian Surf Life Saving Club reported that for the first five months the total number of drowning tragedies was 24.

JULY

Amateur Boxing: A high standard of attainment by some amateurs was a notable feature of the non-European amateur championships.

Trouble Over Tuli: "[illegible] thing can cause trouble, fight it," said the [illegible] cillor in the Johannesburg [illegible] commenting on the [illegible] the Council's General P[illegible] mittee by recommend[illegible] of the Johannesburg [illegible] granted for a reception [illegible] Empire flyweight [illegible]

Indians Win: A [illegible] £300 to see the India [illegible] beat the Africans by [illegible] of the series of [illegible] matches played at [illegible]

19-Year "Hoodoo" [illegible]: Interest shifted to [illegible] the provincial tourna[illegible] All-India Cup was [illegible] fans in Northern Natal [illegible] naturally in all their [illegible] India broke a 19-year-old [illegible]

Chetty's Promotion: [illegible] lost to Black Hawk [illegible] welterweight [illegible]

AUGUST

Swimming Test: For the [illegible] the Durban Indian Surf [illegible] Club held a swimming te[illegible] 15 candidates took pa[illegible] Nicholl's Pier.

Interrace Final: At th[illegible] of the Natal Indo-Colo[illegible] race soccer final, which [illegible] the Indians, four Natal [illegible] announced—two of the [illegible] the Sam China Cup tourna[illegible] others were the Natal [illegible] at Currie's Fountain [illegible] Indian juvenile team [illegible] Coloureds in the final [illegible] certain rules, to the [illegible]

Mistry Promotion: [illegible] at the Durban City Hall [illegible] amateur boxing [illegible] by Mr. M. R. [illegible]

Visa Refused: The [illegible] visa to the American [illegible] Pancho Segura, was [illegible] S.A. officials in Washington [illegible] consequences of a [illegible] centre of all professional [illegible] from the dollar area [illegible] way the result of a [illegible] discrimination.

Midlands Open: [illegible] won the midlands open [illegible] pionship at Currie's Fountain [illegible] Maharaj Trophy.

Gang for U.K.: [illegible] well-known [illegible] gave his farewell perfo[illegible] Currie's Fountain before [illegible] overseas.

S.A. Referees Plan: [illegible] dian Referees' Association [illegible] council meeting held at [illegible] gave Messrs. M. John [illegible] Kallie (president), and [illegible] Doo (hon. secretary) [illegible] interim "cabinet" of the [illegible] Referees' Board. Its [illegible] passed negotiations with [illegible] provincial Referees' [illegible] the formation of a [illegible] Referees' Board.

Sam China Wrangle: [illegible] in the ranks of the Trans[illegible] almost brought an end [illegible] ing of the Sam China [illegible] Failure to obtain the [illegible] meeting being called [illegible] unanimously decided [illegible] the September 7 [illegible]

Big Interrace: The [illegible] interrace clash between [illegible] and Natal turned out [illegible] match of the year [illegible] record saw the visitors [illegible] by 4-3 after a keen [illegible] Fountain. In the [illegible] Natal Indians won the [illegible] Juvenile Trophy when the [illegible] the Coloureds by 2-[illegible]

Weightlifting: The [illegible] tour Weightlifting and [illegible] Culture Association [illegible] pionships at Currie's Fountain [illegible] Kenneth Maharaj [illegible] Natal non-European [illegible] the ninth title in the [illegible] match, [illegible] total of [illegible] lifting contest held at the [illegible] Physical Culture Club.

SEPTEMBER

Commonwealth Team: The [illegible] Cricket Board of Control [illegible] the names of 15 players [illegible] for the Commonwealth tour [illegible] India this winter.

Benny Singh Promotion: [illegible] McKenzie knocked the [illegible] a Benny Singh promotion [illegible] Hall to retain his welter[illegible]

25-year Sam China [illegible] Broken: It was a [illegible] Transvaal Indian soccer [illegible] sport Grounds when the [illegible] 25-year "hoodoo". With [illegible] convincing 4-0 [illegible] Natal, to win the [illegible] S.A. soccer [illegible] China Trophy.

Natal Boxing Team: The [illegible] non-European Amateur [illegible] sociation, after the [illegible] staged in Durban, selected a [illegible] team to take part in the [illegible]

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[illegible] following officials [illegible] annual meeting [illegible] European Amateur [illegible] held recently: [illegible] Mahomed Cas[illegible] Adam Ferera and [illegible] President, Mr. M. [illegible] presidents, Sergeant [illegible] R. Kuslan, Ram[illegible] and E. R. [illegible] presidents: Messrs. [illegible] R. Mistry and [illegible] hon. secretary, Mr. [illegible] assistant secretary and [illegible] Reddy; hon. [illegible] Lockhat; hon. [illegible] Kondiah. [illegible] the chair[illegible] record [illegible] K. Tommy, E. [illegible] misconduct [illegible] Messrs. M. K. [illegible] secretary), K. S. [illegible] F. R. Keshaf; [illegible] Kaur, Ram [illegible] medical offi[illegible] P. Naker, M. G. [illegible] Chetty and Ramee

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This group representing the Lawyers and Policemen of Durban met in a friendly cricket match at Currie's Fountain last week. The match was drawn. (See "Talk of the Bazaar", page 11.)

NATAL SCHOOL SPORT ON NEW FOOTING

DURBAN: The headquarters of the three-year-old Natal Indian Schools' Sports Association were again shifted to Durban after a decision at the third annual meeting held recently at Maritzburg.

The centre during last year was Maritzburg and unfortunately the young Association suffered a set-back there due to the numerous changes in officials brought about as a result of resignations. It was only during the second half of the year that the body was placed on a working footing with Mr. A. George as president and Mr. G. [illegible] as secretary.

It was expected that the Northern Natal zones would have taken over the headquarters for the New Year, but their delegates who were present at the meeting did not wish to as they had not received the mandate

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from their respective unions. However, the general feeling among teacher sports administrators has been that the headquarters should be rotated along the coast.

All thirteen zonal unions were affiliated during the past year and all, with the exception of the Port Shepstone Schools Sports Association, participated in all the competitions organised.

A large number of important matters that were raised at the annual meeting were left over for the consideration of the first council meeting, which is likely to be held towards the end of February.

OFFICIALS

The following officials were elected for the coming year:—

Patrons, Messrs. G. M. [illegible], [illegible] and G. V. Naidoo; president, Mr. C. [illegible] (snr.); vice-president, Mr. M. Joseph; hon. secretary, Mr. J. [illegible]; treasurer, Mr. K. T. [illegible]; record clerk, Mr. [illegible].

The following were the results of the various competitions organised in 1953:

Primary Section: Composite, Mr. G. V. Naidoo (Sydenham); Boys A1, Messrs. G. [illegible] Naidoo and Sons (South Coast); Boys A, Mr. R. S. [illegible] (South Coast); Boys B, Mr. G. [illegible] (Sydenham); Boys C, late Mr. R. S. [illegible] (Sydenham).

Girls A1, Mr. M. Govender (Midlands); girls A, Mrs. M. K. Kalideen ([illegible]); girls B, Messrs. Ebrahim Bros. (Sydenham); Girls C, Mr. S. A. Moodley (Sydenham).

Secondary Section: Composite, Messrs. Raghubar Bros. (North Coast); Boys A, Mr. Billy Kallie (North Coast); Boys B, Mr. D. [illegible] (North Coast).

Girls A, Mr. R. R. Singh (North Coast); Girls B, Midlands Indian School Athletic Union (North Coast).

Tenniquoit: Girls Primary A1, Mr. N. G. Chetty ([illegible]); Girls Primary A, Mr. N. C. Naidoo ([illegible]); Girls Primary B, Mr. R. P. Soni (Mayville); Girls Primary C, Mr. G. Bechoo (Mayville); Girls Secondary A, Midlands (walk over) (no trophy); Girls Secondary B, Midlands (walk over) (no trophy).

Netball: Girls Primary A1, Messrs. [illegible] ([illegible]); Girls Primary A, Mr. V. K. Naidu ([illegible]); Girls Primary B, Mr. R. R. Singh (Mayville); Girls Primary C (no competition).

Soccer (Inter-District Competition): Boys A1, [illegible] Manufacturers (Northern Natal); Boys A, Mr. S. V. Chetty (Northern Natal); Boys B (no trophy); Boys C (no trophy); Teachers (no trophy).

C'wealth win 3rd test

CALCUTTA. — The Commonwealth touring cricketers won the third unofficial Test against India at Calcutta by six wickets, and so drew level on the series. India won the first Test at New Delhi and the second at Bombay was drawn.

The final scores were:
India 228 and 190.
Commonwealth 248 and 187 for four.

Despite their slender first innings lead and a fairly cheap dismissal of India in the second innings, the Commonwealth looked like being in trouble when they lost second innings wickets at five, 18 and 42.

Barrick helped Marshall to take the score to 65, but it was an unbroken fifth wicket stand of 122 between Marshall and Watkins which eventually won the game for the Commonwealth.

Sports Review of 1953

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European amateur boxing championships to be held in Durban.

Indo-Coloured Soccer: The Indians drew 2-2 with the Coloureds at Currie's Fountain in the first of a series of national interrace matches arranged by the S.A.I.F.A. to celebrate its Golden Jubilee. The match was easily the best seen in Durban for a long time—interest and enthusiasm was maintained till the end.

S.A. Cricket Almanac: The S.A. Cricket Almanac, catering to the needs for non-European cricket, was published in Capetown by Messrs. D. N. [illegible] and S. J. Reddy.

New One in Cricket: The Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, and his opposing captain, Dr. Radhakrishnan, the Vice President of India, led their respective teams in a cricket match between Indian parliamentarians in aid of flood relief funds. About £7,500 was raised. Mr. Nehru made one not out—he declared his side's innings because, given an excuse for a run out, he said he was "mentally out."

Govender is "Mr. Natal": A record crowd saw R. P. Govender win the "Mr. Natal" title at the championships organised by the Natal Amateur Weight Lifting and Physical Culture Association in Durban.

S.A. Indian XI Champions: National non-European soccer interest was focussed in Johannesburg on the last in the series of Golden Jubilee matches arranged by the S.A.I.F.A. which was played against a selected S.A. African XI. The Indo-African match, which resulted in a 2-1 win for the former, brought a fitting end to a successful season.

Govender is "Mr. S.A.": A Durbanite, R. P. Govender, holder of the "Mr. Natal" title, was declared winner of the "Mr. S.A." contest held at the third S.A. Championships organised by the S.A. Amateur Weight Lifters and Body Builders' Federation in Capetown.

Tuli Won on Points: Jake Tuli, the Empire flyweight champion, successfully defended his S.A. non-European bantamweight title when he decisively outpointed [illegible] Villa over 12 rounds at Johannesburg.

World Recognition Sought: The Natal Amateur Athletic and Cycling Association would urge the S.A. Board of Control to seek international recognition in order to enable promising candidates to participate in the British Empire and Olympic Games. This suggestion was made by Mr. R. [illegible], newly elected President of the Association.

NOVEMBER

Tuli Retains Title: An unprecedented crowd at the [illegible] Park Stadium saw Jake Tuli retain his S.A. bantamweight title when he beat Slumber David on a t.k.o.

Two Natal Cricket Teams: There was a keen discussion on the proposal to enter two Natal teams in the forthcoming S.A. Indian Cricket tournament for the Christopher Cup at a special general meeting of the Natal I.C.U. The matter was deferred.

Golfer's Jubilee: Dennis Peter won the Silver Jubilee open golf tournament played at Currie's Fountain. A Silver Jubilee banquet was held at the Durban City Hall by the Durban Indian Golf Club.

India Wins Test: India won the first Test against the Commonwealth cricketers at New Delhi.

Plea for Govender: A strong recommendation that R. P. Govender, winner of the "Mr. South Africa" contest held at Capetown, should be sent overseas to seek further honours in the "Mr. Universe" and other contests was made by Mr. R. [illegible], president of the N.A. Athletic and Cycling Union, who was the guest speaker at a reception accorded to Mr. Govender in Durban.

S.A.I.F.A. Golden Jubilee: To celebrate its Golden Jubilee, the South African Indian Football Association held a dinner at the Durban International Club. Messages of goodwill were brought by the various affiliated centres, guest speakers and others.

Swimming: Despite many difficulties, the Durban Indian Surf Life Saving Club continued to show progress and it was particularly encouraging to note that 17 members who were recently put through their paces in a swimming test were all able to obtain their "C.O.P."

DECEMBER

Avondale's "Farewell" Meet: The emergence of a number of promising junior athletes and cyclists augured well for sport in Natal, and if the "farewell" athletic meet staged by the Avondale Club was any criterion, then a marked improvement in standards will be seen in the heavy programme that lies ahead.

Nat Moodley Promotion: Jolting Joe beat Simon [illegible] in a middle-weight title fight at the Durban City Hall.

India Saves Test: The second cricket Test between India and the Commonwealth team ended in a draw in Bombay after India had been in serious danger of an innings defeat.

Schools' Cricket: The 3rd Natal Indian secondary schools' cricket week was played in Durban. With the exception of [illegible] Indian Secondary School, every Indian boys' high school in Natal participated in the tournament. The teams were divided into two sections this season.

Tuli Beaten: Jake Tuli, the South African holder of the British Empire flyweight boxing title and No. 1 contender for the world title, fought perhaps the greatest fight of his ring career in losing on points to the French bantamweight champion, Robert Cohen, at Belle Vue, Manchester. The Zulu took a number of counts in the contest.

Tissong's Setback: Another setback in the boxing world was sustained by Alby Tissong. On his return from England he had retained his title (S.A. featherweight) against [illegible], but [illegible] Mabone, the S.A. [illegible] featherweight champion, beat Tissong on points over 12 rounds for the national non-European featherweight title in the Capetown City Hall. Mabone now holds both the S.A. non-European feather and light-weight titles.

SPORT PARADE

By BOBBY HARRYPERSADH

MR. S. BRIDGEMOHAN, president of the Inter-District Indian Cricket Union, tells me that with the introduction of the league system in the competition for the Dr. Rochforte Wade shield, keen interest has taken the place of inertia.

Inter-District Cricket Union, with its five affiliated units, the Lower Tugela, North Coast, South Coast, Mayville and County, are endeavouring to arouse cricketing interest in the districts and at present enjoys the reputation of having produced nearly half of the total number of clubs in Natal.

"Whilst it is admitted that the Inter-District Union is the youngest Union affiliated to Natal and may not have most seasoned players, it is now producing promising talents," said Mr. Bridgemohan.

THIS season, it is hoped, that Inter-District will reverse the foregone decisions of the past, yet it is admitted that the grand game is full of uncertainties and might have the same results.

Not deterred by the setback of the past, the Inter-District, with its principles based on purity of motive, is strengthening its forces to achieve success and also awakening the conscience of youngsters.

The log is presently as follows: Lower Tugela, 12 points (one match to play); North Coast, 11 points (one match to play); South Coast, 14 (completed play); Mayville, 3 points (one match to play); County, 5 points (one match to play).

INTER-DISTRICT TEAM

THE team chosen for the Natal matches in the "A" Division is: Cassim Saib (capt.), Dr. K. I. Bharat, D. Amaal, H. Samuels (Lower Tugela), A. G. Goobiah, G. Parsuraman, T. Ramsamy (Mayville), N. Nathalal (North Coast), Bee Seedat, V. Vadival (South Coast), Vernon Naidoo (County), and Boya Govender (South Coast), 12th man.

Mr. Bridgemohan added: "There have been requests made as to whether Inter-District is satisfied with its privileges as an affiliated unit. I wish to give my personal view on this matter as the Council of my Union has not decided on the issue. There is dissatisfaction. Inter-District is doing its utmost to keep up the prestige of Natal. It pays its levies, affiliations and other obligations just as any affiliated Union in Natal, but it is denied the liberty which is enjoyed by the other Unions, i.e., Durban, Maritzburg and Northern Districts. It is hoped that this dissatisfaction will be eliminated.

Durban Golf

DURBAN.—The golf team consisting of J. M. Pillay, D. Peter, P. L. Paul and Sunny Chetty won the interdistrict open golf championship with a score of 261 (68, 61, 63, 66), and the runners-up were G. Abdul, D. Kallideen, Reggie Pillay and G. H. Patel with a score of 266 (68, 68, 64, 66). This event was played over 18 holes a fortnight ago at Currie's Fountain.

The rest of the results were: Second, [illegible], M. [illegible] and [illegible], 62, 67, 68, 70—267; Jack [illegible], C. M. [illegible], H. Alladin, H. [illegible], 68, 71, 66, 68—273; L. Naidoo, H. M. [illegible], W. [illegible], George Maistry, 70, 71, 72, [illegible]; G. L. Peters, G. Pillay, M. [illegible], Bobby James, 72, [illegible], 77, 67—[illegible].

On Sunday, a medal competition was played over 18 holes at Currie's Fountain.

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NAIDOO—NAIDOO WEDDING

Mr. C. Papiah Naidoo of Mount Alfred, Mooi River, and Mr. and Mrs. V. A. N. Naidoo, of [illegible] Hall, Tongaat, cordially invite all friends and relatives to the marriage of

A. P. NAIDOO

fourth son of Mr. and the late Mrs. C. Papiah Naidoo, to

VIJIALUTCHMEE,

elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. A. N. Naidoo (Appelsbosch), and grand-daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. V. [illegible] Naidoo, of Tongaat,

on Sunday, 17th January, 1954, at the bridegroom's residence, Mount Alfred, Mooi River. Nuptial ceremony from 10.15 to 11.15 a.m. Bride's Party will leave their residence at 6 a.m. Friends and Relatives are requested to kindly accept this as a personal invitation.

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT

The marriage of N. N. Pillay (Sonny) [illegible], son of Mrs. and the late Mr. R. K. Tommy Pillay, of [illegible], Dundee, will take place on 17th January, 1954, between 10 and 11.30 a.m., at the City Hall, Durban, to [illegible], daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] and sister of Messrs. [illegible] Bros., of Pyramid.

DURBAN: The Dimes Children's Gala Committee held a successful gala at the Magazine ground recently. Mr. A. S. Robinson, Deputy Mayor of Durban, who officially opened the day's proceedings, was garlanded by Mr. A. C. Naicker, chairman of the Gala Committee.

Besides the sports items there was a physical culture display, a baby show, fancy dress parade and gala beauty queen contest.

The arrival of the Gala Queen was the highlight of the day's sports. Miss P. Jagasur, victor over twenty contestants, was crowned as the first Dimes Gala Beauty Queen. She is seated with a bouquet in this picture. Those standing are: Miss P. Chetty (attendant), Mr. H. A. Smith (City and Water Engineer), Mr. Naicker (chairman, Gala Committee), and Miss L. Seebramoney (attendant).

RABHINUND

Only son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Sarupen and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Billy of Springvale, Avoca, and Mrs. R. R. Sarupen of Camperdown, who celebrates his first birthday today.

WEDDING INVITATION

Mrs. Naraiamma Jogiah of Maidstone, and Mr. Papiah Naidoo of 27 [illegible] Street, Jacobs, extend a cordial invitation to all friends and relatives on the occasion of the marriage of J. [illegible] (Jay), eldest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Jogiah, to [illegible] (Radha), fourth daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. Papiah Naidoo, on Sunday, 17th January, 1954, at the Temple Hall, Maidstone. Nuptial ceremony from 2 to 3.30 p.m. Music by Maidstone Vasudha Ranjani Orchestra. Bride's Party will leave at 11.30 a.m. on Sunday by bus. Friends and relatives are requested to accept this as a personal invitation.

BIRTH NOTICE

To Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Maharaj of Maritzburg, a bonny daughter, on Thursday, December 31, granddaughter to Mrs. [illegible] Maharaj of Maritzburg.

BIRTH

Patel: To Jaya and Premjee, twins (boy and girl) on January 2, at [illegible] Hospital, Maritzburg. Mother and children doing well. Congratulations—Silverton.

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MR. D. P. SINGH

Mr. D. P. Singh who returned last week by the "Karanja" after a six months tour of India, Pakistan and Ceylon. He studied the arts during his tour. See story on page one.

WEDDING POSTPONED

The proposed wedding of Kumar [illegible] (Munsel), of [illegible] Road, Sydenham, to Kumarie Lalitha, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] of [illegible] Avenue, Greenwood Park, which was to have taken place on Sunday, January 3, has been postponed till further notice, owing to the death of Mr. [illegible], the bridegroom's father.

(NOTE: Due to a misunderstanding, this notice did not appear in our issue of December 25, 1953.)

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CHRISTMAS SURPRISE AT GREY'S

MARITZBURG.—Mr. D. R. Warmback, Mayor of Maritzburg, paying his customary visits to the City's institutions on Christmas Day, [illegible] entered the Indian ward at Grey's Hospital.

European nurses, dressed in bright [illegible], were dancing with [illegible] to the strains of the Gay Swingsters Orchestra while the patients looked on happily.

The ward had been transformed into a fairyland by members of the Maritzburg Indian Rover Scouts as their final good deed for the year. Streamers of red, white and blue, marking Coronation Year, draped the walls and the ceiling and a huge Christmas tree, laden with gifts, occupied the middle of the floor.

[illegible] Santa Claus had distributed the gifts, the ward sister thanked the Scouts and the Gay Swingsters for bringing the Christmas spirit to the sick.

INDRAJIT—SINGH ENGAGEMENT

The engagement took place recently of Rajaram [illegible] Mrs. S. Indrajit, of D.N.C. 3, Durnacol, Dannhauser, [illegible] only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Singh, [illegible] hauser, amidst a large gathering of friends and rela[illegible]

A New Year's Day baby celebrated his first birthday amidst a number of friends and relatives at his home in Pietermaritz Street, Maritzburg, on Friday afternoon. He was Sachidanand, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. [illegible] Valluvanar.

Mr. S. S. (Hubbal) Naidoo, chairman of the Maritzburg Tamil Sun[illegible] Sungham, speaking on behalf of the guests, hoped that baby Sachidanand would follow in the footsteps of his father, who was doing excellent work in the field of education and religion.

Baby Sachidanand was the recipient of many gifts.

SHOWTIME

Avalon: David and Bathsheba.
Albert: Jazz
Rani: Nagi.
Mayville: "Rogues Regiment" and "To the Ends of the Earth."
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[illegible] danger from Russia by taking a stand.

"If aid to Pakistan falls through, the United States would certainly lose prestige in the eyes of these small countries. It would be a triumph for the Communist bloc and India.

[illegible] was published in [illegible] magazine, "U.S. [illegible] Report."

[illegible] thought the Indian [illegible] Mr. Nehru, had [illegible] military aid to Pakistan [illegible] said that India's [illegible] would weaken should [illegible] other country strong [illegible] Asia's smaller

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OFFICIAL [illegible]STANGER

[illegible] The Secretary to the [illegible] for the Government [illegible] South Africa, Mr. [illegible] was the guest of [illegible] last week. He met [illegible] of Stanger at a [illegible] residence of Mr. [illegible]

[illegible]

"CRICKET TEST"

COLOMBO.—The Prime Minister of India, Mr. Nehru, will captain a cricket team of parliamentarians when he visits Ceylon next month.

They will play a team from the Ceylon Parliament captained by the Prime Minister Sir John Kotelawala.

The Holy Mother Celebrations

DURBAN: On December 22, 1853, in the Indian village of Jayrambi, was born the Holy Mother, Sri Saradamani Devi. Married to Shri Ramakrishna, her life began as a domestic lady and ripened to one of a completely pious lady. Recently the centenary celebrations of the Holy Mother were held in Durban by the Ramakrishna Centre, and proved a huge success.

A gathering of over 1,000 saw the proceedings open with communal prayers. The items, unlike usual religious programmes, were entertaining speeches, dances, sketches and musical items.

Throughout the week numerous speakers, including Mrs. Devi Bhugwan, Mrs. R. L. Singh, Mrs. Atkins, [illegible] Chetty, Mrs. E. Gordon Jacobs, Dr. Awarjah Singh, Hilda Kuper and R. Coppan, Messrs. M. R. Naidoo, Swami Nischalananda, T. M. Naicker, A. J. Naidoo and numerous others delivered interesting lectures.

TRANSFORMED

From Monday night the spacious grounds of the Umgeni Temple, with its trees was transformed into a fairyland of lights.

The stage was beautifully decorated and looked at its best when the beautiful portrait of the Holy Mother was unveiled by the Swamiji on Sunday. Set amidst ferns and flanked by the paintings of peacocks it presented a striking scene.

Each evening began with an invocation by different individuals and sometimes schools. During the week much latent talent in the programme was highlighted by outstanding items by Champa Chandi's "Dance of Invocation," and the Gita sketch, enacted by Miss Pillay and Mr. S. Pillay. The pronunciation of the difficult Sanskrit Slokas was ably done by the two participants, who enacted the play in a chariot.

OUTSTANDING PLAY

The scene depicted the chariot in the battlefield with Shri Krishna and Arjuna. Finally the outstanding play "For He Alone is Fit to Die," written by the Swamiji, [illegible] its [illegible] emotional appeal, comes to the level of the masses. The play was well acted by J. C. Naidoo, Thelsy and Gourie Pather, Devagee Govender and Annamali Pillay.

On Sunday afternoon numerous speeches in all the major Indian languages were heard. The speakers were Mrs. J. Chetty, Dr. Coppan, Mr. A. J. Naidoo, Mr. Varadcharyulu, Dr. N. P. Desai, Mr. C. K. Pillay and Mr. T. M. Naicker. Songs were rendered by Kamala James. Sindhi community was brought out in the form of singers, dancers, artists and

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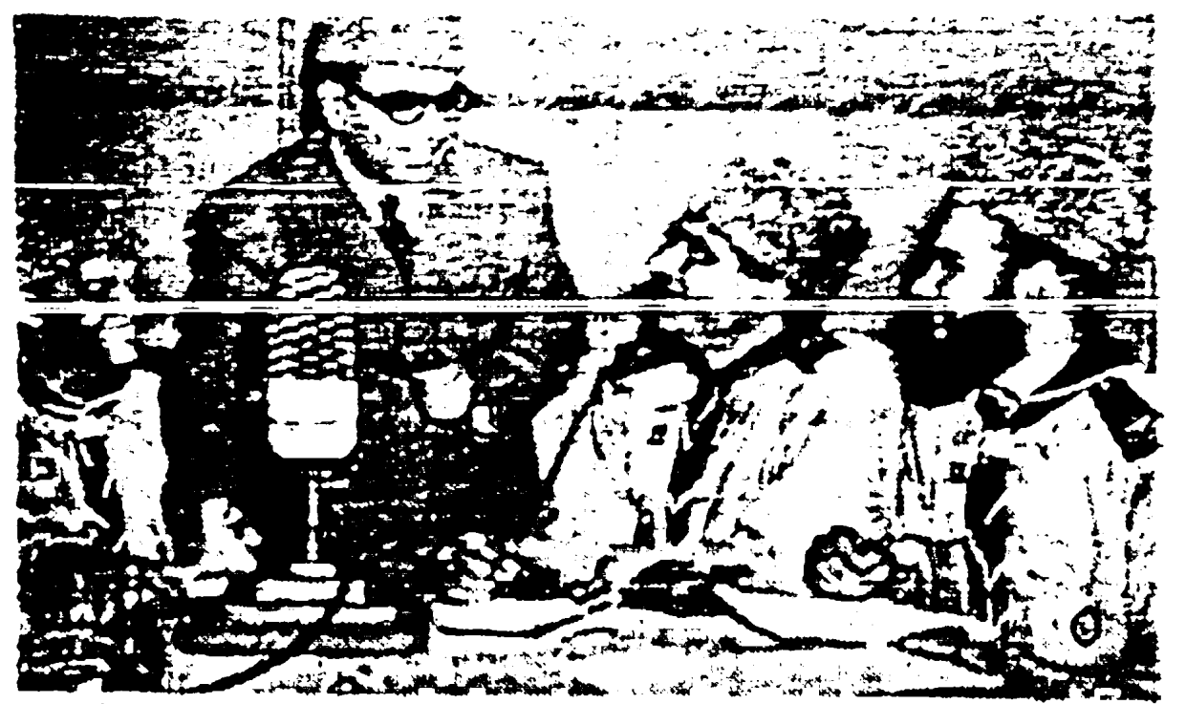
Swami Nischalananda addressing the crowd at the Holy Mother celebrations in Durban. He is standing beside the effective painting of the Holy Mother described in the accompanying report.



Pakistani Boy Scouts who broadcast in the Urdu programme of the B.B.C. recently seen in front of the microphone with the producer.

S.A.I.C.: plea

JOHANNESBURG: The South African Indian Congress has requested the S.A. Institute of Race Relations not to proceed further with its proposals for a national conference.

It was decided to organise a "congress of the people of South Africa to work out a freedom charter for all the peoples and groups in the country." In terms of this resolution democratic organisations of Europeans and non-Europeans will be invited to participate in the convoking of the "Congress of the People."

The Congress stated that in the "light of this decision, by the largest and the most representative organisation in the country, which we believe to be of historic importance in opening the road to radical improvement of race relations in South Africa, it is our opinion that your Institute should not proceed further with its proposals at the present time."

This was in reply to an inquiry made by the Institute on the desirability or otherwise of holding "a national conference of all the peoples of South Africa, which would review and analyse the position of the non-European peoples."

AFRICAN RESOLUTION

The Congress letter stated that it was now that the Institute would share its view that the question of convening a national conference is primarily and in first place, the concern of [illegible] themselves, who are most directly affected and who form the majority of the population.

The Congress drew the attention of the Institute to the resolution passed by the annual conference of the African National Congress, held in Queenstown in December, in which

MARITZBURG BURSARIES AVAILABLE

MARITZBURG.—The Maritzburg Indian Technical Students' Society is making available a limited number of bursaries from the [illegible] of their variety concert held in the City Hall on December 12.

The bursaries, which are tenable at Woodlands and the Maritzburg Indian Girls' High Schools, are to be awarded to indigent Indian pupils who are requested to apply immediately to the secretary of the Students' Society, 210 Longmarket Street, Maritzburg.

NO U.S. BASES FOR PAKISTAN

KARACHI.—Pakistan has informed the Soviet Union that she had no intention of granting military bases to the United States.

In a note to the Soviet Government, Pakistan said there was no intention of taking any step in hostility to any government or state with which it had friendly relations.

ISIPINGO CLINIC

DURBAN.—The first annual meeting of the Suddah's Clinic, a mini clinic to the Isipingo Child and Social Welfare Society, will be held on January 23, 1954, at the Isipingo Indian School Rooms at 3 p.m. In an interview Mr. K. Ragavan said that the Clinic had experienced a successful year both financially and numerically.

The following figures were given, and these apply to Indians only: Infant clinic—170 babies; 490 attendances; minor ailments—238 cases, 2,382 attendances; local maternity cases—23, 375 visits; prenatal cases—[illegible], 98 visits; health and home visits—185. Total number of attendances at the Clinic for the year ending 1953 was 775 patients, with an attendance of 2,578. Sister S. G. Weber is in charge of the Clinic.

Thanks are due to Mr. G. M. De Souza for establishing the clinic a year ago and to those who gave their financial and moral support.

The following business will be discussed at the meeting: Chairman's address, secretarial report, treasurer's financial statement, elections, general.

The public are invited to attend.

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OBITUARY

KANHYEALAL (SIRDAR)

The death occurred of Kanhyealal (Sirdar), of Chakas Kraal at the age of 79 years on Sunday, December 27, 1953, after a brief illness. He hailed from Lucknow, India.

Mr. Kanhyealal (Sirdar) was a prominent person and was well [illegible] as an immigrant in 1888, and was employed by the [illegible] Estates, Chakas Kraal. Subsequently he was promoted as a Sirdar on the sugar farm, in which capacity he served till 1918.

He received his education in Hindi, Urdu, Gujerati and Parsee at Lucknow, India. He was taught to read and write in English by his employer, the late Mr. R. H. Pinder, the then Managing Director of the [illegible] Sugar Estates. Later he studied Tamil.

During his stay in Natal he had made four visits to his relatives in India, where he had been respected by young and old alike. He had made his last visit to India in 1926 when he toured the country and returned to Natal in 1927.

After resigning from his employment in 1918, he entered into sugar farming at Chakas Kraal.

He was a very popular personality, and apart from being active, was of a charming disposition.

His remains were cremated at his farm, Chakas Kraal on December 28, 1953, among a very large gathering of friends and relatives.

The late Mr Kanhyealal (Sirdar) leaves behind his surviving wife, an only son, Mr. R. Kanhyealal, 11 grandchildren, 40 great grandchildren and one great, great grandchild.

SUROP

The death occurred, after a short illness, of Jimmy Ramlal Surop, on December 12, 1953. He was on the staff of the Glen Eagle's Hotel at Moss River for the past 20 years, being one of the most popular figures in the village. He leaves behind a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

Floral tributes and messages of condolence were received by the following: Mr. and Mrs Chetty; P. M. Sing and family; Mrs. [illegible] and family; [illegible] Bros.; Mrs. C. Ramlal and family; Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Tyiloo; Mr. Kasee and family; Mr. Thangalan and Sons; Mr. and Mrs. R. John; P. Ramlal and Sons; Mr. and Mrs. Green; Mr. Allallo and family; Mr. and Mrs. Lallbahadur and family; Mr. and Mrs. Doderjilli and family; Mr. and Mrs. George Lairdtown.

MR. B. GOBIN

The death occurred suddenly of Mr. B. Gobin, of 40 Elm Avenue, Sydenham Pinetown?, recently at the age of 45 years. He was a prominent member of his community and displayed a keen interest in social activity. The present Hindi School stands as a monument on his generous free gift of land (sic). Up to the time of his demise he was the Trustee of the [illegible] Place Vedic Sabha.

He leaves behind his surviving widow, two sons, a daughter and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss. Numerous messages of sympathy and floral tributes were received among which the following were a few:

Mr Narainsamy and family, Mrs. S. Hadree and sons, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Hadree and family, Messrs. [illegible] and family; R. D. Singh Bros., all of Jacobs; Messrs. A. Ramsumaran and family [illegible]; [illegible] and family [illegible] Hill; [illegible] and family, Mayville; J. G. Rane and family, Mayville; Ramsamy and family, [illegible]; S. Ramkishan Bros. and family [illegible]; Mr. and Mrs. Ramlakhan, Sydenham. Inserted by S.P.Y.C. Club.

MRS. SING

The death occurred on Saturday, January 2, of Mrs. [illegible] Sing, at her residence, [illegible] Street, Richmond. The late Mrs. Sing who was almost 67 years of age was amongst the oldest of the Richmond residents. She was greatly loved and respected by all, for she had a most obliging nature, and a very kind, gentle, and sympathetic disposition. She will be greatly missed by all her relatives and friends, for she was a pillar of strength to those all. She is survived by her husband, three sons, three daughters, and numerous relatives to mourn her loss. Her remains were cremated at the Richmond Indian Cemetery on Monday, January 10. A large number of friends and relatives were present to pay their last respects to her.

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services. Each evening ended with a lecture by the women's section of the Ramakrishna Centre.

Saturday evening was a cultural evening presented by women. The and Kasthuri Pillay, Saraswathi Devi and Gowrie Pillay, A. Bharathi Natyam dance recital was given by Padima Maistry. Then the women of the Ramakrishna Centre, who throughout the week had done yeoman work, led a procession round the temple, singing kirtans.

LANTERN SLIDE LECTURE

Sunday evening saw the centenary celebrations reach the climax with a lantern slide lecture. On his pilgrimage to the Himalayas, Swami Nischalananda carried with him a sixty-rupee box camera. At times risking his life, he took some remarkable pictures, which were transformed into slides. By means of the slides the Swamiji took with him the audience on his journey to the temples at Jumnothri and Gangothri.

The wind up the evening and the week's proceedings, the Swamiji blessed the people and gave a preview of the slides before the camera. And from what has been seen, the camera ought to be a greater success.

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TRAINING COURSE FOR PILOTS

NEW DELHI. — The Union Public Service Commission will hold an Entrance Examination at Allahabad, Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi, Lucknow, Madras, Nagpur and Patna in April, 1954, for candidates for admission to and desirous of taking the pilot course of the Indian Air Force.

AGE LIMITS: Candidates must have been born not earlier than 30th November, 1932, and not later than 29th May, 1937. These age-limits can in no case be relaxed.

QUALIFICATIONS: Matriculation or equivalent. Applications from candidates who intend to appear in qualifying examinations are acceptable provisionally.

SELECTION: Candidates who qualify in the written examination shall be interviewed by the I.A.F. Selection Board and medically examined by the I.A.F. Central Medical Board.

APPLICATION FORMS AND CONNECTED PAPERS can be obtained free of cost from the nearest Air Force Recruiting Adjutant or the Air Force Station (located at Ambala, Bangalore, Begumpet (Deccan), Bombay, Calcutta, Jodhpur, Kanpur, Madras (Tambaram), New Delhi, Poona and Srinagar).

The forms can also be had from the Secretary, Union Public Service Commission, Dholpur House, Post Box No. 186, New Delhi by remitting Re.1/- by Money Order (to be adjusted towards fees later on).

Candidates must state in the Money Order Coupon "INDIAN AIR FORCE EXAMINATION, APRIL, 1954", and give their name and full address in BLOCK LETTERS.

Completed applications must reach U.P.S.C. by 30th January, 1954 (13th February, 1954, for candidates from abroad).

School Troph[y] For Efficienc[y]

In the above picture Lalman Ramasamol, the head pr[illegible] year 1953, is seen receiving the "All-Round Efficiency [illegible]" from Mr. S. C. Narayadu, the vice-principal of the [illegible] Boys' Government-Aided Indian School, with Mr. K. [illegible] principal, looking on.

DURBAN. — An "All-Round Efficiency [illegible]" trophy" is to be presented annually at the St. Aidan's Boys Government-Aided Indian School.

The idea for such an award came about during the activities of the school early in 1953 in the all-out "Courtesy Week campaign," kindly sponsored by the Director of Education.

The staff felt that in addition to the annual Courtesy Week campaign, and the teaching of the "Three C's" as a regular school subject, the pupils of the school should be able [illegible] observance throughout the year by a group of [illegible] for the purpose of [illegible] [illegible] certain [illegible] in respect of [illegible] and general efficiency [illegible] and outside the class [illegible] outstanding among the [illegible] and a token.

This comes into [illegible] the first time in [illegible] school, the ward of [illegible] in the picture [illegible] Mr. Narayadu.

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. . . FAQUIR'S . . .
Talk of the Bazaar

[illegible] fans were disappointed [illegible] opening run of "The [illegible] Wax" a 3-D film shown [illegible] theatre last week.

[illegible] until the change of the operator, obviously making the two projec[tors] [illegible]onise, gave the house [perf]ormance.

[illegible] detected anything [illegible] who did suspected [illegible] glasses, jerked them long suffering eyes and viewers a couple of [illegible] frantic rubs. But [illegible] happened. The picture appeared flat.

[illegible] of the fans' impa[tience] [illegible] when the can-can girls [illegible] onto the screen [illegible] Fair. A teacher colleague [illegible] his rubbing-the-polaroid [cam]paign without any [illegible].

[illegible] performances of "The [illegible] Wax", I am told, "re[illegible] true 3-D perspective.

[F]OR MECHANICS

[illegible] of six adventure[illegible] Durbanites who had [illegible] for "Operation East [illegible] a 1926 model over the [illegible] days met the pangs of [illegible] when their over[illegible] automobile refused to [illegible]

[illegible] stage everything ex[illegible] heater made a noise, [illegible] rings and bearings were [illegible] brand new carburettor [illegible] place of the old one, the [illegible] plugs were all changed, [illegible] addition to other accesso[ries] [illegible] line of motor gadgets, [illegible] mobile rested on four [illegible] tyres. In all, a small [illegible] spent in making the one time ram shackle mechanism road-worthy.

But it just wouldn't start. The departure deadline was drawing closer, professional mechanics were called for while fever and impatience rose to a pitch. But still she just wouldn't start. Not even a gentle purr. Seven mechanics had tinkered with everything they could lay their hands on, and after the post mortem, passed varying judgements.

The Yuletide came and went. The journey was abandoned by six bitterly disappointed people. Two weeks later, a motorist with a sprinkling of mechanical knowledge accidently detected that a connection to the battery was detached! On being connected, the car roared back to life.

OPERATION PUSH-MO-BILE

ANOTHER motoring story, but twice as funny as the previous one. A colleague reports:

He was stranded with his relic ten miles out of town in the loneliness of the wastelands down the South Coast. There was no house in sight. No people about.

He struggled and swore at what used to be his mechanical marvel; he fidgeted with everything he could lay his hands on, but his poor thing seemed to have imbibed some of the rustic air of indifference.

Suddenly he heard the swish of heels and a cloud of dust appear from a meandering lane. Soon, much to his surprise, he discovered the first sight of habitation. The panting piece of Adam who stood next to him said: "Sorry to have kept you waiting."

Four hours later, both of them were pushing . . . I hear the name of this relic has since been changed to "push-mobile."

TIPS FOR TRIP

HOWEVER, the National Road Safety Organisation offers motorists the following "tips for a safe trip":—

"When driving be as alert as an opening batsman in a Test match — you may have to face some speed merchants and if you insist on your right of way you may be caught out. Do regard all traffic signs as 'signs of life'. Take a pride in giving smart and timely hand-signals and you will be surprised to see how many other drivers follow your good example.

"If rain falls, reduce speed to avoid skidding in an emergency. Remember that 'the driver is [illegible] when the roads are dry', and remember too, 'that roads are safer when the driver is dry!'

"If you use lorry transport choose a reliable driver, keep children under supervision, and don't allow anyone to travel standing. Passengers who fall from lorries form a distressingly high proportion of South Africa's road accident casualties.

TRAIN JOURNEY

THE week-end train from Johannesburg was packed. A colleague was on it. He had a terrible time.

When the train left Park Station, he thought he was lucky to have a coupe all to himself. At Volksrust, he heard the corridors echoing the bellow of impatient feet. A little later his indulgence accommodated two Africans into his compartment. When the bedding boy prepared the bunks, it was discovered that the coupe only had facilities for two beds!

After a short parley, the Africans decided to give him the luxury of a bed all to himself. He protested, but they had their way. Both of them decided to share one bed.

He went to bed. At midnight he was awakened by the sound of voices. He soon discovered that the noise was emanating from the other bunk in his coupe. Apparently the two Africans were changing places at occupying the bed! They had been doing it at intervals of half an hour (how I do not know) they told him with wide grins. When he suggested that the bed was big enough to accommodate two of the men the same time, they looked at him with gratitude, thought he had a brainwave, and parked themselves without further delay.

The sequel to this story was provided later on when my colleague was awakened by concerted snoring . . .

IN THE RESTAURANT

MY waiter's first name should have been "Service". But the other day he almost filled me with misgivings. To pot bellied gentleman who sat next to me had thrice as much as my helping of chicken-a-la-carte. That was too much for me. It was more than eyes and paunch could endure. "Call the manager," I thundered to the waiter. Back came the sharp reply: "That is the manager."

He had taken the wind out of my sail.

EUROPEAN LINGUIST

I MET a European gentleman in Hoy Park when the Railway Recreation Club gave a party to the children of the railway workers.

"I can speak nine Indian dialects," he told me, "I always speak to my Indian workmen in their respective vernaculars." I never doubted him, but newspapermen never take things for granted. So very tactfully I told him to give me an example of his ability.

"Kaisa, bajil?" he asked my photographer colleague. He was shown the time. In almost fluent Hindi he observed that it was four o'clock. But the watch showed two o'clock! When we tried to conceal a chuckle, he excused himself and departed in the direction of Kingsmead before he elicited more guffaws.

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Cooperative farms for India?

NEW DELHI. — Cooperative farms on the model of those in Israel should be tried as an experiment in community project areas in India, officials of the Food and Agriculture Ministry suggested here.

The officials, reporting on their [illegible] tour of Israel, said they regarded cooperative farming essential for raising productivity in Indian farming. Mixed farming, including dairy and poultry farming and the growing of fruit and vegetables, should form an important aspect of any cooperative scheme, they added.

The Government should provide such cooperative farms with credit at reasonable rates, transport facilities and storage arrangements, as well as veterinary services and artificial insemination centres.

Under the system in Israel the land is owned by the state and leased out to smallholders for periods of 49 years, they said. Every farmer has his own allotment and is obliged to sell all surplus food not used by his family through the local cooperative society. This in turn provides farming requirements.

Each cooperative society consists of 100 families, of whom 30 are agriculturalists and the remainder are doctors, nurses, teachers and artisans.

Gold Found in East India

NEW DELHI. — Gold had been found in tertiary gravel deposits in parts of West Bengal, Bihar and Orissa, Mr. K. D. Malaviya, India's Deputy Minister for Natural Resources told Parliament. Detailed prospecting work is being carried out by the Bureau of Mines.

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Bobby Naidoo's London Column

IT is with great pleasure that I have to report that Maritzburg's acrobatic genius will make his British debut at the East Ham Granada Theatre in London next week.

Gangathuran Pillay, who was well-known in South Africa as Master Gang, will appear as GANGA—sensation from the Orient. He is a solo act and was fixed for the first week's engagement by his new manager, Benny Singh, the South African boxing promoter who only arrived in England a fortnight ago. Mr. Singh has great plans for Gang, who is full of enthusiasm.

He has for a short time now been practising regularly at the Central Y.M.C.A. in London. The Y.M.C.A. have a beautiful swimming pool and well-appointed gymnasium right in the heart of the West End and as a member, Gang has full use of the facilities.

NEW EQUIPMENT

A new set of equipment, designed by himself has been built, consisting, in the main, of glittering chromium fittings. He will perform for the [illegible] on top of four heavy chairs which are precariously placed on four balls held in cups, which are in turn on a stand placed on a chromium table. In this way Gang gets to about thirty feet above the ground within a few minutes. He has also had a new costume designed and made for him in London and appears on stage in a cross-legged position while the theatre orchestra plays "Temple Bells", from Indian Love Lyrics.

The music for the act was chosen by Mr. Singh. Gang has a beautiful cloak draped around him and a brilliant turban with dazzling sequins fixed on his head. He bows low with his hands clasped prayer fashion and then bursts into a back flip and takes off his cloak which he throws to a stage hand. After a roller act he goes into the final stage of a four chair act and follows this with the chairs on four balls. Thirty feet up he does a hand stand while the chairs sway dangerously. The act ends with a dive across the table holding the stands and a back-flip with rapid tumbling.

MUSIC HALL

I saw Gang practise all this with Benny Singh giving him the necessary guidance in cutting down the acts and giving it speed and finish. The East Ham Granada is a variety theatre—they call it a music hall here—and is one of several hundreds of theatres in all major cities and towns.

If he is successful here then it is possible that Gang will go on tour of the halls playing one-week stands throughout the country.

"It is hard to believe that for the first time I will be working as an acrobat for my living," said Gang. "In the past I have done shows in aid of charities and it is the greatest feeling in the world to know that I will be doing the thing I love most, as a career without any bother about what other people might think, except that the act should be improved to the best of my ability. I owe a great measure of this to Mr. Benny Singh, who didn't know he was going to be my manager when he left South Africa. But I waited for him to come over and convinced him that he was the only person to look after my destiny in the show world."

Watch the London column for news of this son of South Africa's activities here.

SCHOOL OF ORIENTAL COOKERY

LAST week there opened in London the first school of its kind—the Shafi School of Oriental Cookery, which is being promoted by the oldest Indian restaurant in London. Many South Africans who have been in London know Shafi's well. The idea behind the school is that foods of the East should be popularised here, not only the restaurants and [illegible] here, but in taking Eastern foods into the homes of the Englishman who has been out East, and whose palate has experienced the spicy creations of the master cooks of the Orient.

The school is to meet twice weekly and the first lesson on Tuesdays will be devoted to Indian cooking. On Thursdays the school will deal with food of other countries of the Near, Middle or Far East.

NEW H.C. FOR U.K.?

RUMOURS are rife in London regarding the next High Commissioner for India in the U.K. Since Mr. Krishna Menon vacated that post Mr. B. G. Kher has been head of the Indian Mission in London and Ambassador to Ireland. Now the talk is that Mr. Menon might come back to his old post that Sardar K. M. Pannikkar, former Ambassador to China and now in Egypt, might take over the London position—and that is what is most likely to happen.

Mr. Menon has bigger things to deal with in the international political sphere and I do not believe that he will ever stay in India. He will always seek a post outside the country because he feels that he can [illegible]

First world championships for fakirs

LYONS (France).—The first world championships of Fakirism, to be held a[...] in the spring, competitions be held in walking over live coals, being [...] with daggers, burial alive, [...]tal gazing, hypnotism, suggestion, revelations and lying on beds of na[...]

Four well-known [...] Yamp Kavade, a [...] being buried alive [...] a sword-piercing [...] nait and Sears [...] already entered the [...]ship.

MORE WELLS FOR INDIA

NEW DELHI. — The Indian Government is to spend about 240 million rupees (£18,500,000 sterling) during the next three years on the construction of tubewells throughout the country.

The scheme envisages the sinking of 2,650 production tubewells and 350 exploratory ones in 12 different states.

Out of the 2,650 tubewells, 1,205 will be constructed by private companies and 625 through Government agencies. For the remaining 820 no final decision has been taken.

Since the launching of the minor irrigation programme in 1950, the Indian Government has constructed 340 tubewells, mainly in Uttar Pradesh, Punjab and Bihar.

27,000,000 Ac[...] Under Oilse[...]

HYDERABAD. — Ind[...] the principal exporter [...] in the world, now has 2[...] acres under cultivation, [...]jabrao Deshmukh, Agr[...] Minister, said here.

Annual production [...] 4,800,000 to 5,000,000 [...] added.

Internal demands for [...]ation as cooking fat and [...]velopment of the soap [...] had reduced exports, but [...] are still earning 250,000,[...] (£20,000,000 sterling) a [...] said.

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WORLD SPORT

By Bobby Naidoo

THIS is the time of the year when all the papers in Britain are asking readers to nominate their sportsmen of the year. While the Sports Writers' Association completed their ballot in December and gave their honoured six a slap-up dinner at the Press Club in Fleet Street, the Daily Express has only just ended its poll of the readership.

Again, like the sports writers, the readers of the Daily Express are unanimous in their vote about the leading sportsman of 1953. He is that lanky long-distance specialist Gordon Pirie, 22 year-old bank clerk from Coulsdon, Surrey. Then the remaining sportsmen are divided into sports sections. Motor racing has picked Mike Hawthorn, horseracing [illegible] Gordon Richards, football has Stanley Matthews, boxing Don Cockell and cricket Alec Bedser. It all follows a pattern. The sporting journalists of Great Britain give their readers the greatest coverage of the news in the sports world and the reader interest is greater now than ever before.

TENNIS "KIDS" WIN

THE Australians have done it again. I am referring to the Davis Cup tennis tournament which has just ended in Melbourne. The American Tony Trabert was soundly beaten by Lewis Hoad the young Aussie who impressed very much at Wimbledon.

They said it was bad sportsmanship the way Trabert "talked" back to the jeering crowds. He made an announcement to the effect that Hoad was a good player but that he was never good. He claimed that the ball did touch the net and was not allowed by the referee. He said never before was he beaten by two kids and a fox—the kids you know. The fox was the trainer Harry Hopman!

COCKELL TO SETTLE TITLE QUESTION

DON COCKELL has now arrived in South Africa. He should quite easily wipe up Johnny Arthur and settle the outstanding question with regard to who is the rightful champion in the Commonwealth's heavyweight division.

NOT "EMPIRE" ANYMORE

WHILE on the subject of titles there is a move in England to get the question of "Empire" titles readjusted. They ought to really be Commonwealth titles, and this has been pointed out in many spheres of sport. The Imperial Cricket Conference still meets occasionally each year and there has not been a move to re-title it the Commonwealth Cricket Conference.

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The World of Entertainment

[...] Maymoona (right) [...]'s loveliest stage [...] a welcome re[...] Durban audiences [...] long absence in [...] Taj Theatrical [...] presentation at [...] February 6th, 13th

[...] beautiful. She has [...] that brings [...] his mouth; big [...] bone structure [...] above all a good [...] stage per[...] is enchanting. [...] break on the stage [...] a part in "Fun[...] show with which [...] Union and Lauren[...]

[...] a sensation in [...] where she per[...] mixed audiences of [...] and Ameri[...] invited to perform [...] Cuba and in the [...] was the Chief of [...] Marquess, who [...] heard so much [...] and her perform[...] Victoria Theatre.

[...] back to see Maymoona [...] are sure to mill [...] ...click at [...] "Fashion Ki[...] comedy revu[...] manufacturers of [...] newly-promoted [...] for a wife.

[...]ONAIS"

[...] of the Indian [...] "...", will soon [...] Albert in Dur[...] which begins [...] up, a [...] the witness of [...] heartbreaks

[...] an ailing [...] peace, an [...] its meaning [...] life can yield [...] can desire [...] of mind. Her [...] young, only a [...] melody could [...] moment's [...] shadows of the [...] at his heart.

[...] his ear one [...] where he came [...] Shree Chhajju [...] remote village [...] Vaid's daughter. The sweet lilting [...] touched the [...] heart.

[...] appeared in [...] man, he was [...] Packing his be[...] Vaid, along with [...] farewell to the tiny [...] to town with

[...] the melodies [...] her aching heart. [...] village belle, had [...] to live in. Now [...] her young heart [...] never knew that [...] love her for her [...] but for her

[...] take long to heal [...] seldom stay [...] in a fit of men[...] decided to leave [...] Chanda and the Vaid [...] him. In the hills [...] stray blind child [...] her home. Soon [...] mother came [...] child.

[...] that the little [...] shelter to was [...] daughter Babli, and [...] his wedded wife. Chanda also learnt [...] she had been [...] in the air. This [...] little world to [...] all that she had [...] other woman had [...] she had lost. The [...] saw all this hap[...] and remained silent. [...] from the hills [...] and under orders [...] the [...] she had once [...] wrongdoing of her

[...] ailing Chanda [...] father and her [...] the village. Sar[...] had lost its pas[...] and its expression in sympathy for his disillusioned beloved.

Tragedy struck and Babli died as the result of a fall from the roof. Chanda was blamed for this tragic death. Binu thundered her accusations against Chanda who, in spite of it all, remained quiet. She spoke with the dignity of a woman who had lost a lot and was prepared to lose more. With tears in her eyes she told Binu: "If you hold me responsible for Babli's death, for the ruin of your tiny little world, I will give my own life to build it anew. I shall challenge fate; I shall challenge God, I shall give you back your Babli. I promise it and I mean to keep my promise."

It was a grim promise, a promise that determined of something that is dearer to a woman than her life. Chanda, the poor, simple girl from a remote village, kept her promise. How?

MARILYN MONROE'S 10 MEN

MARILYN MONROE, America's No. 1 pinup girl of 1953, when asked to choose her idea of a fascinating man, played safe and chose ten men. Included in the ten is Mr. Nehru, India's great Prime Minister. Miss Monroe says, "I like what he stands for. Nobility, I think you'd call it."

GHULAM HAIDER IS DEAD

GHULAM HAIDER, noted music director of Pakistan, and one of the most popular men in undivided India, died last month aged forty five. He had been suffering from cancer. His passing is not only a loss to Pakistan and India, but to all music-loving people in Asia.

CINEMASCOPE

A NEW miracle is about to be launched on South African screens. First financial returns from "The Robe"—the first film to be photographed in the cinemascope process—indicate that the Biblical drama is going to be Hollywood's biggest money-spinner ever. It will leave such box-office stalwarts as "Gone With the Wind" and "Quo Vadis" limping.

Exactly how long cinemascope is going to keep movies queues forming is questionable. The "wide screen" and the "panoramic screen" are already taken for granted. Many people, indeed, prefer the smaller, clearer screen. 3-D is played out, and retains a sort of tawdry side-show curiosity appeal.

Cinemascope has the best chance of all. From a spectator's point of view, cinemascope not only offers a better image than any of the 3-D systems that require polaroid glasses, but it is also superior to any of the other wide-screen systems so far developed. Cinemascope gives the viewer a sense of depth and a feeling of genuine audience participation.

With the advent of cinemascope, picture houses might as well kiss their 3-D movies goodbye. The public will no longer go through the discomfort and annoyance of seeing pictures through dark and cumbersome spectacles.

IT'S RITA AGAIN

SINGER Dick Haymes says that he and his wife Rita Hayworth, whose fourth husband he is, have received an offer of 500,000 dollars to make their first motion picture together. Haymes said that the offer from Campeon Films, Mexico City, also includes participation privileges that could amount to another 500,000 dollars.

HINDI SWAMIJI

AMIR MULLICK, producer of the Bengali film-biography of Swami Vivekananda under the title of "Swamiji", has completed plans for a Hindi version of it.

The name role of Swami Vivekananda will be played by Ajit Chatterjee. Brought up in Uttar Pradesh, Chatterjee speaks Hindi correctly and fluently and has a very close resemblance to Swami Vivekananda.

The production will be made on the big scale it deserves and Amar Mullick himself will direct.

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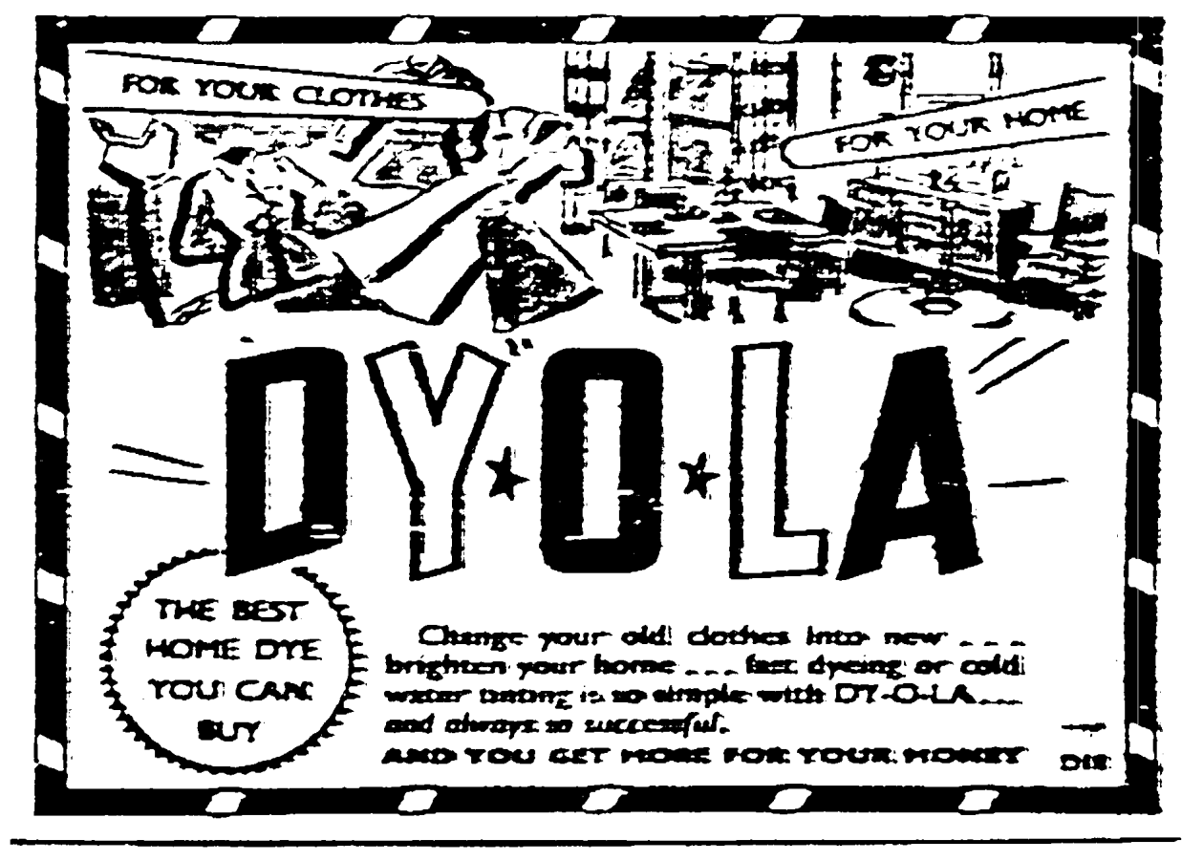
Maritzburg Welfare Secretary

MARITZBURG.—The appointment of Miss Loganbal Chetty to the secretaryship of the Maritzburg Indian Child Welfare Society will be welcome in all quarters. She assumed duties on January 2.

Miss Chetty resigned from the teaching profession in 1947 to study social science at the Jan Hofmeyr School. On graduating three years later she resumed her former profession at the Shree Vishnu Government-Aided Indian School in Maritzburg as no vacancy was available in the Department of Social Welfare. Last year, however, after representations had been made to the Department by the Maritzburg Indian Child Welfare Society on the urgent need for a full-time secretary, Miss Chetty's appointment was confirmed in November.

Miss Chetty was happy to receive the appointment when I interviewed her [illegible] "The Leader" reporter. It is her vocation, she says. And if her early enthusiasm is any criterion, the under-privileged members of the community have found a real friend.



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As this memory ends the sixth year,
We miss his kind speaking and loving ways,
All those past days when we think of you and fear,
With him we spent such happy days,
But these days, flowers placed upon your grave,
May wither and decay,
As thoughts of you, dear soul will never fade away.

Always remembered by his loving parents, brothers, sisters, uncle, aunts, sister-in-law, grandmother, relatives and friends, c/o 4 [illegible] Road, Jacobs.

CHETTY.—In loving memory of our beloved mother, Munammah, who tragically passed away on the 15th January, 1949:
We have only a beautiful Mama
To remember our whole lives through,
But the memories will linger for ever, "Mother"
As we treasure that memory of you.

Ever remembered and sadly missed by your dear daughters, sons-in-law, grand and great-grand children, "Andra Villa", Springvale, Avoca.

RAJPAUL.—In loving memory of my dear daughter-in-law, wife and our darling mother, Mrs. J. S. Rajpaul who passed away on January 11th, 1949:
The blow was great, the shock severe;
We little thought your death so near,
Sleep on dear mother, for ill is free,
You suffered much and told but few,
The One who knew you needed rest,
Was God alone, and He knew best,

Sadly missed and always longed for by mother-in-law, husband and children, 727 Umgeni Road, Durban.

[illegible] and Maharaj Govt.-Aided Indian School, [illegible]

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Registrar.

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That you were called to heaven.
This day brings to us a memory
Of one we loved so dearly.
Hearts that loved you, will never forget.
For one like you we'll never get.

Inserted by the officials and members of Hindu Cultural Society, Maritzburg.

IN MEMORIAM
MANICKUM NAICKER.

In loving memory of Paul Chinsamy (Robert) [illegible] constable who passed away on December 28, 1953, aged 32.
This is a day of remembrance
As this ends the first sad year.
Deep in our hearts a memory is kept,
Of one we loved and shall never forget.
Day by day he bore his pain,
Hoping for cure, but all in vain;
Till God above thought it best,
And gave him eternal rest.

Always remembered by his loving children, sister and brothers.

ROOPAN.

In treasured memory of our dear son, [illegible] (Dassy) who passed away under tragic circumstances on January 18, 1953.
A son so good is hard to find
Always cheerful, bold and kind;
He was so happy as he was agile,
Very seldom seen without a smile.

Ever remembered by father, mother, brothers, sisters, sister-in-law and children.

Appreciation

Mr. and Mrs. D. Pillay, of 418 Boom Street, Maritzburg, thank all friends and relatives for their presence and gifts at the christening ceremony of their son, Jayaseelan, at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gounden, 358 Bellair Road, Durban, on January 10, 1954.

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"The Leader" Editorial

PIETERMARITZBURG, FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 1954

A NEW DANGER

THE situation which has arisen as a result of the American offer of military aid to Pakistan is fraught with the greatest dangers. The unfortunate conflict between Pakistan and India has, so far, been kept within bounds and has not threatened to involve the Indian sub-continent in the struggle between East and West. If, however, Pakistan should turn to America for aid, and so receive assistance which might appear to endanger India, there would be a strong temptation for India, in her turn, to seek salvation in an approach to Russia. Already the strongest hints of such a course of action have been given by New Delhi.

The consequences of such a development might prove disastrous, not only to India and Pakistan, but to the whole world. The conflict over Kashmir is at present limited in its possibilities for harm, but if Pakistan and India each seek aid in a foreign alliance, Kashmir might prove to be the [illegible]ing-point for a new world war.

Whatever view one takes of the Kashmir proble[illegible] other sources of [illegible] Indian and Pakista[illegible] certain that only [illegible] of any attempt [illegible] through foreign allia[illegible] stan's eagerness [illegible] is understandable [illegible] the United States [illegible] much to answer fo[illegible] eagerness to achie[illegible] circlement of Russ[illegible] [illegible] so complete the [illegible] East and West.

Commercial Radio

AFTER more than two years of commercial broadcasting it is not unreasonable to take stock of the situation and ask ourselves what benefits it has brought.

For ourselves, we can see few advantages and many grave disadvantages in the new programmes. Above all, it is disappointing to find that the introduction of commercial broadcasting, with its inevitable lowering of cultural standards, has not encouraged the organisers of the non-comm[illegible] grammes to improve [illegible] of their own progra[illegible] the contrary, the [illegible] for cheap popularity [illegible] to be expected of [illegible] broadcasting, has com[illegible] itself, or so it see[illegible] other services of the [illegible]

This is perhaps [illegible] ing. In the world of [illegible] ment, as elsewhere, [illegible] strong tendency for [illegible] rency to drive out [illegible] advent of commerc[illegible] has, in our view, pro[illegible] a grave blow to [illegible] there were that [illegible] might prove a [illegible] ment for the spread [illegible] cation and enlighte[illegible] each large town [illegible] transmitter broadcast[illegible] kaans, English and [illegible] the Europeans of [illegible] and for the most pa[illegible] grammes appear [illegible] each other in [illegible] empty-headedness. [illegible] now adds commerci[illegible] pations to the politi[illegible] on its liberty of [illegible] with such an [illegible] would be foolish [illegible] any serious contrib[illegible] broadcasting to the [illegible] of a healthy national [illegible]

THE ANNUAL
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of the
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NATAL INDIAN CONGRESS
will be held on
Sunday, 31st January 1954
at the
REGENT CINEMA
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AGENDA:
1. Minutes.
2. Chairman's Address.
3. Joint Secretarial Report.
4. Treasurer's Financial Report.
5. Elections.
6. Election of Delegates for the 7th Annual Provincial Conference.
7. Resolutions.
8. General.

ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

[illegible],
Acting Chairman.
C/o 1 Queen St., Maritzburg.

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HILL STREET, OVERPORT
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All members residing in Overport and District are kindly requested to attend.

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Enrolment will take place at the University [illegible] (entrance at the rear of Sastri College), Winterton Walk, on the following days:

B.A. Students (part-time): Friday, February [illegible] p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Saturday, February [illegible] a.m. to 12 noon and 2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

B.Soc. Sc. Students: Saturday, February [illegible] p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

B.Ed. and U.E.D. Students: Saturday, February [illegible] a.m. to 12 noon.

Remedial Education Students: Saturday, February [illegible] a.m. to 12 noon.

B.Com. Students: Saturday, February [illegible] p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

B.A. Students (full-time): Wednesday, February [illegible] a.m. to 12 noon and 2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Students unable to attend at the times given above should make a special appointment.

Students who intend to enrol for the University Education Diploma or for the first year Bachelor of Commerce Course are asked to notify the Organiser as soon as possible as the formation of these courses will depend on the number of students enrolling.

N.B.—All part-time students who enrol after February 20 and full-time students who enrol after February 24, will be liable for £1 late fee fine and £2 late fee fine if they register after March 20.

A fixed timetable will be posted on the notice boards of the University of Natal Offices, non-European Section, and students should acquaint themselves with this before enrolling. No 1954 classes will not be held on Saturdays after 1 p.m. nor on Sundays.

Opening of University Residences (Wentworth), from February [illegible] students coming from a long distance may go to the hostel in the first place, provided they notify the Hostel Warden, but it may not be possible to admit them for permanent residence as the accommodation at Wentworth is reserved in the first instance for medical students.

Further particulars and all necessary forms will be provided on application to the Organiser, non-European Section, University of Natal, Durban (Phone [illegible]).

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TO PAREN[illegible]

The officials will be a[illegible] at the above school [illegible] January 18, to Frida[illegible] 1954, between 3 and [illegible] for receiving admission [illegible] for the new school term [illegible] and discuss your prob[illegible]

R. R. MAHAR[illegible]
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[illegible]N.—In a statement to [illegible] Leader," the organis[illegible]tary, Mr. R. Bux, of [illegible] Festival Society for [illegible] Friendship, said that [illegible]ing and athletic section [illegible]gramme will be held at [illegible]jan Currie's Fountain [illegible] April 18 and 19.

[illegible] other section of its programme, namely, cultural and [illegible] will be held during the [illegible] in a hall.

[illegible] opening will, it is understood, be preceded by floats depicting the political and cultural development of the country [illegible] mass singing by the [illegible]

[illegible] Natal Festival Society [illegible] appeals to the people [illegible] to prepare for this [illegible] and cultural event.

[illegible] interested may contact [illegible] for further particulars [illegible] West Street, Durban.

Points from Readers' Letters

S.A.I.O.: "Mystery Move:" replies to Mr. Pather

IN the last issue of "The Leader", Mr. P. R. Pather replied to certain criticisms levelled against the [illegible] "mystery move" of the South African Indian Organization. His statement has resulted in the two following letters—one from the Natal Indian Youth Congress and one from Mr. Cassim Amra.

The Youth Congress letter reads:

Mr. Pather, instead of dealing with the crux of the criticisms made against his Organisation, decided to divert his attention to an attack against his attackers, and even to sink so low as to imply that full-time political functionaries do not want a settlement of the so-called Indian question as they might lose jobs. I do not think it is necessary for me to deal with this particular point as it will only be an insult to the intelligence of the vast majority of your readers.

Now, in order to understand (to use Mr. Pather's own language), "the vituperations of the Indian Youth Congress and the 'Indian Opinion,'" one has to analyse the various statements made by the S.A.I.O. since the "mystery move" article first appeared in your paper on December 4.

RUMOURS

In that article your correspondent, reporting on an all-night session of the S.A.I.O. executive, stated that there had been rumours that an influential section of the S.A.I.O. were prepared to approach the Indian Government with a request that the Indian dispute be withdrawn from the United Nations General Assembly. These rumours were not without foundation. For, the editor of a local Indian weekly, with strong S.A.I.O. sympathies, actually suggested this move in his editorial columns.

Be that as it may, the issue of "The Leader" of December 11, carried another news item in which it was reported that the President of the S.A.I.O., Mr. A. M. Moola, had refused to release certain correspondence that had passed between the Government and himself on the grounds that such a disclosure would be "premature."

The question that is perturbing the minds of the Indian people is: what was the nature of this correspondence and for whom did the S.A.I.O. speak?

ADMITS

In your issue of December 18, Mr. Moola admits having discussed "Many aspects of the Indian situation," with Dr. Dönges. He goes on to say that these discussions were of a personal and explanatory character within the policies of the Organisation (S.A.I.O.).

If there was nothing to hide why does not Mr. Moola publicise the correspondence referred to above? Surely the public has a right to know what transpired during such discussions?

Mr. Pather, in his statement, wants us to believe that all that was discussed at the S.A.I.O. meeting was to devise ways and means to bring about a round table conference between the Governments of India, Pakistan and South Africa. Did it take them all night to do this?

How can one trust the people who concluded the notorious "Pretoria Agreement," wherein the interests of the vast majority of our people were sacrificed? How can one trust the people who, after agreeing with the Congress and the Rate Payers Association to put forward a united stand against the principles of group areas and who, immediately after a few "crumbs" had been offered at Reservoir Hills, decided to jump at the opportunity to accept the Act by submitting proposals to the Tenure Board?

No, Mr. Pather, you are asking us to believe too much.

MR. CASSIM AMRA, of Durban writes:

MR. PATHER denies that it has ever been suggested in the S.A.I.O. "that the Indian case should be withdrawn from the United Nations." It may be true that such a point of view has never been discussed in the executive, but it is an open secret in Indian political circles that the top leadership of the S.A.I.O. is disturbed by the continued criticism of South Africa at UNO and by the Indian Government.

This top leadership has been toying with the idea of making representation to the Government of India with the view of withdrawing the Indian case for UNO. The rumour-mongering S.A.I.O. has found its negotiations with the Malan Government made difficult by external criticism of South Africa, and the internal opposition of the non-Europeans through the Defiance Campaign.

IDEAL

The Nationalist Government, faced with external as well as internal difficulties, has been looking around for non-Europeans and naturally the S.A.I.O., to the astute mind of Dr. Dönges, would be the ideal organisation to play the game of the Government.

The S.A.I.O. top leadership has been slow to show their hands, partly because of their fear of Indian public reaction, and partly because they are not certain of the bona-fide of Nationalist Government overtures.

[illegible] Mr. Pather says, the S.A.I.O. leadership represents a very small strata of the Indian people.

Regarding the claim of Mr. Pather that the S.A.I.O. will not "act contrary to the best interests of the Indian people," I merely comment that the interest of the Indian people cannot be equated with the interests of the S.A.I.O. They are poles apart.

Pinetown Group Area Plans

PINETOWN.—The Pinetown Town Council have now published their amended plans for the different Group Areas in Pinetown which they have forwarded to the Land Tenure Advisory Board for approval. These plans briefly read as follows. The triangular block known as the Moodie Street area which is now predominantly Indian owned is earmarked for European occupation. This is also the fate of all areas which are at present Indian. Hillbrand area owned by Indian farmers, Underwood area owned by Indian farmers, Motley Road area owned by Indian residents, Gillitts Road area owned by Indian farmers.

Perhaps their whole plan is much better explained and understood by everybody if it merely read: "The whole town of Pinetown irrespective of anything is earmarked and planned for European occupation only. The Indians must move three miles west of the town into the bush presently unoccupied, the land being mostly virgin. The Natives who have their line three miles east of Pinetown on the hill-tops must move three miles farther east. Not a single European is affected.

It seems that the general pattern followed by all the towns who have so far published their Group Areas plans is to uproot the entire Indian communities from the central positions in the towns and settle them on the "other side" of the boundary. Usually the other side of the railway line, or the other side of the river or other side of the hills and somewhere into unoccupied bush.

Although it is claimed that this Act is directly aimed at those who have penetrated into European areas, Pinetown is one example of how this Act will cripple all Indians, irrespective of whether they are pioneers in a certain area or not.

At a mass meeting of the Indian Ratepayers of Pinetown and district held on Sunday, 6th December, 1953, it was unanimously resolved that the Indian community deplored the Group Areas Plans of the Borough of Pinetown in which it sought to uproot the entire Indian community living in Pinetown.

It has been an accepted fact, recognised by the Town Council that the Indian community has never given the slightest cause to the local authorities for the drastic and unjust action proposed against them. Indians have not penetrated into European areas and have always displayed their civic responsibility and responsive readiness to any cause sponsored for the welfare of the town as a whole.

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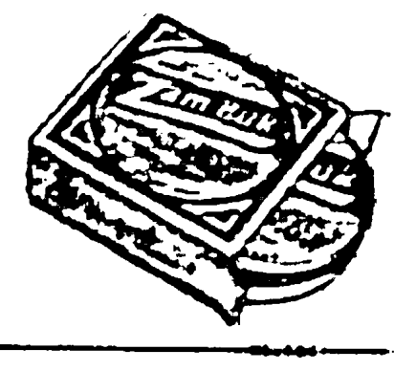

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MY DEAR CHILDREN,

It's a long time since we have had competitions in these columns, isn't it? In the past our competitions were mostly compositions and the solving of crosswords. Let's have something new now. A drawing competition wouldn't be amiss. Now for the details.

You are allowed to draw anything you like in any medium (crayons, paint, chalk, Indian ink, oil colours, starch, etc.) on drawing paper. What you draw must be original, that is, not copied from any books or traced. Nobody should assist you either.

The best drawing will receive a handsome book prize. Send your entries without delay to: "Drawing Competition", Junior Leader, 341 Pine Street, Durban.

PEN FRIENDS CORNER

The following is a list of names of pen pals for this week. Those desiring pen pals should write their names in full, address, date of birth, interests and from where pen pals are required, on a piece of paper together with the writer's signature. No requests from pen pals will be considered if the letters are not signed.

Harrinand Sadapal (18), P.O. Box 4, Port Shepstone, Natal, would like to have pen pals from any part of the world. Interests: soccer and cycling.

Miss Krishnaveni Govender (15), c/o Fountain Head Store, P.O. [illegible], Umkomaas, Natal, whose interests are in magazine reading, collecting pictures and songs, would like to have pen friends from any part of the world.

Narainsamy Naidoo (13), c/o Sugar Mill, Amatikulu, Zululand, is interested in soccer, cinema and songs. He would like to correspond with pen pals from the Union and overseas.

Miss Sheila Dukhie (15), c/o Griffith Road, Newclare, Johannesburg, whose interests are in ping pong, music and reading, desires pen friends from the Union and overseas.

Miss L. P. Reddy (17), c/o S.S.C.C., P.O. [illegible], Natal, desires pen pals from any part of the world. Interests: reading, cycling and music.

Dan Naidoo (18), D. and D. Club, P.O. Box 22, Dundee, Natal, wants pen pals from any part of the Union. Interests: music and movies.

RIDDLES

Dayanand Nepaul, c/o P.O. Box 2224, Durban, sends the following riddles:

(1) What is that before you but which you cannot see?
(2) Why is a watch like a river?
(3) What is all over the house?
(4) What well known animal always drives an automobile?
(5) What is that which though black enlightens the world?
(6) What is the difference between [illegible] and one that hears him?
(7) What stays hot in a refrigerator?
(8) What word of five letters has one left when you take away two?

ANSWERS

(1) Future. (2) Because it won't run long without winding. (3) The roof. (4) Road hog. (5) Ink. (6) [illegible] (7) Mustard. (8) Stone (St-one).

QUIZ, PUZZLES AND JOKES FROM MEMBERS

Canal Naicker, of P.O. Box 22, [illegible]. Each group of words hints at the clue to a well known flower. Can you detect the flower?

(1) The past tense of a verb.
(2) A card game and a fabulous monster.
(3) A vehicle and a people.
(4) Frozen vapour and a fall.
(5) A musical instrument.

(Answers Below)

Cassim Ally, of 115 Field Street, Durban, writes: In each of the following words some letters are missing. The clues are given before each number.

(1) An edible fish:
H A — I — U T
(2) A precious stone:
— I A M O — D
(3) A kind of flower:
M — R I — O — D
(4) Animal found in Australia:
K — N G — R — O
(5) A young horse:
— O — T

(Answers Below)

Cecilia Rampersad, of 30 Millar Street, Sophiatown, Johannesburg, asks the following questions. Thinking caps are certainly needed!

(1) By whom was the Johannesburg City Hall opened?
(2) In Greek mythology, what giant bore the universe on his shoulders?
(3) Who was "Divine Sarah"?

(Answers Below)

M. [illegible], of 121 Pine Road, Clairwood, sent the following joke:

Father (who is about to beat small son): "Now look here, my boy, what do you do before you stick a stamp on an envelope?"

Son: "Lick it."

Father: "Very well, my boy, I'm going to lick you before I stick you in school."

K. [illegible], of Newlands School, [illegible], has this funny story to tell:

Teacher: "Summer makes things swell but winter makes things shrink. Can any of you boys give me an example?"

Rajan: "Certainly, sir. In summer, our holidays go up to six weeks, while in winter our holidays shrink to three weeks."

ANSWERS TO QUIZ AND PUZZLES

(1) Rose; (2) Snapdragon; (3) Carnation; (4) Snow Drop; (5) Viola. (1) Halibut; (2) Diamond; (3) Marigold; (4) Kangaroo; (5) Colt. (1) Earl Buxton, Governor General—1915; (2) Atlas; (3) Sarah Bernhardt.

GLEANINGS FROM "CHILDREN'S NEWSPAPER"

The skeleton of a giant man seven feet two inches tall and probably 1,000 years old has been found during road widening operations in the Lincolnshire village of Swallow, England.

The skeleton is thought to be that of an ancient Norseman who probably fell in battle.

[illegible] down from 50,000 feet in a shallow dive, Scott Crossfield, an American Government test pilot, recently attained 1,327 m.p.h. while flying a Douglas Skyrocket research plane over the Californian Desert. His airspeed was equal to twice that of sound at the height at which he was flying.

Tree-planting Goes with a Bang: A new method of tree-planting has recently been reported from Hungary. An explosive is placed in a small hole drilled in the earth to about a depth of 24 inches, and then detonated. The hole for planting is then produced; the heat of the explosion kills pests in the surrounding soil; and the nitrogen released from the charge improves the soil, acting as a fertiliser.

DEPOT ROAD SCHOOL MAGAZINE

The Depot Road Indian School, one of the oldest schools in Natal, whose records go back to [illegible], has at last undertaken the task of producing a school magazine. It has what a school mag. should have—the pupils' own efforts. The [illegible] is well done. Here's wishing the school mag. success in the future.

LAUGHS FOR YOUR LEISURE

A Sunday-school teacher was trying to impress on her pupils the need for [illegible] and told the story of a poor Native who broke his arm and was taken to hospital, where he learned for the first [illegible] Christianity.

"Very soon," she [illegible] "he was well and returned home. Now, how could he [illegible] more about religion?"

There was silence for a [illegible] then one bright child [illegible] "Please, miss, he could [illegible] other arm."

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An inspector boarding a [illegible] surprised to find the [illegible] sitting at ease and smoking [illegible] a flustered passenger was [illegible] about collecting fares.

"What's the meaning of [illegible]" he demanded. "You [illegible] and a passenger doing [illegible] work."

"That's all right," said [illegible] doctor, an ex-seaman. "[illegible] stowaway I found on [illegible] as he can't pay his [illegible] making him work his passage."

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"My boy was at school [illegible] years and came away [illegible] certificates."

"Huh! My lad was at [illegible] week and came away [illegible] watch."

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"You like your job [illegible] meteorological office?"

"Most interesting. You [illegible] know what will happen [illegible]"

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THE "GROWING" [illegible]

Mothers of small children [illegible] always complaining about [illegible] that the shoes of their [illegible] growing children become [illegible] for them, so that they cannot [illegible] them any longer, although [illegible] shoes are still far from [illegible] worn out. A shoe factory [illegible] Nijmegen, in Holland, [illegible] manufacturing, in accordance [illegible] a Norwegian patent, a [illegible] which this problem has [illegible] solved in a simple and [illegible] manner.

The head of the shoe [illegible] with a decorative small cap [illegible] is attached to the sole [illegible] of two press buttons. [illegible] the cap and the shoe [illegible] there is a strip which [illegible] moved, enlarges the [illegible] a size. If the cap is [illegible] the shoe is a full size larger.

Till Next Week,
Chachaji

Teenagers' column

HELLO TEENAGERS,

3-D films at last descended on the non-European film going public of the country when a local cinema showed "[illegible] War" last week to very good houses. This was my first 3-D experience, and the discomfort of wearing polaroid glasses and the peculiar hair-raising scenes which projected themselves before my viewers made me wince and grimace. This new film technique which has taken the film colony of Hollywood by storm is too realistic and gives the impression of a drama being enacted on a stage.

For all that, the new film technique is just a whim of the times and will not last. 3-D as a novelty is grand, but film patrons and critics do not hail it as the technique of tomorrow.

Another new film technique which will come to stay is cinemascope, where films are projected on a screen three times the width of a normal screen.

CINEMASCOPE

Cinemascope is the new wide-screen system requiring no polaroid glasses. Though genuinely not three-dimensional, cinemascope gives a very wide panoramic view and an illusion that the figures moving on it are "in the room".

It is all done by using a very wide, rather shallow, and slightly curved screen, with special lenses on the projector. When cinemascope pictures are shot the cameras have a new type of lens which "squeezes" a wide angle of vision into films of standard size, making the images look tall and thin.

Projecting the pictures through another special lens restores them to their natural proportions. To have also stereophonic sound recording, which means that when a figure moves to the right on the screen and speaks, the [illegible] seems to come from the [illegible]

Anything of an outside [illegible] is very impressive on the [illegible] magnified as to become [illegible]ing. The filmgoer, unlike [illegible]ing the flat-screen technique [illegible] given the impression of [illegible] the actors in cinemascope.

THE ROBE

The first cinemascope [illegible] "The Robe" starring [illegible] mons and Richard Burton. [illegible] Century-Fox Films have [illegible] a million pounds in this [illegible] prepared to take the [illegible] Gamble. Spyros P. [illegible] president of 20th Century, said: "Cinemascope or bust." [illegible] future productions [illegible] would be cinemascope.

20th Century invested [illegible] fortunes on this new [illegible]. They took a terrific chance [illegible] their gamble was worth it. "The Robe" took New York by [illegible] netting £112,570 in the [illegible] week—a world record. In [illegible] weeks "The Robe" brought [illegible] over a million pounds from various cinemas.

Cinemascope will soon [illegible]. It will revolutionise film [illegible]tion.

SCOTLAND YARD

The name "Scotland Yard" [illegible] derived from the original [illegible] quarters of the London Metropolitan Police Force, when it [illegible] formed in 1829. Originally [illegible] were buildings erected on [illegible] place where the Kings of Scotland lived when they came to [illegible] homage to the Kings of [illegible]

When the headquarters [illegible] moved 57 years later to [illegible] premises, these were [illegible] "New Scotland Yard." [illegible] building operations [illegible] mutilated body of a woman [illegible] found, but the new [illegible] unable to solve the murder.

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ur of the 28 Girl Guides from Durban and Maritzburg eturned from a tour of East London last week.

essage of the Stars

By SWAMI

[illegible] Guide for January [illegible] is as follows:—

[illegible]uary 15: Lunar Day [illegible] rules till 4.07 a.m. [illegible] Take no notice of [illegible] and trifling annoyances [illegible] by pains and [illegible] friction with brothers. [illegible] Adverse for Taurus, [illegible] Virgo, Cancer, Leo, Pisces.

[illegible]anuary 16: Lunar day [illegible] Sudi. Mrigasira rules [illegible] Moon enters Gemini at [illegible] no changes, removals [illegible] start nothing new [illegible] work on gain, and [illegible] Adverse for [illegible] and Sagittarius [illegible] of Aquarius and [illegible]

[illegible]nuary 17: Lunar day [illegible] till 1 a.m. Moon in [illegible] daily unfavourable [illegible] favours of those [illegible] and authority. [illegible] with friends. Adverse for Aries, Scorpio and [illegible] for those of Capricorn.

[illegible]nuary 18: Lunar day [illegible] rules till 12.30 a.m. [illegible] at 6.12 p.m. [illegible] those in good [illegible] official affairs. [illegible] Good for [illegible] and Sagittarius. Adverse [illegible] of Taurus, Libra.

[illegible]anuary 19: Lunar day [illegible] at 4.37 a.m. Pushya [illegible] Moon in Cancer. [illegible] the moon visible in [illegible] at 2.20 a.m. and [illegible] Mostly adverse for [illegible] Take no notice of [illegible] Control anxiety [illegible] Adverse for [illegible] Virgo, Cancer, Leo, Capricorn.

[illegible] January 20: Lunar [illegible] Vadi. Aslesha rules till 1.40 a.m. Moon enters Leo at 1.41 a.m. A promising day on the whole. Good for beginning new undertakings, asking favours, selling and speculating. Good for Sagittarius and Aquarius. Adverse for those of Aries and Scorpio.

Thursday, January 21: Lunar day 2nd, Magha rules till 2.20 a.m. Moon in Leo. Allied to business connected with shipping, perfumes and brewing. Take journeys by sea, rail and air. Good day for children's affairs. Good for folks of Pisces.

Stormy weather with heavy rains and unsettled conditions in places is expected about January 16 to 17 and again about 20 to 22.

The good days to plant or sow seasonal crops bearing fruit above the ground are January 17 and 18.

The lucky numbers and colours to apply on the Turf on January 16th are 3, 4, 8, 6, 12, 13, 14 and 18.

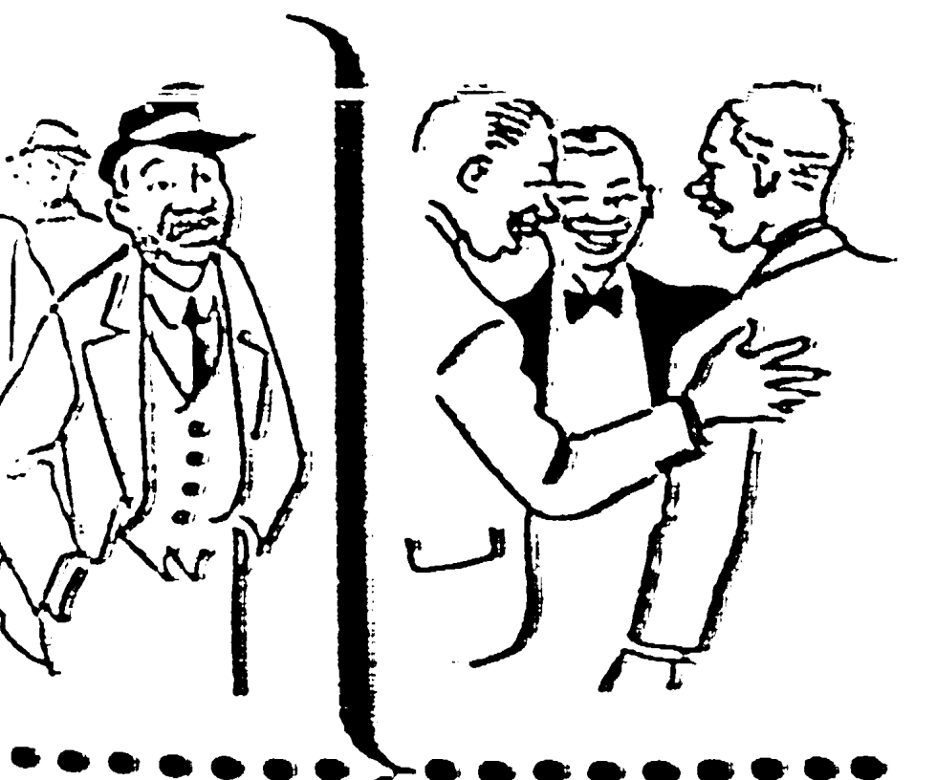
Colours: Pink, dove, blue, grey, yellow.

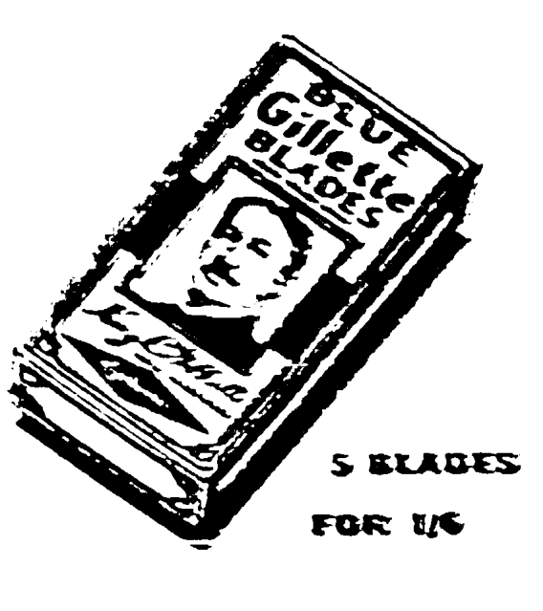
SIRDAR

Indian Professor Gets World Post

GENEVA. — Dr. Saiyid M. H. Naqvi, of Bulandshahr, Uttar Pradesh, India, has been appointed by the World Health Organisation to be medical statistician to the Public Health Demonstration project in Calioub, Egypt.

His last post was that of lecturer in social medicine at the University of Lucknow. Dr. Naqvi studied in Lucknow, in London and at the John Hopkins University, Baltimore, United States.





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MARITZBURG GROUP AREAS

IN connection with the new proposals made by the Planning and Reference Committee in regard to zoning of areas under the Group Areas Act, Mr. S. R. Naidoo, President of the Natal Indian Organisation (Maritzburg branch), has issued the following statement.

Every Indian knows the effect and working of the Group Areas Act. It contains a vast and complicated machinery to create separate areas for the ownership and occupation of White, Indian, Coloured and Native groups.

The ultimate aim of the Act is to establish areas for different racial groups following the policy of apartheid—segregation—on the territorial basis of the Nationalist Government.

The Act and its underlying policy were opposed by the Indian community without avail. What line of action the Indian community should adopt was discussed at the Johannesburg conference of the South African Indian Organisation in 1951.

This conference, after deliberations on the acuteness of the situation created by the Group Areas Act, de[illegible] proposals to be brought under the Act should make representations to the Land Tenure Advisory Board as though under compulsion, rather than letting our case go by default. This policy of the Organisation in contesting plans to create areas for Indians, or to remove them to far off or undeveloped places, has exposed the real intention of the planners of areas in many instances to remove Indians from their settled areas and push them out to places where their livelihood and business will be affected. This, if achieved, would bring economic ruination to our people.

MARITZBURG ZONING

Now, coming to places of zoning, as far as Maritzburg and outlying areas are concerned, The Maritzburg Corporation has submitted its plan. The Planning and Reference Committee has made certain proposals which in effect alter and amend the Corporation plan.

In view of the grave situation created by the two plans, which aim at dislodging Indians from certain settled areas and transplanting them to new areas, the Organisation communicated with the authorities in Pretoria and obtained extension of time to March 12, 1954, within which to lodge representations on behalf of our community. The whole of the area within the Borough, and certain areas outside the Borough, will have to be reserved as a result of the proposals contained in the two plans.

Just over a year ago the Organisation submitted a memorandum on the Corporation plan. A special committee has been set up to study all proposals and to present a strong case on behalf of the Indians.

The areas vitally affected are: Pentrich, Plessislaer, Edendale, Wilgefontein, Slangspruit, Mount Partridge, upper portion of Church Street, and in some respects, the lower portion of Church Street. The Indian sports ground is included as an industrial area.

IMPLICATIONS

The special committee is now working on the implications of all proposals and collecting information, statistics and data to prepare its [illegible]

The Organisation, since the Group Areas Act was passed in 1950, has been constantly collecting information, preparing cases and assisting the local Indian community in defence of its vested rights.

In this life and death struggle, where established Indian settlements are threatened, our strength lies in acting and working together. There should be complete co-operation if we are to succeed in retaining what we own. The Organisation would be sorry to see any deviation from this course. Any sign of splitting up our resources would harm our struggle.

We regard the machinery of the Group Areas Act as an unfair attack upon our property rights. This alone should make us to fully [illegible] to maintain internal unity.

The special committee of the Organisation has decided to make an inspection of the various areas affected, to seek the aid of our people in the affected areas and obtain first hand information relating to those areas. Then only, the Organisation feels convinced, a strong case can be made out to defend our hearths and homes.

The Organisation has also decided to engage counsel to represent the case of Indians as a whole.

Moth's are grateful

COLENSO. — The M.O.T.H. organisation have run a voluntary ambulance service for all members of the community in Colenso and district. Some time ago the Moth ambulance broke down and it was found impossible to repair, so the Moths set about raising funds to purchase a new machine.

"I am proud to state that this new machine has now travelled some 3,200 miles carrying over 60 cases since going into commission in June, 1953," said Mr. W. H. Walden, Shellhole Commander, "[illegible]" Shellhole, in an interview with "The Leader."

He continued: "On Christmas afternoon I was visited by three members of the local community who presented me with the sum of £15 being proceeds from a competition which they had organised to raise funds toward the Colenso Moth ambulance.

"These gentlemen were Mr. Y. A. [illegible] of Amod & Sons, Mr. S. K. Reddy, principal of the Indian School and Police Constable J. H. David. The prize for the competition, a doll, was presented by Mr. [illegible] Naran, a local trader.

"This gesture was purely spontaneous and came as a most pleasant and welcome surprise. The Moths of Colenso have all been advised of this presentation and are unanimous in their appreciation of the effort by the Indian community."

Buddhist Temple For London

COLOMBO. — London will have a Buddhist temple next March.

Senator Cyril de Zoysa, one of the trustees of the London Vihare Fund, said that the Rev. Narada of Vajirarama Temple, had been invited to take charge of Buddhist activities there.

The Senator added that on a recent visit to London he held informal talks with Ceylon Buddhists and a sub-committee was appointed from amongst those present to draft the rules for a society to run the Temple.

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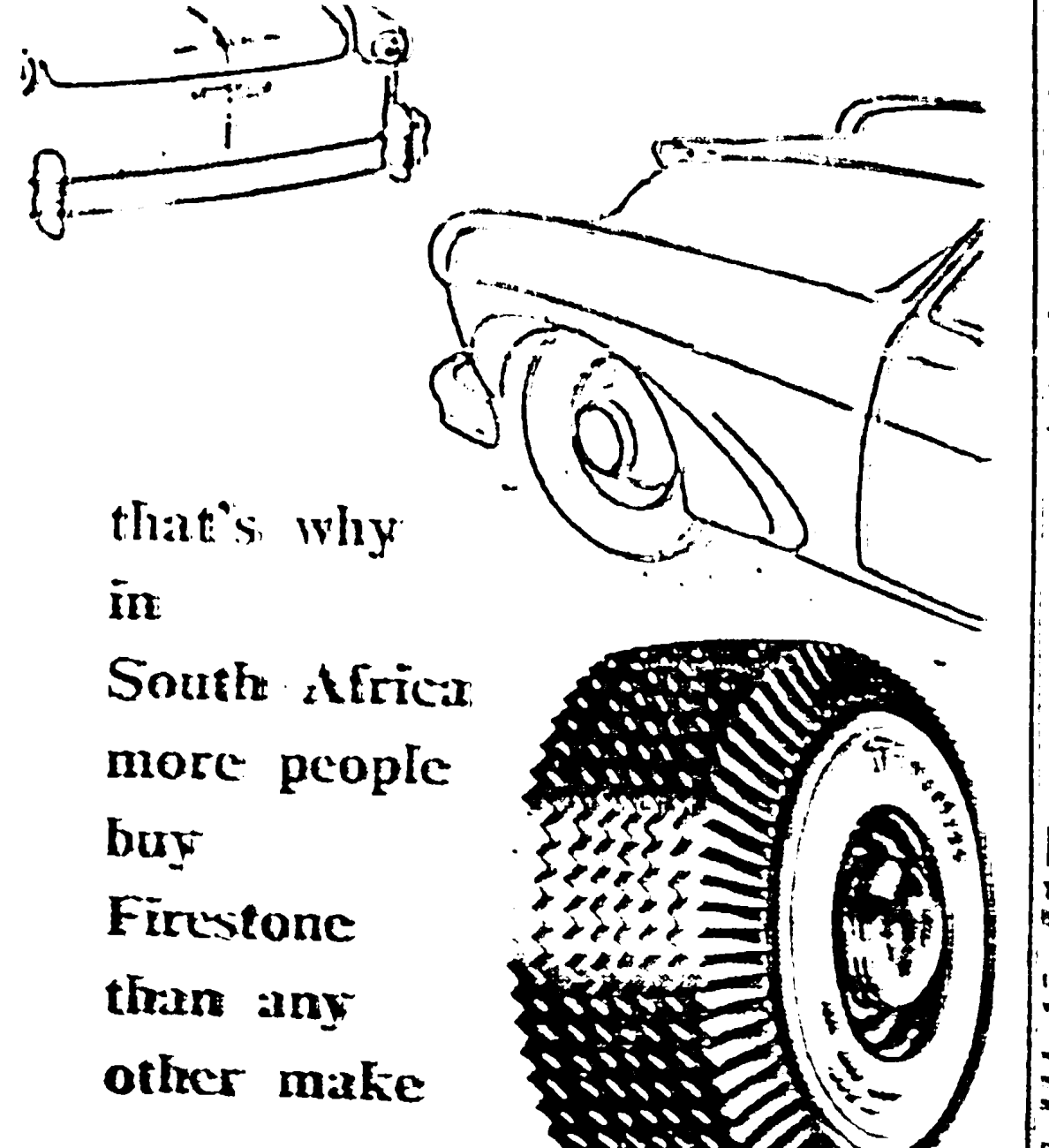

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Diary of the Week

GOLDEN-VOICED DOREEN

SO Doreen Msabe was the success I was certain she would be. She sang with the Durban Municipal Orchestra last Sunday night at the Durban City Hall and no amount of thanks would be sufficient to Mr. Edward Dunn, Durban's Director of music, who arranged this for her.

Doreen has a voice of rare quality, and to use Mr. Dunn's words, "with her outstanding voice and personality she will wipe all the American Negress singers off the map of England."

She was encored after every song and she was crowned the night's efforts with her most artistic rendition — "Rosary" — sung with feeling and intelligent expression.

[illegible] ality. She is always oozing happiness and I have yet to see her without her flashing smile showing a beautiful set of milk-white teeth. And for looks, you will want a second look.

I first met her in 1947, and it is a tribute to the care she takes of herself that she has hardly changed in the seven years I have known her. She will not just make a hit in London. She will crash in on the metropolis like a bombshell. Have no fear of it. Doreen will see to it.

MAYVILLE'S SMOKING CRICKETERS

AFTER boxing, cricket is my favourite sport. That it is the most gentlemanly of sports there can be little argument. There is a dignity about cricket that lifts it above the ordinary grind of pleasurable pursuits.

And when this great game is dragged down to the lowest level there is little cause for rejoicing. I was present at a match last week and saw some fielders in between over and soon after a man was dismissed, and before the next batsman was in, smoking as if they just didn't care. The umpires were unconcerned and the players couldn't worry two hoots. One man even dropped a catch because he had a cigarette in his hand. This sort of behaviour must be halted. Cricket can certainly do without players of this kind.

DARWIN'S THEORY CONFIRMED

DARWIN must have been a pretty smart chappie. Smarter than most people think, or like to think. Two Sundays ago a friend of mine drove me to his farm in Westville. Not out in the bundu, but close to the main road. Ripe, honey-coloured, red-tinted mangoes could be had by the hundred. I did not realise that there [illegible] I did, I would not have paid 3s. for a dozen just before Christmas. Or maybe, someone was just too clever for me. They always are.

But to get back to our friend Darwin. I have a sneaking suspicion that his theory of the evolution of man was correct. I left my hat and coat on the grass and was up a tree in a jiffy. I was flying through the air from one branch here and another branch there, clinging after this ripe mango, so that bigger, better and riper one. My friends were doing the same. I did not think that anything on legs could be so fast on a tree. If any monkeys had been about they would have blushed with shame.

And do you still think that Darwin was wrong? No. I think you think that he was right and for once you are not wrong. Or I don't think so.

HOUSE TO LET?

THERE stands a White Elephant in Lansdell Avenue, a spacious cottage of five rooms, well constructed, with beautiful green lawns flanking its every side. But the house is unoccupied and has been empty for more than three years. Reason?: the cruel, heartless inhuman Group Areas Act. With the worst housing shortage in Durban's history it is criminal that a house should stand empty when mothers are giving birth to children in hovels and little ones are growing up in slums, filth and dirt and squalor.

This street is predominantly Indian owned and occupied, but Dr. Donges will not permit the owner to occupy the property.

"BLACK" UNIVERSITIES

THERE seems to be no end to apartheid. As I see it, this monster of the Nationalists' creation will devour the very people who have created it. And now to crown their follies they propose to introduce [illegible] for "Black" and "White" universities. The essence of a university lies in its corporateness; in the fact that it gives people of different ways of life the chance to work side by side; that it gives them the chance to seek truth side by side. It is a means of bringing about understanding between peoples and an appreciation of each other's difficulties. But the Nats will not have it. It's illogical to expect them to, for they gain strength in a world full of suspicion, misunderstanding and darkness.

NATAL'S DANCE CHAMPIONS

NATAL'S brilliant young professional dance champions, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Francis, will be in the "City of Azaleas" next month to give a dance demonstration at the Red Cross Hall in the City Hall.

VULGAR POSTCARDS

DURBAN clergymen want the Government to ban coloured postcards, often showing scantily-clad women, which they claim are suggestive and filthy and a moral menace to South African schoolchildren and teenagers. The clergymen also maintain that as non-Europeans can also buy these the seriousness of their influence on the Bantu mind cannot be overemphasised. Which are the greater menace—White women with next to nothing on on the beach, or harmless picture postcards in shop windows? There is nothing evil about these postcards and a great fuss is being made about nothing. Our parsons are putting on no less than an act of injured innocence and outraged purity.

Why should it have any adverse effect on the Bantu mind? Which women are more scantily clad in this country than the rural Bantu females? And what biological difference is there between an African woman and a European woman?

What about the nudes in the "Folies Bergere." Funnily enough, the parsons remain silent. You'd be surprised what influence money can have, even in the most sacred places. To me, nature is always beautiful. It is the mind of man that is wicked.

Which reminds me of a joke a friend of mine told me on the train to Johannesburg a few years ago.

A very devout spinster, a regular church attender, telephoned the police to complain about the man next door who undressed without drawing his curtains. When the police arrived they told the spinster that they could not see the man from her room because of the high wall that separated the two houses.

But the spinster replied, "You can only see him undressing if you stand on a chair."

Durban's parsons may be doing the same thing.

HOSPITAL DANCE

THE nurses of Saint Aidan's Hospital had a very successful dance at St. Aidan's hall last Friday evening in aid of funds for theatre equipment. They raised approximately £22.

Dr. D. M. Bassa proved a competent master of ceremonies. He raised £3 in an American auction by selling a tie donated by himself. A novel competition was run with the sale of fancy caps with lucky numbers attached. Dr. Vinden made an excellent chauffeur running people around as late as 2 a.m. The Melodians provided first rate music and their services were given free.

It was a grand dance and Durban's dancing fraternity will flock to another. Let us hope the next one is soon.

"AAN" AT RANI

MEHBOOB'S extravaganza of colour, "Aan," which had a record run at the Royal in Durban, is being shown currently at the Rani Theatre in Clairwood. Mr. Vengtan, the manager, soft-spoken and always kind and courteous, tells me that he is showing four shows daily. This is a great picture featuring such leading stars as Dulip Kumar, Premnath, Nimmi and Nadira.

MOOLLA THE MAN

EVEN though Mr. A. M. Moolla, President of the South African Indian Organisation, and I have not seen eye to eye with each other over a certain matter that has occupied the news pages of this paper during recent weeks, I have not lost sight [illegible] a gentleman of the first water.

I have had occasion to go to him twice recently our ... he need not have ... and I found him most ... kind that ... wealth of ... consideration. He is a ... nessman, in his own ... successful politician," ... a man. That is as it ...

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Few Escape The TB Menace

PORT ELIZABETH: "Nearly everyone living in an urban area has been infected with tuberculosis," Dr. E. A. Richter, the Municipal T.B. Officer, said in Port Elizabeth recently at a meeting organised by the Port Elizabeth Indian Tuberculosis Fund Committee.

Dr. Richter was speaking on anti-tuberculosis work. About 50 people were present.

Although most people were, at some time, infected with tuberculosis, she said, comparatively few actually contracted the disease.

The disease might come in the form of a bad cold or an attack of influenza that passed off without the person knowing he had been infected with tuberculosis.

SOCIAL DISEASE

"Tuberculosis is a social disease," she said, "in which social and economic factors play as big a part as the invasion of the bacillus of the disease."

Both mental and physical fatigue helped lower one's resistance to the disease. People in executive positions who did not have enough relaxation could be as susceptible to tuberculosis as those living in the slums. Undernourishment and continued exposure to infection were also factors that could lead to contraction of the disease, she said.

Mrs. O. K. E. Pearson, chairman of the Tuberculosis Action Committee in Port Elizabeth, addressed the gathering on the Bethelsdorp Tuberculosis Settlement. The aim in building the settlement, she said, was to assist families in which the breadwinner had contracted tuberculosis.

£30,000 SPENT

About £30,000 was spent in relief to families over a period of four years, she said. At one time about £1,500 a month was being paid out.

During the evening, Mr. T. F. [illegible], chairman of the Port Elizabeth Indian Tuberculosis Fund Committee, handed to Mrs. Pearson a cheque for £[illegible] to build a tuberculosis clinic at the Bethelsdorp Tuberculosis Settlement.

When the meeting opened, Mr. E. [illegible], vice-chairman of the Tuberculosis Action Committee, was garlanded with flowers after Indian custom in recognition of his services to the community. Both Mrs. Pearson and Dr. Richter were presented with bouquets.

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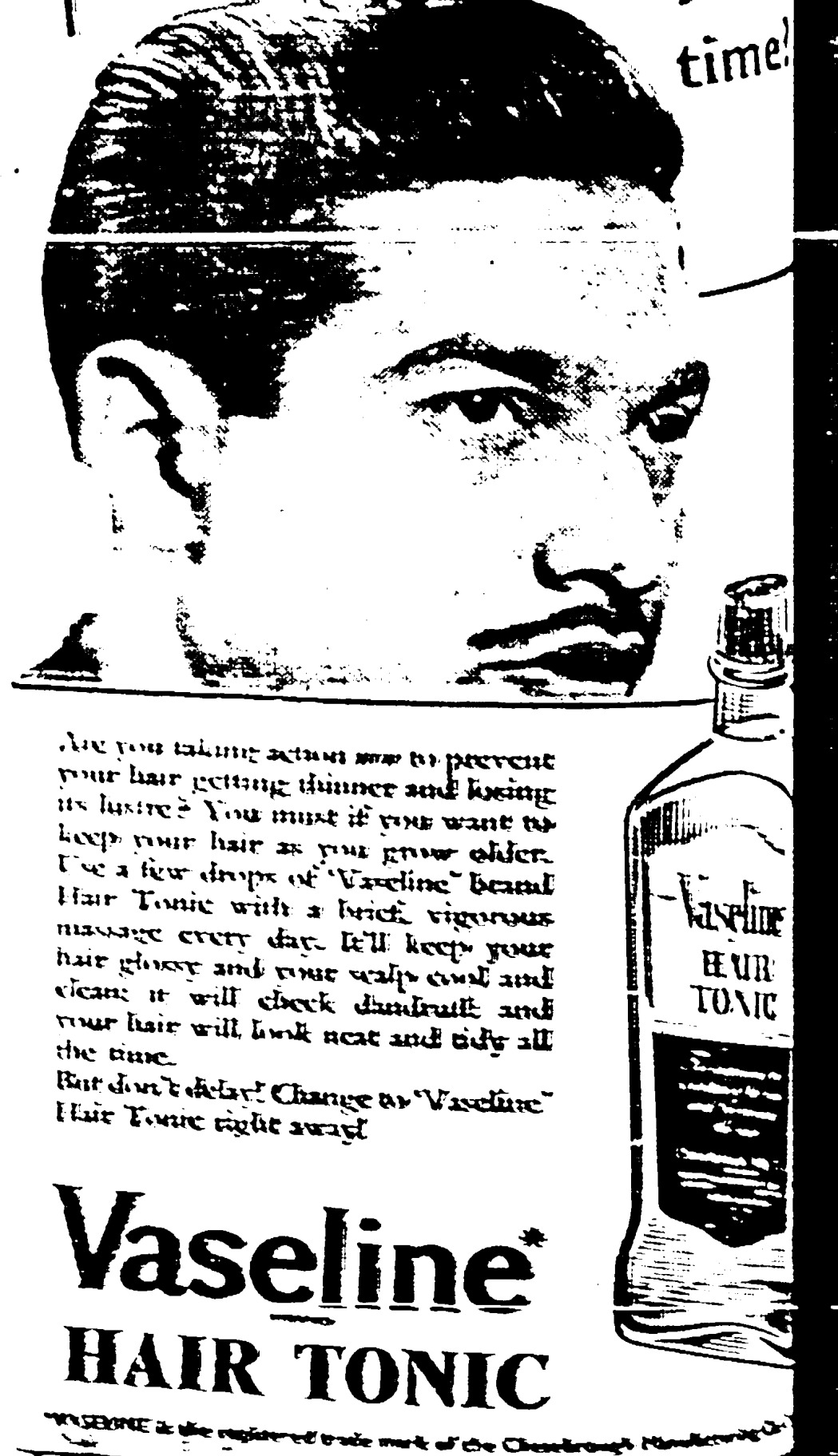

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1 CORKSCREW
2 SOLITUDE
3 VANDAL.

Eighth race, Scottsville Handicap, 2nd Division, 6 furlongs:
1 EPCO
2 KEREX
3 CRUISE ON
4 BELANGRIK

Ninth race, Scottsville Handicap, 2nd Division, 6 furlongs:
1 VIGOROUS
2 BLUE HEAVEN
3 BLEAU ROYAL
4 LOVING CUP

Durban Golf

DURBAN.—A greensome competition will be played on Sunday over 18 holes at Curroe's Fountain commencing at 8.30 a.m.

The "Natal amateur golf championship" is set down for January 28 and 31, 1954.

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SPORT PARADE

BY BOBBY HARRYPERSADH

NON-EUROPEANS in this country can look back on another eventful year in their sporting activities; a year marked by slow but steady progress towards the realisation of their aims. Much more progress could have been recorded had there not been three factors—the colour bar, inadequate playing facilities and finance—to contend with.

These three important considerations will continue to engage the attention of our sports administrators for sometime, and the New Year should see increased planning in the various branches of sport in a concerted effort to consolidate resources, and with an urgency bordering on desperation, to reach financial equilibrium.

Improvement in standards will have to be maintained, and to achieve this end a commonsense and business like approach is needed. Coach schemes and the encouragement of youngsters—particularly in school, which should provide an excellent nursery—should receive attention.

REALISTIC APPROACH

IT must be admitted by every intelligent person that the days of slipshod and haphazard methods are definitely over. All progressive countries are adopting a more realistic approach in their efforts at achieving perfection in the various branches of sport. Such big world events as the Olympiad, Empire Games, Asian Games and professionalism in sport, have proved this point.

A man with some sporting achievement attains a sort of dignity and prestige. It matters no difference whether he is an ordinary factory worker or shop assistant in his private life, the accomplished sportsman now justly claims as a reward for his attainments enough facilities to satisfy his requirements. He looks to the sports administrators for certain essential amenities for increased activity and enthusiasm and honours on the sports field. In response to this demand various branches of sport which value their reputation and progressive outlook have started coach schemes and are making rapid strides. It is a proven fact that better attention and facilities lead to a better type of player whose output and quality of performance is far superior to his less fortunate sportsman. Money spent on a coach scheme is an excellent investment, as it steps up competition, helps to improve standards and causes keener interest resulting in swelling dividends.

FEDERAL BODIES IN S.A.

IN the realm of sport, posterity will pay tribute to the heritage left by certain Coloured, Indian and African officials in the pioneering work connected with the formation of federal bodies in South Africa. There is no doubt that federation has unlimited potentialities if wisely administered with the goodwill and continued co-operation of affiliated units.

Federation in the various branches of sport can be put on the international map as the largest controlling bodies, particularly soccer and cricket in Africa. One day, perhaps, some formula may be hit upon whereby our strength could be matched at the Olympic Games. Affiliation to the International Soccer Federation will be one of the moves of federation.

On the home front, the absolute control of inter-race matches in South Africa will be an essential feature. Federation representing the combined strength of all sections of the community will provide a force to be reckoned with against the best in the world. To bear out this point, in recent years, the national inter-race games in soccer and cricket have provided the yardstick to measure the potentialities of non-White standards, when the best were seen in action. Therefore, there is no doubting the fact that we have promising young sportsmen, who if given the opportunity and encouragement, should achieve higher honours in sport.

SUPREME IDEALS

THE supreme ideals for which we strive, the glorious traditions of sport, sportsmen, sporting spectators, and above all the highest ethics of sportsmanship, it is hoped, will continue to prevail in the New Year. And last but not least, in the period under review we have seen the marked progress of federal bodies which propose to embrace the whole country on a truly national footing. It is to be hoped that this commendable step will continue to receive all possible support, becoming truly national in character with a wide membership from all over the country and for the common object of the furtherance of national sport.

And thus, does the mark of non-European sport continue—a mark that is to be crowned with success must be co-ordinated with national discipline, character and well being. For without them, sport can never be regarded as a national need.

In this era of greater interest and enthusiasm, the capability of sport to dynamise the country's character is a widely recognised fact. Sport has a higher and distinct national importance—it represents an organic part of the life of the community, a part that is lively and growing—that will uplift the standard of life of the people as it grows.

CAN SEABELA BEAT MOKONE?

DURBAN.—The two greatest lightweights in this country, classical Elijah Mokone, South African champion and recent conqueror of Alby Tissong, and his outstanding challenger and most formidable rival, "Perpetual Motion" young Seabela, meet in a lightweight championship contest over 12 rounds in a Sammy Chetty promotion at City Park [illegible] next Friday night, writes Joe Francis.

This is the fight that all South Africa has been waiting to see. There is the champion, classy, clever and moulded in the upright, left foot forward, orthodox English style. He [illegible] No wonder they call him "Quick-Silver" Elijah Mokone. His bobbing and weaving make him a difficult target for anybody, and his rapier-like left hand moves with the precision of a piston rod.

Then there is the challenger, Seabela, of the boyish face, as ferocious as a tiger, as strong as an elephant and with the heart of a lion. This boy knows no fear. He is a relentless [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] No man who has stepped into the ring with him has come out without being handed the beating of his life. Not even Mokone in their first engagement came out unscathed. He succumbed to the flying fists of this "Human Hurricane" in the ninth stanza.

But Mokone has come a long way since then. And the improved Mokone is going to be a different proposition. The Mokone who handsomely beat Alby Tissong in Capetown was not the same boxer who was defeated by Seabela. But critics in the Transvaal say that the challenger too has come a long way since then. We shall see.

In the chief preliminary Slumber David meets Kid Bogart, the Transvaal schoolteacher, who went the full distance with Empire flyweight champion Jake Tuli in their Capetown South African bantamweight champion bout. This fight should be worth going a long way to see. David is fit again and wants to have one or two contests in this country before going overseas himself. His desire is to go to Australia.

In a Natal bantamweight title contest Shaik Osman, the holder, meets Harry Naidoo over 10 rounds. Both these boys are crowd pleasers and a very good fight should ensue.

Two other preliminaries have been arranged and a good night's boxing is in store for Durban boxing fans.

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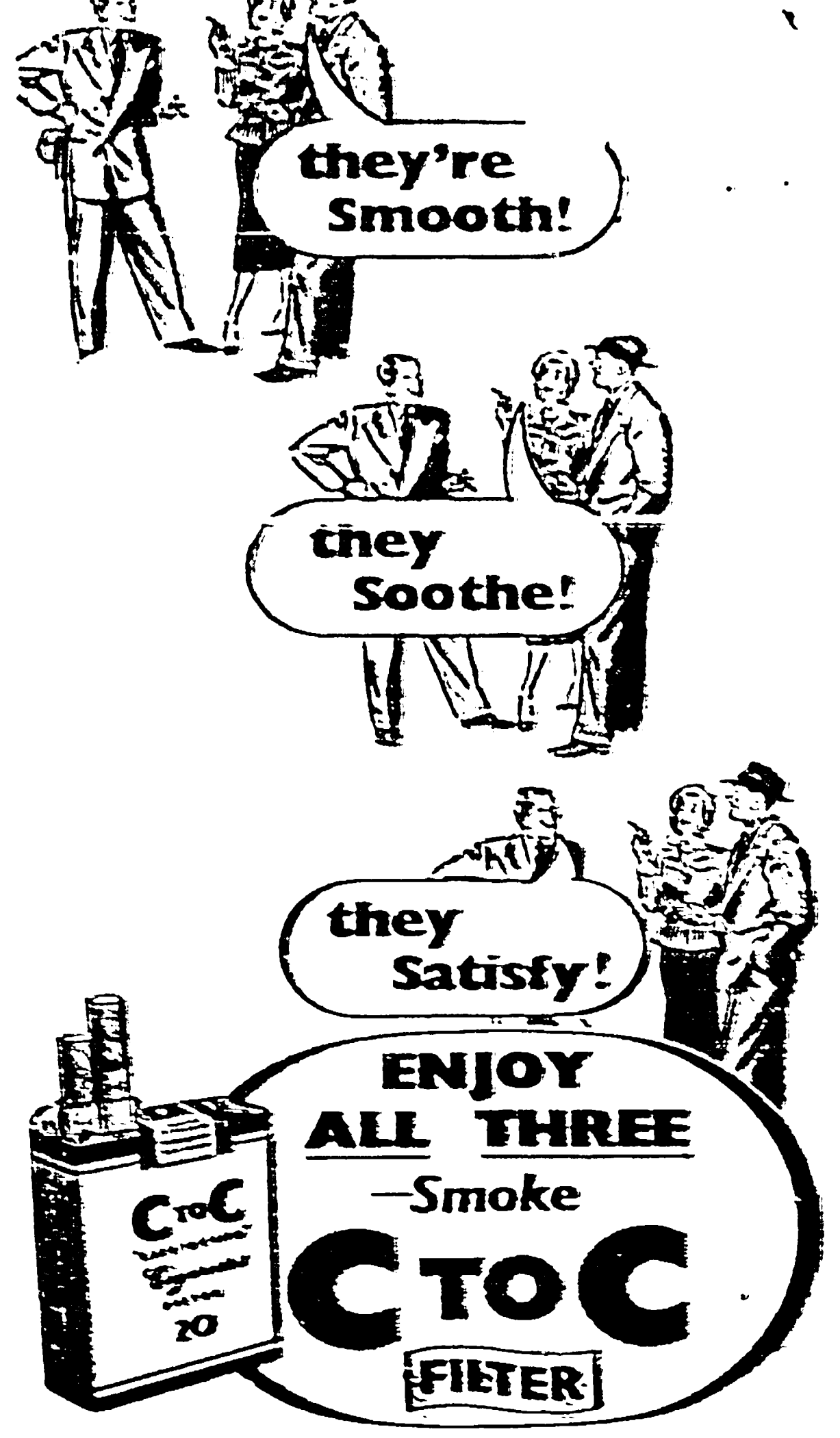
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MAISTRY-CHETTY WEDDING

The marriage will take place of Kanny (Bobby) third son of Mr. and Mrs. Manar Maistry, of 19 Hillside Road, Sea View, to Miss Muthammall, ninth daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. S. Coopsamy Chetty, of Bayneafield Estate, Hole Rust, on Sunday January 17, 1954, at the Bolton Hall, Albert Street, Durban, between 2 and 3 p.m.

MOODLEY-MOODLEY WEDDING

The marriage will take place of Canat Moodley, only son of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Moodley, of Shallcross, to Ameyee Amall, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Moodley of Albersville Port Shepstone on Sunday, January 17, 1954, at the Pathmajuranni Andhra Sabha Hall, 83 Bacus Road, Clairwood. Nuptial ceremony from 10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.

Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend.

SOOBRAMONEY-WILLIAMS WEDDING.

The marriage of Sivalingham Soobramoney, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Soobramoney, of Todd Street, Grange Town, Verulam, to Dhanalakshmee, youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Williams, of 111 Mallinson Road, Sydenham, will take place on Sunday, January 17, 1954, at the bridegroom's residence, between 10.30 and 11.15 a.m.

Births

To Mr. and Mrs. Philip Peters, of 28 William Street, Maritzburg, a bonnie son and brother to Brenda, January 1, 1954. Thanks to Doctor and Staff, Sanatorium.

Maharaj: To Susie and R. J., a bonnie daughter on December 31. A sister for Naresh and a granddaughter for Mrs. J. Maharaj of Clair Ridge and Mrs. G. S. Maharaj of Maritzburg.

PILLAY-NAIDOO WEDDING

The marriage will take place of Poovalingam (P. M. Pillay), second son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Kanaka Pillay, of 436a Riverside Road, Durban North, to Miss Vathanayagee (Thanamathee), eldest daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. A. R. Naidoo of 30 Wills Road, Durban at the Stree Vythianathar Easparan Temple, Umgeni Road, Durban, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend.

SHEILA.

Youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Naidoo, of 13 Dalcairn Avenue, Durban North, who will celebrate her first birthday on Friday, January 15, 1954.

SIVANDHARSH (VICKIE)

Son of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. (Cayl Chetty and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Dorasamy Chetty, of 53 Glynn Road, Pentrich, Maritzburg, and Mr. and the late Mrs. R. T. Dommu, of 10 William Street, Maritzburg, who celebrated his first birthday on January 10, 1954.

PRAKASH

First son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Marian of Newick West and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Choles of Hamburg Drift, Estcourt, who celebrated his first birthday on Sunday, 3rd January, 1954, at his residence, Newick West, amongst a fair gathering of friends and relatives.

ROOK NAIDOO

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Chendrinarian and grandson of Mrs. Kannamma who celebrated his first birthday on December 7, 1953, at 58 Silverwillow Road, Puntan's Hill, Durban.

WEDDING INVITATION

Mrs. Latchmanmah Naidoo of 52 Sheringham Road, Overport, and Mr. and Mrs. Guruvappa Naidoo of Riverside, Westville, extend a cordial invitation to all friends and relatives to grace the marriage of Srinivasa Naidoo, eldest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Latchmiah Naidoo, formerly of Westville, to Janakyamma, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guruvappa Naidoo, on Sunday, January 17, 1954, at the St. Aidan's Boys' School, 52 Clayton Road, Overport. Nuptial ceremony from 10.45 to 11.30 a.m.

Bride's Party will leave by bus on Sunday at 7 a.m. Musical Entertainment by Goodwill Orchestra, conducted by Mr. Sonny Pillay.

Friends and relatives are requested to accept this as a personal invitation.

WEDDING POSTPONED

The proposed wedding of Satha Sivan of 128 Alpine Road, Springfield, to Valliammal of [illegible] Road, Mayville, which was to have taken place on Sunday, January 17, 1954, has been postponed till further notice.

DOUBLE WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Naidoo, of 104 Boom Street, Maritzburg, and Mr. and Mrs. S. Vaithilingum Padayachee, of 167 Quarry Road, Clare Estate, cordially invite all friends and relatives to the marriage of Veeranathan, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Naidoo, with Dalbonni, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Vaithilingum Padayachee, at the Kajee Memorial Hall, Leopold Street, Durban, on Sunday, 17th January, 1954.

Nuptial ceremony between 10 and 11 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Naidoo, of 104 Boom Street, Maritzburg, and Mr. and Mrs. S. Pyllai Naidoo, of 49 Andrea Road, Stella Hill, cordially invite all friends and relatives to the marriage of Ramanthan (John), fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Naidoo, with Manormanie, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Pyllai Naidoo, at the Kajee Memorial Hall, Leopold Street, Durban, on Sunday, 17th January, 1954.

Nuptial ceremony between 9 and 10 a.m.

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WOMEN'S RIGHTS IN INDIA

NEW DELHI.—The decades following the first World War have seen many changes in the position of Indian women in social, cultural and political spheres. Since then, they have come a long way, making magnificent strides and achieving remarkable results. It was the Home Rule agitation in the years 1914-17 which first made women conscious of their own rights. The internment of one of their great leaders, Dr. Annie Besant, stimulated political activity amongst women to a great extent.

In the year 1917 the first claim for suffrage for Indian women was made at the historic All-India Women's Deputation. When the Government of India Bill was introduced in the British Parliament, a number of Indian deputations gave evidence. Among those who did so much of the pioneering work were names now famous: Mrs. Besant, Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, and Miss Herabai Tata.

The city of Madras led the way in the matters of women's franchise. Others, like Bombay soon followed. Since 1922, scores of women have become Municipal Councillors and members of local boards; many important reforms were secured by the band of women, and every succeeding [illegible] serving on local Councils, Committees, and City Corporations. Many legislative measures have been sponsored by women, calculated to confer greater rights and freedom on women.

The right of divorce which was unknown in Hindu law has been secured under certain conditions. In Bombay, anti-polygamy and divorce laws have been placed on the Statute Book.

Within the new constitutional frame, women have the same voting rights as men for the various legislatures. In the first general elections in an Independent India, in 1952, women voters played a tremendous part in settling the final issue in many open contests with men in urban areas. Today the Indian woman is not only represented in almost every field of national activity, but is also making her mark in international affairs. They figure on delegations to the U.N. and its subordinate organisations.

Since the women's movement was first launched, the rights, social and legal, even political have been achieved through various bodies through which most of their demands and grievances have been presented. Even today, these bodies are the official organs of the [illegible] India's women. The [illegible] Women's Conference is still [illegible] cipal body, claiming a membership of about 27,000 with 40 branches and 164 constituent branches. [illegible] tional Council of Women [illegible] in 1925 and the Federation of [illegible] versity Women inaugurated [illegible] are the two other important [illegible] organisations in India.

Together they embody the [illegible] of unity and co-operation [illegible] women's movement, gaining [illegible] tum with the passing years.

TRANSFERRED

Mr. D. T. Moodley who was on the staff of Port Shepstone Government Indian School, has been officially notified of his transfer to the Ahmedia Government School, Mayville.

J. W. THOMAS.

J. W. Thomas and Party of Durban, will broadcast a selection of Telugu songs and music from the Durban studios of the S.A.B.C. on January 12.

Electronic Institute in India

PILANI, Rajasthan, [illegible] India's most modern [illegible] tories, the Central Electronics Engineering Research Institute [illegible] eastern state of Rajasthan.

The Institute is the [illegible] a chain of national laboratories founded in India in the [illegible] years.

Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, [illegible] dian Prime Minister, laid the foundation stone recently [illegible] building is expected to be completed in two years.

Its purpose is to study [illegible] science of electronics, the development of which is regarded [illegible] perts here as of fundamental importance for the [illegible] processes to utilise indigenous materials.

It will also conduct [illegible] tions on the development [illegible] of electronic circuits to [illegible] and improve the efficiency of indigenous industries.

To these ends it will build [illegible] dard electronic instruments [illegible] test purposes and conduct [illegible] ments on communication [illegible] and other equipment.

The Institute will undertake [illegible] jects sponsored by industry [illegible] maintain close liaison with [illegible]

"The Electronics Institute [illegible] necessary for the good of the [illegible] try in many ways," Mr. [illegible] declared in his speech at the [illegible] mony of laying the foundation stone. "It is necessary for [illegible] defence of the country. The [illegible] Army will also benefit from [illegible] will also help to further the [illegible] velopment works in the [illegible]

The Institute is being [illegible] on the lines of Electronic [illegible] in Britain and America, though [illegible] first, on a smaller scale.

It will have seven [illegible] Electronic circuits, electronic [illegible] ponents, electronic instruments, [illegible] equipment, high frequency and very high frequency, library and [illegible] and workshop.

India's national laboratories [illegible] today undertaking research [illegible]

The first to be set up [illegible] National Chemical Laboratory [illegible] Poona, near Bombay, in [illegible] 1950, which is carrying out [illegible] on Indian ores, minerals, [illegible] organic and inorganic compounds. This was followed by the [illegible] ment of the National Physical Laboratory at New Delhi.

At Dhanbad, in the [illegible] Bihar's coal mining areas, [illegible] the Fuel Research Institute [illegible] ing better mining and [illegible] methods for Indian coal and [illegible] ning safety measures for [illegible] mines.

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[illegible]HE RIGHTS OF INDIAN TRADERS

[illegible]TORIA: The rights of Indian traders in the Transvaal had been [illegible] entrenched by the South African Republic in 1884, but despite [illegible] Indians "have come under the full blast of the fury of ill-advised [illegible] ians and racialists who, on a number of occasions, have tried [illegible] use the people to boycott the Indian trader," said the Transvaal [illegible] Congress in evidence before the Local Government Commission [illegible] ury in Pretoria. A memorandum has also been submitted by the [illegible] aal Indian Organisation.

[illegible] that "The successive [illegible] movements failed and it is [illegible] patent that the Indian [illegible] desirable and wanted by [illegible] patronise him."

[illegible] Indian Congress said that [illegible] Indians to settle in [illegible] Transvaal as traders, the Re[illegible] confirmed this at the time of [illegible] Convention of 1884. [illegible] "All persons other [illegible] Natives, conforming themselves [illegible] to the laws of the South African [illegible] will have full liberty, [illegible] families, to enter, travel [illegible] any part of the South [illegible] Republic, [illegible] will be entitled to hire or [illegible] houses, manufactories, ware[illegible] shops and premises; [illegible] may carry on their commerce [illegible] in person or by agents [illegible] may think fit to employ; [illegible] shall not be subject, in respect [illegible] of their persons or property, [illegible] in respect of their commerce or [illegible] to any taxes, whether [illegible] general or local, other than those [illegible] are or may be imposed on the [illegible] of the said Republic."

[illegible]TI-INDIAN AGITATION

[illegible] Congress said there were [illegible] Indian traders in the Trans[illegible] [illegible] has been persistent anti[illegible] agitation over a period of [illegible] years, and it is a callous fact that [illegible] and unscrupulous politicians have endeavoured to whip up an anti-Indian feeling in the country for ulterior motives by saying that the Indians dominate the commercial field.

"There is no substance in this allegation as the volume of trade controlled by Indian traders is negligible."

It said it did not wish to go into the merits of the Group Areas Act "which is manifestly unjust and designed for the purpose of implementing the oppressive policy of apartheid."

CONFLICT AND BITTERNESS

"It has been the sad experience of the people of South Africa that since 1948 the Nationalist Government has clearly shown that it has no respect, but contempt, for the civil and economic right of the non-Europeans [illegible]

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Modern Farmer

Holding a week-old lamb in her arms on a farm in South Wales, is Nalini Perera, one of ten young women from Ceylon who are learning modern farming in Britain under the Colombo Plan.

School Tragedy Starts Again

By "The Leader" Staff Reporter

DURBAN: The schools open on Tuesday, January 26. Once more we shall be witnessing the hardy annual of thousands of our children seeking admission to schools.

In many hundreds of cases boys and girls will again be told there is no accommodation for them. Another year of illiteracy will be added to their ages. Year in and year out we have been witnessing this sad spectacle.

Last year, the Natal Education Committee was formed to deal with the problems of schools. Mr. P. R. Pather, chairman of the Committee, in an interview said: "Our people over the years have strained themselves to the limit in providing the major portion of the money required for land and school buildings, and yet the problem of lack of school accommodation still persists.

"The Indian people are not unmindful of the part played by the present Provincial Administration in the furtherance of facilities for Indian education. Since the accession to the Office of Administrator, Mr. D. G. Shepstone has done more for Indian education than any other Administrator. And I have no doubt that Mr. Shepstone himself will admit that, so far as self help in the direction of education, the Indian people have been a shining example to the other sections of the population of Natal.

DISTINCT POSSIBILITY

"But the glorification of our own deeds will not help one iota to put the thousands of our children in schools. Nor is it humanly possible, with the best will in the world, to find overnight the necessary accommodation for these children. No child should be denied education.

"It should therefore be our objective to see that every Indian child is in school within a short period. This, in my view, is a distinct possibility.

"One of the happiest moments of my life is the bringing together of all shades of opinion on the question of Indian education. This has resulted in the formation of the Indian Education Committee. Since the formation of the Committee considerable progress has been made and I can assure the Indian people that the programme it has outlined will make it possible for every Indian child to be in school within the next few years."

Mr. Pather said that the Committee has suggested certain practical steps in this direction, with which the Administration had shown every sympathy. It was hoped that the services of more Government schools would be stepped up and with it the building of more and more Government-aided schools. In the meantime the Government schools had laid down a certain policy in regard to the admission of children. This policy, in the opinion of the Indian Education Committee, was in the best interest of our children. It was hoped that the Government-aided Indian schools would, as far as is possible, follow the same policy. [illegible] have also been instructed [illegible]

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School Census

[illegible]URBAN: A census will be taken at all the schools in [illegible] al on Tuesday, January [illegible]

Commenting on the census, [illegible] A. D. Lazarus, President [illegible] the Natal Indian Teachers' [illegible] ciety, in an interview with [illegible] The Leader" said: "Parents [illegible] please understand that [illegible] though their children's [illegible] ses and addresses will be [illegible] at the school to which [illegible] send them on that date, [illegible] does not mean that they [illegible] necessarily be admitted [illegible] that school or that they [illegible] automatically come on to a [illegible] waiting list at that particular [illegible]

"The pressure on school accommodation is just as [illegible] as in the past and if [illegible] children are not accepted at a particular school it [illegible] be sent back. [illegible] three children have given [illegible] names at any particular [illegible], they cannot go and [illegible] their names at any other [illegible] on that date, because [illegible] principals will not re[illegible] their names."

TWO OUTSTANDING DURBAN STUDENTS

DURBAN: Two Durban students have distinguished themselves in the Natal Junior Certificate Examination—both obtained five A's. They are 14-year-old Sybil Vinden, of the Indian Girls' High School, Durban, and Shunmugam Allagan (15), of Sastri College.

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SHUNMUGAM ALLAGAN, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. Allagan Moodley of 22 Dublin Road, Springfield, obtained five A's in the Junior Certificate Examination—in History, Geography, Biology, Latin and Arithmetic. In the remaining two subjects he obtained a B in Mathematics and a C in English.

A sixteen-year-old student at Sastri College, Shunmugam has two brothers who are also teachers. The eldest brother is Mr. M. Allagan, B.A., who has been teaching for the past 14 years.

Fourteen-year-old **SYBIL VINDEN**, who obtained five A's—Mathematics, Latin, Biology, Arithmetic and History—and two B's—in English and Geography—comes from a family of teachers who have a teaching record since 1906—representing a period of [illegible] years.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Vinden of Mansfield Road, Durban.

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OBITUARY

The death occurred recently of Mrs. Boodhram Gungadeen, of Springs. She was the only sister and sister-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Kamlal Naidoo of Pretoria. One of the pioneers of Springs, the deceased spent practically her lifetime there. Of a kind and cheerful disposition, she particularly took a keen interest in the religious activities of the community, and endeared herself to all those with whom she came into contact. She gave generously and encouraged all charitable causes.

The large and representative gathering present at her funeral bore testimony to the high esteem in which she was held. She leaves behind a large circle of friends and relatives throughout the country to mourn her loss.

MRS. BOODHRAM GUNGADEEN

Among the many messages of sympathy, letters of condolence and telegrams, were from the following: S. Pillay and Bros., Springs; Mrs. J. Perumal, Springs; Mrs. Sobrie & Sons, Springs; Mrs. D. Ram, Springs; Mrs. S. Bandhu Bros., Springs; Mrs. Nana & Sons, Johannesburg; Mrs. Naidoo & Sons, Springs; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Singh, Springs; Mr. Kinston, Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Samuder Singh, Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Jangbahadoor, Springs; Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Sirkpath, Pretoria; Mr. and Mrs. R. Naidoo and family, Pretoria; Mr. and Mrs. L. Moodley and family, Pretoria; Mrs. B. Maharaj, Pretoria; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Singh, Pretoria; Mr. and Mrs. K. Singh, Johannesburg; Mr. and Mrs. L. Singh, Johannesburg; Mr. and Mrs. P. Singh, Springs; Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Patel, Springs; Mr. and Mrs. R. Tulsie, Springs; Mr. and Mrs. L. Raju, Springs; Mrs. [illegible], Springs; Mr. S. Bhagwandeen, Glencoe; Mr. S. Jeebodh, Dundee; Mr. and Mrs. K. Lutchman, Durban; Mr. Bobby Harrypersadh and family, Durban; Mr. and Mrs. Bhagwandeen, Glencoe; Mrs. L. B. Marajah, Springs.

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MISS MANORMONEY PILLAY

The sudden and untimely death of (Kollyani) Miss Manormoney Pillay, eldest daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. C. K. Pillay of 21 Jameson Avenue, Mayville, Durban, grand-daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] ("[illegible]man"), of Ladysmith, and niece of Messrs. C. C. Mudaliar, of Durban, S. S. Mudaliar, of Ladysmith, C. V. Pillay, of Durban, and late teacher of Candella Boys School.

She leaves behind a sorrowing father, sister, brother, and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss. The large gathering at her funeral bore testimony to her popularity. During her lifetime she took interest in Guides and First Aid.

Her remains were cremated at the Cato Manor Crematorium amidst a large and representative gathering.

Floral tributes and messages of sympathy, too many to mention, were received from many friends and relatives. The father of the deceased donated the sum of £5/- to the Aryan Benevolent Home in her memory.

The Rights of Indian . . .

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and the application of its policy of apartheid has created racial tension, conflict and bitterness on an unprecedented scale."

The Congress then urged a system of free trade and enterprise without any racial discrimination whatsoever. The fair and just treatment of non-White traders remained in question. On a number of occasions where licences had been refused on grounds of race and colour, legal redress had been obtained.

TRADING APARTHEID

"We totally oppose 'trading apartheid,'" said the Congress. "Apartheid in trade is an economic fallacy which can never be applied as a practical proposition in a logical and just manner.

"In our multi-racial society one community is interrelated and interdependent, and any attempt to introduce segregation in trade is bound to cause instability and chaos.

"The danger of such a policy cannot be overemphasised. If such a principle is accepted there there are bound to be disastrous effects on trading and commerce as a whole. In the present set-up there does exist segregation on grounds of race and colour and we submit that in the interests of free development of trade and commerce, all racial discrimination must be eliminated."

T.I.O. MEMORANDUM

The memorandum submitted by the Transvaal Indian Organisation stated:

"We beg to point out at the outset that due to restrictions placed upon Indians in various spheres of economic activities, such as land owning, occupation, employment in the civil service, municipal or railway employment, engagement in trade and commerce is the main avenue of employment open to the Indian people.

"Owing to the importance of the licensing laws to the Indian community, licensing was one of the matters discussed between India and the Union Government at a round table conference in the year 1927.

"We mention herein the full text of the conclusions reached by the Capetown round table conference, which is as follows:

CAPETOWN CONFERENCE

"When the time for the revision of the existing trade licensing laws arrives the Union Government will give all due consideration to the suggestion made by the Government of India delegation that the discretionary powers of local authorities might reasonably be limited in the following ways:

(1) The grounds on which a licence be refused should be laid down by statute.

(2) The reason for which a licence is refused should be recorded.

(3) There should be a right of appeal in cases of first applications and transfers as well as in cases of renewals to the courts or to some other impartial tribunal."

Despite the existence of the aforesaid agreement, we note that the Transvaal Provincial Council passed an Ordinance (No. 3 of 1925) called "The Licences (Control) Ordinance 1931."

"We beg to reiterate that though Licensing Laws are of general application and as facts the Licensing Authorities cannot discriminate against members of a particular race on ground of colour, yet in actual practice racial considerations do influence the decisions of the Local Authority or the Board as the case may be.

"We wish to bring this grievance of ours before you so that you may recommend the curtailment of the discretionary powers vested in the Licensing Authorities.

School Tragedy . . .

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to take out a comprehensive course of the children seeking admission.

"In this connection I would appeal to all parents to offer their fullest co-operation," said Mr. Pa[illegible]. "I am fully alive to the claims of scores of parents who cannot get their children in schools, but may I appeal to them to forbear with us and I can assure them that no stone is being left unturned to see that within a reasonable period not a single Indian child is left out of school."

WOMEN TO MEET

In a statement to "The Leader," Mrs. Fatima Seedat, of the Durban and District Women's League said: "The problem of school accommodation has become so acute that neither woman nor child in the non-European community dares to remain silent on the question. To voice the feeling of parents on the problem of school accommodation we are holding a meeting at the Gandhi Library on Sunday, January 31, 1954, at 2 p.m., where discussion of this problem will be led by one of our foremost educationalists, Dr. Goonam.

"The present crisis where over 25,000 Indian children between the ages of 6 and 16 and one-third of the African children are without schools, has developed as a result of gross neglect on the part of the Union Government and Education Department.

"Less publicised but far more deplorable is the plight of the African child and teacher. Low salaries, inadequate training facilities has created a situation where African children at school are in the majority of cases trained by unqualified or slightly qualified teachers in overcrowded class rooms in dilapidated buildings.

"Agitation is levelled repeatedly by all sections of our South African community against the existing unjust education system but to little avail. The response which sometimes comes to the fore appears to be more of the nature of quieting agitation than offering solution.

"Even though certain concessions have been [illegible] in the last year by the Indian Education Committee there is little reason to believe that there will be any bettering of the situation when schools re-open this term.

"At the mass meeting organised by us, we hope to give parents a true picture of the position of the majority of non-European children seeking admission to schools this year," she added.

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Diary of the Week

Friday evening the Rev. C. David, priest-in-charge Aidan's Indian Mission were out in Sydenham on And as a conversationalist this plump, pleasant-faced will take tons of beating. indulged in reminiscences of life, his days as a school in Maritzburg, his theological in Ceylon, his capture charming young woman who his wife and his inspiration. popped in to see a Mr. Pillay simple-looking cottage, unimposing appearance belies the storehouse of interest Mr. Pillay has the private collection of tropical that I have ever seen, a huge glass tank full in his lounge and when he to the back of the house fell on my back when I 25 tanks full of fish of all from nearly every part of This man takes his seriously. He has spent of pounds and does not He knows no other His hobby absorbs moment of his time and his charm is infectious. He every little fish and so does wife, who was feeding them we arrived. Father David taken up that he promised and Mrs. Pillay an early visit with his wife. I too, want to go again to see this wonderful collection. Pillay family are nature Besides fish they have birds, a cat, a dog, a and a mouse.

GUNN'S STATEMENT

GUNN, Durban Medical Officer of Health, made a last week that non- handlers of food will be daily examined and immunised campaign against disease. A later the Medical Officer of Johannesburg stated that there was a misconception that non-European of food alone were carriers. Makes you think

S.A.I.O.

week's "Sunday Times" a story of the attempts of the Nationalists to have the South African Indian Organisation accept a "modified" form of apartheid for the Indian community of South Africa. Nice thought. I never knew that the Nats were ever so concerned about the Indians in South Africa.

SCHOOLS BEGIN 26th

SOON after the Christmas Season starts the racketeering season. In some schools money buys your child accomodation. No money—no schooling. It is a shame the way some principals of schools and schools committees tax the people, the very poor people, who can ill afford to pay a premium to have their children admitted. Something must be done about this wicked practice and parents have the remedy in their own hands. Silence is consent and timidity is a sign of weakness.

ANOTHER INDIAN NURSE

THE ranks of local Indian nurses have been swelled by the decision of pretty Soodaswathie Singh, ex-teacher daughter of one of Natal's leading social workers, Mr. R. Gopalsingh of Isipingo, to join the nursing profession. She has been a trainee at the King George V Hospital at Springfield for the past two months. With her gentle nature and kindly smile she should make a very successful nurse. I wish other girls would follow her example. But the latest information I have of Soodi is that she is leaving for England.

INDIAN BUSES

IN the correspondence columns of a local daily a visitor from overseas says that he is surprised at the names on some Indian buses. Names like "Queen of the Highway" and "Green Light" intrigue me. The only line I saw on that particular bus was a yellow one. Still, pretty names are an attraction I suppose.

PHILLIP LEKWATE

THE highest purse that Philip Lekwate, trading punches under the name of "Kid Dynamite", received in Australia was £625, and the lowest £125. But the boy will receive nothing like that in South Africa even with his wonderful Australian record, where he beat the reigning Australian flyweight champion, who had suffered only defeat previously and that at the hands of none other than Jimmy Carruthers before he became world champ. Philip is keen to go to England if he can find a manager and his ambition is to have a crack at Jake Tull for the Empire flyweight championship.

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THE GREAT KARDANI

ONE of Africa's greatest magicians, Kardani, who is now on [illegible] tour of the country, will appear at the Durban City Hall on March 15 and 16. Kardani, who for some time did cabaret work in Johannesburg, is a member of the Inner Circle of the South African Brotherhood of Magicians. With Kardani in Durban we will be in for a treat.

WHAT NOW FOR McKENZIE?

WITH the dethronement of Gerald Dreyer as British Empire welterweight champion by Barry Brown of New Zealand, new contenders have arisen for the coveted title. Eddie Thomas, South African European champion has challenged Brown and Leslie McKenzie's handlers would be advised to do the same on behalf of South Africa's outstanding non-European 147 pound champion. McKenzie is only one place below Thomas in the "Ring" Empire ratings and stands an even chance of bringing the Empire title to South Africa.

After Marume there will be no opposition in South Africa and he will only be wasting his time cooling his heels in this country. Success comes only to the man who goes after it and not the one who sits and waits. McKenzie should go to New Zealand.

THIS WEEK'S LAUGH

A newly married barber had only one chair in his shop. One morning a man opened the door and asked how many were ahead of him. "Three customers," replied the barber. The man rushed away.

The next day he returned, opened the door and asked "How long?" The barber told him "Two ahead of you." The man again rushed off.

He did this for a week, never [illegible]. The puzzled barber told his shoeshine boy to follow the man the next time it happened.

The following day the man was back again, opened the door and asked "How long?" The barber told him there were three customers ahead of him, and the man rushed out. The shoeshine boy rushed after him.

The boy returned and the barber asked: "Did you trail him?"

The boy nodded.

"Where does he go?" the barber asked.

"He goes," said the boy "to your house!"

BELLAIR CLUB OFFICIALS

DURBAN.—At the annual general meeting of the Bellair Social and Sporting Club, the following were elected office bearers for the ensuing year: Patrons: S. Purmasir, A. M. Frere, C. G. Reddy, R. Baijnath Maharaj, R. Surajbunsy. President: S. M. Naidoo (re-elected). Vice-presidents: Messrs. J. Khan, M. S. Maharaj, W. Ramlall, V. S. Pillay, C. Rabilall, V. S. Govender, C. S. Reddy. Hon. secretary: R. G. Naidoo (re-elected). Assistant secretary: J. Jaggernath. Hon. treasurer: C. V. Naidoo (re-elected). Trustees: M. S. Maharaj, V. S. Govender. Executive Committee: Messrs. S. S. Govender, S. S. Maharaj, Sunny Naidoo. Programme Committee: Messrs. S. M. Naidoo, G. V. Naidoo, R. G. Naidoo. Auditor: P. R. Maharaj, Esq.

Scouts back from Cape tour

MARITZBURG.—A contingent of 27 Indian Rover Scouts returned to Maritzburg recently after a three-weeks' tour of the Cape. This was the first-ever tour undertaken by the Maritzburg Indian Boy Scout Association.

Mr. G. S. Naicker, District Commissioner for Maritzburg, told a "Leader" reporter that the tour had been highly educative and the hospitality left nothing to be desired. The visitors were welcomed to Capetown by Mr. J. Oosterlorp, District Commissioner for Capetown, and Mr. A. Williams, District Commissioner for Wynberg, on behalf of the Cape Western Coloured Boy Scouts Association, who were hosts to the Maritzburg scouts. They were also welcomed to the Mother City by the Mayor, Mr. A. F. Keen, and the Deputy Mayor, Mr. P. J. Walmarans.

Mr. Naicker said that their itinerary included a motor drive round the Peninsular Drive and a trip up Table Mountain by cableway. Capetown Castle and Kirstenbosch Gardens were also visited, but the highlight of the tour was the Coon Carnival.

At Port Elizabeth they visited the Ford Motor Works, the Jetty, Fort Donkin, the Nature Reserve and the famous Snake Park.

Their hosts at Port Elizabeth were the Indian Boy Scouts Association, on whose behalf they were welcomed by the District Commissioner, Mr. N. G. Naidoo, and the Chairman, Mr. V. Moon. The African Boy Scouts welcomed them with a brass band in New Brighton. Mr. Naicker also mentioned the names of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Padayachee, who did everything possible to make enjoyable their stay in Port Elizabeth.

The other officers in charge of the Maritzburg contingent were Mr. H. Ibrahim, assistant divisional commissioner for Natal, and Mr. Billy K. Moodley, chairman of the Maritzburg Boy Scouts Association.

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Ameedia Govt.-Aided Indian School

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Alencon Govt.-Aided Indian School

[illegible]

Amatikulu Govt.-Aided Indian School

[illegible]

A.Y.S. Govt.-Aided Indian School

[illegible]

Avoca Govt.-Aided Indian School

[illegible]

[illegible]

Clairwood Senior Girls' Govt. Indian School

[illegible]

Clare Estate Govt.-Aided Indian School, 414 Kennedy Road, Durban.

[illegible]

Cosdmore Govt.-Aided Indian School

[illegible]

Colenso Govt.-Aided Indian School

[illegible]

Depot Road Govt. Indian School

[illegible]

Doringkop Govt.-Aided Indian School, P.O. Dernkop

[illegible]

Dundee Government Indian High School, P.O. Box 107, Dundee

[illegible]

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Greyville Govt. Indian School

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Pinetown Govt. Indian School

Continuation: *Bhaijee, Z. Y. H.; Desai, Y. E.; Desai, D. K.; [illegible]

Pomeroy Govt.-Aided Indian School

Continuation: Valodia, M. K.

Port Shepstone Govt. Indian School

[illegible]

Puntan's Hill Govt.-Aided Indian School

[illegible]

St. Michael's Govt.-Aided Indian School

[illegible]

St. Oswald's Govt. Indian School

[illegible]

St. Theresa's Govt.-Aided Indian School

[illegible]

South Coast Madressa Govt.-Aided Indian School

Continuation: Abdul Khader, A. H.; *Abdul Khader, S. A.; Amod, [illegible]

Spearman Road Govt.-Aided Indian School

[illegible]

Umzinto Indian High School

[illegible]

Vedic Sanmarka Society Govt.-Aided Indian School

[illegible]

Vryheid Coronation Govt.-Aided Indian School

Continuation: Nil.

Leaving: Ponnasamy, S.

Wasbank Govt.-Aided Indian School

Continuation: *Balakin, M.; Dabrow, [illegible]

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… K.; Jankiepersadh, T.; Kohsdeen, K.; Ramjunaam, K. R.; Rammaram, K.; Sewraj, M.; Shaik, A. A.; Singh, R.
Leaving: Bisnath, J.

Waterbosch Govt.-Aided Indian School

Continuation: *Chouthee, H.; Jagganath, D.; Mariyah, J.; Kannoosamy, P.; Vengulasamy, P.
Leaving: Nil.

Welbedacht Govt.-Aided Indian School

Continuation: Arunkalam, P.; Bhulal, R.; Dharmalingum, A.; Govindsamy, K.; Murugesen, K.; *Naidu, G.; Perumal, G.; Ramlakal, C.; Ramsarup, R.; *Thulsi, D.
Leaving: Reddy, V.; Thangavadu, Varnum, R.

Woodlands Indian High School

Continuation: Abrahams, A. R. P.; [illegible]

Wyld Memorial Govt.-Aided Indian School

Continuation: [illegible]
Leaving: Nil.

STANDARD VI COLOURED SCHOOLS

Albert Street Govt. School, Durban

Continuation: [illegible]

Ambeck, P. P.; Wimlock, T. E.; Whittle, E. M.

Clairwood Govt. School

Continuation: Abrahams, D. R.; Bennett, J. A.; *Brandy, A. G.; *Broom, R. M.; Burger, K. C.; Callaghan, G. E.; Cousins, J.; Dennis, L. A.; Eaden, C. F.; *Ebrahim, K.; Francis, F. E.; Hill, M. J. A.; Kydd, M. M.; Kydd, R.; Lochenberg, R. E.; Surraine, A. R.; Surraine, J.; Oliver, E. L.; Osborne, D. R.; Rayman, R. M.; Reddy, L.; Smickson, H. F.; Smickson, J. D.; Stephens, M. F.; Swartz, J.; Thompson, E. T. F.
Leaving: Bell, D. C.G.; Gabin, W. L.; Hendricks, T. D.; Varvin, T. L.

Govt. Coloured School, Dundee

Continuation: Fynn, D. L.; Le Fleur, Odum A.; Mannemon, L. J.; *Mannemon, R. L.; Mpama, H. O.; Robson, E. E.; van Dyk, D. P.
Leaving: Robson, L. C.

Finchley Govt. Coloured School

Continuation: Hard, R. H.; Boucher, D. L.; Henley, M. M.; Martin, H. L.
Leaving: Henley, L.; King, C.; King, E. M.

Greyling Street Coloured Secondary, Pietermaritzburg

Continuation: Anthony, A. R.; [illegible]
Leaving: Anthony, E. L.; [illegible]

Harding Govt. Coloured School

Continuation: Bender, C.; de Waal, [illegible]
Leaving: Abrahams, P.; Bishop, E.; [illegible]

[illegible] Govt. Coloured School

Continuation: [illegible]

Ladysmith Govt. Coloured School

Continuation: [illegible]
Leaving: [illegible]

Little Flower School, P.O. Ixopo

Continuation: [illegible]
Leaving: [illegible]

Little Flower Govt.-Aided Coloured School, P.O. Ixopo

[illegible]

J. W.; *Jannecker, J. M.; King, P. R.; King, H. H.; Nagser, E. T.; Oakes, C. A.; Oakes, H. A.; O'Donoghue, E. H.; O'Donoghue, E.; Ogle, L. E.; *Ogle, M. R.; *Ogle, R. A.; Page, E. O'Brien, Rooks, A.; Simpson, D. J.; Simpson, M. M.; *Steinbeck, E. R.; Subbard, M. R.; Tryon, E. W.; Vetter, B. E.; Watson, M.; *Wetmore, D. M.
Leaving: Howe, R.; Lindsay, L.; Louis, M. J.; Ogle, T. T.

Mangete Government Coloured

Continuation: Clark, C. S.; Dunn, L. L.; Dunn, M. V.; Dunn, P.; Leaf, V. D.; Markham, E. T.; Dunn, E. E.; Plane, V. C.

[illegible] Govt.-Aided School

Continued: [illegible]

Mount Edgecombe Govt.-Aided [illegible] School

[illegible]
Leaving: Augustine, T. M.; Augustine, J. R.

[illegible] Govt. Coloured School

Continuation: [illegible]

Newcastle Government Coloured School, P.O. Newcastle

Continuation: [illegible]

[illegible] Govt. Coloured School, P.B. [illegible]

Continuation: [illegible]
Leaving: Fynn, C. T.

Parkhill Govt. Coloured School

Continuation: Anderson, A. N.; [illegible]
Leaving: [illegible]

Port Shepstone Govt. Coloured, Port Shepstone

Continuation: [illegible]
Leaving: [illegible]

Rossburgh Govt. Coloured School

Continuation: [illegible]
Leaving: [illegible]

St. Augustine's Govt.-Aided School

Continuation: [illegible]
Leaving: [illegible]

St. Faith's Govt. Coloured

Continuation: [illegible]
Leaving: [illegible]

St. Monica's Govt.-Aided Coloured

Continuation: [illegible]
Leaving: [illegible]

St. Philomena's School, Malvern

Continuation: [illegible]

[illegible] Neel, B. F.; Saunders, J. P.
Leaving: Chilton, M. M.; Dunn, J.; Duncan, V. M.; Emmanuel, D.; George, E.; Lakay, E.; Sayers, E. E.; Thomas, K.; Eyn, W. T.; Wagner, A. D.

St. Theresa's Govt.-Aided Coloured School

Continuation: Champion, S. A.; Dunn, V. M.; Fabre, D. H.; Forbay, O. K.; Fredericks, J. T.; Gam, E. C.; Himmelhof, R. M.; Lendall, T. K.; Moolan, A. J.; *Moolan, E. E.; Myers, M. V.; Richards, A. A.; Rooks, V. M.; Rossen, E. A.; Smith, J. A.; Smith, L. W.; Sullaghen, D. R.
Leaving: Bollman, A. R.; Dammers, L. G.; Grensen, L.; Himmelhof, L. H.; Johns, M. A.; Pepper, N. C.; Richards, C. M.; Rooks, C. K.

St. Vincent's Govt.-Aided Coloured, P.O. Tongaat

Continuation: Ashbury, A. A.; Benton, G. F.; Henry, Alf C.; Wood, [illegible]
Leaving: Gabriel, O.; Kid, D. K.; Riordan, M. M.

Sydenham Preparatory School of Seventh-Day Adventists

Continuation: Naidoo, B.; Watson, A. A.

Mangete Govt. Coloured

Continuation: [illegible]
Leaving: [illegible]

Sydenham Govt. Coloured

Continuation: [illegible]
Leaving: [illegible]

Umbilo Road Coloured High School

Continuation: Abrahams, K. C.; [illegible]

Stemmet, E.; Petersen, L.; Richards, V. D.; Smith, D. K.; Smith, G. U. J.; Smith, E. A. D.; Swales, H.; Thomas, M. M.; Van Rooyen, P. T.; Wentzel, P. J.; Windvogel, H. J.
Leaving: Abrahams, K. J.; Abrams, E.; Adams, A.; Adams, P.; Basson, W.; Boomgard, L.; Bremner, C. M.; Dunn, G. T.; Dunn, M. E.; Francis, A.; Grey, F. E.; Jonker, D.; Kast, J. S.; Lorton, K. J.; Nasmyn, T.; Nichol, D.; Osborn, R. A.; Pretorius, C.; Rainsberg, K. J.; Rennie, A. C.; Richards, C. F.; Samuels, B.; Stallmann, D. J.; Sommers, E. L.; [illegible] J. H.; van der Merwe, E.; [illegible] fer, M. J.

Govt. Coloured School, [illegible]

Continuation: Nil.
Leaving: Nil.

Utrecht Govt. Coloured School, Utrecht

Continuation: Nil.
Leaving: Breda, C. K.; [illegible]

Natal Junior Certificate

Indian High Schools

Congress High School, Durban

Bhoonath, D.; Chetty, A.; [illegible]

Leaving Certificate: [illegible]

Dundee Govt. Indian High School

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Leaving Certificate: Adam, A.; [illegible]

Durban Indian Girls' High School

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Greytown Govt. Indian Secondary School

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Ladysmith Govt. Indian Secondary School

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Pietermaritzburg Indian Girls' High School

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Leaving Certificate: [illegible]

St. Oswald's Govt. Indian High School, Newcastle

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Leaving Certificate: [illegible]

Natal Senior Certificate

INDIAN SCHOOLS

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Third Class: [illegible]

Durban Indian Girls' High School

Second Class: [illegible]

Third Class: [illegible]

Pietermaritzburg Indian Girls' High School

Second Class: *Naidoo, G.

St. Oswald's Indian High School, Newcastle

First Class: *Maiker, M. C.
Second Class: *Kharwa, C. I.
Third Class: Ameen, F. M.; Naidu, S. A.; Nowbath, H. S.; Padayachee, M.

Sastri College, Durban

First Class: [illegible]
Second Class: [illegible]

Third Class: [illegible]

Stanger Indian High School

Second Class: *Maiker, M. S.

Third Class: [illegible]

Tongaat Indian High School

Second Class: *Ramlaan, A.
Third Class: *Bhola, D.; *Mayappen, R.; *Pillai, R.; Ramiah, V.; *Ramsingh, S.; *Reddy, S.

Woodlands Indian High School, Pietermaritzburg

Second Class: Harkhu, H.; *Naidoo, K. S.; *Naidoo, L. R.
Third Class: Doolab, A. K.; Jhagroo, N. P.

COLOURED SCHOOLS

Umbilo Road High School, Durban

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Faquir's TALK OF THE BAZAAR

N is talking about the tenary celebrations which be held here from May 15 15 this year — a durathree months. All sections community are busily enplanning their respective mes, and one can underthe amount of organisation in order to complete ments.

L. Singh gave me an outthe programme. The adult of the Durban Indian comcommittee met on several and discussed the comtion of Durban's centenary Mr. Singh said that mittee has drawn up and to the Durban centenary ions committee, of which is the chief, their pro- It includes the staging on the mole, folk and a night, either at the (Stamford Hill) or the all, to stage a variety show Eastern art, music and

Sportsmen and sportswomen are being well catered for by the inclusion of provincial soccer games, tennis tourneys, golf championships, athletic and cycling, table tennis, hockey, etc., etc.

A PAGEANT

THE Durban Indian Surf Lifesavers' Club will give a display of their abilities on the Indian section of the beach, followed by (if possible) open air dancing. Other big organisations which form an integral part of the life of the Indian community, such as the St. John Ambulance Brigade, Red Cross, nurses, Indian ex-servicemen, etc., will also hold parades and demonstrations.

Coming back to the pageant, with the kind co-operation of the Principal Immigration and Asiatic Officer Mr. G. de Wet, and the Assistant Protector of Indian Immigrants, Major Stead, the committee hopes to obtain factual data on the arrival of Indians from India in 1860.

This scene will be depicted by Indians taking part arriving by steamer, embarking on the mole, and being met by the Immigration Officer and representatives of the planters. It will be recalled that at that period African labour was unstable and the position of the planters on the tea, coffee and sugar plantations was becoming desperate.

COLOURFUL DANCING

HENCE the appeal of the Government of India to send out Indian labour to work on these fields. The culmination of the embarkation will be in the form of a dance and singing—the total time allocated being 15 minutes. It is difficult to imagine how such an important part of the celebrations, and at the same time taking into consideration its various aspects, can all be concluded in so short a time. Therefore, if the time factor is not reconsidered, I am inclined to believe that a pageant of the type envisaged will be hardly worth it if so much money, time and effort is going to be put into it.

However, another colourful aspect of the celebrations will be the participation of Indians in a folk dance amongst the other national groups of South Africa.

Yet a third spectacle which will lend colour to Indian art, music and dancing will be the staging of a variety show in which the various types of dances from the North, Central and South India will be seen. Accompanied by Indian music, these dance recitals will be given in the typical settings of the various provinces from which they come.

INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION

A celebration of this type is not complete without an exhibition. It is proposed to have Indian industries represented in the huge Industrial Exhibition to be held at the Wool Mart. An application for two more stalls has already been made to the organising bodies.

There is no doubt that this exhibition will be of great value to Indian industrialists, who should seize the excellent opportunity offered for displaying their products to the best advantage.

People from near and far visiting the exhibition will get an insight into the various contributions made by leading Indian industrialists towards the welfare and prosperity of this country. At the same time, it will be in the interests of those represented at the exhibition to publicise their products so that trade relations may be opened up with business houses outside the borders of this province.

It is confidently expected that in the field of furniture making, garment, food and canning, brassware, jewellery, pottery, basket making, handicrafts, weaving, and many others, the Indian community should be able to put up a fine exhibition.

FISHING STORY

AN old school colleague, who has now become an expert fisherman, appears to be just about fed up with convincing me that fishing is, after all, a splendid sport, although whenever I bump into him he always has something to say about the one that got away. I told him that I did not have all the patience he had to wait sometimes for over an hour, for a bite. "There's nothing like it," he assured me in desperation the other day. I agreed with him—there is nothing like it!

Perhaps to console me, for the first time he told me a fishing story which did not concern himself. Two fishermen had an argument one day as to who was the better mathematician. Finally the captain of the fishing smack proposed the following problem for them as a test:

If a fishing crew caught five hundred pounds of cod and brought their catch to port and sold it for six cents a pound, how much would they receive for the fish?

The two old fellows got to work, but neither seemed able to master the intricacies of the deal in fish, and they were unable to arrive at an answer.

At last old Bill turned to the captain and asked him to repeat the problem. The captain started off: "If a fishing crew caught five hundred pounds of cod and ——"

"Wait a minute there, wait a minute," said Bill. "Is it codfish they caught?"

"Yep," answered the captain.

"Blame it all," said Bill. "It ain't no wonder I couldn't get an answer. Here I been figuring on salmon all the time."

BUSINESS KNOWLEDGE

A CITY businessman was very keen on having proficient clerks in his employ. Before a clerk could enter his office he was required to pass a written examination on his knowledge of business. At one examination one of the questions was: "Who formed the first company?"

A certain bright youth was a little puzzled at this, but was not [illegible] "Noah successfully floated a company while the rest of the world was in liquidation."

He passed.

TRUE TAJ TRADITION

AFTER a long lapse, it is pleasing to note that the general public will be once again treated to a really good show when the Taj Theatrical Entertainers present "Fashion-ki-Rani". Commenting on the play, Mr. A. Rahman, its producer-director, said he confidently expects it to be an even greater success than "Down Durban Way". "It is a modern social play in the true Taj tradition," said Mr. Rahman.

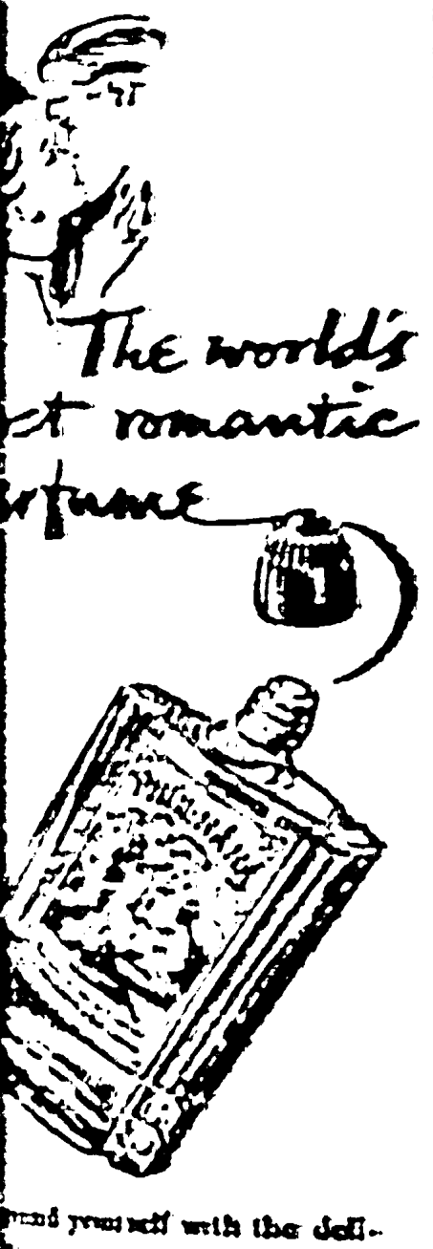
The play is based on the adventures (or should it be misadventures?) of an ordinary soldier, who is suddenly elevated to the rank of colonel, and his attempts to live up to the dignity of his new status, which, in his opinion, should include a wife fit for a colonel.

He advertises for a consort, and the results which follow are a real treat to the audience. The part of the colonel's manservant is played by Fayzoo, who fills the role admirably.

Then there is the agent who is responsible for the procuring of the lady. And his part contributes to a large measure to the climax of the play. The lady whom the colonel takes for his wife is a delightful character and highly original. The part of a doctor and the colonel's soldier friend and his wife are ably filled by an excellent cast, and the finale, when it does come, is not a strain upon one's credulity.

All in all, the play has all the ingredients which should be added to a real good show; it is garnished with the right sense of humour, and spiced with lilting songs, music and dances.

Taj's Dancing Lovelies in a scene from "Fashion-Ki-Rani"—produced and directed by A. Rahman. It has been described as the "Super Show of 1954". The play will be staged at the Bolton Hall on February 6, 13 and 20.



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Ever remembered by his sorrowing wife, sons, daughters, parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raman, Brothers: S. Raman, T. Raman, N. Raman and brother-in-law and sister, Mr and Mrs [illegible] and families.

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Pillay: In loving memory of our son, brother, husband and father, M [illegible] Pillay, who was called away to rest for ever in the Kingdom of God, on January 22, 1953.

A year has passed the sad day,
Since you were called away
The parting was painful and severe,
Because we loved you so dear.

Ever remembered by Dad, Mum, brothers, sisters, wife and three children, 70 [illegible] Road, [illegible] and 31 [illegible] Street, East London.

Naidoo: In loving memory of my beloved wife, [illegible], who passed away peacefully on 5th January, 1953.

A silent thought, a silent tear,
For the one we loved and cherished so dear.
Flowers may fade and petals may scatter,
But in visions we are always together.
Your pleasant memories are silently kept,
You left us suddenly, your thoughts unknown,
But you left a memory we are proud to own.
Life will never be the same,
To us the world would be like heaven
Just to have you back again.

Ever remembered by her loving husband, children, mother-in-law, sister-in-law and brother-in-law,—17 First Avenue, Durban.

Appreciation

Messrs. [illegible], sons and daughters, of [illegible] Road, [illegible], wish to thank friends and relatives for the kind messages and floral tributes sent to them on the occasion of the death of Mrs [illegible].

Births

CHETTY: To [illegible] and Dolly (nee [illegible]), a son at McCord Hospital on January 16, 1954.

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K. D. NAIDOO, Hon. Secretary.

"The Leader" Editorial

PIETERMARITZBURG, FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 1954

THE MENTZ PLAN

THE conflict between the Nationalist conception of South Africa's future development and the actual needs of the country is now here more plainly shown than in the present dispute over the future of the Western areas of Johannesburg.

The Mentz report, upon which the Minister of Native Affairs proposes to act, envisages the wholesale removal of the Natives at present living in the Western Areas, and their resettlement on a new site at a greater distance from the city. That this new site is unprovided with any of the amenities of life, and would have to be developed from the empty veld, appears to the Nationalists a point of no importance. For the Nationalist mentality, formed in the feudal atmosphere of the high veld, sees no more difficulty in the removal of a settled industrial population, than in the mere shifting of a Native kraal from one part of a farm to another. To those who point out that the scheme involves the denial of the present freehold rights of a number of Native land-owners, the Nationalists answer that this is one of the attractive features of the scheme, since the toleration of any such right appears to them to threaten the very existence of the European.

In short, the Mentz scheme illustrates very well the type of thinking which gave it birth—the airy disregard of the human problems involved, the fanatical determination to achieve an almost mystical state of racial seclusion, and a complete indifference to the economic problems that are involved. It may well be that the scheme will prove to be the crucial [illegible] the applicability of [illegible] for the Minister seems to [illegible] committed himself to it be[illegible] any possibility of retreat, [illegible] the opposition to it is a[illegible] same time deep-rooted, [illegible] termined and growing [illegible] volume. It seems likely, [illegible] fore, that the scheme will [illegible] to a clash of interests and [illegible] wills that may have the [illegible] far-reaching consequences.

The decision of the [illegible] watersrand Executive of [illegible] United Party to oppose [illegible] Mentz scheme does not com[illegible] the Party as a whole, and [illegible] indeed provoke yet an[illegible] crisis within the ranks of [illegible] much-divided army. But it [illegible] most certainly indicates that [illegible] industrial and commercial [illegible] terests of the Rand have at [illegible] point decided to make common cause with those liberals [illegible] humanitarians who have from the start opposed the plan [illegible] the grounds of its probable effects upon the happiness of those whose lives are to be [illegible] rupted. There is no need [illegible] seek far for the explanation [illegible] the Mentz plan is likely to [illegible] volve the industrialists in [illegible] expenses through increased transport costs and heavier [illegible] tion and rates, and to [illegible] the efficiency of the city's labour force, besides offering every [illegible] vantage to Communist agitators.

The Government may, therefore, find itself attempting [illegible] force through a scheme [illegible] which almost every party whose interests are directly [illegible] volved, is strongly opposed. [illegible] will be interesting to see how far it can succeed in [illegible] policy, for that indeed is [illegible] chief point of doubt in any [illegible] tempt to foresee South Africa's future. That the Government now holds supreme and [illegible] tered political power, and [illegible] likely to continue to hold it, [illegible] indisputable. But is that political power sufficient to permit [illegible] to impose its will when the [illegible] communities are [illegible] termined to oppose it? That [illegible] mains to be seen; but on [illegible] whole the prospects before [illegible] Mentz scheme are not [illegible] promising. Totalitarianism [illegible] may be very powerful, but [illegible] cannot succeed in flying in [illegible] face of all the economic [illegible] social facts.

Thanks

Mr. C. M. Pillay and family, of 28 [illegible] Avenue, Mayville, Durban, wish to thank all relatives and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy in their recent, sudden and very sad bereavement. Special thanks to doctor, sister and staff of McCord's Hospital.

Mrs. S. K. Tommy Pillay, of Malvern (Dundee), wishes to express her sincere thanks to all those who rendered assistance, and those who sent congratulatory messages and gifts, on the occasion of the marriage of her son, S. S. Pillay (Sonny), to [illegible] (Dolly), daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. P. [illegible], of [illegible], which took place at the City Hall, Durban, last Sunday.

Anniversary Celebrated

DURBAN. — The [illegible] Andhra Mahila [illegible] Sangam celebrated its fifth anniversary at the [illegible] Institute Hall on Sunday.

The guest speaker was Mr. S. N. G. [illegible], who suggested that the Sangam would benefit by conducting a similar body formed in Madras.

Among the other speakers were Mrs. G. L. [illegible] Naidoo, President of the Sangam, Mr. M. L. Naidoo, President of the [illegible] Andhra Sabha and Mr. S. P. Reddy.

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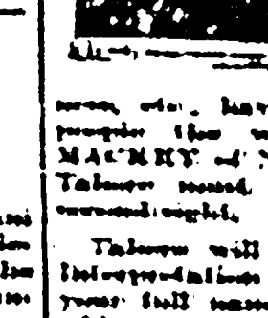

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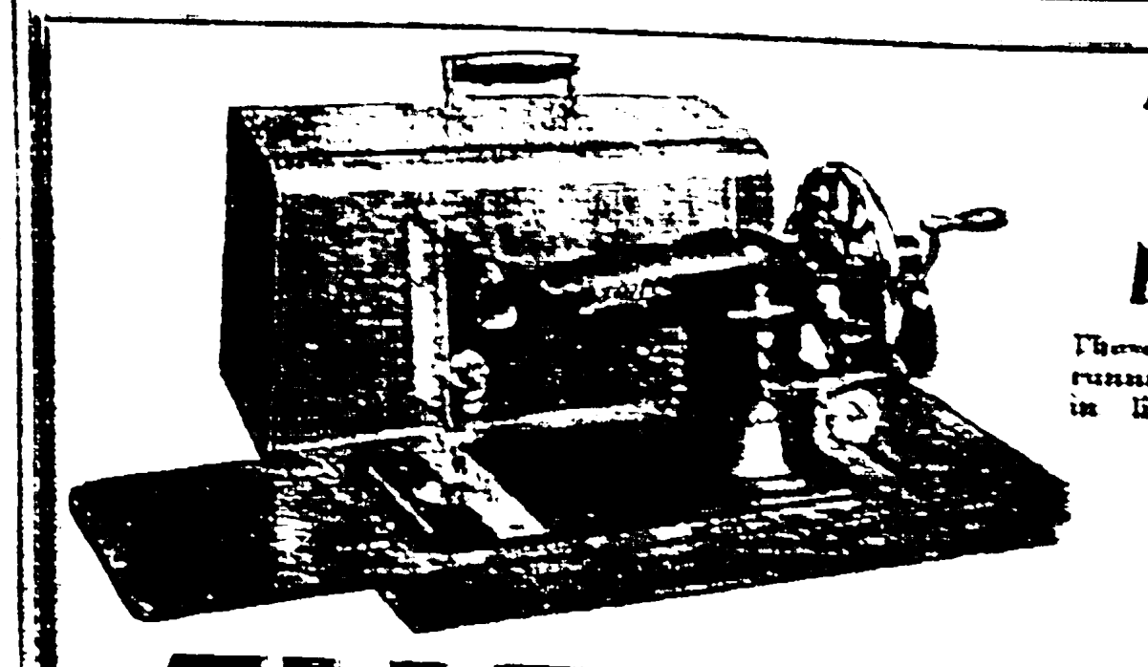

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The fifth session of the South African Hindu Conference, held here recently, has aroused [illegible]able interest, and the wide range of subjects dealt with provided scope for animated [illegible]ch, in the opinion of the senior members of the South African Hindu Maha Sabha was, [illegible]y, of a high level.

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model king, with Sita the model wife, with Shri Krishna the model man. For what is seen, discovered by the world's Great Ones, is never exhausted, but has a meaning and message for ages unborn. "There is the old which, like the sunrise, does not decay, but returns age after age, bathed in fresh glory."

INDIA OF THE PAST

The Upanishads, the Gita, the great dramas of Kalidasa, setting forth in the veiled way of art, the truth that the secret of life is self-renunciation [illegible] in the India of the past.

The reception accorded to the sage of modern India, Sir Rabindranath Tagore, in Europe who was awarded the Nobel Prize, indicates the appreciation by the West of the Indian past and his message. An English admirer calls him 'a Prince of India in the largest, greatest sense—'a seer from the realm of ancient wisdom.' And the message of Tagore to the modern West is essentially the message of ancient wisdom.

The Nobel Poet has been nourished on the wisdom of the East, he has said, more than once, that his inspiration has come to him "from the Upanishads and from Bengal's Vaishnava poets." He is a world poet, in him is mirrored as, perhaps, in none else, the new renaissance of India.

We need the literature and history of Europe rich in the inspiration of freedom; we need the discipline of Western science; but, we need not belittle the values of India's own culture. Indeed without an appreciation of our own national culture we cannot assimilate the culture of the West—we will be but impotent imitators of the West. The culture of India must be coordinated with those of the West, so will the modern be linked with the past and tradition will be used for building up our culture and our future.

Tradition is a race memory; tradition must be the basis of popular education; tradition comes out of the heart and life of the people; it is "like a mother, which, if once it fails, cannot be rekindled," and education fails of its purpose when it fails to stir the memory and dreams and aspirations of a people. Tradition will keep alive in our hearts the flames of love and courage and sacrifice, it will shield us against those outbursts of pride and ambition and selfishness which mar public life. Purity, ahimsa, truth, courage, reverence for human life are a heritage of the Hindu heart.

SPIRITUAL MESSAGE

In recent times, have we not had internationally famous interpreters of India's spiritual message to mankind? Where in all the world was there a man in public life so pure, so [illegible] Mahatma Gandhiji? Where in all the world was there a poet so profoundly religious, so sweetly lyrical, so rich in music and melody, as our Rabindranath Tagore?

What, it may be asked, is the aim of culture? It is to teach us simplification and not complication of life; to be an assimilator and not an imitator; purity and not power; love of nation, not love of colour. To conquer sectarianism, communism, nationalism and racialism by universalism and humanism. To reconcile conflicts, differences, antagonisms, anomalies and all contradictions into a common thought acceptable to all and giving happiness to all. "Each for all and all for God" is the basis of our culture.

TASK BEFORE US

The task before us then is to find a proper and prominent place for the study of Hindu literature and art and philosophy and religion, and to teach and practise their central and valuable principles. All these things have to go on concurrently with a mastery of modern science and history and of the English language. It is in this synthesis that our safety and our salvation lie. To this end I venture to make a few suggestions for your consideration.

(1) That representations be made to the educational authorities for the inclusion in the English school curriculum of the teaching of Hindu history and scriptures. The time now allotted to the teaching of moral lessons, for instance, may be assigned to such religious education. English schools owned by Hindu organisations would thus be given [illegible] their aims and objects. The services of Hindu teachers employed in such schools may be utilised.

(2) Syllabus of instruction be drawn up and suitable books recommended for study to give effect to the above suggestion.

(3) A board of examiners be appointed and certificates of merit awarded to the successful candidates.

STUDY GROUPS

(4) Study groups be formed in all districts and the service of men and women competent to conduct classes or deliver lectures on religious, cultural and philosophical topics be employed. Adults would thus be able to gain religious knowledge. Much of this may be done in conjunction with Sunday Services which should also be organised in all districts.

(5) Competitions to promote cultural activities among Hindus on the lines of the eisteddfod be held periodically. Section for children as well as adults be provided.

(6) Classes be organised for the training of teachers and preachers for the propagation of the Hindu Dharma.

OUR CONTRIBUTION

Rightly has Auguste Comte observed: "By the past, through the present, to the future." That is to say, it is by the studying and understanding of the past, and by taking advantage of the power it has accumulated in us, that we become able so to create for ourselves and others the fullest future. If we are to remain "the outpost of a great nation," and make our contribution towards the enrichment of the cultural life of this land of our birth and adoption, we must ourselves resolve to reach a higher standard of cultural life in future. We must recover the full heritage of our race—the Hindu philosophy of life, which, in spite of the many vicissitudes through which the country of its origin had passed, has produced illustrious men and women worthy of the highest international honour and regard.

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DURBAN.—In a letter to the Indian Education Committee, the Natal Education Department says:

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"It will also be quite in order for private platoon schools to admit children over ten years of age first, as the right of admission to these schools is not controlled by this Department.

"Any suggestion your Committee may wish to make with reference to the accommodation of ten year olds will be considered, but no general policy, other than that already stated, can be laid down.

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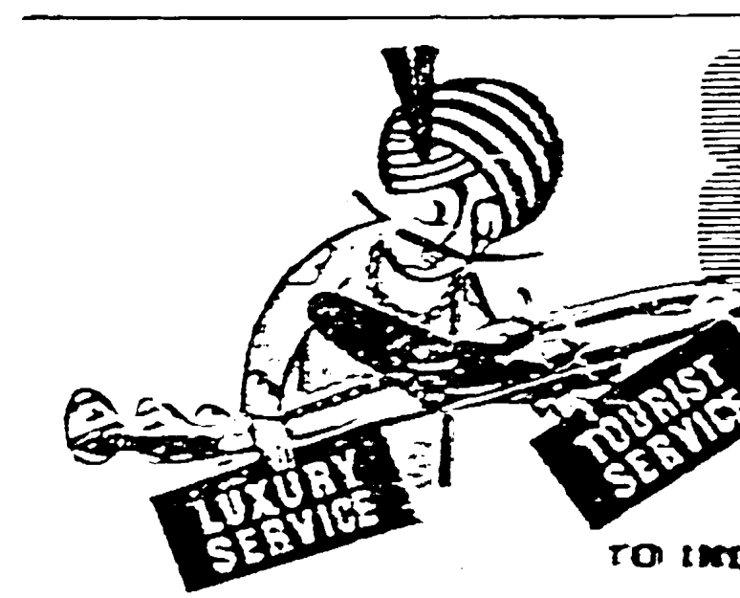

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Leaving Certificate: [illegible]

Stanger Govt. Indian High School

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Tongaat Indian High School

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Leaving Certificate: [illegible]

Umzinto Govt. Indian High School

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Leaving Certificate: [illegible]

Verulam Indian High School

[illegible]

Leaving Certificate: [illegible]

Woodlands Indian High School

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H. G.; Naicker, A. C.; Naidoo, B. K.; Naidoo, D. D.; Naidoo, P. V.; Nunkoo, L.; Panditheer, L. D.; Parag, S.; Parak, S. S.; Pather, K. G.; *Pillay, A. P.; Pillay, A. V.; Pillay, J. M.; *Pillay, T. K.; Rajah, T. P.; Ram, S.; Ramdeen, S. M.; Rasnath, S. S.; Ramperadh, S.; Saraswan, A.; Sewbath, S.; Shewnandan, P. B.; Singh, A. P.; Singh, B. D.; Singh, R. H.; Singh, H. D.; Sobrun, R.; Somar, H. B.

Leaving Certificate: Chotkaan, H. P.; Daniels, K. M.; Jadoo, D. B.; Maganbeharie, S.; Maharaj, K. S.; Manickam, S. G.; Moodley, S. K.; Mungroo, G. P.; Naidu, L. T. K.; Nowrgat, A. D.; Pillay, A. K.; Pillay, R. M.; Rajah, B.; Ramsing, B. S.; Satoour, B.; Singh, A. P.; Singh, C. R.

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Bishop, N.; Cain, E. P.; *Champion, F.; Clark, L.; Clothier, G.; du Plooy, [illegible]; ricks, F. E.; Green-Thompson, G.; Himmelhoch, D.; [illegible] kins, S.; Johnstone, E.; Moore, L.; Napier, P.; Oakes, M.; Ogle, [illegible]; Schmidt, E.; Smith, E.; Smith, Y.; Vetter, E. [illegible] hoven, J.

Leaving Certificate: [illegible] Elzpaes, A.; Champion, [illegible] son, A.; Jones, R.; [illegible] C.; Reynolds, D. E.; [illegible] Tryon, R. C.

Umbilo Road Coloured [illegible] Durban

Abrahams, D.; Adams, [illegible] son, M.; Charles, L.; [illegible] Davis, T.; De Costa, [illegible] P.; Dunn, B.; Eadburg, [illegible] H.; Edrum, J.; Emery, [illegible] A. D.; *Francis, [illegible] [illegible] L.; Johns, S. V.; La Guste, [illegible] Langlois, M. D.; La [illegible] Malchen, H. K.; [illegible] Nichols, G. E.; [illegible] Nienkerk, D. Y.; [illegible] Young, E. M.

Leaving Certificate: [illegible] Adams, H.; Appanah, [illegible] M.; Heaton, N.; [illegible] Vries, N.; Fells, G.; [illegible] Moodian, H. J.; [illegible] Smith, N. J.; [illegible] M. K. H.

FIGHT AGAINST GROUP AREAS 'NOT EASY'

DURBAN: At a well-attended annual meeting of the [illegible] of the Natal Indian Congress, Mr. R. S. Cohool said that [illegible] against apartheid, and the Group Areas Act in particular, [illegible] an easy one.

"We must be very careful," Mr. [illegible] emphasised, "of this Durban City Council, which is acting as an [illegible] agent of a Government which has declared that Indians must be ousted from the country. We must not be deceived by nice promises of beautiful Indian townships.

"It is important for the Indian people to realise that the fight against the Group Areas Act is not a purely Indian fight. Millions of Africans and Coloureds are also affected by it and are just as much concerned about defending their homes as we are."

Mr. [illegible], organising secretary of the African National Congress (Natal), said that his presence at the meeting was an indication that the African people were united in opposing the Apartheid laws [illegible] [illegible]. He brought a message from the A.N.C. extending the hand of friendship and unity to the Indian people in Natal.

"TERRIBLE ATTACK"

The joint hon. secretary's report was presented by Messrs. [illegible] and [illegible] Pillai, who stated that the United Nations had condemned South Africa for its unjust apartheid laws. South Africa in return had shamefully stated at the United Nations that her apartheid policy was her domestic business. The Indian question was also debated by the United Nations and again South Africa was faced with a terrible attack and was asked to settle this problem in good faith.

The report said: "But, whatever the outcome of the United Nations decision on South African racial policies the fact remains that South Africa is faced with a great problem of not being able to convince the world that apartheid is acceptable to the masses of the people inhabiting South Africa."

GREATER OPPOSITION

Greater opposition has arisen from the people, and the Government has been forced to gag our leaders through the Suppression of Communism Act. But the recent decision by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court has made this section of the law invalid. Thus the Government has suffered another judicial defeat.

"The problem of schools," continued the report, "is also serious in the Merebank Districts, over [illegible] boys and girls of schoolgoing age are still short of school accommodation. In spite of the large population, there is not a single Government school for Indian children in this district. A secondary school is essential and the Education Department should devise ways and means of establishing such an institution without any further delay."

The Group Areas Act was fully discussed. The following resolutions were adopted unanimously:

GROUP AREAS ACT

"This meeting condemns the Group Areas Act as a measure designed to impoverish and destroy the Indian [illegible] people, ultimately to [illegible] them.

"We have no [illegible] [illegible] meeting of the [illegible] as we have heard from [illegible] [illegible] that the Council [illegible] purely European [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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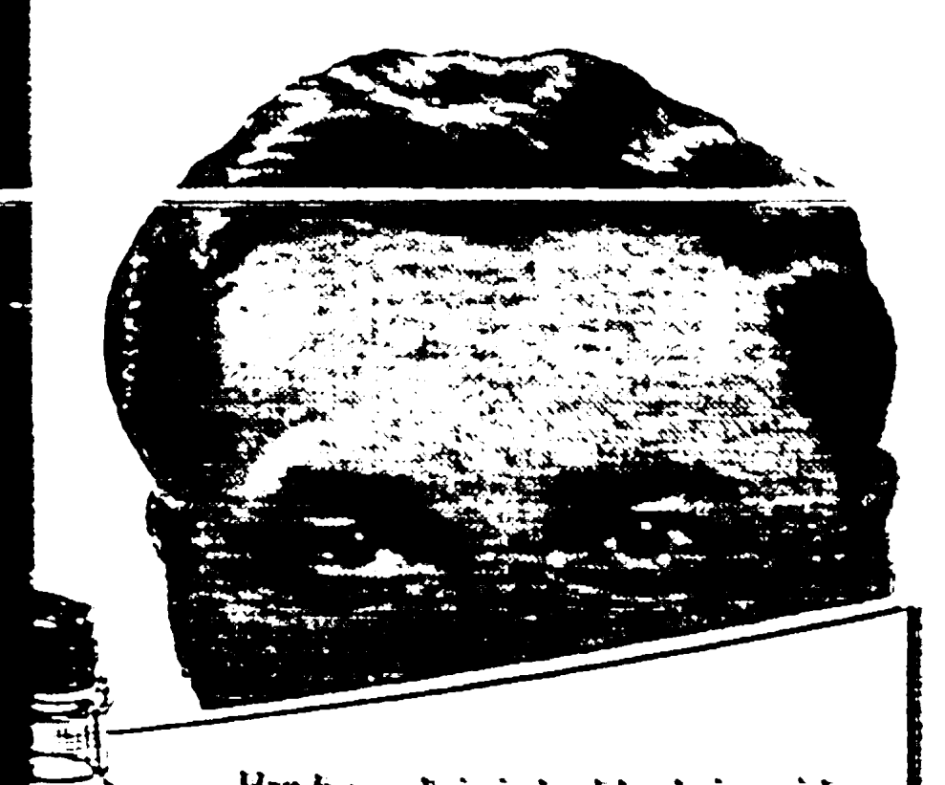

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MADRAS.—This is my third visit to Madras—the previous visits were in 1921 and 1933. After 20 years some changes are noticeable. The city has grown enormously and now has a population of about 1½ millions. The city has numerous colleges for men and women and local educationists proudly boast of their institutions being the best in India—in every respect.

It was in this city that the late Dr. Annie Besant founded the Theosophical Society, and at Adyar, a few miles from the centre, spread over acres of lovely woodlands shrubs and flowers, the Society buildings and educational institutions have been erected, catering for students from all parts of the globe.

I remember listening to a speech by Dr. Besant at Karachi in 1926. She was in the forefront of the Home Rule struggle in those days, and although past middle age, she gave a wonderful oration lasting over an hour to an audience of thousands. Adyar is a living monument to her genius and love for Mother India—her adopted home since 1893.

ADDRESSED MEETINGS

I have addressed several meetings [illegible] called a public meeting while the Presidency College, the Madras School of Social Work, Y.M.C.A., Pachaiyappa's College, A.R.C. Girls' High School and other bodies have heard my views on "Indians in South Africa." More and more requests are pouring in daily and I am in for a busy time.

I spoke over the A.I.R. Madras last week for over fifteen minutes. I have addressed [illegible] and [illegible] taken round by the Superintendent of Child Welfare, Dr. (Miss) C. N. [illegible], to see the work being done, visited "Anak Vihar"—the only [illegible] in India, attended a Student's social service conference at which 24 colleges in Madras were represented, and at which several distinguished speakers addressed the students.

What a treat to hear the intellectuals of Madras addressing an audience—I wish some of our [illegible] Europeans of South Africa could hear them—they would be ashamed at their knowledge of English. I had the honour of meeting the Governor of Madras, Shri Sri Prakasa, who showed a keen interest in our affairs.

MET RAJAJI

But the highlight was my meeting with Rajaji, short for Chakravarti Rajagopalachariar—Chief Minister of Madras State. What a charming elderly statesman he is—with a winning smile that lights up his face, giving him the look of a benevolent old gentleman. There is no more astute politician in India today than "C.R."

During recent weeks he has been subjected to a great deal of criticism, culminating in a complaint being forwarded to the President of Congress, Shri Jawaharlal Nehru, by State Congress members against his leadership. Of course the complaint was unfounded and very rightly Shri Nehru turned it down, and directed C.R. should continue in office.

During this unpleasant controversy C.R. carried on in his own inimitable, unruffled manner, making regular public appearances and speaking on a variety of subjects. There seems to be no limit to his [illegible]

Philosopher, statesman and guide—he has practically cleaned the State of corruption and vice and by his own simple living and unimpeachable character given a lead to others worthy of emulation.

C.R.'s MESSAGE

I asked him for a message for our people in South Africa and after some deliberation he said, "Tell our people to live as honest life and try to be more honest than the White citizens." This is a somewhat cryptic message—but there it is, make of it what you will!

Madras is a city with many distinguishing [illegible]. It has several fine educational institutions. The principals of the various institutions—men and women—are brilliantly qualified and are invariably possessed of local as well as overseas qualifications. The Medical Officer, Dr. [illegible], told me that in matters of health, the Corporation was second to none in India. I believe this, for the [illegible] which I visited at the back of Ripon Building (Town Hall) is a testimony to the care and consequent [illegible] of the officials to prevent disease.

The city possesses more churches than I have seen in any other town in India; there are more paraphernalia, diseases and beggars here than I have seen elsewhere; the economic conditions of the vast majority is unsatisfactory, one sees some individuals follow this elsewhere, there is a deep rooted faith in orthodoxy and although the observance of caste is fast dying in India, the progress in the South is slow.

ANCIENT LANGUAGE

Tamil Nad is intensely proud of its ancient language, culture and civilisation and the attempt of some congressmen to have "Hindi" as the national language has met with stern opposition by many.

Madras has a magnificent beach over two miles of lovely sands, the second best in the world, I am told. But to develop it requires thousands of pounds. Some day, perhaps, we shall find this beach the playground of India with all the amenities and attractions of a glorious seaside resort. The people here are very simple in their dress. One does not see the lipstick, rouge and powder among the womenfolk that is the [illegible], [illegible]. Nor does one find the glamorous sarees and cholis seen elsewhere. The women dress simply but exquisitely and thousands of them—of all classes—are to be seen everywhere without champals or shoes. Except for nose rings and earrings—very often you see double nose rings—their jewellery is worn unostentatiously.

"Tans in Hindi"? Ye gods, I shudder at the thought. But I won't let Durban down. A few days ago I had the privilege of calling on Shrimati M. S. Subbulakshmi at her beautiful home. She is without doubt the greatest singer in South India and has few equals in India. She is a most gracious and beautiful lady and received me with a cordiality that is synonymous. Her fame is widespread.

She has almost hypnotised great audiences throughout the country. There was music in her voice as she asked several questions about South Africa and she was much distressed to learn of our humiliations. Her husband Shri T. Sadasivam and two daughters, Radha and Vijaya asked several questions with sympathetic concern.

The eldest daughter Radha is a noted Bharat Natyam dancer. Rather hesitantly, but with an expectant look, I requested her to sing. My nerve! But great artistes like her are God's chosen children—and only has He endowed them with a bounty of things beautiful—but hearts of gold in added measure. "Sing for you, Mr. Singh? Certainly! You have come so far to my humble home—you have honoured me. How can I refuse?"

A RARE TREAT

We adjourned into her lounge, and there seated on a chair (rosewood) with a Tanpura across her knees, and her daughter Radha accompanying her, I was given a treat I shall never forget. I was enraptured by her singing—and, motionless, sitting quiet, without effect—how can I describe the glorious half hour?

She sang two South Indian Raga's and at my request two devotional songs composed by Meera—the great poetess. As a finale she sang a Bhajan by Surdas. Magnificent—words fail me. I was in trance, Shrimati Subbulakshmi is the supreme artiste, modest and oh, how simple.

She is silently undertaking a tour of all the principal cities of India to collect funds for charity. During her career she has collected lakhs of rupees for the national and other funds. She bade goodbye with her face wreathed in smiles—"Tell my friends in South Africa that my heart goes out to them in their sufferings," she said, "and thank you for coming to see me. It has been a delight to sing to you—I did not know I had fans in South Africa."

I was overwhelmed—with hands clasped in greetings to a great artiste and her family I left.

FAREWELL TO CANON W. H. MARTIN

A FAREWELL reception and gift presentation was held at the Staff Home, St. Aidan's Hospital in honour of Canon W. H. Martin, who retired on January 7 as Deputy-Chairman of St. Aidan's Hospital Board of Management.

After tea the Matron, Miss S. A. Evans, after a few introductory remarks, called upon the Reverend F. C. David, honorary chaplain of Saint Aidan's Hospital, to speak. Mr. David referred to the great services rendered by Canon Martin in the building of the Hospital chapel, which served as a spiritual storehouse for the sick and suffering. In wishing Canon Martin many years of happiness and peaceful retirement, Mr. David hoped that he would be remembered by all at the hospital, whom he had come to look upon as his friends.

To Dr. K. M. Seedat, a prominent member of the Hospital Board, fell the pleasant duty of making the presentation. He paid glowing tribute to Canon Martin's outstanding work as Deputy-Chairman. Referring to the notable contribution by Canon Martin towards the furtherance of the work of the Hospital, Dr. Seedat said: "Canon Martin laboured unceasingly to complete the extensions to the hospital. He worked harmoniously with all sections of the Indian community and won the friendship of all with whom he worked." He also said that it was Canon Martin's ambition, as well as his own, to see the day dawn when the urgently required nurses' quarters would be a reality.

Appeal for old clothes

DURBAN.—There are numerous families in Durban who are short of clothes, and with the winter months approaching this entails misery and suffering for these less fortunate people.

Numerous cases can be cited where people are virtually wearing rags and using sacks for blankets. Can you visualise what these poorly clad people go through, living in houses [illegible] are hardly fit for human habitation.

The other day I visited a family consisting of mother, father and six children, the youngest child being a babe in the arms. The father was disabled and unfit for work, but unfortunately he has been certified as physically fit by the district surgeon. The sole supporter was the mother, who earned a meagre salary of about £2 per month.

In this unfortunate plight the family cannot think of buying clothes and blankets. The children attend school wearing almost threadbare clothes, and at night the family huddle together on the cement floor using sacks and rags for blankets. The Durban Indian Child Welfare Society assists this family with food, but finds it almost impossible to provide clothes and blankets.

The above case is but one of the hundreds that they come across during the course of their work.

The Durban Indian Child Welfare makes an urgent appeal to more fortunate people, and trusts that they will give old clothes and blankets to these needy folk.

Kindly forward what you can give, to the Durban Indian Child Welfare Society, Baker Street, Durban, or telephone 24[illegible] and they will gladly call and collect them.

Books and old Clothes Wanted

MARITZBURG.—Second-hand school books and clothing are urgently required for needy children attending Government-aided Indian primary schools in Maritzburg. Clothing for adults is also required.

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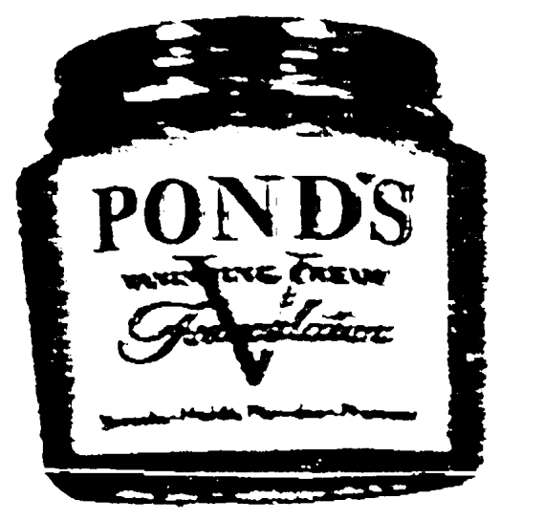

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Our drawing competition has brought many good entries. Details of the competition were printed in last week's junior leader. Send in your entries if you have not already done so.

Remember, you can draw anything in any medium—paint, crayons, etc. Send your entries to "Chandrajan, Junior Leader, 341 Pine Street, Durban." A beautiful book awaits the winning entrant.

PEN PAL FROM INDIA

[illegible] (R.P.), Dholi Talai, Rani Bazaar, Bikaner (Raj), India, would like to have pen pals from any part of the Union. Interests: stamp collecting and collecting pictures.

Send your puzzles, riddles, quizzes, compositions, jokes, etc., to "Chandrajan, the Junior Leader, 341 Pine Street, Durban.

PEN PALS CORNER

The following is a list of names of pen pals for this week:

Haren Somar (15), P.O. Box 11, [illegible], Natal, whose interests are in sport, reading and cinema, desires pen pals from any part of the world.

Miss Neermala Naidoo (17), 155 Kenville Road, P.O. Redhill, would like to have pen friends from any part of the world. Interests: reading, music and knitting.

Abbas Sardiwalla (15), [illegible], P.O. [illegible], Natal, desires pen pals from the Union and overseas. Interests: tennis and stamp collecting.

Essack Yusuf (14), 8 [illegible] Road, Mayville, Durban, would like to have pen pals from any part of the world. Interests: cinema and correspondence.

Abdoola I. Khan (16), P.O. Box 32, Glencoe, Natal, is interested in songs, dancing and music. He would like to have pen friends from the Union and overseas.

Subban Ramchum (18), King George V Hospital, Ward 2-4, P.O. [illegible], Durban, would like to have pen friends from any part of the world. Interests: reading and music.

Dev Ramjee (19), 444 Eighth Street, A. Bazaar, Pretoria, whose interests are in correspondence, reading and music would like to have pen pals from any part of the world.

OVERSEAS PEN PALS

S. S. Palham, P.O. Box 000, Dar-es-Salaam, E.K. Africa. Interests: stamps, photography, reading, cycling and general correspondence. Palham is 20 years old, and teenage members can write to him.

Raina Yatawake (17), St. Hila's Estate, Hanwella, Ceylon. Interests: stamps, swimming, reading and general correspondence. She would like to have pen pals from any part of the Union.

C.C.D.

It was the custom at the school for a teacher to write on the blackboard any instructions she wished to give the caretaker. One evening on entering a classroom, the caretaker saw written up: "Find the greatest common denominator."

"My goodness!" she exclaimed, "Is that darned thing lost again!"

HE GAVE AWAY MOUNTAINS

A bronze head of a Maori chief wearing a kiwi feather cloak and holding a war club has been unveiled at Chateau Tongariro, the mountain resort which is about midway between Auckland and Wellington.

It is a memorial to a chief named Te Heuheu Tukino, who 62 years ago presented to the New Zealand Government the mountainous region now known as the Tongariro National Park.

—"Children's Newspaper."

ODD FACTS

He stood on a Manhattan, New York, street corner, a poorly dressed old man, and began to tear up bank notes. He ripped the notes in halves, threw them to the wind and stuffed them into litter baskets. When the police arrived they took him away for observation.

Making Trunk Calls

A gang of smugglers are entering Burma at intervals and smuggling Burmese elephants back into Siam.

Piping Hot

[illegible] Florida (U.S.A.) housewife made a pie. Wrapped in tinfoil it was stowed away in a transatlantic aircraft, close to the engines. When it arrived at the Air Force base where the husband was stationed it was still hot. The heat from the engines did the trick.

Baked! Dough!

In Chiswick, London, a man dropped 32 £5 notes in the High street. He went to the police station and collected them. They had been found, rain-soaked, by two women. The notes were left to dry on top of the police station radiators.

OCCUPIED

Two Tommies were looking for a shady spot during a spell in the Egyptian campaign.

"Here y'are. This looks like a real picnic spot," said Bill.

"Aye," replied his companion, "fifty thousand camels can't be wrong."

LAUGHTER DEPARTMENT

Prisoner (to judge, after being asked if he had anything to say): "I'm sorry I took the money, my lord, but you know the old saying, that the more a man has the more he wants."

The Judge: "Well, you're getting six months. How much more do you want?"

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A canny Scot was trying to sell a rather thin-looking horse to a shrewd businessman.

"Why," exclaimed the latter, "I [illegible]."

"That's good," said Sandy. "If you find any missing you can have your money back."

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Overheard in an art gallery. "Whatever made them hang that picture I wonder?"

"Maybe they couldn't find the artist."

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Diner: "Waiter, I have only a shilling. What would you recommend?"

Waiter: "Another restaurant, sir."

SCHOLAR PATROL

"The system of scholar patrols has gained such [illegible] and approval that [illegible]," Mr. W. D. Koral [illegible] National Road Safety [illegible].

"However, [illegible] comments of a Cape [illegible] trate—who exposed [illegible] of scholars being [illegible] operate patrols—I [illegible] of the facts about [illegible] called for."

Mr. Koral added [illegible] men make a haphazard [illegible] busy street outside [illegible] endanger their own [illegible] to the difficulties [illegible].

"The system [illegible] have devised [illegible] cross the street [illegible] manner, at definite [illegible] a properly trained [illegible] patrol. The local Traffic [illegible] and Road Safety [illegible] sponsible for training [illegible] which are instituted [illegible] proval of the school [illegible].

"The Organisation's [illegible] patrols were required [illegible] today they give protection [illegible] than 100,000 children [illegible] vaal, Cape, O.F.S. and [illegible] from a solitary [illegible] Town, not a single [illegible] injured while crossing [illegible] of a scholar patrol [illegible] markable record, [illegible] Africa may be grateful [illegible].

"The [illegible] largely due to the [illegible] in which the [illegible] co-operated. Instances [illegible] lorry driver ignoring [illegible] of a patrol are [illegible] a stiff fine in the [illegible] paternal attitude of the [illegible] fleeted in the comment [illegible] maritzburg magistrate [illegible] erring driver £7 [illegible] sound, prudent, the [illegible].

Apart from South Africa [illegible] val concluded, [illegible] operating with good [illegible] other countries. In [illegible] they give protection [illegible] pupils.

Teenagers' colum[illegible]

HELLO TEENAGERS,

I can imagine what most of you will be doing over the week-end. It must be tough getting yourself all cleaned up (both mentally and physically!) in preparation to go back to College and Universities after a long lay off.

Here's something which might assist your mental recovery. I hand you over to Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, whose books on philosophy are used in many American universities.

Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, Vice President of India, said that the importance of education was not only in knowledge and skill but it was to help people to live with others.

Dr. Radhakrishnan, who was addressing the sixth annual convocation of Punjab University, said: "We have in our country great material resources, intelligent men and women and if, in addition, we learn to work together with pleasure, with pride and with a sense of duty in the sacred task of rebuilding our country, no one can prevent us from reaching our goal."

He stated that science and technology were not a cure for misfortune nor a key to the mystery of the universe. Respect for the basic values of spirit was the only antidote to the distempers of the society, social, economic and political.

ONE SIDED TRAINING

He added: "We must recognise that there is something in man that hungers and thirsts after righteousness. If sheer confusion dominates the scene and we live in an age of anxiety and greed, it is because our training has been one-sided. It is wrong to assume that the only means required for the betterment of mankind are more and more scientific discovery and technological improvement.

"The next few years will be a testing time, more severe and more exacting than we have known for many years. Political freedom which we won at much cost and sacrifice is only an opportunity. It is not a fulfilment. If we are to develop a strong democracy, political, social and economic, it is necessary for us to work hard and work unitedly.

"The ideal imposes on us a sacred responsibility. Men are not made democratic by the mere formulation of ideals in the constitution. They are not made good by mere exhortation. Great ideals of justice, equality, fraternity and freedom which we have inscribed in our constitution must be woven into the social fabric. We must apply them to the myriad situations of our daily life.

"Unfortunately, the state of mind in which we found ourselves at the time of political liberation is not marked by revolutionary fervour. The spirit of enjoyment has prevailed over the spirit of sacrifice. We seem to demand more than what we give. There is much evidence for low morale, dissatisfaction and discontent among people, all leading to serious sickness. We must overcome the spiritual sickness which seems to be enfeebling our community. If we do not change our minds we cannot change anything.

TRAINING GROUND

"A nation is built in its educational institutions. We have to train our youth in them. We have to impart to them the traditions of the future. Through all the complexities of race and religion, [illegible] grange and geography, [illegible] which have made our [illegible] nations and which [illegible] these over new [illegible] die, not belong to [illegible] spheres. The unity [illegible] physical geography, [illegible] realm of ideas. It [illegible] men's minds and [illegible].

"Our country has [illegible] internal dissensions [illegible] and central unity [illegible] weak to conquerors [illegible] ruled us for centuries [illegible] principle of divide and [illegible] fails it is true that [illegible] was due to our divisions [illegible] therefore, guard against [illegible] separatist tendencies [illegible] ligions and provinces [illegible] universities that we [illegible] a corporate feeling [illegible] social purpose. Our [illegible] must give social purpose [illegible] versities must give [illegible] [illegible] which is [illegible] it.

UNIVERSITIES [illegible]

"In the different [illegible] planning effort we [illegible] men and it is for the [illegible] supply them. Naturally [illegible] wish to get trained [illegible] technological and [illegible] courses. Many of the [illegible] have transformed [illegible] [illegible] the results of the [illegible] which science has [illegible] our lives. No such [illegible] has ever before occurred [illegible] a period of our history [illegible] choice or economic [illegible] scientific studies result [illegible] advantages.

"Power and wealth [illegible] exercise a kind of [illegible] minds of men. We [illegible] and succeed. Other [illegible] dinated to this one [illegible] greater wealth and [illegible] status. The desire to [illegible] laudable ambition [illegible] not exclude other [illegible] bilities. But future [illegible] destiny as a nation [illegible] on our spiritual strength [illegible] our material wealth."

NEW YEAR SERVICE

DURBAN.—On new Year's Day the Saiva Sithantha Sungum of Durban held the forty-fourth commemoration service in memory of the late Sri Siva Subramonia Guru Swamigal, the founder of the Sungum, at the Prayer Hall in Derby Street.

The service was very well attended by all sections of the Indian community, and a sprinkling of Europeans. Sri Karunainander Swamigal conducted the service.

Besides a programme of well-rendered Tamil songs there was also a memorial address in English by Dr. Sommasundarum Coopoo. Dr. Coopoo referred to the serenity, selflessness, and tenderness of the late Guru Swamigal. He stated that the late Guru Swamigal had set out in the traditional Indian way to seek the highest knowledge, namely knowledge of the Atman.

He believed that the best way to honour the memory of the late Guru Swamigal would be for his disciples to follow along the same path with determination and dedication.

Others who spoke in Tamil were Sri Swamalha Naicker, Mr. P. K. Pillay, and Mr. T. S. Pillay and in English, Mrs. Lalla.

A CHRIS[illegible] GESTUR[illegible]

STANGER.— Mr. K. [illegible] a bus owner and [illegible] resident of Stanger, has [illegible] thing that could be [illegible] lated by others of the [illegible].

On Christmas [illegible] visited the staff and [illegible] hospital, numbering [illegible] refreshments in the [illegible] fruits and sweet meat.

This should be a [illegible] wealthier members [illegible] community, who should [illegible] duty to those in distress [illegible] when all sections are [illegible] the Christmas festivities.

The bulk of the patients [illegible] came and Mr. Maraj [illegible] the more [illegible].

Mr. Maraj received a [illegible] the Provincial Secretary [illegible] the appreciation of the [illegible] patients.

Mr. Maraj has also [illegible] trophy to the Stanger [illegible] Welfare Society so that [illegible] petitions can be held [illegible] ceeds go to the funds of the [illegible].

The World of Entertainment

A dance scene from the Tamil picture "Mangayar Karasi".

[illegible] that Durban is [illegible] to see a first class [illegible] production on the [illegible] when one does come [illegible] "excellent" cinema [illegible] disappointed. [illegible] the classic "Mangayar Karasi" which will be [illegible] Albert from Monday.

[illegible] of love—sincere, [illegible] ing love between [illegible] and. But even that [illegible] by Sushila, who [illegible] nether hemisphere, [illegible] ately in love with [illegible], who has made [illegible] that he is not in [illegible]. [illegible] mystic powers, [illegible] a beautiful gar[illegible] transforms the [illegible] original form, in [illegible] Prince. He is [illegible] no more on [illegible] world, and [illegible].

[illegible] The King smiles [illegible] and she is [illegible] sentenced [illegible] but by some [illegible] from it. [illegible] to her in the [illegible] little child is saved [illegible] just when he [illegible] before Kali. The [illegible] informed that there [illegible] child in the jungle [illegible] child be brought in [illegible] the Royal [illegible] is not aware [illegible] his grand[illegible] tragedy turns [illegible] are in [illegible].

[illegible] where her [illegible] recognises [illegible] whom she is [illegible] to answer [illegible] pleads her [illegible] that the [illegible] man, is the [illegible] the Prince. [illegible] also makes [illegible].

[illegible] a cast of [illegible] and is the [illegible] to come in [illegible] years.

[illegible] FILM FESTIVAL

[illegible] to organise an [illegible] Film Festival Week [illegible] children's films [illegible] countries will be [illegible].

[illegible] has also decided to [illegible] operation of writers [illegible] to pen screen [illegible] producers have [illegible] to film.

ROLE FOR TALAT

[illegible] MAHMUD will appear [illegible] role of a "banvasi" in [illegible] forthcoming [illegible] film, based on the [illegible] and girl singer, to be [illegible] sixteen-year-old blind [illegible] Mr. Ahad will act as [illegible] miller.

[illegible] to be directed by Datta Dharmadhikari himself, is expected to go into production next month.

SHOOTING of Shandar films "Gaolin" is progressing on the sets at Ashok Studios in Bombay.

A sequence was pictured in which Pran, the villain, slapped Suresh, who acts the title role, so hard that everyone was stunned and looked at one another.

But after the "shot" they embraced each other and everyone laughed, including comedian Mirza Musharraf who directs the picture.

Purnima plays the female lead with Shammi, Mirza Musharraf, Faizi and newcomer Kailash in supporting roles. Gulraj writes the musical score and Mahendra Sharma produces the film.

—SHELA.

INTIMATE THEATRE TO TRY AGAIN

DURBAN: In spite of the fact that Intimate Theatre's first two productions for non-Europeans at the Bolton Hall failed to draw the anticipated audiences, and resulted in financial losses to a young organisation (Intimate Theatre is just over a year old) which cannot afford to lose money, leading members of the Indian, African and Coloured communities made representations to Intimate Theatre to try again, writes Bobby Harrypersadh.

Mr. Ronald W. Morris, Intimate Theatre's publicity manager, told me that the management feel they were ill-advised to run the first productions for ten performances and even to run the second production for five nights. Acting on the advice of non-European friends who saw the first two productions and pleaded for more, Intimate Theatre has decided to bring three more plays to the Bolton Hall at monthly intervals, commencing with their current European success, the exciting and magnificently contrived thriller by Mary Hayley Bell, "Duet for Two Hands" for two nights only on January 29 and 30.

It is interesting to note that this play was specially written for the playwright's husband, John Mills the film star, and you will see Gerald Sim in the John Mills part with Joyce Gregg as his leading lady.

GERALD SIM

Those who saw "George and Margaret," will remember that Gerald Sim played Dudley, and those of you who saw "Someone at the Door" will doubtless remember him as Ronnie Martin. Joyce Gregg played his sister in the latter production.

Mary Ross [illegible], [illegible] Frankie, and Kathleen St. John, who played Beer, in "George and Margaret," are also in the cast, which is completed by Lawrence Ayres, who played Malcolm Garth-Bander in "George and Margaret" and Price in "Someone at the Door." The production is by John Hussey, whom you have not seen, but who has been responsible for producing such Intimate Theatre hits as "Ladies in Retirement" and "Time of Money."

Mr. Morris said that the coming plays will be "Lovers Leap" and "Lady Mislaid," but that there have been criticisms of the choice of plays for non-European audiences and the management would like to know your reactions to these plays and any alternative suggestions which you may have to offer.

RESTRICTED

"Unfortunately," confessed Mr. Morris, "we are somewhat restricted in our choice of plays, for although you have an excellent theatre at the Bolton Hall, we have a stage at our European theatre which does not permit a change of set. This rules out a good many plays we would like to do. Secondly, we have to maintain two casts and cast a third play while we are playing to you with the result that we cannot, at the moment, [illegible] plays with very large casts.

"However, [illegible] many good plays that we can, and hope, to be able to bring to you, and [illegible] your friends must play your part by supporting [illegible] by telling us what you like and what you do not like.

"We shall always be interested in your opinions, [illegible] for your help, so always [illegible] will be in vain without [illegible] Please do not hesitate to [illegible] at P.O. Box 228, Durban. Finally, the company wish me to convey their very best wishes to you for a bright and entertaining new year."

In order that as many patrons as possible are able to see the show, the prices of admission will be 7/6, 4/6 and 2/7 (inc. tax), and booking will be [illegible] at [illegible] and Palace Lounge.

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Medical books

CALCUTTA. — Sir Alexander Clutterbuck, British High Commissioner in India, presented a set of British medical books to the National Library at Belvedere here.

The set, a gift from the British Council, includes a 12-volume encyclopaedia on medical practice.

Sir Alexander Clutterbuck hoped that the books would benefit not only students and doctors but indirectly the India public generally.

Kumbh Mela

ALLAHABAD.—Half a million devout Hindus plunged into the muddy waters of the sacred Ganges and Jumna Rivers last week to launch the world's biggest religious festival, the "Kumbh Mela."

The pilgrims, the vanguard of 5,000,000 people expected at Allahabad during the 45 days of the festival, began to "wash their sins away," chanting, praying and singing.

Men, women and children had arrived from every part of India by plane, train, car and bullock-cart and on foot to be among the first to bathe.

The earliest pilgrims plunged into icy cold waters under the glare of floodlights, introduced as a safety measure by the authorities.

Among the early bathers were thousands of Sadhus—holy men—some of them naked, with ashes smeared on their bodies.

Indian leaders who bathed included the 67-year-old Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh State, Govind Ballabh Pant.

Before the final ceremonies on March 3, the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, and the Indian President, Dr. Rajendra Prasad, are expected to bathe.

INDIAN BOOT AND SHOE FACTORY

MARITZBURG.— The White monopoly of the boot and shoe manufacturing trade in South Africa is broken. A group of influential Indians have started a factory at Plessislaer, on the outskirts of Maritzburg.

A four-storey project is visualised; the building has reached first floor level. Machinery and equipment, valued at over £22,000, has been installed and production of men's, women's and children's footwear is under way.

The output at present is necessary limited but it is hoped eventually to produce a weekly output of 900 pairs. The factory is for the moment staffed by the shareholders themselves, all skilled workmen formerly employed at a large footwear manufacturing concern in Maritzburg.

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Points from Readers' Letters

N.I.C. Properties

Ahmed I. Bhoola, of Durban, writes:

I agree with your correspondent, Mr. V. G. Naidoo, that the joint statement of Mr. A. I. Meer, Mr. A. C. Meer and myself "calls for a reply." But the N.I.C. officials have no reply to what we have to say. And Mr. Naidoo himself makes a vain attempt to "explain" the N.I.C. action. In doing so, he advances arguments which would surprise even the N.I.C. officials.

Is one seriously expected to believe Mr. Naidoo when he says that "the heavy rates and the huge cost of maintenance" of the properties is the true reason for the N.I.C. decision to transfer its properties to an independent body? Is one expected to believe that the properties are at present a burden and loss to the N.I.C. and that they are to be [illegible] to an independent group of individuals who will turn them into a profitable proposition? Mr. Naidoo knows full well that the properties are not a liability to the N.I.C.

Besides, everything which Mr. Naidoo expects this independent body of trustees to do in the future, the N.I.C. trustees can do also. But the N.I.C. officials are afraid that the N.I.C. will be banned and its properties confiscated. That is the true and only reason for this sudden act of generosity on the part of the N.I.C. And Mr. Naidoo and the N.I.C. dare not say so publicly, because their action gives a lie to their so-called non-compromising militant struggle.

CONTRADICTION

And why has this most noble act of charity on the part of the N.I.C. been kept a closely-guarded secret from the public whom it is seemingly going to benefit? Are the N.I.C. officials afraid that the public, ever so much more aware and intelligent than the leadership imagines, will interpret it for what it really is—a contradiction of every principle that the N.I.C. so loudly proclaims.

In fact, Dr. Naicker, Mr. J. N. Singh, Mr. I. C. Meer, Mr. M. P. Naicker, Mr. Ashwin Choudree and all those who spoke in support of giving away the properties, said in open conference that they were afraid that the properties would be confiscated.

Even if we were to concede the N.I.C. the best of charitable motives, charity "begins at home." I believe the N.I.C. needs the income of the properties to carry on its day to day activities in the political field—let alone the field of social welfare. Those who have been close to the N.I.C. know that even during the defiance campaign the N.I.C. could not meet such things as rent for its small office, its stationery and other accounts, including postage on its "Flash" and "Newsletter" (both of which are now out of existence).

FACTS

Now the N.I.C. is presented to the public as a benevolent philanthropist by Mr. Naidoo. No, Mr. Naidoo, I have not to invent excuses for my resignation. The facts stare us in the face, and the N.I.C. cannot gloss over them or "explain" them.

Mr. Naidoo makes a sidetrack, and does not answer us on the principle of the matter at all.

On the question of education, the N.I.C. is now speaking the language of the Natal Indian Organisation, and have in fact laid down a common policy with the N.I.O. in a joint approach to the Education Department.

Mr. [illegible] notices have been declared invalid, but the N.I.C. officials are safely ensconced in their offices or homes, and dare not open their mouths in public. Where is that recently publicised meeting ("[illegible] Freedom") at the Red Square?

The N.I.C. leadership also knows on which side its bread is buttered, and refuses, as in the case of [illegible] of Africans, to take a definite and clear stand, and avoids the issue altogether.

For these and other reasons too numerous to mention in the course of a letter to the Editor, humble people like myself (albeit inexperienced in the game of politics) have lost all confidence in a leadership which is content to shelter behind a a torrent of words.

Of course, there is no comparison, but who can deny mere mortals like myself the inspiration which derives from the thought of the Nehrus of India, who made over their palatial homes in the cause of freedom.

They never thought in terms of confiscation or charity. They thought only in terms of the cause so dear to them, and acted accordingly. The consequences looked after themselves!

Boxing Controver

Kid Khan, of Durban, writes:

In a recent issue of "The Leader" Mr. M. K. Tommy claims that he was my boxing trainer. It was most surprising that Mr. Tommy should make such a claim. Mr. Tommy only assisted me in one of my fights, with Jim Arvon, in allowing me to use his gymnasium and sparring partners, and seconded me in that fight.

Mr. Len Dray was my first trainer in Commercial Road, and, when I finished with him Mr. Jack Stevens took me over and made me a fit and proper boxer to enter the ring.

People should be more careful before rushing to the press with all sorts of wild claims and I want Mr. Tommy to give me a written apology through the Press, or prove his claim.

I shall be obliged if you will give this letter the fullest publicity so that the matter could be cleared.

Ian Hulley, of Durb

For some time no following with interest that is going on in yo tween Mr. H. H. Mist K. Tommy.

Among other thing claims that he was my also that he was the Commercial Gymnas definitely not true Mistry was the trainer the gymnasium and I tant. Mr. Tommy was manager of the club.

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SIR KU
REDDY SC

"Fed Up," Durban, would like to reply to Pro Bono Publico of which appeared in your weeks ago.

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My advice to the

Muslim women make history

LAST week, for the first time in the history of Dundee, and most probably of South Africa, Muslim women discarded their purdah and attended a Muslim marriage (Nikah) ceremony of the well-known and popular Dundee family, the Hajee Jamal Khan.

Normally Muslim women are precluded from attending such religious ceremonies and are segregated behind the "purdah" (curtain or screen). But this was the first courageous attempt on the part of Dundee Muslims, when their men and women attended this marriage function together openly. The marriage ceremony was officiated by Moulana [illegible], the former priest and Madressa principal, and was held in the Madressa hall.

A large number of non-Muslims were also present and joined in the tea party reception. Dr. A. E. Limbada was the M.C. After congratulating the wedded couple, Dr. Limbada went on to say that he was happy to see this mixed gathering and said that he saw no reason whatsoever why Muslim women should not attend such gatherings together with their menfolk openly.

"If our mothers, daughters, sisters, and wives can go to bioscopes, concert parties, meetings and serve in shops, then I cannot see any reason why Muslim men should prevent our women from attending such religious and innocent ceremonies where there is no likelihood of any harm being done to the women."

GROPES IN DARKNESS

He went on to say that the position of Muslim women was an anachronism today. Only one half of the nation saw light while the other half groped in darkness and remained within the four walls of their homes. He said it was sheer hypocrisy on the part of those who objected to these gatherings, and that if those who were against mixed gatherings were really sincere about their attitude towards our women, then they would apply the "purdah" all along the line.

Dr. Limbada went on to point out that Muslim women were progressing and nobody could prevent their onward march, but he exhorted the audience to allow them to attend such functions with their menfolk and guide them correctly. He said that in other countries women attended all functions openly with their men, but he deplored the fact that some of the local men had been [illegible] today and demanding that Muslim women should be thrown behind the purdah.

"Let us give our youth and women an opportunity to serve humanity. Let us serve our people and let us die for our children," concluded Dr. Limbada.

Among those who spoke were Messrs. Y. C. Meer, Nathoo V. Moosa, Salejee Motala and Manikum Pillay.

Builders hold gala

DURBAN.—The Durban No. 1 branch of the Amalgamated Union of Building Trade Workers of South Africa recently held their second annual gala at the Blue Lagoon, which was an outstanding success.

The programme included sporting events and a fishing competition. The prizes were generously donated by the members, trophies were given by Messrs. S. C. Singh, Ramesh Singh and a cash donation from Mr. R. Ganpath.

Luncheon was prepared by Mr. [illegible] Mahomed.

At the conclusion the prizes were presented by Mr. Norman Kaban, M.P. He expressed pleasure at having again come along to witness the sports and complimented the members for the very fine effort.

The fishing competition for R. Ramsamy's floating trophy was won by E. R. Brown with a splendid catch, which he handed as a gesture of goodwill to Mr. Kaban.

Events for the day included the "Sacks Race" for the Ramesh Singh's trophy, which was won by Mrs. [illegible], and the adults race for the S. C. Singh's floating trophy won by N. Satyanarayana.

Others present at the gala were Mrs. Edwards, Messrs. Len Barber (Natal Organiser), K. Albrecht (Gen. Secretary), L. W. Kuhn (Chairman Durban No. 1 Branch and Natal Provincial Delegate) and Mr. Hickman.

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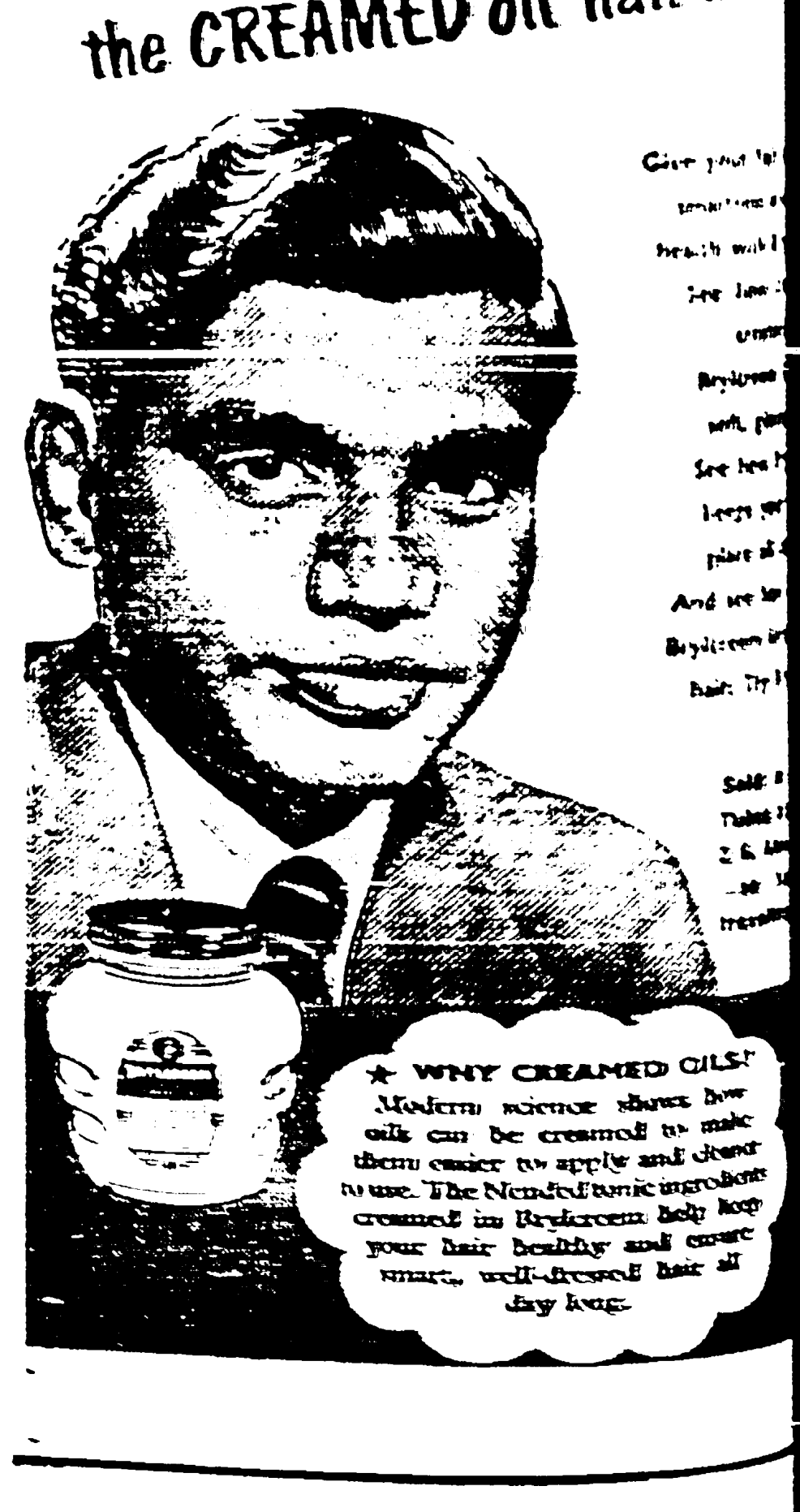

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By BOBBY HARRYPERSADH

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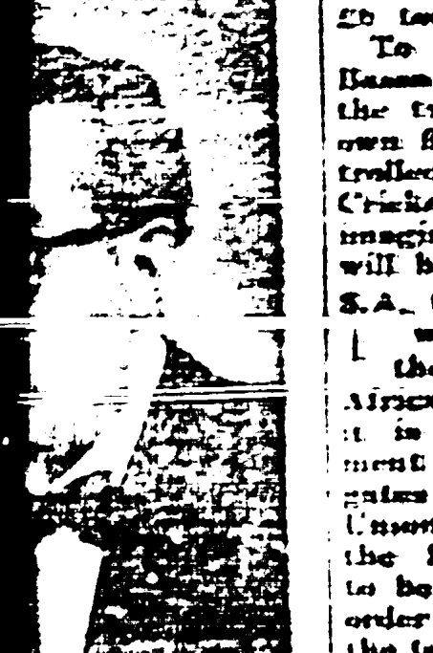

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FINANCE

cricket in Natal few seasons has should that this two teams with so, he had been never. But consideration on that of finance—presents itself. The financial implications of sending two teams to the tournament, the next of which is to be held at Johannesburg in the 1954-55 season, was discussed.

During the last season it cost the Natal Indian Cricket Union about £400 to send a team of 15 players to Capetown. This amount was raised by means of a levy of £100 on each of the four units. The associations, of course, in turn passed the levy on to their affiliated teams, and in the case of Durban each team had to pay a £5 tournament levy.

To overcome this difficulty Mr. Bassa said that it was decided that the two teams should raise their own finance, which should be controlled by the Natal Indian Cricket Union. It can be well imagined that to send two teams will be a costly affair.

S.A. CRICKET CONSTITUTION

It will be necessary to amend the constitution of the South African Indian Cricket Union and it is expected that this amendment will be sought by the delegates of the Natal Indian Cricket Union at the annual meeting of the S.A. Indian Cricket Union to be held in the near future. In order to facilitate the staging of the tournament, the South African Indian Cricket Union will be pressed to play the tournament on the home and away basis.

A certain amount of opposition is expected from the other centres of the S.A.I.C.U., because Natal has yet to establish its overwhelming superiority in cricket. There have been seven tournaments to date of which four have been won by Natal and three by Transvaal, including the one at Capetown last January.

The last tournament, in which six centres, including Rhodesia, participated, necessitated the Natal team being away from Durban for a period of three weeks, and it was felt that unless the S.A.I.C.U. agree to playing the tournament on the home and away basis, the fielding of two teams by Natal would create leave problems for the players, as the present centralised system would be greatly protracted.

P.C. PUBLICATION

MR. R. D. NAIDOO, secretary of the Natal Amateur Weight Lifting and Physical Culture Association came in to see me during the week with bulky files, books, papers, photographs and whatnots in connection with a book the Association intends to publish shortly.

SLUMBER DAVID

For some time now he has been busily engaged in collecting material, and by the looks of things, he has plenty to present a headache. As a book of this kind has never been attempted before, Mr. Naidoo will be breaking new ground. He is at it full time, and I am convinced that he is going to make a good job of it. So those interested in this branch of sport, and sportsmen in general, may look forward to a publication which promises to be first rate.

Discussing physical culture, Mr. Naidoo said: "As far back as 1944 a representative of the National Advisory Council for Physical Education agreed that its Council would be prepared to assist our Association in spreading our aims and objects—the furtherance of physical education in Natal."

IN THE SCHOOLS

"HOWEVER," added Mr. Naidoo, "the organisation being premature, the Council did not take advantage of the offer."

But today, with the Association enjoying greater recognition in the community, it is to be hoped that with the cooperation of the Natal Indian Teachers' Society and the Education Department, the Association will be able to do something tangible in the way of promoting physical education.

It has been generally agreed at meetings of the Association that the surest and safest way of combating juvenile delinquency is by giving physical culture a rightful place in the curricula of the schools and not in the manner in which it is conducted today.

Obviously the teacher laden with the burden of imparting education cannot do justice to the cause of physical education within the meagre time limited to [illegible]. In my considered opinion that physical education on a wider basis of organisation must be made compulsory and attractive to the schoolgoing child. So, after leaving school, he or she could join a gymnasium. As a result, the person concerned would not be found lacking in health, and would be able to fit into commerce or industry and society with great efficiency.

DROBNY IN DURBAN

Tennis fans in Durban should see a feast of good tennis when J. Drobny, the hard court tennis champion, appears in a series of exhibition games at the Beach tennis courts, Durban, tomorrow (Saturday), afternoon.

Mr. W. H. Hammond, hon. secretary of the Natal Lawn Tennis Association tells me that a portion of the south stand has been set aside for non-Europeans and the price per seat for seats booked prior to 1 p.m. on Friday (today) will be 5/-. After that time the price per seat will be 7/6 per seat and tickets will be obtainable at Messrs. Tandy and Kirby, Henwood's Arcade.

On Friday and Saturday, February 5 and 6, the fourth Test match between South Africa and the Belgian Davis Cup team will be played at the Beach tennis courts. The same facilities will be provided for non-Europeans for this match and the price will be 5/- per seat for each afternoon. It will be possible to also reserve seats at Tandy and Kirby for this match in due course.

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NTAMWEIGHT CONTEST — FOUR ROUNDS
ung Leonard vs. Simon Ngcobo

CITY HALL
NIGHT —— TONIGHT

MOKONE FIGHTS YOUNG SEABELA TONIGHT

DURBAN: The South African lightweight championship bout between dual national champion Elijah Mokone, conqueror of Alby Tissong, and all-action Young Seabala promises to be a great fight, and the fans who will jam the Durban City Hall tonight will not be disappointed, writes Joe Francis.

This fight has captured the imagination of the Durban public and promises to be a sell-out. Not for a long time have two boxers been so evenly matched, nor did any one fighter have so much to lose as Mokone stands to in this bout, for he sails for England on February 5.

It will be a sad blow for him to lose his lightweight title on the eve of his departure for a campaign in Britain, even though he would still have as South African featherweight champion. A blot on his fighting record at this stage will not help him at all. But Mokone has no intention of stepping into the ring and handing his title to Seabala on a silver platter. He says that he is the [illegible]

Mokone is clever. As clever as any boxer in this country in fact a lot too clever for a lot of them. His speed is bewildering and his rapid fire left-hand strikes with the speed of a bullet. His defence is not easy to break through, and his intelligent use of the ropes leave some of his opponents perplexed. He is durable, can absorb terrific punishment, and if on his feet at the end of the gruelling twelve rounds, I confidently expect his hand to be raised as "still South African champion."

CONFIDENT

But Seabala will not want it that way. He is confident of victory and points to his earlier defeat of Mokone to back up his confidence. There is no doubt that he has something there. He says that he will go after Mokone from the first gong, which is his usual pattern of fighting.

He is a relentless attacking fighter and his energy seems to be limitless. He rains punches from every conceivable angle and if Mokone thinks [illegible] breather he will have to have another think. There is no doubt that he carries a lethal wallop, as was evidenced when he made a short shrift of Norman Tissong in Durban a few months ago. He cut Norman to ribbons and it was a good thing that the referee intervened in the fourth round.

Seabala has a recent victory over Johannes Mhlongo, a former South African champion, in a fight that was voted the best contest in Johannesburg in 1953. Seabala is a certain crowd-pleaser.

SHOULD WIN

Another interesting bout is between Slumber David, who gave Tuli a fight and a fright at Key Park on November 6, and Kid Bogart, who went the full distance with the great Jake Tuli in a bantamweight championship bout in Capetown a few months ago. If Slumber displays the same form he displayed against Tuli he should beat Bogart. But get it out [illegible] customer, he is not, he is a shrewd, cagey scrapper, tremendously strong, and as certain as you are reading this, he will be standing on his feet at the end of the scheduled ten rounds.

Shaik Osman, Natal bantamweight champion, defends his title against up-and-coming Harry Naidoo in a ten round contest. Osman put up a creditable show against Bogart in the last Dufferin promotion, but will need to improve on that showing to hold his own against Naidoo. The challenger has what it takes, as was seen in his July bout against Kid Bogart in Durban and the winner of this contest is any one's guess.

The lightweight contest over six rounds between Nagan Naidoo, the Natal champion, and King Alfred, should be a very willing affair with the odds in favour of Alfred.

To complete this very good programme, Seaman Chetty has brought together two local lads, Simon Ngcobo and Young Leonard, in a bantamweight contest over four rounds.

This is one of the best boxing programmes for a long time.

HOUSING SCHEME

DURBAN: There seems to be some misunderstanding in connection with building sites allocated to Indian ex-servicemen by the Durban City Council. Mr. C. R. Varma, secretary of the Indian Ex-Servicemen's League, explaining the position, said that an initial deposit of 10 per cent. on the whole project (building and land) will have to be paid by the applicant.

If an ex-serviceman wishes to build a house for say £2,000, and the value of land is £250, then he must have £225, besides an income of about £40 per month to qualify for the loan. Other factors will also be taken into consideration, such as, period of residence in Durban, number of children and dependants, state of present accommodation, etc.

There are about 20 plots adjoining Stanley Copley Drive, below Nevan Road, alongside Tulip Road, close to the site where the City Council is building 16 houses for Indians.

The position is high up with good views, near bus route, hospital and health centre. Foundations are now being laid for a large departmental store within the housing scheme, which will be constructed on a modern and elaborate scale.

It is understood that more than 200 applications have been received for houses which the City Council are building for the lower income groups, which requires a deposit of £30. Application forms for this scheme can be obtained from the Housing Section, City Hall.

"We are prepared to assist any ex-serviceman to obtain a house, but there are not for speculators and only genuine and needy applications will be considered. With the very serious housing shortage amongst all sections of the community, we trust only those who have no accommodation will apply," said Mr. Varma.

GALA AT STELLA HILL

DURBAN.—The Stella Hill Old Boys Club held their annual gala at the school grounds on Sunday. In spite of the unfavourable weather conditions, the programme of 45 items was completed by the end of the afternoon. About 200 prizes were competed for.

There were events for men, women, boys and girls. The latter were divided into sections, senior, junior and juvenile, according to heights. The bun race and old crocks race were very interesting. The two marathons brought out some surprising talent in long-distance running. The number of entries in the fancy dress parade and the tug-of-war was very disappointing. Great enthusiasm was shown by the boys in the five-a-side tournament.

The baby show was judged by Dr. A. K. P. Naidoo. He was satisfied with the general health and care of the children, but remarked that most mothers lacked the technique in displaying their babies for judging purposes.

Mr. R. A. Naidoo of Stella Hill, after saying a few words of encouragement to the organisers and expecting the residents to support the Gala Committee presented the prizes to the successful competitors.

Cricket at Currie's

DURBAN.—Rain washed out all the cricket fixtures which were drawn to be played at Currie's Fountain last weekend.

The following matches will be played at Currie's Fountain on Saturday, January 23, starting at 2.30 p.m.: Greyville v. United (Natal); Crescent v. Y. Bharat (League); Bharat v. Crimson (League).

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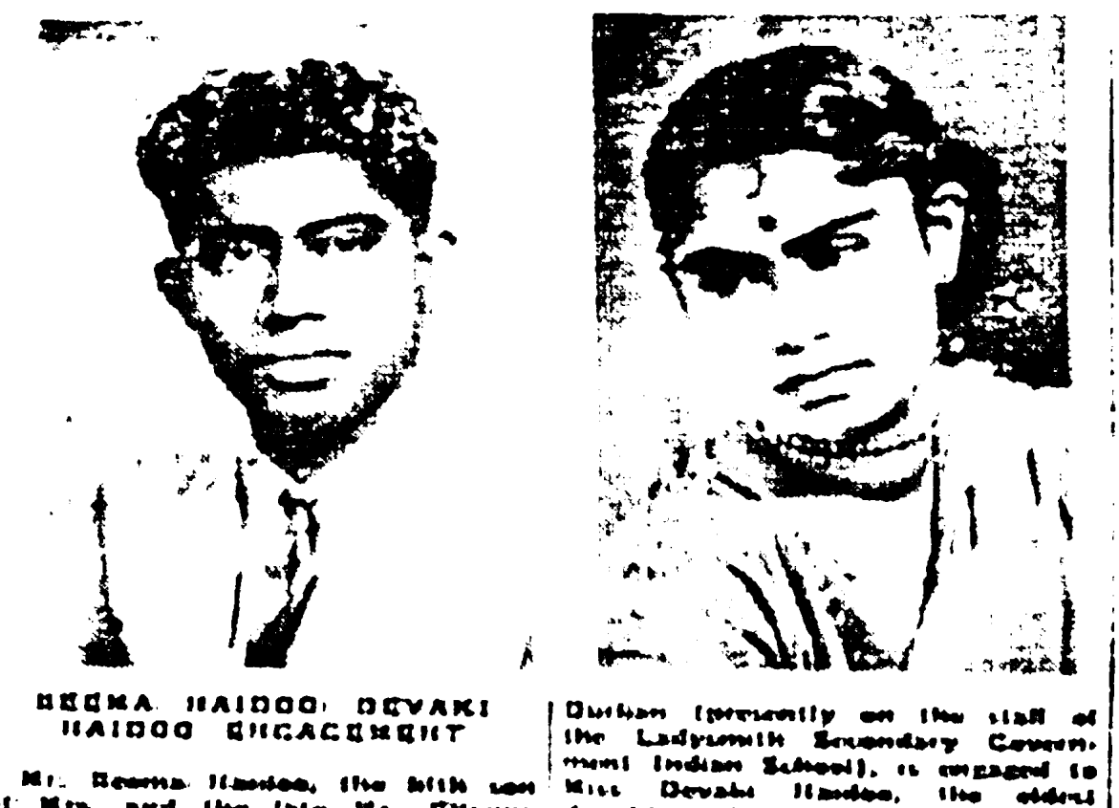
Mainly About People

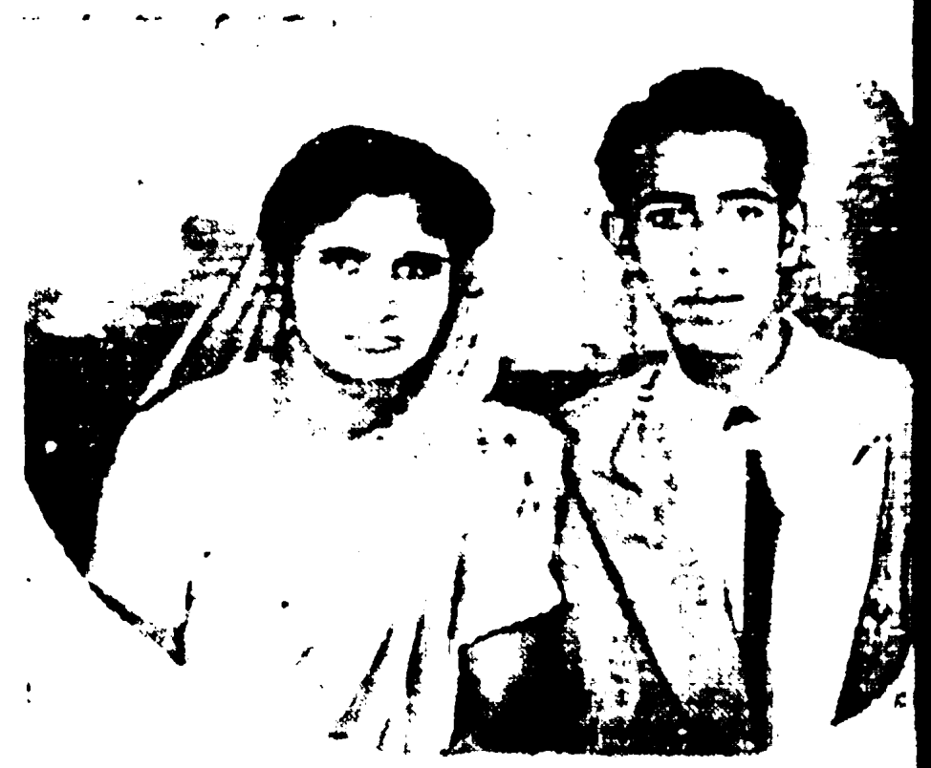
Mr. "Chand" Singh, President of the Natal Magicians' Circle, raises a laugh at their banquet held last month.

VASIATHAKOGILUM Daughter of Mr. [illegible] Naicker, of Rossburgh [illegible] daughter of Mrs. [illegible] South Coast Road [illegible] Wentworth, formerly of Clairwood, and grand [illegible] of S. T. Naidoo (Sergeant [illegible]) celebrated her second birthday [illegible] uary 2.



SEEMA HAIDOO: DEVAKI HAIDOO ENGAGEMENT

Mr. Seema Haidoo, the fifth son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Chinna Ramsamy Haido, of Puntan's Hill, Durban (presently on the staff of the Ladysmith Secondary Government Indian School), is engaged to Miss Devaki Haidoo, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Haidoo, of Sydia Hill, Durban.



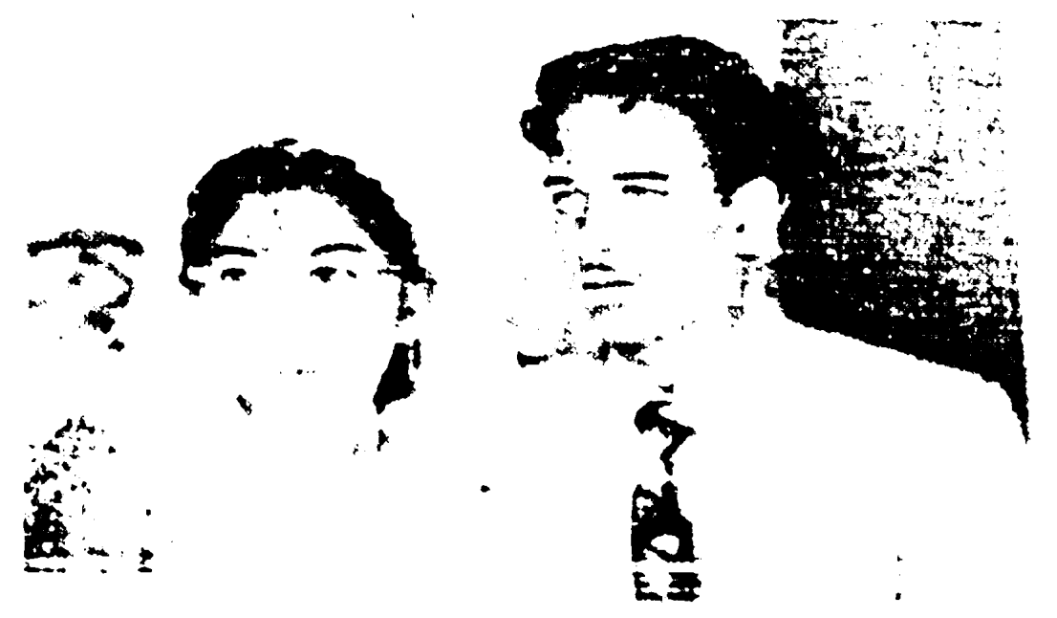
ENGAGEMENT

The engagement took place recently of [illegible] Singh, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Hagleen Singh, of [illegible] Lane, to Miss [illegible], eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. [illegible], of Pentrich, amidst a large gathering of friends and relatives.

The [illegible] "Happiville" [illegible] school hall, [illegible] Tamil sketch.

Despite [illegible] people turned out [illegible] enjoy the evening [illegible] The hall was packed [illegible] many failed to [illegible]

The orchestra [illegible] K. C. Mohansie [illegible] of the firm, Messrs. [illegible] Mr. Mohansie [illegible] orchestra. His [illegible] added the [illegible] "[illegible]" and [illegible] service.



JAGGUR-RAMDEEN WEDDING. The marriage took place of Rajaram, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jaggur, of Second Chandi Road, Clencoe, to Miss Mancuwar Devi, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Roodai, of 73 Main Street, Howick. Mr. J. P. David, of Maritzburg, acted as M.C.

Kirrish, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Rajkumar, of Silver Palm Road, Overport, Durban, who celebrated his first birthday at the residence of his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Mooloo, 225 Jerusalem Street, Pretoria, on January 12.

SHUSHEILA

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cassi [illegible] of Mrs. Sharmond [illegible] and Mr. and Mrs. Ramdas, who celebrated her first birthday on January 17.

ANIL (ROY) son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Ramroop and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Marais of New Guelderland, who celebrated his first birthday on January 8, 1954.

Mr. E. C. Nohla[illegible]

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[illegible]: The annual meeting of the Natal Indian Congress, Durban [illegible]ral branch, held on Sunday last, strongly condemned the [illegible] the Executive and the Working Committee of the Natal [illegible]ngress to give away the properties of the Congress to an [illegible] group of individuals.

[illegible]

p.m. to 7.30 p.m. on Friday, the 5th February in order to allow as many people as possible to attend.

A resolution on apartheid called upon the Government to abandon its policy of apartheid and to extend democratic rights to all sections of the people of the Union.

It noted with great disappointment the declared intention of the Government to abolish the franchise rights of the Coloured people and believed that such a step would only lead to further strife and trouble in the country, and would give the Union a bad name internationally. The meeting was of the opinion that the best interests of South Africa could only be served by a new policy which would lead to understanding and cooperation among the various sections of its people.

On university segregation, a resolution said: "This meeting reiterates its total opposition to the application of academic apartheid at the South African universities and deplores the Government's threat to enforce apartheid at the Capetown and Witwatersrand Universities.

"This meeting welcomes the recent decision of the Convocation of the University of Natal disapproving of academic segregation at the University of Natal. This meeting resolves that all universities in the Union [illegible]

The meeting strongly condemns the ruling of the Natal Education Department to exclude all Indian children over ten years of age from admission to the infant classes at all Government and Government-aided schools in Natal.

It called upon the Natal Education Department to provide free and compulsory education without discrimination for all non-Europeans, and noted with great disappointment the failure of the Department to provide schools for thousands of Indian children of schoolgoing age despite repeated representations and protests by the Indian people over the past years.

It also called upon the Department to take immediate steps to provide schools and to make education free and compulsory for all Indian children in Natal.

OFFICIALS

The following officials were elected for the ensuing year: chairman, Mr. A. I. Meer; vice-chairman, Mr. R. S. Pather; secretary, Mr. Ahmed I. Bhoola; treasurer, Mr. A. K. I. Vahed.

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POLICE HELP NEEDED

DURBAN.—In a letter to the District Commandant, S.A.P., Wentworth, the non-European Railway Passengers Welfare Association has drawn attention to the rowdy element frequenting the Merebank district.

[illegible] at any time of the day or night. These hooligans use obscene language, gamble at street corners and indulge in dagga smoking," adds the letter.

The letter urgently requests that a police station should be set up to deal with crime in the area.

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LAUNDRY WORKERS WANT INCREASE

DURBAN. — A memorandum of proposals submitted by the Laundry, Dry-Cleaning and Dyeing Employees' Union (Natal) to the Master Employers' Association contains a request for increased wages, better working conditions and the establishment of an Industrial Council, which will enable them to govern the industry with greater independence.

An official of the Union told me that this machinery will enable the employers and employees to determine the interpretation of any agreement or wage proposals for the industry.

Officially, the workers in this [illegible] wages since the promulgation of the Wage Determination No. 67 in 1944.

PAK JUTE FOR S.A.

LONDON. — The first consignment of 2,000 bales of gunny bags manufactured in East Pakistan has been loaded in Chittagong for shipment to South Africa. This was announced last week by the office of the Pakistan High Commission in London.

Two similar consignments will be sent to South Africa in the next two months. A representative of the jute mills exporting these gunny bags is to leave for South Africa to enter into further commitments for gunny bags and hessian for the South African market.

The wage increases sought vary according to the grades of work ranging from 5s. to 10s. per week. "The proposals are being considered by the Employers' Association and there is every possibility of reaching a favourable agreement," added the official.

Schooling—A Plea For A Birth-right

DURBAN.—The meeting called by the Durban and District Women's League on Sunday expressed its deep alarm at the tens of thousands of non-European children in Natal being denied even the most elementary education on the ground of the colour of their skin and it called upon the authorities to take immediate positive steps in order to put into operation a plan which would result in every child being in school within a specified number of years. "If immediate steps are not taken in that direction, then the country will find itself confronted with a growing problem of juvenile delinquency," said the resolution.

The meeting expressed its solemn belief that education was the inalienable birthright of all children in a civilised community and that in South Africa, children of all communities should receive equal, free and compulsory education.

The League offered its fullest cooperation in any practical move to find a solution to the problem of finding school accommodation for those at present out of schools.

Another resolution called upon the educational authorities to provide adequate medical inspection of children in non-European schools, on the same basis as give to European children. It further requested that books be made available to non-European children in schools on the same basis as European children at present enjoying free and compulsory education.

The meeting most vehemently condemned the Native Education Act passed in the last session of Parliament, as a law designed to perpetuate master-servant relationship between the Europeans and Africans in the Union. It rejects as false the principle of differential education for any section of the people of South Africa, and demands that all education, whether African or other, be placed under the same administration and be planned on one common pattern.

WITHIN SIX YEARS

"We are hoping that before the end of the century every Indian child will be accommodated at school with the continued and cooperative efforts of the Indian Education Committee and the [illegible]," said Dr. S. Cooppan, Ph.D., an eminent Indian educationalist. "This means that within six years, which coincides with the first hundred years since the arrival of the Indians in South Africa, we aim to accomplish our plan.

INDIA'S FREEDOM GAVE HOPE TO THE OPPRESSED

DURBAN: "The twenty-sixth of January has become an important day, not only for India as her day of independence, but for the entire colonial world, for India's freedom has given greater impetus to the freedom movement of the oppressed peoples of the world," said a message sent by Dr. G. M. Naicker, president of the Natal Indian Congress, to the Prime Minister of the Republic of India on the occasion of the Republic's Day of Independence.

After greeting the Government and the people of India, Dr. Naicker states in his message to Pandit Nehru that India was today playing an important part in world affairs for the cause of progress. "After successful application of the creed of non-violence in her struggle for emancipation," the message continues, "today in the international field, India champions the cause of world peace at a time when so many sinister forces are working for another world war.

"It is her practical steps against colonialism and for world peace which have made Indian foreign policy receive such popular support the world over. We, in South Africa, engaged in a struggle for greater democracy, appreciate and value your noble stand against racial discrimination, particularly at the United Nations.

SPIRIT OF PEACE

"The year 1954 is a vital one for mankind. While India is celebrating her Day of Independence, momentous talks are taking place in Berlin in which the common people are deeply interested. We hope that at the Berlin talks the spirit of peace the spirit which Mahatma Gandhi promoted throughout his lifetime will be the prevailing one so that the world can live in harmony and begin to harvest the fruits of peace.

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OBITUARY

On Sunday last the late Mr. R. Bughwan was cremated at the Stellawood Crematorium, a large number of his old associates accompanying the cortege. The deceased passed away at the ripe age of 87 years at the residence of his son, Mr. Dennis Bughwan at Herwell Road.

He was an outstanding figure in the photographic profession, having served his apprenticeship with the well-known firm of Mr. W. B. [illegible] for 10 years, and started his own business as an outdoor photographer travelling the whole of Natal and in this way became known to many Indians in various parts. Subsequently, he set up his own studio in Durban, and became recognised as the leading photographer in the City. As a sportsman he was an outstanding character. He was elected [illegible] the

president of the Durban Indian Football Union and the Durban Indian Cricket Union in its early days, and contributed much to the welfare of these organisations. He represented Natal in a provincial soccer tournament at Johannesburg as goalkeeper, and captained a side of Natal cricketers in the early [illegible] Cup South African tournament in which the Province took part. For his services to the Durban Football Association he was elected a honorary life vice-president.

He was an ardent cyclist and formed the Durban Indian Amateur Cycling Club, which held regular meetings in the City, and this body organised a Maritzburg-Durban cycle race. He was elected captain, and proved the winner of this gruelling race over bad roads, and the time was exceedingly good considering the circumstances.

The deceased was identified with the spiritual welfare of his people and was a prominent figure in the ranks of the South African Hindu Maha Sabha. He was appointed the captain of the first volunteer corps during the religious campaign of the late Swami Shankeranandji. He also served under Mahatma Gandhiji as a member of the Comforts Committee during the Anglo-Boer war. As president of the Hindustani Association he tried to consolidate the position of the community. He was a man of sterling qualities, upright in character, strong in his convictions, charitable by disposition and a successful man in business. He leaves a son, daughter and sister together with other members of his family to mourn their loss.

STOP THIS RACKET

DURBAN.—Mr. R. Rajbansee, President of the Overport branch of the Natal Indian Congress, told the "Leader" that resolutions dealing with the Group Areas Act and Bantu's Native Labour Settlement of Disputes Act and [illegible] threat to amend the Suppression of Communism Act will be discussed at the annual meeting of his branch to be held at the S.R.S. school Hall, Overport, on Sunday January 31 at 2.30 p.m. The meeting will be opened by Mr. Hassen Mall, Vice-President of Congress.

Mr. Rajbansee commented on the lack of school accommodation and strongly condemned school principals who demand "entry fees" for the admission of children. "This racket must be stopped," added Mr. Rajbansee.

Another school bogey

MARITZBURG. — Although the new Islamia Government-aided school in Maritzburg relieved the accommodation problem when the schools reopened on Tuesday, a number of parents were shocked into a new problem—the bogey of [illegible].

It appears that a certain school in the City has transferred a class of girls to another school in order to make room for boys. But the boys had to be Christians. Those who were not were summarily discharged and told to seek accommodation elsewhere. Some of them were fortunate, others were not.

Now the parents are asking: "Why this sudden sectionalism. And why should these boys who have been attending this particular school for a number of years be summarily discharged?" Quite a few teachers in other schools have also put this question to a "Leader" reporter. The question will be discussed at a meeting of parents to be held next Sunday, according to the convenors.

ARAB CIRCLE

DURBAN. — The Arabic Study Circle has organised a new series of public lectures, beginning next week. Amongst the many prominent people who will speak are Rabbi Harris Swift, Mr. Peter Bullen and Swami Nischalananda.

These lectures, which are open to the general public, will be held on every Wednesday, at 8 p.m., at the Rajab Memorial Hall, Leopold Street, Durban. The first lecture will be given by Mr. Hajee [illegible], a man who has travelled greatly and possessed of immense business experience, on Wednesday, February 3. His subject will be, "By Action Our Life Becomes Heaven or Hell."

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[illegible] entertainers will be "Roy," [illegible] Roy, another who styles [illegible] "Mystery Man," and calls [illegible] the local Bing Crosby, a [illegible] with a really good voice. [illegible] Company will present a [illegible] "The Fisherman," and there [illegible] several other top-notch items.

EUROPEAN DANCE CONTEST

[illegible] first time in Durban's [illegible] European ballroom dancing [illegible] will be held at the Banias [illegible] Centre, Beatrice Street, on [illegible] February 6. The secretary [illegible] Dance Club, which is [illegible] the function, informs me [illegible] a paucity of Indian [illegible] in line as Indian [illegible] all dancers, both amateur [illegible] professional, to grace this [illegible] event a really good one.

[illegible] no reason why Indian [illegible] should be poor. There could [illegible] of two reasons; fear, or [illegible] of superiority where other [illegible] groups are concerned, [illegible] these do no any good. So, [illegible] and make the dance [illegible] a success.

MARRIAGE BUST-UP

[illegible] Hollywood romances [illegible] up to Guy Mitchell's. The [illegible] vaudeville and recording [illegible] was married in October, [illegible] Miss Jackie Loughery—a [illegible] queen and "Miss America." [illegible] but separated 11 months [illegible] Jackie is seeking a [illegible] alleging cruelty, is asking for [illegible] settlement of £33,000. [illegible] allegations of cruelty against husbands seems to be a craze even in this country.

GERALD SIM as Stephan Cass and MARY ROSE CLIFFORD as Abigail Sarclet in a scene from Intimate Theatre's exciting costume thriller "Duet for Two Hands", which was specially written for John Mills by his wife Mary Hayley Bell. Gerald Sim plays the John Mills rôle and the production is by John Hussey. It will run for two nights, January 29 and 30, at the Bolton Hall.

PROTECTING CHORUS GIRLS.

CLEAN-UP measures will soon be put into operation in Britain to stop the business racket in Continental cabaret engagements for British show girls. They will protect chorus girls and variety artists who, refusing to [illegible] act as [illegible] girls in night clubs, have found themselves stranded in Middle East and European cities.

Equity, the Actors' Union, and the Theatrical Agents' Association, are now negotiating a standard contract expected to offer additional safeguards.

London County Council, which licenses theatrical agents in the London area, is considering methods for tightening control on agents who book British artists for Continental cabarets.

Revelations of attempted trafficking in show girls in shady Middle East and European night clubs have brought the matter to the surface.

Acting on Home Office instructions, Scotland Yard vice officers are piecing together a dossier on British and alien theatrical agents behind the scandal.

Included in it are reports from British show girls who have accepted foreign engagements, discovered they were expected to agree to unpleasant practices, and have been turned out into the streets when they refused.

THIS BUSINESS OF KISSING.

A MOVIE kiss must thrill the actor and actress before it can hope to thrill an audience. Who says so? Shapely Mary Murphy. She has been kissed only four times in her brief career, but she has plenty to say on the subject.

"If an actress doesn't get a thrill from her leading man's screen kiss," she says, "the audience is aware of it as though she had pinned a sign on her back—'Just practising.'"

Her first movie kiss (from [illegible]) was a fatherly peck on the forehead, but she ran into a headlong romantic collision with Tommy Morton, her co-star in a musical.

"I was so nervous," she admitted, "that I forgot my lines right after Tommy had kissed me.

"My mind was just completely blank and everybody just stood there, waiting for me to say something I couldn't remember!

"It was such a funny feeling. Tommy was so nice and at first he just brushed my cheek. But, then, when they were ready to shoot, all I could think of was, 'He's going to kiss me now.'"

Mary gets another kind of embrace from Vincent Price, who kisses her and then tries to choke her to death.

MARILYN MONROE

MARILYN MONROE has bought the screen rights of a novel, "Horns of a Devil," to get a part she wants. This girl is some girl.

Julia Adams is the secretary who became a film star by accident. She is now making Universal-International's new 3D "Black Lagoon."

When Cary Grant visited an Army camp recently the G.I.'s told him: "You don't look like Marilyn Monroe, but you're welcome all the same."

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2 [illegible]
3 [illegible]
4 [illegible]

Second race, Juvenile Plate (Fillies), 5 furlongs:
1 SHIVAREE
2 [illegible]
3 [illegible]
4 [illegible]

Third race, Hillary Handicap (A), 6 furlongs:
1 VISIONARY
2 [illegible]
3 [illegible]
4 [illegible]

Fourth race, Hillary Handicap (B), 6 furlongs:
1 NAUGHTY DOLL
2 [illegible]
3 [illegible]
4 [illegible]

Fifth race, Juvenile Plate (C and G), 5 furlongs:
1 SHELLEY
2 [illegible]
3 [illegible]
4 [illegible]

Sixth race, Umgababa Handicap (Top), 1¼ miles:
1 MOON FISH
2 [illegible]
3 [illegible]

Seventh race, Umgababa Handicap (Bot), 7 furlongs:
1 GOLD MINE
2 [illegible]
3 [illegible]
4 [illegible]

Eighth race, Hillary Handicap (C Division), 6 furlongs:
1 MUZZLE VELOCITY
2 [illegible]
3 [illegible]
4 [illegible]

Ninth race, Umgababa Handicap (Mid), 1½ miles:
1 STONEFACE
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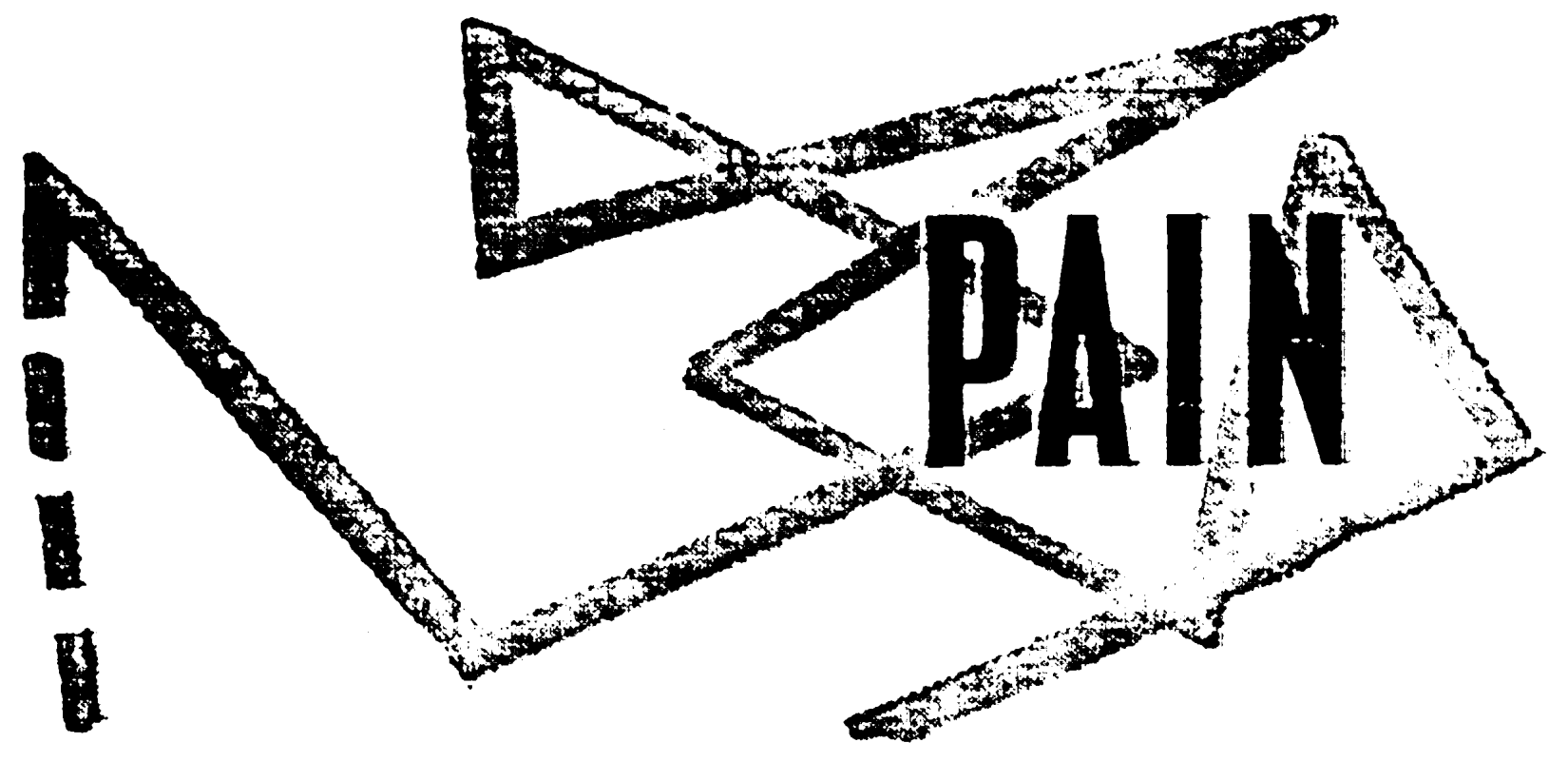

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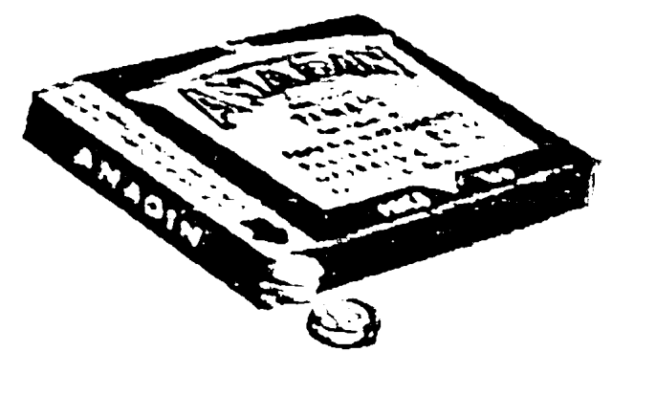

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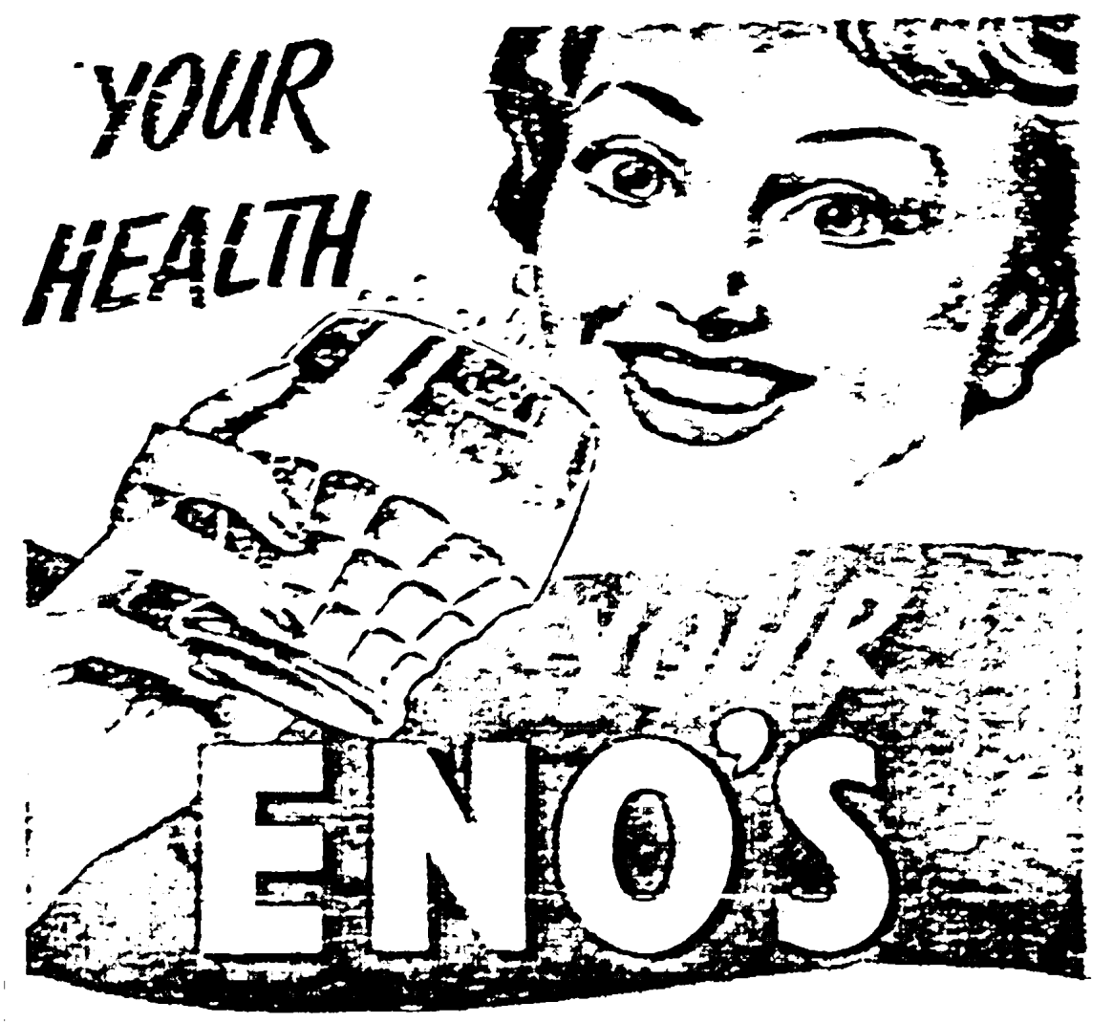

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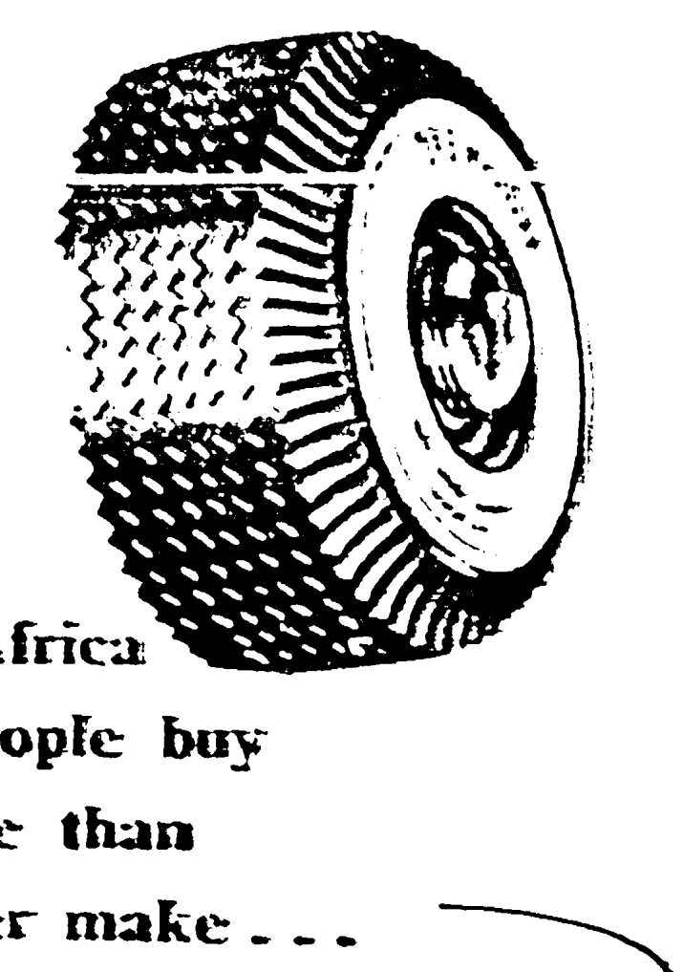

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Mrs. PANDIT – India's "first" lady

THERE are many reasons why Mrs. Pandit's election as President of the United Nations General Assembly is an event. She is not only the first woman to have won this honour, but also the first Asian. Viewed from another angle, her choice by a large majority of votes for the highest office in the United Nations is a recognition of India's status in world politics. Again, her election, with the joint support of the Eastern and Western blocs, should interest the historian as one of the not many occasions in the past in which the two wings have shown agreement.

For Mrs. Pandit, as for her country at large, the event is perhaps even more remarkable for its personal interest. As President of the United Nations General Assembly she adds yet another unique honour to an impressive list of 'firsts.' In 1937 she became the first Indian woman Minister. Ten years later, on the eve of India's independence, she was appointed her country's first Ambassador to Russia. She was not only India's first woman Ambassador to Russia, but also to America, where she went [illegible] years later. She has also been the first woman leader of her country's delegation to the United Nations General Assembly on several occasions and led India's first official delegation to China after the installation of the Communist regime.

CULTURED UPBRINGING

Few people who have seen or met Mrs. Pandit are prepared to believe that this extremely attractive woman is fifty-three years old. In fact, two of her three daughters were married four years ago and have children. No less surprising to many who have the impression that all distinguished Indians who speak English as fluently as Mrs. Pandit have been to a British university will be the information that she is almost entirely self-educated. In the Allahabad home of her late father, Pandit Moti Lal Nehru, her elder brother, the Prime Minister of India, and her younger sister, Krishna Hutheesingh, received their early schooling from private tutors. But while the brother went to Harrow and Cambridge, the girls lived a much more sheltered life at home. Both did their solid reading when they grew up and found themselves in the [illegible] tumble of the nation's struggle for independence under the Congress Party.

Few outside India know that Vijaya Lakshmi is not the first name given to Mrs. Pandit by her father. Before her marriage to the late Mr. R. S. Pandit, an England-educated barrister and a well-known Sanskrit scholar, she was known as Swarup and, in the intimate family circle, as Nan. It is a common Hindu custom for brides to be given a new first name in their husbands' homes. Thus Swarup—which in Sanskrit means, roughly, 'beautiful face'—became Vijaya Lakshmi, 'the goddess of prosperity.' Her close friends, as well as the Prime Minister of India, still call her Swarup or Nan.

Although she has been twice Minister in successive Congress Governments in her home province, Uttar Pradesh, it was outside her own country that Mrs. Pandit won most of her real distinction. Success at home came easily to one who belonged to the great Nehru family, whose head, Pandit Moti Lal, was a flourishing lawyer and aristocrat; nor was success surprising for one who was personally charming, and who as an Indian woman in the early 'thirties of this century was an unusually educated and progressive person.

When she became Minister for Health and Local Self-Government for the second time, in 1946, it was clear to her friends that she was tiring of her limited field of work. Therefore her resignation from her Cabinet post to become India's Ambassador in Russia caused no surprise, though many wondered whether it was a wise move to send a woman to that country to head the very first Indian diplomatic mission. Both in Moscow and Washington, where she succeeded Sir Rama Rau, she was surely on trial for two principal reasons: first that she was a woman, and secondly that she happened to be in Russia at a particularly tricky time.

She went to Moscow a few weeks before India's independence and was warmly welcomed as free India's first Ambassador. Gradually the Russians seemed to cool off towards her and she finished her term without the special honour of being received by Stalin. This was resented in India and was quite obviously a blow to her personal pride, but the reasons for Russian indifference were not difficult to fathom. Perhaps the principal cause was Moscow's great disappointment over India's continued association with the Commonwealth, and, according to Soviet calculations, her membership of the Western bloc. Apart from the difficulties of doing diplomatic business with the Soviet Government, Mrs. Pandit was up against all the usual hardships and frustrations felt by a foreigner in Moscow. In her case, these were somewhat more severe because she was a woman. Nevertheless she managed to work with uncommon zeal and energy acquired for herself quite an enviable place in the rather insular diplomatic colony.

When she went to Washington in 1949 Mrs. Pandit found herself faced with a similar suspicion, the only difference was that America's coolness arose from con[illegible] Asians. Indian neutrality was just about taking shape and public opinion in the U.S.A., particularly among leaders of the Republican Party, was openly critical of India's uncommitted role in world politics. In Washington this was increasingly interpreted as a 'softness' for Communist Powers, and by implication as hostility to the West. Her job to represent her country's viewpoint became the more difficult as at that time she was negotiating for an American wheat loan to stave off an Indian famine. Then came the Korean war and India's stand of neutrality, which did not increase her popularity in the United States. Mrs. Pandit cut short her term in Washington to return to India in 1951 to fight the first general election under adult franchise and was elected to the Central House of the People. She continues to be a member of the [illegible] main interest is in foreign affairs.

SHARP AND LIVELY MIND

As a diplomat, Mrs. Pandit has all the virtues and most of the faults of a woman. On the credit side, she has unlimited charm, which age does not seem to wither. Her slight but [illegible] figure carries a sharp and live mind, which is capable of feminine precision and an uncanny insight into character. Her lack of high academic education is compensated by her quick, practical sense; one cannot imagine her being the loser in a bargain requiring resource and sharpness of wit. She dresses with unobtrusive taste, is a [illegible] hostess, an excellent housekeeper, and capable of switching on the most disarming [illegible] when she chooses.

Her list of disadvantages include impatience, which can be even more irritable than her brother's. This quality springs partly from a reluctance to suffer fools and is clearly inherited from the father, whose high intellect and aristocratic living sometimes led to fits of tempestuous rage. As a woman, too, she is less forgiving than her brother, who can quickly discard a grievance. There is also in Mrs. Pandit's personality an element of unpredictability which—together with her impatience—makes the job of those who work under her extremely exacting. She is probably aware of a joke among her staff that a short term of service with her needs to be followed by a period of treatment at a hospital for nervous disorders.

Because Mr. Nehru is devoted to his sister and expresses public admiration of her, Mrs. Pandit often receives favours. This has sometimes led to resentment. However, the privilege of being closely related to the Prime Minister is not without its disadvantages. There is no doubt that Mrs. Pandit returned from her post in Washington in the hope of an appointment in the Central Cabinet. She was known to want the portfolio of External Affairs. Although she won her election and was for a long time free to take up Ministerial responsibility, she had to stay out of the Cabinet, primarily because she is Mr. Nehru's sister.

Looking back on her fifty-three years, Mrs. Pandit has many reasons to be happy. She has lived a rich, varied, and elegant life, has a happy family, and has won some of the choicest prizes which could be desired by a man or woman with ambition. And life has far from ended for her yet. Few believe that she will conclude her career with the Presidentship of the United Nations General Assembly. Given normal health, she will probably fulfil one of her few remaining ambitions—to be India's External Affairs Minister. Her experience of the international scene is certainly unmatched in her own country. (Broadcast in the B.B.C.'s Overseas Services).

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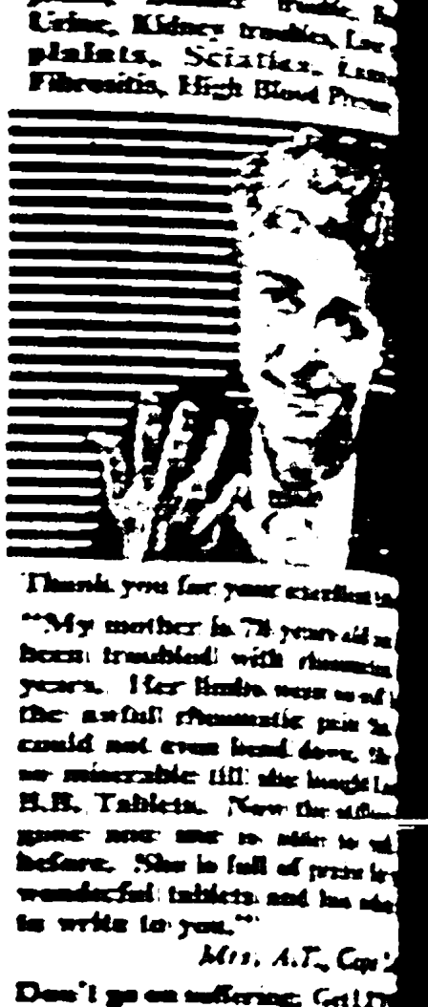

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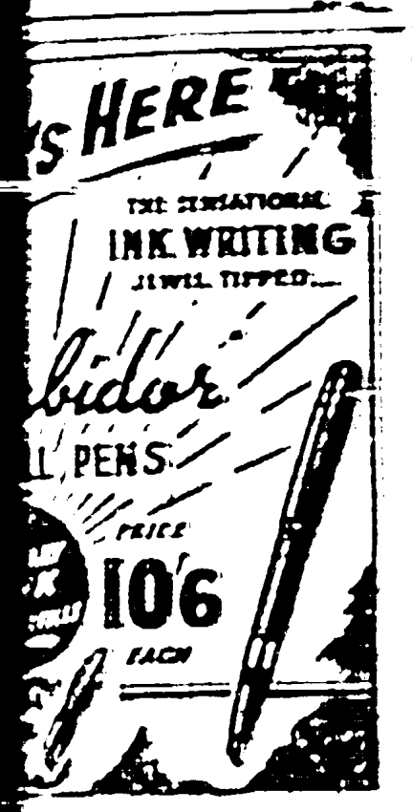

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LETTER FROM INDIA

(From Our Special Representative, P. S. SINGH)

BOMBAY. — Shri Morarji Desai, Chief Minister of Bombay, is quite prepared to lead a Satyagraha movement in South Africa! He made this statement in an interview I had with him a few days ago.

The Chief Minister condemned in no uncertain manner the racialistic policy of the Malan Government, and said the only weapon in the hands of the non-European people was Satyagraha—the pure Satyagraha of Gandhiji, to be practised in accordance with the high ideals of the Master.

"We attained independence in India through non-violent means," said Shri Morarji. "It was a long drawn out struggle against a mighty Imperialistic power, but such was the Mahatma's faith in Satyagraha that Swaraj was achieved without a single shot being fired ultimately."

Shri Morarji is very well informed on South African politics. At the Agra session of the All-India Congress Committee held a few months ago, he moved a resolution condemning the policy of the South African Government. He knows a great deal about the Indian community in this country—he astonished me by relating a few facts of our differences in politics, trade, etc. He stressed the importance of the Indian community being united and deplored the fact that they did not speak with one voice.

UNITY IS STRENGTH

"You are a handful of Indians—a small minority, and in unity lies your strength. Surely your leaders realise the gravity of the situation which calls for concerted action. It is only by being united that the eleven million Africans will co-operate with the Indians in their struggle against oppression."

Continuing, Shri Morarji said there must be no violence on the part of the non-Europeans in any shape or form. "I am prepared to come to South Africa to lead a Satyagraha movement, but I know I will not be allowed to enter that country," he said. "No power could withstand Satyagraha, but it calls for tremendous sacrifices. Indians in South Africa, where Mahatma Gandhi first started passive resistance in 1906, should know that high moral values of such a struggle. We have proved it to the world. The Africans must be given every consideration," he said.

Indians should not expect preferential treatment in any way and must consider it a duty to work for the uplift of the Africans. Many Indians in South Africa were wealthy—very wealthy—and they must help the less fortunate people in deserving ways. A Satyagraha campaign would require money and it was the duty of the wealthy Indians to assist to their utmost.

He was confident that with determination and perseverance satyagraha would succeed in South Africa. India would continue to give moral support—her Prime Minister had re[illegible] —and the country was determined to preserve the dignity of the human race, irrespective of colour, caste or creed.

"Tell the people of South Africa," he said in conclusion, "that righteousness always prevails, and if Satyagraha, as taught and practised by the greatest apostle of non-violence the world has known, Mahatma Gandhi, is followed in its purity, the oppressed people must win in the end. I send my greetings to them all."

FEAST OF CRICKET

I have enjoyed a feast of cricket! Without being boastful, I can say I have witnessed a lot of good cricket in my time—I umpired during the series of matches played when A. E. R. Gilligan's first English team toured India at Karachi in 1926—but I can safely say I have never witnessed a match so full of thrills, determination and cold concentration as the second Test.

During the match I interviewed several members of both teams; everybody acclaimed the grim struggle as "this is cricket at its best." Subba Row, the tall lanky Surrey player, who is now in India for the first time, and for whom critics in England [illegible] a brilliant cricketing future, spoke enthusiastically of this great country, "better than I had imagined in my wildest dreams," as he put it. He went to Madras to see his ailing father and said he was greatly impressed with everything he saw. "I cannot speak too highly of the wonderful hospitality and friendliness of everybody we came into contact with," he said. "It is simply too grand for words."

Subba Row has taken law and hopes to enter business on his return to England. An interesting personality travelling with the team is old R. L. Barnett of Melbourne, Australia, whose son is captain of the side. This is the first time he has been away from home and "I have heard so much of this wonderful country from my son, who has been here before, that when I decided to take a holiday, I chose India," he said. "The hospitality we have received is amazing—did not think it existed anywhere.

"We have visited Maharaja's palaces and seen architectural wonders that I had never dreamt about. I shall never forget this tour and I shall be an ambassador for India when I return home—truly this is a marvellous country with wonderful people!"

Mr. LOUIS DUFFUS

Mr. Barnett knows South Africa's prominent sports journalist, Louis Duffus, very well, having met him in Australia. If this should catch the eye of Louis Duffus—Mr. Barnett sends him his very best wishes.

BOMBAY STUDIOS

I had the pleasure of visiting several film studios in Bombay recently. During the tour I met the most popular film stars in India today, Dilip Kumar (whose real name is Yusuf) and Madhubala, one of the most beautiful stars on the screen.

They were on the sets of director-producer Mehboob's latest production, "Amar," produced at the Central [illegible] producer-director M. I. Dharamsey was busy on "Enaam," starring Pramila Devi and Nasir Khan. "Ek Raat" is being produced at Shree Sound Studios, Dadar, by producer H. Y. Ramdas, and has a galaxy of stars—Nirupa Roy, Sumitra Hemant and a famous hockey player, Dun Dayal.

At another studio I saw a miniature city built on a set, complete with mountains, rivers, etc. The set has been constructed to depict a plane crash, and a tidal wave and cost Rs 30,000.

The film "Uran Khatola" has so far taken 18 months and will be completed in another six months at a fabulous cost. Kishore Sahu has gone on location with Sabu to South India—where Sabu, "the elephant boy" of years back, will star in a film specially written for him.

Meeting film stars, producers and directors is very interesting—but they do not like talking about their work. They were interested in South Africa, however, and plied me with several questions. Producers were keen on the business angle—but there is a trade ban (to their sorrow)!

MAYOR OF BOMBAY

The Mayor of Bombay, Dr. P. A. Dias, was good enough to see me and showed keen interest in South Africa. "The world will have to recognise that non-White people must be treated as human beings. Racialism and oppression must go—it is just a question of time," he said. I was invited to be present at the Bombay Councils deliberations, the Mayor presiding.

There was an absence of dignity and decorum—from my point of view. Councillors were conducting animated conversation while a Councillor held the floor, people were leaving their chairs frequently and walking about, while Peons were moving about all the time—hardly the behaviour I have seen at other civic meetings.

The great South Indian singer, "Kokila" Subbulakshmi, gave a concert at the Brabourne Stadium in aid of the Dr. Bharucha Memorial Fund. Over 10,000 people were present and an announcement was made that as a result of the concert a sum [illegible]

Mrs. Mody, in paying a tribute to Shrimati Subbulakshmi, said that during the past few years she had given several concerts in all parts of India, as a result of which the magnificent sum of 18 lacs rupees had been collected (about £120,000) for charity. Shrimati Subbulakshmi sang several Ragas and Bhajans by Meera. She excelled in two of her favourite ragas, "Sankarabharanam" and "Sarojadala Netri," composed by Shyama Sastri.

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Thanks

Mrs. Chumdeboo Singh and family wish to thank all relatives and friends for their messages of sympathy and floral tributes received in their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to Mr. K. P. Gogvandeen.

Appreciation

Mr. and Mrs. Purkree Govender, of 513 Longmarket Street, Maritzburg, and Mr. and Mrs. T. Poonsamy Pillay, of 66 Richborough Road, Clairwood, thank all friends and relatives for their congratulatory messages, gifts and for their presence and assistance at the marriage of Logonathan (Chicken) Govender with Miss Narainee Pillay at Maritzburg on January 17, 1954.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Lutchman of Amatikulu, Zululand, wish to thank relatives and friends and those who so kindly visited the hospital during their second daughter's, Miss Thaliammah (Nannie), illness, and for the messages of sincere good wishes. Special thanks to doctors, matron, nurses and staff of the Queen Victoria Hospital, Eshowe, Zululand.

"The Leader" Editorial

PIETERMARITZBURG, FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 1954

THE BOYCOTT

THE boycott as a weapon in a political and economic struggle for power has been pioneered in South Africa for the most part by Nationalist organisations, and by those in sympathy with the ideal of apartheid. It has been used against Indian traders in much the same way as, in Germany, Jewish shopkeepers were boycotted as a result of moral pressure exerted by the stormtroopers. It has also been used, or threatened, by skakelkomitees and other "cultural" groups against businesses which do not use Afrikaans or in other ways offend the interests of the Volk.

The boycott movements have, on the whole, proved economically ineffectual, since the consumer's purse is in the long run a stronger influence even than his racial prejudices, and the Indian trader has held his own because he fulfils a very useful economic function. The boycott as a voluntary renunciation of trade with non-Whites or with "unAfrikaans" businesses has therefore been largely abandoned in favour of the more effective weapon of legislative and administrative discrimination. Since Nationalism came to power, the use of this weapon has been openly advocated, and no one knows the full extent to which it has actually been used.

It remains to be seen whether the new weapon will prove in the long run to be more effectual than the old. In the meantime, however, the new nationalism which is growing amongst the Africans is not slow to take up the weapons which have been used in the past by the Afrikaner nationalists. The move in Port Elizabeth to boycott businesses which are held to be discourteous to Africans is a cloud no bigger than a man's hand. it may yet grow into a thunderst

For such movemen although they prove ine or only partly effecti achieving their immedi have secondary results th the long run may be mo important. They gener tense feelings of group h and group antagonism, a in short, as both Socialists and Communi always realised, the sur of provoking racial confl class war. The German b movement against the Je not by itself succeed in the Jews economically, b did succeed in making communities, where ma Jewish traders had been accepted without q intensely conscious of differences. The boyco fact, is the first step on th to the concentration cam mass murder, and to ord Those who deliberate jured up this evil spirit in Africa may yet have ca regret their act.

The moral should be pl even the most obstinat actionary Nationalist: th price of extreme Em racialism and nationalism inevitably be the grow black nationalism and b racialism. There is onl answer to the problem society in which the wel all races is so inextricabl woven into the econom tern: it is to conduct the ness of the nation witho regard for colour, rac creed. Social discrimina evil; economic discrimin once it becomes a nationali can lead only to ruin.

Umhlatuzana Township

NOTICE

The Annual General Meeting of the above Association will be held on Sunday, January 31, 1954 at 10 a.m. at the Shri Nadaraja Sentamil School and Temple Hall, Umhlatuzana Township, Mount Vernon.

All registered members and others interested are kindly asked to attend.

K. R. Govender, C. Shunmugam
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V. M. Naidu
President.

Mainly About People

SINGH-SINGH ENGAGEMENT

The engagement has been announced of Mansingh, son of Mr. and the late Mrs. Hardeo Singh, and brother of Mr. S. H. Singh, of 69 Gautham Road, Mayville, Durban, to Miss Manthee Devi, fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Ramdeyal Singh, of New Guelderland.

PRAVINCHAND SEWPAUL

Son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Sewpaul, of 148 Longmarket Street, Maritzburg, and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. B. Sewpaul, of 148 Longmarket Street, Maritzburg, and Mr. and Mrs. B. Seoboo, of Clifdale, who celebrated his first birthday on January [illegible]

SHELLY

Third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Govender, grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Govender of Northdene and Mr. Arumugam Govender of Mayville, who celebrated her first birthday on January 25, 1954.

BIRTH

Singh: A bonny son to Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Singh of 69 Gautham Road, Mayville, Durban, at the St. Aidan's Hospital. Thanks to doctor and nurses.

Mr. Moranji Desai has left for the Transvaal and Rhodesia on business to return to Durban within six weeks.

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Sunder, P., Umhlali G.A. Indian School.

Thammanna, S., Greenwood Park G.A. Indian School.

Somaroo, C., Hill View Ind. School.

Bisseswar, N., [illegible].

The following students have obtained provisional passes:

Ex Umbilo Road High School: George, G. M. A.; Haden, D. C.; Ragunan, U. L.; Kippen, C. J.; [illegible], A.

Ex Springfield Training College: Ahmed, S. A. S.; Gounden, S.; Naidoo, P. R.; Ramharan, R.; Subramoney, G.; Thomas, J. M.

The following students repeating subjects failed previously have now obtained provisional passes:

Chetty, M. R., Dannhauser G.A. Indian School.

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[illegible], R., Shakaskraal G.A. Indian School.

[illegible], N. R., Oatlands G.A. Indian School.

Aces Soccer Meeting

DURBAN.—The Aces Football Club will hold their annual meeting at Simon's Cafe, Victoria Street, Durban on Sunday at 2 p.m. There will be a dinner after the meeting and a photograph of the officials and members will be taken.

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DURBAN.—The Orient Muslim Brotherhood are offering bursaries for T.3 (Teaching) and secondary education. Applications are invited from male or female candidates, and should be made during the week on [illegible] the Joint Hon. Secretary, Orient Muslim Brotherhood, P.O. Box 196, Durban.

Season's First Century

DURBAN. — Playing for Stella against Sutherlands, K. M. Reddy scored the first century of the season at the Mayville ground in the Shell cup competition on Sunday last. Stella won the match on the first innings.

Sutherlands were all out for 89 [illegible] V. G. Govender 16 not out. K. A. Reddy four for 22, J. Chengiah two for 28 and M. S. Naicker two for 6).

Stella replied with 178 for four wickets (K. M. Reddy 101, and V. S. Govender 24, A. Shunmugam two for 30).

Reddy's century included 12 boundaries—three 6's and eight 4's.

In the United cup competition, Clares beat Old Collegians and in the same competition the latter beat Stella Hill Old Boys.

The scores were: Old Collegians 79, Clares 80 for four wickets; Stella Hill Old Boys 61, Old Collegians 89 for five wickets.

Prospects of employment in Bombay gloomy

BOMBAY: Prospects of employment in Bombay city have become gloomy, especially for educated men and women, according to officials of the Regional Directorate of Resettlement and Employment.

Month after month the unemployment situation is worsening in the face of retrenchment, trade depression and closure of factories, they said.

"The situation has come to a stage where the Employment Exchanges can do very little for unemployed men and women," they added.

During July, the 12 Employment Exchanges in the Bombay State and Saurashtra registered 18,308 candidates seeking employment. Of these only 1,633 were able to secure jobs. On an average the Exchanges have been carrying over at least 16,000 applicants each month into the unemployed pool.

The officials said that a very large number of building workers were now unemployed in the state, some of them because of suspension of activities during the monsoon. There had been a marked decrease in the vacancies notified by the Government offices in the state.

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Junior Leader

MY DEAR CHILDREN,—I never expected such a large number of entries for our "Drawing Competition." Elsewhere in these columns you will find a list of entries received at the time of writing. Entries are still coming in, and it seems that my office is in danger of being flooded out!

THE COMPETITION IS NOW CLOSED.

Watch out in these columns for the result. In the meantime, I shall be happy to receive quizzes, puzzles, jokes, riddles, true experiences or anything else you would like to write.

PEN FRIENDS CORNER

Cyril Peter (16), 22 Edward Place, Mayville, Durban, would like to have pen pals from any part of the world. Interests: boxing, swimming and cycling.

Camberlal Lalla (13), c/o Mayfair Restaurant, Harding Street, Estcourt, Natal, is interested in soccer and letter-writing. He would like to have pen pals from any part of the world.

Ramdhunie Johnny (13), P.O. Box 71, Pietermaritzburg, Natal, whose interests are in reading, sports and cinema would like to have pen pals from the Union and overseas.

Ray Naidoo (16), P.O. Box 32, Tongaat, Natal, whose interests are in sports and reading would like to have pen pals from any part of the world.

DRAWING COMPETITION ENTRIES

At the time of writing the following members have sent in their entries:

Miss Droupathie, Box 11, Isipingo; Miss D. Kesluchand, P.O. Box 16, Port Shepstone; Kamaniyayam Reddy, 52 Ransom Street, Verulam; S. R. Pillay, c/o Indian School, P.O. Kearsney; S. Ballum, 7 Karagola Place, Overport, Durban; H. Mukesh, 121 Pine Road, Clairwood; G. Chathsingh, c/o G. Ramdayal, New Guelderland; P. Kisoon, P.O. Box 62, Port Shepstone; K. Munsappen, c/o M. G. Ramdayal, P.O. New Guelderland; Cassim Ismail Mahomedy, 78 Wick Street, Verulam, Natal; Rookum Haroosh, 28 Habbarlee Road, Hillary, Durban; Ishwarlal Bhikarri, 28 Cook Road, Pietermaritzburg.

SMILE STORIES

Harry: "What happened to that friend of yours who got a job in the gun factory?"

Bobby: "Oh, he got fired."

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Father: "No, Leela, I can't help you with your homework. It wouldn't be right."

Leela: "Probably not, Dad; but have a shot at it."

* * *

Husband: "I have just had my life insured for £5,000."

Wife: "That's nice. Now I shan't have to keep telling you to be careful every place you go."

(Above smile stories sent by Dhanrumal, P.O. Box 520, [illegible].)

RIDDLES

Dhavanarain, P.O. Box 10, Umkomaas sent the following riddles to puzzle members:

(1) What four letters will frighten a thief?

(2) What is the centre of sea?

(3) Why does a black chicken cross the road?

(4) What never rises from its bed?

ANSWERS

(1) O.I.C.U. (2) E. (3) To get to the other side. (4) A river.

KNOW YOUR GEOGRAPHY

H. Phulad, of P.O. Box 18, Stanger, is in quiz-mood. Here are his questions; the answers appear below:

(1) Which is the [illegible] the Transvaal?

(2) What is the name of [illegible] in Griqualand West where deposits of asbestos are found?

(3) Where in South Africa are bags manufactured?

(4) What is the name of [illegible] in South Africa where [illegible] stone is found for [illegible]?

(5) Which is the [illegible] port of North Africa?

ANSWERS

[illegible]

DID YOU KNOW?

When a piece of wood is [illegible] under a microscope, hundreds of holes can be seen. These [illegible] them imprisoned air. [illegible] wood begins to burn, the [illegible] comes but very quickly [illegible] suddenly. In its dense [illegible] expanded air exerts a [illegible] bursts open the small [illegible] a noise in the process. [illegible] the cracking we hear [illegible] wood burns.

"JUNIOR LEADER" [illegible]

Islands of Sunshine: [illegible] Indian Islands have [illegible] "The Islands of Sunshine" [illegible] the sun shines on them [illegible] the year. Though they [illegible] West Indian Islands, they [illegible] America, but when Columbus discovered them he thought [illegible] found India.

The largest of the [illegible] Islands" is Jamaica, [illegible] gorgeous blossoms and [illegible] fruits are grown.

Modern Dragons: The [illegible] dragons on Komodo, [illegible] the Amazon in the [illegible] They were not discovered [illegible] by the crew of a pearl [illegible] expedition, who told exaggerated [illegible] about the dragons being [illegible] long and exceedingly [illegible] Some have been captured [illegible] and are found to be [illegible] feet in length. These [illegible] the ancient predators [illegible] have healthy appetites [illegible] fond of prey such as deer [illegible]

300-Year-old Giants: In [illegible] the largest [illegible] the world are to be found [illegible] called [illegible] girth, some are 70 feet [illegible] and 240 feet high. They [illegible] amazing number of [illegible] specimens are judged [illegible] 2,000 years old.

WHO WERE THE A

The Amazons were a [illegible] strong, hardy and brave [illegible] proved to have lived [illegible] on the Asiatic shores of [illegible] Sea. These they formed [illegible] under the rule of a queen. No men were allowed [illegible] their kingdom and [illegible] told of their great [illegible] They fought [illegible] the Trojans against the Greeks during this war their queen [illegible] killed by Achilles. The [illegible] said to be skilled [illegible] have erected many wonderful [illegible] ings and cities.

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Teenagers' column

HELLO TEENAGERS,—Soon the film, "The Conquest of Everest" would be shown to non-European audiences in this country. Critics hail it as a great film and in Johannesburg alone more than 20,000 school children have seen it. Imagine seeing the roof of the world! Must be exciting.

Before you see it, here's some news about the men behind the camera who took the spectacular shots for the film.

HOW EVEREST WAS FILMED

Thirty-nine-year-old Tom Stobart posed like some human fly on the ceiling of the world. Battling with violent snowstorms at 22,000 feet, half blinded, threatened every moment by the prospect of tumbling tons of ice rumbling suddenly down, he successfully secured the graphic pictorial record in colour of the conquest of Mount Everest, the greatest film scoop to date.

Back in 1951, when the famous explorer Eric Shipton returned to Britain with the news that there was a possibility of a new route up the mountain from the south, it was soon announced that a British attempt on Everest would be made in 1953. Permission to film the expedition was secured by Countryman Films.

The first big problem to overcome was the choice of a cameraman. Tom Stobart, Derbyshire-born son of a climber and explorer who admits that he was dragged up his first mountain at the age of seven, was the obvious choice.

Already Tom had accompanied expeditions to the Antarctic, Central Africa, and Australia. He had also filmed in the Himalayas in 1948. His easy disposition and amiable temperament, essential to effective team-work under most trying conditions, was another important point in his favour which counted with Colonel Hunt, leader of the expedition.

There was only one snag. When Colonel Hunt tried to contact Tom Stobart, he had completely disappeared. Almost as disconcerting was the fact that when Tom was run to earth he was lying in hospital, suffering from a tropical infection.

EQUIPMENT

But even while Tom had been lying in hospital, a series of important conferences had taken place in the ward to examine the hundred and one problems involved. The six cameras, including spares of various types, had to be able to stand up to rough treatment; like being hiked unceremoniously on Sherpas' backs for 200 miles over steep peaks and then another 200 miles again.

On Everest itself, the cameras had to be capable of enduring variations of temperature of 100 degrees during the day and night. Before the expedition left, these cameras were tested in a cold chamber by the R.A.F. at Farnborough at temperatures equivalent to those on Everest.

Weight, too, was of prime importance. Special tripods were made in light alloy, and an ice-pick was adapted so that it could be used as a tripod. Altogether the equipment weighed 38 lbs. Even so, because at the top of Everest 4 lbs. would have been an intolerable burden and might have jeopardised the success of the assault, the final climb was not filmed and must remain with Hillary and Tensing for all time except for the still picture which Hillary took of his companion at the top.

So that the cameras could be operated easily while [illegible] were worn, a special trigger release had to be fitted. All the metal parts were covered with cloth to save hands being "burnt" by the intense cold when gloves were temporarily discarded . . .

FIRST SHOTS

"My first 'shots' covered the meeting of the members of the expedition with all the Sherpas, including Tensing, in the British Embassy Gardens at Katmandu," said Tom Stobart. "At about this period I regretfully missed one joyful picture of a member of the expedition, clothed only in a straw hat, carrying a butterfly net chasing butterflies!

"High-speed operations, aimed to get some end as quickly as possible, were extremely difficult. For at 18,000 to 20,000 feet I found that the amount of work I could do in a day decreased rapidly. With the effort of climbing plus the weight of the cine-camera at that altitude I could only 'shoot' about 100 feet of colour film a day, representing about two and a half minutes or even less of actual screening time.

"The most dramatic moment came this way. At the advance base we knew the assault on the summit had taken place the previous day. But we did not know how the climbers had fared. Everybody was extremely anxious. On the morning of the second day three figures emerged from Camp 7. We knew two of them must be Hillary and Tensing. With my camera, I went up to Camp 4, hoping to get a picture of them at the head of the Lhotse face before they arrived. They came down more quickly and were much faster than I had expected. As soon as I saw them they gave me the 'thumbs up' sign. I drew a quick breath as I moved forward to greet and congratulate them. I knew then that we had finally won. . . ."

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Talk of the Bazaar

OVER 50,000 people will watch the Aga Khan being weighed in platinum in Karachi on Wednesday, February 3, to celebrate his 70 years as leader of the Ismaili sect of Muslims.

The 78-year-old Aga Khan, one of the world's richest men, will be returning to his birthplace for the ceremony, for he was born in a rambling house known as Honeymoon Lodge, which stands on a small hill just outside Karachi.

He will take his seat on specially constructed ivory scales, which cost 10,000 rupees (about £1,000 sterling), and the platform on which they are placed will revolve so that all may see the ceremony.

It is reported that as the platinum is placed on the scales a vertical strip light will record the advancing weight. The Aga Khan is expected to turn the scales at about 202 lbs. and the platinum to equal that is worth about 800,000 rupees (about £80,000 sterling). Most of it is being obtained from Switzerland.

FOR THE COMMUNITY

IN the earlier days of the community, all this might have gone to the leader, but when he had his diamond jubilee, the Aga Khan set the fashion of distributing the value by investment in the community.

Pakistan is only one of the homes of his followers who are spread throughout the world, in India, Burma, Ceylon, Africa, and South America. Most East African Muslims are Ismailis. No one knows just how many there are, but there are about 23,000 in Pakistan.

The special significance of this year's ceremony is that it marks the longest Imamate — Imam means Spiritual Leader—in the history of the Ismailis. The Aga Khan is the 40th direct descendant by male line of the Prophet Mohammed's son-in-law, Hazrat Ali, who was fourth Caliph of Islam.

The sect got its name of Ismailis from one of the early Arabian Imams, whose name was Shah Ismail, and their faith came to India about seven centuries ago when missionaries were sent from Persia. Most present day Indian and Pakistani Ismailis are the descendants of Hindu converts.

ECONOMIC UPLIFT

TO commemorate this year's ceremony Pakistan's Ismailis have subscribed 3,000,000 rupees (over £300,000 sterling) towards the share capital of a "Platinum Jubilee Finance Corporation," which will be devoted to the economic uplift of the community. Forty co-operatives are being established throughout western Pakistan to handle loans at low interest rates for Ismailis.

His diamond jubilee was commemorated in Africa by a similar trust specifically for education and industry.

Famous throughout the world for his wealth, the Aga Khan, whose name is Aga Sultan Mohammed [illegible] of the Muslims of India. He took a great interest in the Muslim renaissance and is a member of Aligarh University which was established in the year of his birth, 1875, to fuse Islamic learning with that of the modern age, especially science.

WEIGHING CEREMONY

HE is a founder member of the Muslim League, and a member of the delegation to Lord Minto in 1906 which won separate electorates for India's Muslims. He led the Indian delegation to the League of Nations several times and in 1937 was the first Indian President of the Assembly.

Several times since Pakistan was established in 1947, he has visited the young Muslim country, and he has invested money in its developing industries.

The weighing ceremony is to take place in Karachi, in the grounds of the Aga Khan Gymkhana, which was once his private residence. Bulldozers have torn up the cricket pitch and teams of workmen are erecting stands for the 50,000 people expected to attend. They will probably include Pakistan's Governor General, Mr. Ghulam Mohammed, and the Prime Minister, Mr. Mohammed Ali.

WEDDING EXPENSES

ISMAILIS are coming from all over the world and many of them will stay as guests in the homes of fellow members of the community in and around Karachi.

Prince Aly Khan, the Aga Khan's son, is expected to come to Karachi a few days before his father to supervise final arrangements for the ceremony.

During the Aga Khan's ten-day stay here, the Ismailis will hold many other ceremonies within the community and there will probably be a procession on one day.

Many couples marry when the Aga Khan is present, for then all their wedding expenses are paid for them. How much money the whole ceremony and various other aspects of it will involve is a matter for conjecture . . . !

BACK TO SCHOOL

SO the back-to-school campaign after a long vacation has started again, but many homes will think in terms of good riddance . . . the patter of little feet has been quite an unhappy experience. Nevertheless, the hardy annual—school accommodation — will continue to be a feature for some years to come.

School accommodation apart, funnily enough I met several teachers during the course of the holidays who just love to be back at school (I wish I had these holidays—I have not had one for the past seven years). You would be surprised to learn that most teachers simply love their work, and it is not a case of waiting for their salary cheques (about which they are always complaining) at the end of each month.

Well, here is a story against my teacher friends. An instructor was teaching a class an intensified course. Realising that the boys were beginning to show the strain of constant study, he decided to ease the situation with a rather pointless question: "If a chair has four legs, is painted white, and rolls on casters, how old am I?"

CORRECT ANSWER

THE surprised students sat dumbfounded. Then the most backward member of the class supplied the answer. "Forty-four," he answered.

It was the instructor's turn to be amazed. "That's correct," he agreed, "but how did you know?"

The student explained. "My brother is twenty-two and he is only half as crazy!"

Here is another one. In the traffic court of a large Mid-Western city a young woman was brought before the judge to answer a ticket given her for driving past a red light. She explained to His Honour that she was a school-teacher, and requested an immediate disposal of her case in order that she might rush back to her classes.

A wild gleam came into the judge's eyes. "You're a school-teacher, eh?" said he. "Madam, I shall realise my lifelong ambition. I've waited years to have a school-teacher in this court. Sit down at that desk and write 'I went past a red light' five hundred times!"

HIS PROFESSION . . .

I RECEIVED the following letter in my mail during the week: "I love to hear the alarm clock in the morning. I am unable to understand those who cannot bear the [illegible] are impelled anew to hurl it out of the window or smother it under the bedclothes—just to sleep another half hour.

"For me the alarm clock is the symbol of life; it is a signal that the great city reawakens, that a new day begins, that streets and houses are filled again with pulsating existence. I love to hear the alarm clock in the morning.

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There is no point in the remaining two pages of the letter!

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Diary of the Week

INGRID BERGMAN, strikingly beautiful Swedish-born actress and my favourite film star, who threw up a great Hollywood career when she flouted convention and remained in the headlines through her determination to live her life according to her own pattern, makes her London stage debut in two months in "Joan of Arc at the Stake."

Thousands of us saw Miss Bergman give a superlative performance in the screen adaptation of the life of Joan of Arc, and there is no doubt that she will give an equally excellent performance on the stage.

As an actress Ingrid Bergman is superb and she is voted by Hollywood veterans to be the second greatest actress ever to appear on the screen; Greta Garbo being supreme.

As a woman she was true to herself and followed the dictates of her own heart. Whatever one may say of her, her courage is to be admired. Maybe not in her lifetime, but certainly after, the world will say, "She was a woman."

BANTU EDUCATION ACT

IN support of the obnoxious Bantu Education Act, Dr. Verwoerd, Minister of Native Affairs, says: "Natives would be taught from childhood that they would never stand side by side with the Europeans in this country." Such unashamed herrenvolkism.

But Dr. Verwoerd should know that this is an unworkable philosophy. The only hope for South Africa is to give the African a sense of hope, a sense of opportunity and a sense of dignity.

To attempt to force issues as the Nats are doing is the surest way to create a bloody situation. That the people have not yet thrown off restraint is a tribute of their self-control.

SLUMS AND CRIME

MR. SWART, Minister of Justice, said last week that "the public blames my Department for the increase in crime, but my reply is—clean up your slums, the cesspools of crime."

What, one may ask, is the Government doing about cleaning up the slums? Local authorities are blamed by the Government and the Government, in turn, is blamed by the local authorities.

While this little game of "football" goes on, the people suffer helplessly.

CIVIC CENTENARY

IF Indian participation in Durban's civic centenary is to be on the grand scale I envisage, there will certainly be a soccer match and a bumper sports meeting.

What about a request for the use of Kingsmead and the Track Ground?

Currie's Fountain has not sufficient accommodation for the crowds that will converge there, and what passes for an athletic and [illegible] is no more than an apology for one.

This is the moment to test the City Council's sincerity.

SUCCESSOR TO LINDWALL

JOHN POWER, 21-year-old Victorian player who stands 6ft. 1in. and weighs 180 lbs., is confidently expected to be the successor to Ray Lindwall.

Talking of fast bowlers prompts me to ask a question: when is a fast bowler not a fast bowler? Nowadays they seem to undergo strange vicissitudes, and Keith Miller's recently published judgment about England's Fred Trueman is another case in point.

In our own country Cuan McCarthy, and to a lesser degree Michael Melle, were hailed as South Africa's pace battery and likely to remain so for years. Both were thoroughly and successfully tried and both have slid out of the top picture. Like Miller on Trueman, some say there aren't any fast bowlers at all. Will Adcock and Ironside bump into this propaganda, or whatever it is?

Yet Miller and Lindwall go unquestioned. So did others in their time. Incidentally, I have seen all the great fast bowlers who have represented or visited this country in recent years. McCormick, Miller, Lindwall and Archer, of Australia; Ken Farnes, Bill Edrich, Reg Perks and Alec Bedser, of England, and Syd Viljoen, Bob Crisp, E. Q. Davies, Melle, McCarthy, Adcock and Ironside, of South Africa. Cricketers before them, unfortunately, I have not seen. Is it my fault if I do not belong to an older generation?

OBSCENE LITERATURE

SO many books seem to have come under the category of indecent, obscene or objectionable literature that a time will yet come when nothing will be safe.

If all indecent books had to be banned, the bible, according to Lord Bertrand Russell, would be the first [illegible]

But, take my word, Lord Russell is not talking through his hat.

LONELY IN DEFEAT

NO one can be ever so lonely and forgotten as a defeated boxer. Immediately after the big fight last Friday I went to have a word with Elijah Mokone in his dressing room. It was a struggle to get near him. The crush was indescribable. But in Young Seabela's dressing room there was no one there besides himself. He was then having a shower. His seconds, his friends and admirers had all left him to see the Slumber David-Kid Hogart fight. There was no one there even to tend to his injuries. Such is the fate of the boxer defeated.

INDIAN BEACH—WHERE?

THREE months ago I gave a warning in this column that there was a danger of the Durban Indians losing their beach. The danger is now real. Councillor Ken Clarke, Chairman of the Beach Committee, said last Wednesday, "It is generally felt that some other beach will have to be found for the non-Europeans where permanent development to meet their needs can be considered. A restricted area in the present position might lead to complications through future congestion and overflow into the neutral zones. Bathing in just a position can bring about a public outcry." The writing is on the wall and this is no time to sit back and smile. Be up and doing.

THIS WEEK'S LAUGH

"Your husband has a new suit, I notice."

"No, he hasn't."

"Well, something's different."

"It's a new husband."

JOE FRANCIS

BUMPER SPORTS MEETING

DURBAN.—The Natal Amateur Athletic and Cycling Union has planned a bumper sports meeting, which is to be held at Currie's Fountain on Sunday, February 21.

The President, Mr. R. Latchman, told "The Leader," that a feature of the day's sports will be an inter-schools competition for the Bonn floating trophy. This will be confined to primary school boys between the ages of 13 to 16 years.

"We have sought permission of the Natal Indian Schools Sports Association for allowing students to participate in our sports meeting. We are mindful of the fact that there are many promising athletes in the schools and we will consider them for selection in the junior section of the S.A. championships to be held in Cape Town this year," added Mr. Latchman.

Tvl. Group Area objection

JOHANNESBURG: The Transvaal Indian Congress and Mr. Swart, a Roodepoort resident, have objected to the application by the Lenz Township Co., Ltd., to establish an Asiatic area at Lenz.

The proposed site of the township is on the Potchefstroom Road, 19 miles from Johannesburg.

Mr. D. H. Ginsberg, on behalf of the applicants, said the Township's Board had approved, in principle, the establishment of the first portion of the township, and the Minister of the Interior, Dr. Donges, had authorised the issue of the necessary permits for part of the ground for Asiatic ownership and occupation.

Mr. Swart, on behalf of a number of Europeans in the Roodepoort district, said these people felt it was a direct infiltration into a European area.

Mr. Yusuf Cachalia, secretary of the South African Indian Congress and vice-president of the Transvaal Indian Congress, who spoke for the Transvaal Congress, said that the Congress had objected previously to the scheme.

He said the Land Tenure Board had "completely side-tracked" the usual channels of the Group Areas Act by simply permitting this Asiatic township without asking for objections.

Mr. van Wyk said: "We must accept that the Land Tenure Board has dealt with the matter. If the Board has done something it should not have Cachalia's remedy Court."

Mr. Ginsberg and Township scheme tempt on record to community the right

It was not to go to Lenz.

Mr. van Wyk said would give its decision the interested parties notified of the date of

Abeeta Wins 1,000 Guineas

BOMBAY — Abeeta (Desert Sun–[illegible]) a 37 to 1 outsider, owned by Mr. Moosa M. Hossain and Mr. S. D. Pardesi, won the Indian 1,000 guineas over one mile, the first classic of the season in Bombay.

Abeeta won by one and one-half lengths from Vadette with Donna Nearco III a further short head behind in the field of 12. Dilawar, an even favourite, was fourth.

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ORT PARADE

By BOBBY HARRYPERSADH

week I bumped into Gounder, Principal Road Government He took over the school two years a sportsman at his mind to the tennis court, which opened in December

seeing through this has much to come. The cost of the court of which was a from the Administration other half, Mr. was raised within by way of donations public.

effort should be a schools. At Durban and district three other schools tennis courts — Durban Indian and Umgeni. The will have their built year.

NURSERY

branch of sport has established over years in our com- is encouraged by Indian Lawn Tennis the schools should excellent nursery. There room for improvement of play, and con- the schools would right thing.

something which should attention of our Association and the Natal Association, which in this province, that some form of competition should be among the schools tennis courts, and that the Association to lend assistance in providing coaches to competitors, in them the sort in the game.

emphasising every branch and what we expect from our force, than and give back to the coaching), what

OF PLAY

on the standard Mr. R. K. Ramdas, of the Natal Indian Lawn Tennis Association, told me that it had not been as expected; the standard among local enthusiasts has deteriorated considerably. Players lacked stamina and it appeared that they do not practice hard enough to improve.

"A golden opportunity was given when Samaai, Woodman, Petersen and Vegetine, the Cape players, were in Durban and gave exhibition matches. They should have taken advantage of learning the finer points of the game by inviting them to their home courts. What most players do today is, instead of learning from experienced men, enter the court with a view to defeat their opponents by any means, instead of observing carefully, correctly their mistakes, gaining the knowledge of court craft and the finer points of the game which mean so much later on when they enter competitive tennis.

[illegible] short stay did much to improve the game, but I am afraid the players seem to have reverted to their old style—baseline. Today's tennis requires midcourt tactics. This was one of the reasons why Natal received a severe defeat at the hands of the Transvaalers, who play a more aggressive type of tennis.

INTER-PROVINCIAL GAMES

MR. RAMAS said that the officials of the Association are making endeavours to arrange matches with other centres of the Union and find better opponents for our players. Here in Natal one sees the same old faces appearing from time to time. They know from the list of players participating who the finalists are going to be, and what is more, because they have met and seen each other in action so many times, they are quite used to their tactics and know what to expect!

The most outstanding club last season was Avora, who annexed two shields—the K.O. and the league. In the B division, credit must go to Sastri College and Tongaat teams who have been playing outstanding tennis in this division. The officials should give these boys every encouragement as they would be the players of tomorrow.

Players who have improved considerably are P. Rengasamy, R. Rabikisson, M. I. Mathir and S. Rughoer. If Natal is to win back the inter-Provincial and S.A. championships, another four top class players will have to be found to offer stern opposition.

MR. R. K. RAMDAS

TENNIS FEDERATION

PROMISING players like Joe Lockem, Y. Hanseraj, S. S. Juglee and M. S. Mahomedy should improve on their court-craft and big match temperament. If these budding young players are placed under the care and attention of good coaches like Mr. R. P. Soni, S. S. Maharaj and D. Laljee, I am sure Natal will be able to get together a formidable team which will be able to give a good account of itself at the forthcoming championships.

The year ahead should be an eventful one in tennis in view of the contemplated move to form a South African non-European Federation in tennis. When the federation is inaugurated, there is no doubt that there will be an all-round improvement in the standard of play in non-White tennis in this country. Indeed, the need for such a body has been long felt.

We have seen the beneficial results accruing from similar inter-racial national bodies in athletics and cycling, table tennis, soccer and cricket. Therefore, the potentialities of a non-European tennis team can be readily imagined. When we take into consideration so many promising players around us, we can appreciate the need for inviting and sending a representative team away from our shores.

SWIMMING BATH

DUE to lack of swimming knowledge, non-European bathers continue to be involved in drowning tragedies, and the community in general and the Durban Indian Surf Life Saving Club in particular are greatly disturbed by the increasing numbers.

Commenting on the need for a swimming bath, Capt. R. R. Singh said: "The City Council have made a move with a view to providing a swimming bath. In fact the site at Springfield was being prepared, but unfortunately, the Treasury intervened and stopped the scheme. They maintain that in a support line Durban, a swimming bath is not an urgent necessity, and therefore work on the provision of this essential amenity has been brought to a standstill."

It now rests with the community to do all they can to help when the life savers launch out for funds. They are depending on the public to give them all the support they need, and I cannot see why they should not receive it when it will be the community as a whole that would benefit when a swimming bath is built. It will be a costly project, but then I am satisfied that a first class swimming bath with all the necessary facilities would have as big a following as any other branch of sport.

STOPPED FROM JETTY

HAVING no swimming bath is in itself a handicap to those enthusiastic bathers who are learning to swim. It is rather a sorry state of affairs therefore to find that these lifesavers who were being coached at Fred Nicholl's Jetty have been stopped

(Continued in next column)

from using the jetty. It has retarded the progress of the Indian lifesavers, who were in the midst of their examinations—some for the bronze medallion and others for a bar to the bronze and the silver medallion.

I understand that the Durban Indian Surf Life Saving Club are making representations to the authorities with a view of having the decision reconsidered. The Club does not have very many men who are proficient in life-saving, and one can understand how urgently they need an increase in membership to keep our beaches safe when we consider the large number of inexperienced men and women who love to have a dip which sometimes ends in tragedy.

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MOKONE THE FUTURE EMPIRE CHAMP?

VOTED by the public, Press and boxing connoisseurs as the greatest non-European championship contest ever seen, the Elijah Mokone-Young Seabela national lightweight title duel at the Durban City Hall last Friday evening will go down in fistic history as the failure of a great lightweight to beat a great champion, writes Joe Francis.

On this showing Elijah Mokone, without doubt, is in world class, and if, as seems probable, he gets a shot at Roy Ankarah for the British Empire featherweight title, a new champion will be crowned.

For months did Seaman Chetty, and those sports writers who helped him to capture the public imagination, proudly proclaim that on the night of January 22 would be presented one of the greatest fights in the annals of this country's ring history. We are accustomed to ballyhoo, but in this case not only was the highly coloured publicity well and truly justified, it was underrated.

The near-capacity Durban City Hall last Friday night fairly tottered with excitement. The two thousand fans yelled themselves to a state of hoarseness, the cheers, the shouting, the hysteria that prevailed were tributes to the great little men battling it out in front of them, such cheering, such shouting was utterly forgivable; even the hard-boiled [illegible] couldn't help letting their vocal chords run riot and, believe me, that takes some doing with a bunch of cold-blooded writers who view people and things with that touch of cynicism.

CRAFT

But back to the fight. It was Mokone's craft that decided the issue from the start, but boy, oh boy! was he made to realise that he had been in a fight. What lion-hearted courage there was in Young Seabela's heart, what determination to complete the gruelling journey of 12 vicious rounds despite what Mokone dished out to him.

What a terrible shame there had to be a loser. But Mokone was a [illegible] conqueror. Seabela fought his greatest fight ever. Yet, such is the irony of sport, it often happens that when one puts up one's best, one can lose, and yet without trying half as hard, one can win. Seabela was then [illegible]. He had put up what was undoubtedly the most wonderful performance of his fighting career, and he finished up the loser.

From the first gong the pace was on. Mokone, confident and crisp, vigorously exchanged punches with the challenger and Seabela, with obvious purpose, relentlessly moving in. The first two rounds went to Mokone, who was scoring with a snappy left hand and a right uppercut that with unerring accuracy found Seabela's face.

SWELLING

When round three opened there was a swelling over Seabela's left eye but he was fighting gamely and Mokone was becoming more wary of that awful right hook, and cleverly avoided it by darting in and out, and although it bothered him, it didn't bewilder the challenger.

Came the fourth round with Seabela still the aggressor. He swung into more vigorous action, crashed away at top speed and then with his accustomed unorthodox [illegible] with a right hook that made Mokone look unhappy.

The fifth, sixth and seventh rounds went to Seabela.

If you could describe it so, there was a slight easing up by both in the eighth session, but don't run away with the idea that the action stopped. Goodness, no! It was just that compared to the other rounds this round seemed a wee bit slower. Mokone had sneaked most points here and there and then, the full-blooded never-stop-for-a-second action was renewed with all the ferocious vitality in the ninth round with Mokone fighting like a panther, trying to "nail" his rival and [illegible] him with that perpetual left-hand stabbing.

DOWN

As Seabela's left eye revealed more damage than before and the blood oozed more freely from his mouth he threw a punch and dropped his hands for a fraction of a second, and there was Mokone, in a flash, to send in a ripping right hand punch that sent Seabela down. Before the referee could begin the count the gong sounded signalling the end of the tenth round.

There was a startled look on the faces of Seabela's seconds who, feverishly and frantically, employed all the knowledge they had gained as cornermen when their man returned to his stool. How they worked on him! With what feelings of relief they must have sent their man out for the eleventh round.

The 12th and last round was fought with all the fire and fury of the preceding ones, but Seabela was a tired man and Mokone going for the "kill" with the most concentrated barrage of punches I have ever seen, administered the coup-de-grace with only two seconds more to go. It was a merciless exhibition of concentrated hitting.

The thunderous applause that greeted these two gladiators must have been heard in Johannesburg and Cape Town. Never have I seen two men fight such a great battle and never have I ever seen a master craftsman like Mokone. He is not only good enough to be the champion of South Africa, but he is classy enough to be the champion of the British Empire. When he leaves for England on February 5 he will carry with him the good wishes of all South Africa.

[illegible] great contest between Slumber David and Kid Hogart. David connected with a beautiful right hand punch in the fifth round and Hogart was sent sprawling across the ring to be counted out. It was five minutes before he came to.

Other results were: Harry [illegible] beat [illegible] for the Natal [illegible] title; King Alfred (131lb.) beat Magnus [illegible] (137½ lb.) on points and Simon [illegible] (112lb.) beat Young Leonard (120½ lb.) on points.

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GOVENDER-GOVENDER WEDDING

The marriage of Ramsamy (Loganathan), youngest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. T. Moonsamy Govender, and brother of Messrs. T. M. Govender Bros., of Willie Klip Farm, Cavendish, to Aburubie (Bemmie), Eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Therlee Govender (K.T.J.), of Wiseman's Farm, Periahspiane, will take place on Sunday, February 7, at the bridegroom's residence, Willie Klip Farm, Cavendish (near Umlaas Water Works). Nuptial ceremony from 10.30 to 11.30 a.m. Brides party will leave their residence on Sunday at 2 a.m. Friends and relatives are requested to accep this as a personal invitation.

WOMAYATHIE

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Moodley, of Moodley's Trading Stores, 171 Candmore Road, Bellair, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Moodley of 442 Berg Street, Maritzburg, who will celebrate her first birthday on Sunday, January 31.

WEDDING INVITATION

The marriage will take place of [illegible] (Krishna Govender), youngest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Madian Govender, of 167 Warwick Avenue, Durban, to Miss Thanabakium (Girlie), eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] (Govender) and grand-daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Govender of 29 [illegible] Road, Durban, at the Avalon Theatre, Durban, on Sunday, 31st January, at 11 a.m. Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend.

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MR. SEWPERSAD PANDAY

Mr. Sewpersad Panday of Durban, who is at present a medical student at Dublin, has been invited to address the Dublin International Club on Sociology and Social Pathology.

Mr. Panday took his B.A. degree at the University of Natal, writing 13 subjects, including three majors, English, psychology and sociology.

He is the only Indian student so far to have taken B.A. (Hons.) degree in Sociology.

Son of Mr. and the late Mrs. T. P. Naidoo, of 19 Lorne Street, Durban, bids farewell to all friends and relatives as he will leave for the United Kingdom by the Capetown Castle on February 4.

WEDDING POSTPONED

The marriage of S. Shunmugam (Bobby), youngest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. S. Govender, of Verulam, to Miss Dhanalutchmi (Dolly), youngest daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Appalsamy Naidoo of 319 Park Station Road, Greenwood Park, which was to have taken place at the bridegroom's residence, 134 Fire-wood Road, Red Hill, has been postponed to a further date.

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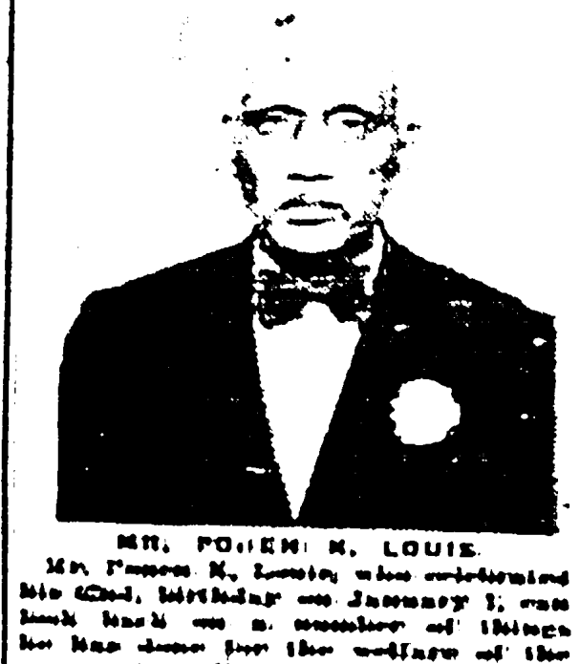
VICTOR-MUMMY WEDDING

The marriage will take place of Vadamallay (Victor), second son of Mr. and Mrs. Murugan Moonsamy and brother of Messrs. Chockalingam Bros., of Maidstone, to Miss Munia-mah (Mummy), second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moonsamy of Perumal (Parry) Bro[illegible] Morelands, and the Siva [illegible] Temple Hall, Maidstone[illegible] 7, between 2.30 and 3.3[illegible] and relatives are cordially [illegible] attend.

VINESH and VINOD

Twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. H. Jugee, of 79 Wakefield Road, [illegible] celebrated their fifth birthday on January 2[illegible]



MR. POOBEN K. LOUIS

Mr. Pooben K. Louis, who celebrated his 62nd. birthday on January 1, can look back on a number of things he has done for the welfare of the community. Foremost among them is the part he played in the production of Tamil plays, and as a singer, actor, violinist, composer of Tamil songs, and a teacher of Marypole dances. He has also been interested in the sporting and religious activities of the community.

Anniruth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gangasagar and grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Rughbar Aheer, who celebrated his 21st birthday on January 18, 1954 at their residence, "Annand Bhawan," Victoria Street, Richmond, Natal.

PRAVINCHAND

Son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Deonarain (Mohan) of 135 Buttery Road, Durban North and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. M. Rampersad and Mr. and Mrs. S. Deorika of Shakas Kraal, celebrated his first birthday on Saturday, January 23.

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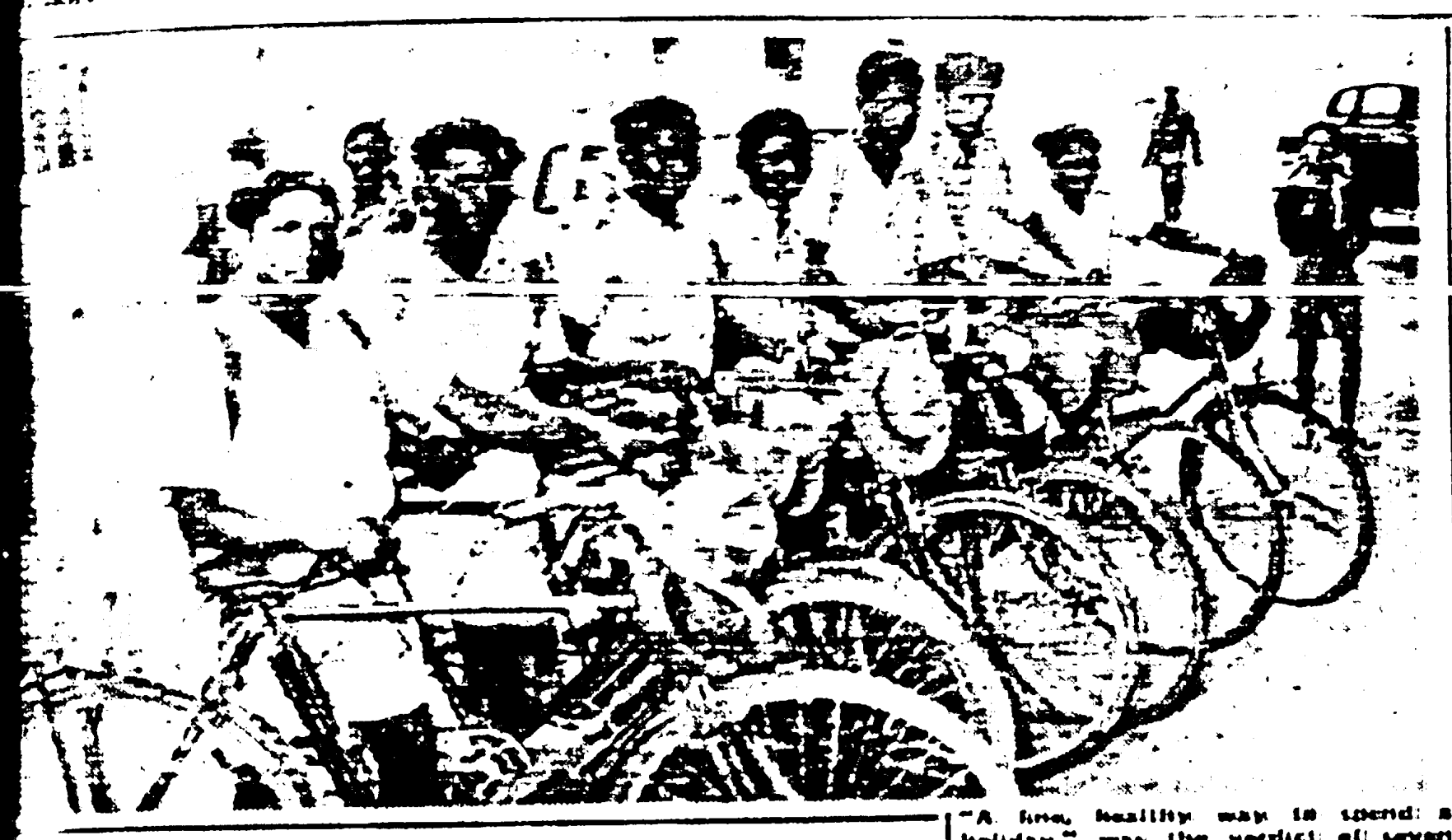

"A fine, healthy way to spend a holiday," was the verdict of seven Indian Rover Scouts, who returned to Port Elizabeth recently after cycling to East London and back. They cycled 188 miles, to win their Rambler's badge, carrying packs weighing 40lb. and spending four nights in the open. They will be the first Indian Scouts in Port Elizabeth to obtain this badge. This photograph shows the scouts on their return from East London. On the left is M. G. Naidoo, District Scout Commissioner.

New Maritzburg N.I.C. Officers

[illegible]ARITZBURG: Dr. M. M. Motala, together with Dr. Omar Hassim and Mr. S. B. Mungal, members of the 1951 "cabinet" who [illegible] two years ago, were swept back into the leadership of the [illegible]burg Indian Congress at a belated annual meeting held in the [illegible] Cinema on Sunday afternoon. Mr. M. G. Naidoo, who [illegible] a come-back into politics after a lapse of eight years, was [illegible] candidate for the chairmanship.

[illegible] the 1948 [illegible] when the young Left-Wing [illegible] captured control of the Natal [illegible] Congress from the "Old [illegible]" were re-enacted in the capital [illegible] Sunday.

[illegible] campaigning by Dr. [illegible] party, who had resigned [illegible] in 1952, and the rights [illegible] headed by Mr. M. G. Naidoo, [illegible] secretary of the Maritzburg [illegible], culminated in more than [illegible] voters crowding into the Regent [illegible] on Sunday afternoon—the [illegible] though it was punctuated [illegible] with heckling and cat-calls, there were no incidents. For Mr. J. N. Singh, secretary of [illegible] Provincial organisation, was [illegible] Acceding to a request by Motala that he preside over the [illegible], Mr. Singh succeeded in [illegible] a meeting which had [illegible] to get out of hand.

[illegible] in his addressing [illegible] Mr. Singh complimented [illegible] Indians for the healthy [illegible] they were displaying in their welfare.

[illegible] is: "Stand United," Mr. Singh.

[illegible] oppressive legislation was [illegible] for the Indians, continued [illegible] Singh.

[illegible] read a message from Dr. M. G. [illegible] after which Mr. M. G. Naidoo [illegible] a resolution paying tribute to [illegible] Doctors Naicker and [illegible].

[illegible] names of Dr. Motala and Mr. [illegible] Naidoo were put forward for [illegible] chairmanship of the branch. The result was a clearcut victory for Dr. Motala. Vice-presidents: Messrs. D. M. Valbee, R. K. (Boyd) Naidoo, B. O. Panday, A. M. Govender, L. Bhikha, joint secretaries: Dr. Omar Hassim and Mr. S. B. Mungal; Treasurer: Mr. Narain Ghela; Working Committee: Messrs. G. P. R. Pillai, A. S. Chetty, Nanlee Maharaj, Hassan Shaikh, R. Chand, R. C. Moodley, Sunny Singh, V. S. Naidoo, P. Singh, R. Jada and A. Mota. Delegates to N.I.C. Provincial Conference this weekend: All office-bearers together [illegible] Working Committee.

A resolution was passed which "strongly condemned the ruling of the Natal Education Department to exclude all Indian children of ten years of age from admission to the infant classes at all Government and Government-Aided schools in Natal." The meeting called upon the Natal Education Department to provide free and compulsory education without discrimination for all non-European children, and noted with great disappointment the failure of the Department to provide schools for thousands of Indian children of school-going age despite repeated representations and protests by the Indian people over past years. The meeting called upon the Department to take immediate steps to provide schools and to make education free and compulsory for all Indian children in Natal.

Another resolution was passed "viewing with suspicion" the presence of the S.A.I.O. president, Mr. A. M. Moolla, in Capetown.

Challenge to S.A.I.O.

JOHANNESBURG. — "This meeting of Indian youth challenges the South African Indian Organisation to appear at a public meeting in the Transvaal and allow the Indian people to give their verdict on this important issue," declared a resolution at a well-attended general membership meeting of the Transvaal Indian Youth Congress held in Johannesburg during last week.

The challenge referred to recent claims by [illegible] that their organisation spoke for the mass of the Indian people when it conducted negotiations with the Nationalist Government in trying to secure reestablishment of diplomatic relations between India and the Union and the removal of the question of racial discrimination from the agenda of the United Nations.

The meeting "strongly condemned these actions as a betrayal of the struggle of the non-White people of South Africa for freedom."

The meeting also welcomed back to South Africa Mr. Paul Joseph, Vice-Chairman of the T.I.Y.C., who represented the organisation at the 4th World Festival of Youth and Students in Bucharest in August last year. Mr. Joseph, who visited Austria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, Britain and Rumania, was with other South Africans, a guest of honour at the 36th Anniversary celebrations of the founding of the Soviet Union in Moscow on November 7. He gave an enlightening talk on his visit.

PAK. PREMIER'S STAND

[illegible]RACHI.—The Prime Minister of Pakistan, Mr. Mohammed Ali, [illegible] that his Government would not [illegible] in their determination [illegible] ahead making Pakistan strong [illegible], militarily, economically [illegible]."

[illegible] was referring, in his monthly [illegible] to the nation, to what he [illegible] as the mobilising of public [illegible] in India against proposed [illegible] military aid for Pakistan. [illegible] said: "In spite of categorical [illegible] of the Pakistan Government that we have no aggressive [illegible] on any country and that we are determined to pursue a policy of live and let live in peace, there is considerable agitation in India over a matter which is primarily a concern of ours and another country that is friendly to us.

"Attempts are being made to bring pressure on us into yielding to the demands of the ruling party in India."

Mr. Mohammed Ali said that Pakistan had not protested or "raised a hue and cry" when India received foreign aid which enabled her to build up her country and her armed strength.

"We wish India well. We believe a strong India and a strong Pakistan will add to political stability in Asia, just as we believe that a strong Pakistan is essential to political stability in this region.

"It is our aim to promote and preserve peace in this region.

"If we want to make ourselves strong in military terms, it is only in order that we may prevent aggression from any quarter."

He advised the people to remain calm and united, adding: "I assure you that we shall not be intimidated by India or any other country."

OUTCRY AT COUNCIL'S RESTRICTION

It has to be a 5-year temple

DURBAN: Mr. P. R. Pather, who appeared for the Stree Sanathan Vishnu Mandir at the meeting of the Land Tenure Advisory Board in Maritzburg, said that he was amazed at the conditions laid down by the Durban City Council—that it would allow a religious temple to be built, provided it was removed or demolished by the end of 1958.

"To me it is extremely painful to learn that the Durban City Council has imposed such a drastic condition upon the erection of a place of worship by the Stree Sanathan Vishnu Mandir," said Mr. Pather.

The Mandir proposed to erect a temple and hall in Prince Avenue, off Candella Road, Durban. The plans were approved by the Building Inspector but the City and Water Engineer, conveying the decision of the Council on the application of the Mandir under the Town Planning Scheme, said that authority had been granted to proceed with the building conditionally upon "the projected buildings being demolished or removed on or before December 31, 1958."

The City and Water Engineer went on to say that "the site has been set aside for European occupation in terms of the Council's race zoning proposals and the proposed buildings would be out of harmony with the ultimate European development of the area."

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Concern over new lease

DURBAN.—Replying to the Durban City Council in connection with the release of a portion of the site required for the proposed new buildings of the M.L. Sultan Technical College, the Durban Indian Sports Ground Association has confirmed its previous undertaking that it has no objection to the occupation of the portion of the site on which the buildings are to be erected. The [illegible] concern at the delay in signing the agreement and lease, however.

The Association's letter says: "As you are aware, these matters were dealt with a long time back, but the ratification of our discussions with the City Council has not yet matured.

"The draft agreement as submitted by your Council was dealt with, and all outstanding matters agreed upon, but in spite of this agreement, no further development has taken place yet.

"In view of the grounds at Springfield being developed, my Association feels that the signing of the leases relative to Currie's Fountain and Springfield should immediately take place.

"There seems to be no point in delaying the question of allotment to my Association of the share of the grounds. This will then enable my Council to proceed with the reorientation of the site."

Big Taj Show Tomorrow

DURBAN. — The stage is set for the Taj Theatrical Company's "Fashion-ki-Rani", described as the most lavish production ever undertaken by Indian producers in this country. It has a big cast, a number of whom are well-known stage and radio personalities.

Mr. A. Rehman, producer-director of the show, told "The Leader" that although it had taken a long time to produce, the show will be well worth it. "It's bigger, better and brighter than our previous efforts, which I may add, have always been well received when they were staged in various parts of the country," he said.

After three shows in Durban's Gollan Hall on February 6, 13 and 20, Mr. Rehman plans to tour the Union with his company.

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