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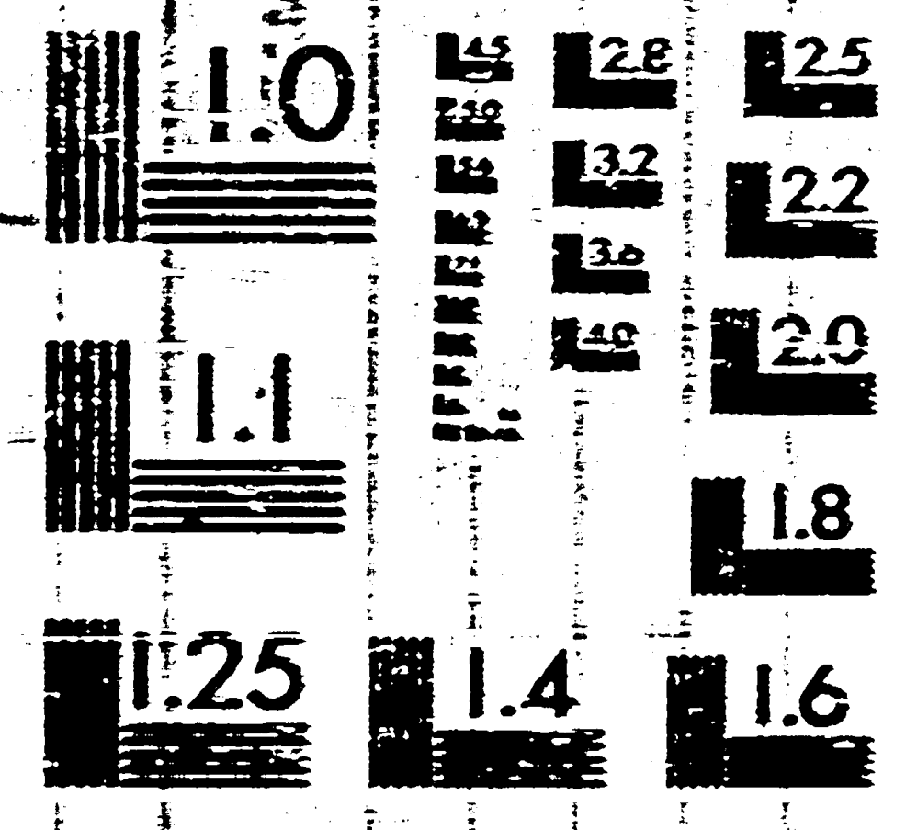

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TONIGHT

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Regent: Ugane.
National: Panna.
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ALBERT: Wadia Productions' "Nek Parvin," a social number, featuring Ragini, Ullhas and Yakub, will be screened throughout the coming week.

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TALK OF THE BAZAAR

By the "Faqir"

THE death of Abdullah Ismail Kajee removes from South African life a person who had enriched it by his ready and devastating wit, a tongue that could be both mellifluous and vicious, an intellect that was the envy of many and an amazing grasp and knowledge of the Indian problem. Some years ago he was giving evidence before a Licensing Commission and seizing an opportunity he turned round and told the Commission that his friend, Mr. Godfrey (who was also present) went to the bar regularly. Those who did not know of Mr. Godfrey's sober habits and his profession looked askance but Mr. Kajee hastened to explain. On another occasion he was shown a map, purporting to mark out properties acquired by Indians between September 1941—October 1942, by the then Minister of Interior (Mr. H. G. Lawrence) in Cape Town. His alert mind aided by his knowledge of Indian affairs spotted a gross error on it. The number of properties supposed to be acquired between September and October included all the properties acquired by Indians more or less [illegible].

What Kajee told the Second Broome Commission about the Durban City Council's honesty and integrity made its legal adviser, W. L. Howes, squirm and remind Mr. Kajee that the proceedings of the Commission were not privileged. Mr. Kajee, however, was in his element and nothing could stop him as he [illegible] the "facts" on the Council's map. On another occasion a statement made before the Natal Indian Judicial Commission was challenged by the then Mayor of Maritzburg, Mrs. Russell. But Mr. Kajee's reply, [illegible] Madam Mayor. He recalled without hesitation the number, the paragraph and the sub-section of the Ordinance referred to.

In Durban his Communist opponents have written under the various banners of his tongue. He never spared the Communists even though in his youth he was engaged in Johannesburg for taking part in a Communist demonstration! It is a poorer community for his passing.

WAYS OF LIFE

WAYS of life vary considerably in the different parts of the world and interesting bits were recounted to me during the week by Secretary Sahib Ahmed Meer of the N.I.C. who went to U.N. on behalf of the P.R.C. In America he found the people very informal, obliging and willing to help. If you asked an American to direct you to some place he would go to considerable pains to show you the place even walking part of the way so that you did not lose yourself. In London he found the Englishmen cool and aloof. If you asked an Englishman the direction he would simply say: "Walk straight up, turn left and walk two blocks." Brief and curt. One did not feel like asking the fellow again. On the Continent things swing to the other extreme according to some Indian students who have visited Prague. Once they asked a tram-driver where some place was. The result was a hold-up of municipal transport. The tram-driver got off his tram, walked with the students to the place they were looking for and then returned to his tram. Passengers had to wait in the meantime!

AMERICAN LIFE

TWO aspects of American life have made a deep impression on our Secretary-Sahib. First is the tipping and second is the informality. Everything has to be tipped for in America. If by chance one has an appointment at another hotel this is what happens: As soon as you get out of your hotel a commissioner calls you a taxi and opens the door. He must be tipped; the taxi gets you to your destination, the driver jumps out and opens the door—you pay him the fare plus a tip; in the lounge a maid relieves you of your coat and you are directed by a messenger to the suite you require: you tip the messenger; after your interview you come down, the maid lets you have your coat back—you tip her; the commissioner hails you a taxi and opens the door: you tip him. The Americans are such informal people that our Secretary-Sahib found his visiting card bearing his name "A. I. Meer" unsuitable. All the people insisted on knowing what the "A" was for and . . . on just called him "Ahmed." He had to print new cards with "Ahmed Meer." Children in the homes which Mr. Meer and Rev. Scott frequented called them "Ahmed" and "Michael."

Racing Selections

By DIPLOMAT

The following are my selections for the City Sporting Club race meeting run today (Saturday):

First race, 1.5, Galloway and Pony Handicap ("E" Div.), five furlongs.
1. SUNCHART.
2. [illegible].
3. Brittiana.

Second race, 1.35, Maiden Juvenile Handicap, five furlongs.
1. FAMCROFT.
2. Thunderstruck.
3. National Prayer.

Third race, 2.5, Galloway and Pony Handicap, one mile.
1. LEONATO.
2. Working Girl.
3. Beadle Noah.

Fourth race, 2.40, Smalaville Handicap (2nd Div.), seven furlongs.
1. PAT McGILLIGAN.
2. Just Happy.
3. Bubba's Pride.

Fifth race, 3.25, Stewards' Handicap, 1½ miles.
1. AVIATION.
2. Audio Siegt.
3. Zeal Him.

Sixth race, 4.5, Galloway and Pony Handicap ("A" Div.), five furlongs.
1. STICKS.
2. Tulsena.
3. Antarctic.

Seventh race, 4.40, Maiden Horse Handicap, five furlongs.
1. CORN.
2. Falmos.
3. Imperative.

Eighth race, 5.10, Smalaville Handicap (1st Div.), seven furlongs.
1. SAUCY DENNIS.
2. [illegible] Pride.
3. Goodbye.

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RESISTERS WILL CROSS PROVINCIAL BORDERS

AS forecast by "The Leader" last week, the Joint Passive Resistance Council decided on Saturday last that groups of volunteers should cross over the Transvaal border without permits, in contravention of the provisions of the Immigrants Regulation Act, and as the next step in the Passive Resistance Movement.

THIS step, described as the 'new phase' in the struggle of the Indian people, was decided upon after a five-hour deliberation by 105 delegates of the various Resistance Councils. In the first instance only the Transvaal borders will be crossed. No action will be kept a secret from Parliament and the Government will be informed of every step, and the movements of the volunteers and their place of residence in the Transvaal.

"Your efforts and activities have made the Indian people conscious of their true position in South Africa and we ask you for your cooperation and [illegible] until we reach our final objective," said Dr. G. M. Naicker, chairman of the Natal Passive Resistance Council of the Natal Indian Congress, welcoming the 105 delegates at a Passive Resistance Conference held in the Gandhi Library Hall, on Saturday last.

"It is a signal honour for me to open your conference," said Mr. Sonny Abdurrahman, general secretary of the African Peoples' Organisation, who opened the conference.

There was no escape, he said, for the black man from the shackles of South African politics, but there was nothing to be afraid of when a struggle for freedom [illegible]

The Re[illegible] movement had gained a [illegible] success and at the same [illegible] focused the eyes of the [illegible] South Africa and exposed [illegible].

He went on: "The white man, who kept us down by subtle means, realises that he can no longer suppress the black man, who is gradually gaining ground in his fight for freedom."

Pool Resources

Unless you pool your resources with the other non-European races, he warned the gathering, there was very little chance of success.

America with its colour problems and Britain with its colonial policies would never support the Indian cause.

"Our fight, which will stretch over many years, is with the Union of South Africa. Therefore, let us lay a solid foundation and go ahead and fight out the issue in South Africa," Mr. Abdurrahman concluded.

Dr. Y. M. Dadoo, chairman of the Passive Resistance Council of the Transvaal Indian Congress, outlining the political situation, said that the South African Government has taken the offensive against the non-Europeans.

In the year 1946 there was a positive reaction from the non-European peoples who through extreme racial oppression were compelled to launch organised resistance against the unjust laws imposed upon them.

In South Africa the progressive forces were on the march and the Indian people by their Passive Resistance movement had started a great upheaval in South Africa.

Despite General Smuts and his Government's policy of dividing the Indian community, the struggle went on.

"It is true that we followed a path of extremism, but the time had come for such a course," Dr. Dadoo declared.

Referring to the policy of "moderation" followed by some Indian leaders, Dr. Dadoo said that some individuals wanted the Ghetto Act modified.

"Our aim, on the other hand, is the repeal of the Act which, if only modified, will ruin the Indian people.

"There is no tangible proof," he went on, "that General Smuts and his Government are honest. Their present policy is untenable and they are campaigning to lead the Indian people into a trap.

"When we have implicit faith in our cause we should not call off the struggle."

Referring to a Round Table Conference between India and South Africa, Dr. Dadoo said that such conference should be given a trial on an honourable basis, and not dictated by one side.

Will Go On

"In 1946 there is not going to be a policy of compromise. Unless basic and fundamental rights are given to all irrespective of colour, our fight will go on."

"There has been much confusion and distortion of the Passive Resistance movement," said Mr. Ashwin Choudree, who spoke on the "dissident elements" in the community.

Since the days of Gandhi a leadership of a particular type had dominated Indian politics. Their policy did not lay down any active struggle against unjust laws, but sought to bring about redress by deputations and memorials. Such a policy saw the addition of some fifty other discriminatory laws against the Indian people.

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N.I.O. TO SEE SMUTS

THE Natal Indian Organisation will most probably see the Prime Minister towards the end of the month and place before him the details of the next step which should be taken to resolve the deadlock in the Indo-Union dispute.

It is understood that the N.I.O. will impress upon him the importance of establishing the principle of a Round Table Conference without prejudice to either country. Once the principle has been adopted then the Agenda can be decided upon by the two Governments. It is possible that agreement can be reached this way.

In the meantime The Leader learns that Mr. Jhalbhoy Rambhai, one of the most ardent supporters of the Natal Indian Congress, since Passive Resistance was launched, has resigned from the N.I.C. and it is likely that he will join the N.I.O.

It is further understood that the N.I.C. made overtures to Mr. A. M. Moolla to join it but Mr. Moolla told the Congress emissaries that he had already joined the N.I.O.

Degree Results

THE following non-European candidates have completed all the requirements for the B.A. degree:—

DURGA, T. R.
JUMNA, R.
MABUZA, P. J.
MOODLEY, S. N.
NAIDOO, M. S.
NAIDOO, Sarbam (Miss).
REDDY, K. L.
THOMAS, V.

(See also page four.)

CAPE TOWN, Thursday.
The South African Indian question was discussed here today by the ex-Minister of the Interior, Senator Clarkson, the Administrator of Natal, Mr. D. E. Mitchell and Senator D. G. Shepstone. No statement was made.

DR. I. CASSIM ISMAIL, who has completed the requirements of the M.B.Ch. at the University of the Witwatersrand. Dr. Ismail, who is the fourth son of Mr. and the late Mrs. Ebrahim Cassim Ismail, of Colombo, Verulam, will set up practice at Verulam.

DR. I. A. KAJEE, who completed the requirements of the M.B.B.Ch. at the Witwatersrand University, leaves for Pakistan to help in refugee work.

MUSLIM WEDDING IN LONDON: The wedding between Momin Das Gupta and Captain R. E. [illegible], of the Royal Indian Artillery, took place at Brompton Oratory, London. The photo shows the bride and groom cutting the cake at the reception, held after the ceremony at the Overseas Club, St. James's.

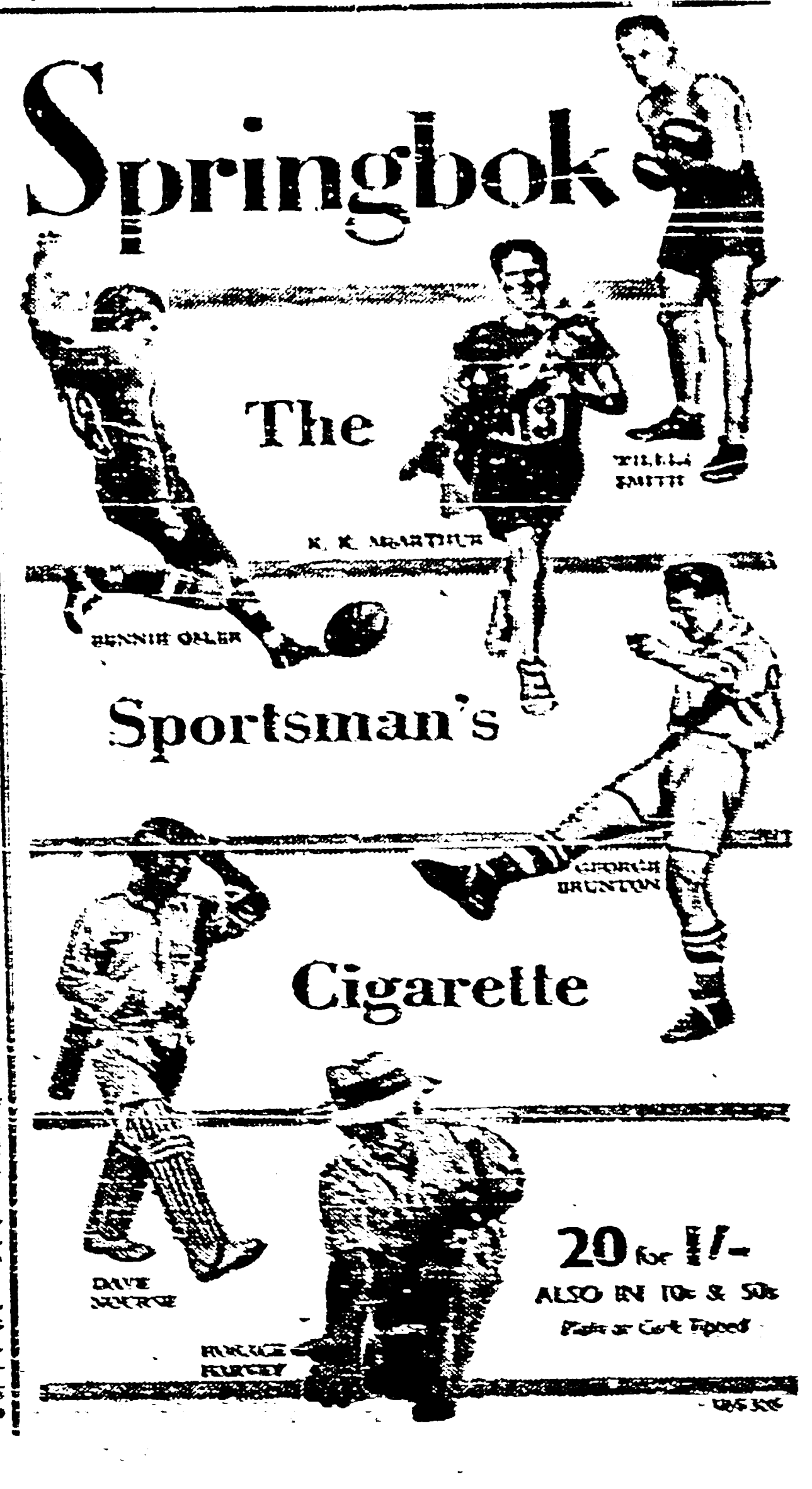
HINDI BAFFLES MUSLIMS

From Our Own Correspondent

LUCKNOW.—Hindi in Devanagri script, the new vehicle of transacting business of the U.P. Legislative Assembly, is baffling the members of the Muslim League Party, whose attendance in the House is dwindling every day.

A dozen of a total of 50 Leaguers attended a recent session of the Assembly. The agenda was wholly drawn up in Hindi except for the names of some Bills.

A prominent Congressman, Mr. Mahabir Tyagi, M.L.A., and member of the Indian Constituent Assembly, has formed a constable [illegible] and formed a [illegible] of 500 [illegible] Congressmen "to meet the menace of communal strife in the province and to improve the morale of the police and the public."



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OBITUARIES

MR. M. H. FRIDAY

THE sad and untimely demise of Mr. M. H. Friday, which took place at his residence, [illegible] Road, Mayville, [illegible] years of age.

Mr. Friday, who was also a very keen sportsman, was principally responsible for the [illegible] Football Association.

[illegible]

The funeral, which took place at the Rosebank Cemetery, was attended by a large and representative gathering [illegible]

MR. C. V. MOODLEY

THE sudden death of Mr. C. V. Moodley [illegible] on Wednesday morning, January 7, at [illegible] o'clock, [illegible] of the Indian community.

Up to the time of his death Mr. Moodley was very well, being actively engaged in business [illegible]

Mr. Moodley was suddenly attacked by heart trouble on Wednesday morning and died almost fifteen minutes later. He leaves behind his wife and a daughter. He was the father of Mr. V. V. Moodley, who is the treasurer of the Natal Indian Congress [illegible]

[illegible]

The funeral took place at the Mountain Rise Cemetery [illegible]

[illegible]

MR. JOE VALAYUTHAM

Mr. Joe [illegible], of Maritzburg, has received news of the death of his brother, Mr. Joe Valayutham, in London.

[illegible] the late Mr. Joe [illegible].

He spent most of his life in England. He was [illegible] years old at the time of his death.

MR. N. K. GOVENDER

In the death of Mr. N. K. Govender (Mike Govender) Port Elizabeth lost one of its best known personalities.

The late Mr. Govender, who was ailing for a considerable period, passed away suddenly at the Port Elizabeth Hospital at the age of [illegible] years on New Year's Day, Thursday, January 1.

[illegible]

JETHALAL NARAN

The death occurred, after a brief illness, of Mr. Jethalal Naran, of [illegible] Victoria Street, Durban, at the St. Aidan's Hospital on Thursday, January [illegible], at the age of seventy-nine years.

His remains were cremated at the Umgeni Crematorium.

He leaves behind his wife, [illegible] sons [illegible], [illegible] and [illegible], three daughters [illegible] and Ojam and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

Mr. Jethalal Naran was born in [illegible] at Khanpad, India, and came to Durban in 1896. He leaves behind a sweetmeat business known as "Kanchhai Jethalal."

MR. G. R. SINGH

Ladysmith: The sad and untimely demise of the late Mr. G. R. Singh, of [illegible] Road, Ladysmith, on Saturday, January 3, 1948, came as a shock to all who knew him. He was born on September 20, 1910, and was the only son of the late Mr. [illegible] Singh.

He was educated at the Ladysmith Government Indian School and on leaving school joined his father's business, which he ran up to the time of his death. He was connected with public work and was the [illegible] of the [illegible] Football Club and a founder of the S.A. Railway C.C., in which he took part up to the time of his death. He was an ex-secretary and treasurer of the Arya Samaj and a trustee, which position he held up to the time of his death.

He was a very keen business man and all friends and relatives who visited his home would never forget his hospitality, which would be missed greatly. He leaves behind a widow, five sons, five daughters, two sisters and a great host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. The funeral, which was attended by a very large gathering of friends and relatives from all parts of the Union, showed the high esteem in which he was held. His remains were cremated at the local cemetery.

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[illegible] Mohamed, Miss [illegible], Miss Zulikha [illegible] and Miss [illegible] M. C. [illegible], all of Durban, are spending a holiday at [illegible].

Celebrate Golden Wedding

MR. AND MRS. ATCHIAH NAIDOO, who will celebrate their Golden Wedding on Sunday, [illegible] January, 1948, at their residence, [illegible] Road (Housing Scheme), Cato Manor. Mr. and Mrs. Atchiah Naidoo, who were born in India, and came to South Africa [illegible] years ago, are [illegible] and [illegible] years old respectively.

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MR. T. N. Moodley, of Maritzburg, who was away in Port Elizabeth and East London during the [illegible], has returned home. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Padayachee, of Port Elizabeth, and Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Naidoo, of East London.

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Marriage Notice

The marriage of Mr. [illegible] Naidoo ([illegible]), eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Nagiah Naidoo, of [illegible] Haviland Road, Cato Manor, [illegible], to Miss Angammah ([illegible]), eldest daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. A. [illegible] Naidoo, of [illegible] Valley, Umlazi, will take place on Sunday, January [illegible], 1948, at the [illegible] Garage, near Cato Manor. Nuptial ceremony between 10.30 and 11.30 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend.

MR. AND MRS. R. BABULALL (BOBBY), who were married at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. Saigoor, of [illegible] Queen Street, Maritzburg, on December [illegible], 1947. The bridegroom is the youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Ramlakan, of [illegible] Avenue, Sydenham, Durban. The bride is the third daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. R. [illegible], of [illegible] Street, Maritzburg. The ceremony was performed by Pandit [illegible] (Vidyarathani), of Maritzburg.

MR. ANNAMALAY NAICKER, the [illegible] son of Mr. [illegible] Naicker, of [illegible] Sirdar Road, Rossburgh, and Miss [illegible] of [illegible] Archary Road, Rossburgh, daughter of Mr. [illegible] Govender, who announced their engagement recently, will be married on Saturday, the [illegible] January, 1948, at the Shri [illegible] Narayan Temple, Sirdar Road, Rossburgh, between [illegible] and [illegible] p.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend.

KRISHENSAMY—RATHA

The engagement has been announced of Mr. Krishensamy Govender (Bobby), eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Govender, of [illegible], to Miss Ratha ([illegible]), daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Naidoo, of [illegible] Sirdar Road, Clairwood, and sister of Messrs. S. G. Naidoo Bros.

The marriage will take place on Friday, January [illegible], 1948, at the [illegible] Hall, [illegible] Road, Clairwood. Nuptial ceremony from [illegible] to [illegible] p.m. Relatives and friends are kindly requested to accept this as a personal invitation.

The following Durban Indian Girl Guiders attended the African Guiders' Conference held in Johannesburg recently: Mrs. M. Naidoo, Mrs. L. Vinden, Mrs. Thomas and Misses R. [illegible], A. Chetty, P. [illegible] and S. Abrahams.

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Mrs. D. Chetty, proprietress of D. Chetty's Cafe, [illegible] Albert Street, and her grandchildren, [illegible] and Vijialutchmee, have left Durban on an extensive tour round the Union.

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The well-known Northern Natal Maulana [illegible] Ahmed [illegible], of Glencoe, left on Monday last for Port Shepstone, where he has taken up charge with the Port Shepstone Mosque and Madressa.

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Messrs. R. M. Moodley and [illegible], of [illegible] Mooi River, Natal, left on a holiday to the Transvaal on Monday last.

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News has just been received from the South African Native College, Fort Hare, that Mr. Donald Chetty, [illegible] son of the Rev. A. J. Chetty, has successfully completed the degree of Bachelor of Science of the University of South Africa. He is the first Indian to obtain this degree in Natal and the second in South Africa. He will be "capped" at the graduation ceremony at Fort Hare in March.

Wedding Invitation

MR. AND MRS. K. MUNSAMY NAIDOO

of [illegible] Road, Bellair,

extend a cordial invitation to friends and relatives on the occasion of the marriage of their [illegible] son,

MUNSAMY [illegible]

to

[illegible]

third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Naicker, of [illegible] Road, [illegible], at the Regent Theatre, Mayville,

on

SUNDAY, [illegible] JANUARY, 1948.

Nuptial Ceremony between [illegible] and 12 noon.

Music by Indian National Orchestra.

R.S.V.P. Bellair.

The marriage will take place tomorrow at [illegible] Hall of Mr. Gonas Morgan, a well-known Durban footballer, to Miss Abiramee Reddy, daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. V. S. Reddy, of East London.

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Mr. Shaik Abdulla and Mrs. Abdulla (Dr. Mooola Ismail) left by car for Capetown last week. They recently returned after visiting Europe and America and making a pilgrimage to Mecca and Medina.

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Mr. K. R. Nair, principal of St. Aidan's Boys' School, Mrs. Nair, Mr. K. V. Naidoo and Mr. R. G. Pillay, B.A., of the Clairwood Senior Boys' School, have returned to Durban after visiting friends in Northern Natal and the Transvaal.

Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Moodliar and family, of Ladysmith, are spending their vacation with relatives and friends at Rossburgh.

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Mr. M. J. Naidoo, of the staff of Sastri College, is spending his vacation at Ladysmith with friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. Kallicharan, of Ladysmith, have returned home after spending their holiday with relatives at Durban.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. R. [illegible], of Wellington, Flemington, Durban, are spending their holiday with relatives at Ladysmith.

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Mr. R. R. Naidoo, of Glencoe, is spending a holiday in Capetown.

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Our Readers Speak

THE ORIGIN OF DIVALI

By S. J. Maharaj.

I APPEALED through the medium of your journal of December 6, 1947, to your readers to enlighten me on the date of Rama's return from exile. In reply I was questioned by Pandit R. R. Maharaj, of Maritzburg, to furnish information on the subject so as to clear the difference of opinion. Hence any further prolongation of this discussion is undesirable. However, I shall continue to put forward the theories arrived at by our ancients after deep consideration and careful investigation that are upheld by most of the eminent people of the day.

Professor Pandit P. S. Sastri, of the Presidency College, India, in his introduction to Valmiki's Ramayana, says that: "The Ramayana is a mirror of the highest ideals of Hindu culture and civilisation. There is no better textbook of morals which can be safely placed in the hands of youths to inspire them to higher and nobler ideals of conduct and character. We learn from the Ramayana that when the [illegible] in Treta Yuga came there was Emperor Dasaratha in the city of Ayodhya to whom Lord Rama, [illegible]

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had, supports this statement.

The meaning of the word "Dussehra" is given thus: "The 10th day of [illegible] which is the birthday of Ganga, the 10th of [illegible] [illegible]

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DIRECTOR OF SCIENCE INSTITUTE

BANGALORE.—Dr. B. B. Dey, at present Director, Board of Industrial and Research Scheme in Presidency College, Madras, has been appointed Director of the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, in the vacancy caused by the appointment of [illegible] as Director-General of Industry and Supply, Government of India, it is authoritatively learnt here. Dr. Dey was for many years Professor of Chemistry in Presidency College, Madras, and also its Principal and for some time Director of Public Instruction, Madras.—A.P.I.

SUCCESSOR TO LATE MR. KAJEE

A SUCCESSOR to the late Mr. A. I. Kajee will be nominated at a committee meeting of the Natal Indian Organisation which will be held at Durban on Sunday.

The choice lies between two candidates, namely Mr. P. R. Pather, whose name has been quoted with the late A. I. Kajee as the joint author of the policy of the Kajee-Pather Group—that is the moderate policy—and Mr. A. M. Moolla, a well-known businessman, who, compared with Mr. Pather, is comparatively a newcomer to the political field.

Mr. Pather has a long association with Indian affairs and proved ability. Mr. Moolla, while lacking in years, makes up with the possession of a sound sense of judgment on public affairs and a reputation for hard work.

Committee men interviewed by "The Leader" inclined more towards the choice of Mr. Pather, who was, they said, more in touch with the viewpoint of Mr. Kajee than anybody else and, further, the [illegible] of Mr. Pather to the position occupied by Mr. Kajee as chairman of the committee of the Natal Indian Organisation would be a fitting recognition of his past services.

This view, it seems, will be confirmed at Sunday's meeting.

Degree Results

B.A.-B.Sc.

The following have satisfied the examiners in the following courses:

Africa, J. T. T., History III, Politics II; Awath-Behari, K., English I, History I, Latin I, Psychology I, S.A. Criminal Law.

[illegible]

B.Com.-B.Econ.

[illegible]

B.A. (S.S.)

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NON-EUROPEAN SECTION

The following candidates are entitled to supplementary examinations in the subjects indicated:—

B.A.

[illegible]

B.A. (S.S.)

[illegible]

B.Com.—B.Econ.

[illegible]

Results in some subjects have not yet been received.

INDIANS' THIRD VICTORY

Hobart (Tasmania), Saturday: The Indian touring team began the first of two three-day matches against Tasmania here today, and put themselves in a winning position before stumps were drawn. They dismissed Tasmania for 182, and scored [illegible] runs for two wickets at the close of play.

Rangachari took six Tasmanian wickets for 45 runs, which included the hat trick. When India batted Amarnath and Hazare, in a third wicket stand, have scored [illegible] runs, Amarnath being [illegible] not out and Hazare [illegible] not out.

Hobart (Tasmania), Monday: A third wicket partnership of [illegible] runs by the Indian captain, L. Amarnath [illegible] and V. S. Hazare [illegible] was the outstanding feature of the second day's play in the match between the Indian touring side and Tasmania here.

India, in reply to Tasmania's score of 182 on the first innings, declared their innings closed at [illegible] runs for seven wickets. Tasmania, who have lost one wicket for [illegible] runs in their second innings, need [illegible] runs with nine wickets in hand to avert an innings defeat.

Hobart (Tasmania), Tuesday: The Indian touring cricket team scored its third victory of its tour today when they beat Tasmania by an innings and [illegible] runs here.

Tasmania were all out in their second innings for [illegible] runs, which was compiled in just under three hours' play.—Sapa-Reuter.

A CORRECTION

Owing to a printer's error the name of Mr. W. S. Seethal, who was a speaker at the A. I. Kajee memorial meeting on Tuesday last, was wrongly spelt. Another speaker whose name was omitted from the list of speakers at the meeting was Mr. [illegible], a former partner of Mr. A. I. Kajee.

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The Organiser of the Non-European Courses will attend at the Office, which is situated at the rear of Sastri College, Durban, to interview and enrol students as follows:—

FOR ALL STUDENTS:
Saturday, 24th January, 1948, 9—12 a.m.
*Saturday, 31st January, 1948, 9—12 a.m.
Saturday, 7th February, 1948, 9—12 a.m.
*(Last day for receiving loan applications)

FOR NEW STUDENTS ONLY:
Monday, 26th January, 1948, 3—5.30 p.m.
Wednesday, 28th January, 1948, 3—5.30 p.m.

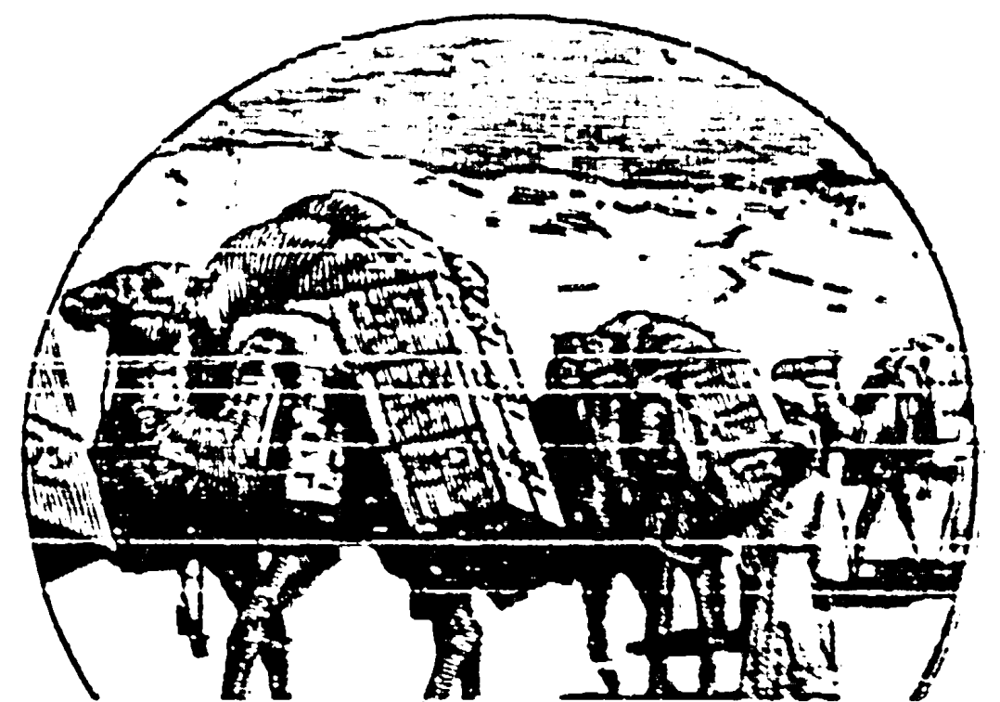
FOR STUDENTS ALREADY IN ATTENDANCE:
Tuesday, 3rd February, 1948, 3—5.30 p.m.
Thursday, 5th February, 1948, 3—5.30 p.m.

Enrolments received later than 7th February, 1948, will not be taken into account when drawing up the Timetables.

The Organiser will be prepared to interview prospective students at the Arya Benevolent Home, 500 Pietermaritz Street, Pietermaritzburg, on Thursday, 22nd January, between 9—12.

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

Further particulars and all necessary forms will be provided on application to the Non-European Section, P.O. Box 1525, Durban (Phone 29097).



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Anxious to Secure The Barest Justice

IN her dispute with the Union, India was only "anxious to secure the barest justice for Indian settlers in accordance with South Africa's own past pledges and her solemn undertakings as a signatory to the World Charter," declares The Hindu, Madras, in the course of an editorial on the Indo-Union dispute. It adds: "India from the outset desired a settlement of the question by direct negotiations with the Union, but for parleys to take place in a proper atmosphere the least the Union Government had to do was to suspend the anti-Indian Ghetto Act."

THE editorial continues: "But this the Union has refused to do, leaving India no option but to break off economic relations and appeal to the United Nations. The result of that appeal is well known. The General Assembly resisting the most powerfully backed efforts to take the issue out of its purview, invited South Africa to arrive at a satisfactory agreement with India on the basis that "the treatment of Indians in the Union of South Africa should be in conformity with international obligations under agreements concluded between the two Governments and the relevant provisions of the Charter." Marshal Smuts has regarded this resolution as containing a censure to the effect that South Africa has in fact violated [illegible] agreements and the provisions of the Charter and, on that ground, has declined to accept the resolution as the basis for fresh negotiations with India. He has also taken the stand that the treatment of Indians in the Union is a purely internal matter for the Union Parliament to decide—a stand which has been totally rejected by the General Assembly's resolution.

"It is not clear why Marshal Smuts should fight shy of the [illegible] to the General Assembly's resolution, unless it be that he has a lurking fear that South Africa's record cannot bear scrutiny at all from any fair point of view."

The Indian resolution, while reaffirming the Assembly's resolution, proposes that India and South Africa should hold a round table conference to arrive at a settlement on the basis of that resolution. Marshal Smuts should have little difficulty in accepting this procedure for ending the stalemate, as it was also the way out of the impasse suggested by the new Natal Indian Organisation for which he developed a sudden partiality sometime ago. There is nothing derogatory to South Africa's self-respect in the Indian suggestion.

The General Assembly will not fail to appreciate India's gesture in not invoking immediate UN intervention despite South Africa's flagrant repudiation of the General Assembly's resolution, and in proposing bilateral discussions. Unless Marshal Smuts is determined to defy the United Nations, come what may, he should fall in with India's proposal for mutual discussions to settle their differences. It will be known in the coming weeks whether South Africa has any respect left for the moral authority of the United Nations or not.—(This editorial was written prior to the General Assembly's decision last year.)

BRITISH TROOPS

BOMBAY: The last British troops would be out of India by the end of the month, providing shipping space was available, said Major-General D. Bateman, G.O.C., of the Bombay area at a press conference here.

Apart from the officers who had elected to serve in the Indian army, there were about 3,000 officers and other ranks in the Dominion, he said.—Sapa-Reuter.

Not the Duty of Council

THE Natal Indian Congress has taken exception to the fact that while the City Hall is available to the Nationalists and other "herrenvolk" minded people for their racial propaganda it cannot be used by it for a legitimate meeting.

Writing to the Deputy Mayor, the Congress states:—

"We record your acknowledgement that the Mayor granted permission to my Congress for use of Committee Room, No. 3 on Saturday, the 10th instant from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and on Sunday, the 11th instant from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. This application, we understand, was cancelled by the Mayor within 24 hours of his giving the abovementioned authority, on the publication of the attached advertisement by the Passive Resistance Council of this Congress. You stated that in your mind and in the minds of the European public the Natal Indian Congress and the Passive Resistance Council of the Natal Indian Congress were two separate organisations, that the latter was responsible for breaking the law; and that permitting it the use of Committee Room No. 3 would be construed as lending support to lawbreaking activities.

"It was pointed out to you that the Passive Resistance Council of the Natal Indian Congress was a Committee of the Natal Indian Congress for whose existence and activities the Natal Indian Congress was wholly responsible. It was pointed out to you that this Congress or its Passive Resistance Council has not been declared illegal. The Committee Room was required for a Conference for a public meeting. In any case, it was the duty of the Police to maintain law and order and to take appropriate measures when the law is broken or threatened to be broken. It was certainly not the duty of the Council, the Mayor or his Deputy, behind the screen of [illegible] for the sanctity of the law, to stifle the functioning of a body of citizens who were denied the franchise and whose political views ran counter to their own. It was pointed out to you that the Nationalist Party

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Pakistan Envoy Heckled in London

LONDON: Angry outbursts punctuated the Pakistan High Commissioner's (Mr. Rahimtoola) speech at the East India Association meeting when he blamed the Boundary Commission's awards for the communal upheaval in the Punjab. Three times the chairman of the meeting, Lord Pethick-Lawrence, rose to call order as British listeners, together with ranking Hindu members, interrupted Mr. Rahimtoola's address which, they said, was "rankly partisan."

MR. RAHIMTOOLA prefaced his speech saying, "I am not going to indulge in moralising at what is actually happening today." He continued: "There is an unfortunate tendency to treat the division of India as a temporary phase, but I can assure you that as long as there is a single Pakistani alive, there will and shall be Pakistan and the sooner this is realised the better will be the chances of good neighbourly relations."

The rising temper of the listeners became more noticeable as Mr. Rahimtoola continued blaming the Sikhs of Amritsar for inflaming communal frenzy. This brought Mr. K. K. Mukerji to his feet angrily with "The rape of Rawalpindi was the cause."

Shouts came from various sections of the audience towards the end of Mr. Rahimtoola's address and even the famed historian, Professor Rawlinson, rose to ask the Commissioner why Mr. Jinnah opposed the Unionist Government in the Punjab and called for "Direct Action" on August 16, 1946.

Mr. [illegible] Pakistan leaders, particularly Mr. Jinnah, of whom he said, "He is the living danger to all political navigation."

The Conservative Member of Parliament, Mr. Godfrey Nicholson, reiterated that the Tories and Labour were united in their India policy.

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He was preceded by Lord Pethick-Lawrence who said: "We regret that some quarters of this country have exaggerated the extent of blood and tears in India, as large parts of the country in the south, west and east, particularly Bengal, are very peaceful. . . . Who are we in Europe to cast stones at Asia, when [illegible] people passed away when the Roman Empire fell? Since then lots of blood and tears have flown in Europe."

The Indian High Commissioner, Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, will have an opportunity to present India's case at a similar East India Association luncheon on November 25, when Lord Pethick-Lawrence will again be the Chairman.

HINDU SAMITI'S WELFARE WORK

The first annual meeting of the [illegible] Estate Hindu Seva Samiti was held recently. The Samiti helps the destitute of the district by providing free monthly goods and [illegible]

The following have been elected officers for the coming year: Patrons, Dr. N. P. Desai, Mr. [illegible], Dr. K. Goonam, Mr. [illegible] and Mr. [illegible]; president, Mr. [illegible]; vice-president, Mr. [illegible]; treasurer, Mr. [illegible]; secretaries, Messrs. G. Mohan and [illegible]. Committee: Mr. [illegible], Mr. [illegible], Mr. K. Dwarka, Mr. [illegible], Mr. Ganesh and Mr. [illegible].

Messrs. [illegible] and [illegible] are trustees at the Physical Culture school. Messrs. [illegible] and [illegible] conduct the Sunday morning services.

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and others whose racial doctrines constitute a violation of the Riotous Assemblies Act have been permitted the use of your City Hall.

"It is recorded that despite the submission of the abovementioned facts and arguments, your attitude remained unchanged. You read out one of the conditions governing hire namely that the Mayor had authority to cancel any booking if he thought fit. You also stated that you would not give this matter publicity in the Press unless my Congress did so first.

"If there is any discrepancy in the above record of the interview it will be appreciated if you will draw my attention to same at your earliest."

INDIANS BUILD ANOTHER SCHOOL

At the eighth annual meeting of the Chatsworth Hindu Institute, held recently, the following were elected office-bearers: Hon. life members, Dr. [illegible] and Messrs. [illegible]; chairman, [illegible]; vice-chairman, Messrs. [illegible]; joint secretaries, Messrs. [illegible]; treasurer, [illegible]; auditor, [illegible]; committee, Messrs. [illegible].

An important item in the secretary's report referred to the erection of the [illegible] Hindu Government-aided Indian school, which will be opened under the auspices of the Institute sometime by Mr. [illegible], of [illegible].

Ladysmith Relief Committee

Ladysmith: At a meeting of the various religious societies of Ladysmith, a committee, the "Union of Indian Relief Committee," was formed to collect funds to aid the [illegible] victims of the Dominions of India.

The following office-bearers were elected: Chairman, Mr. [illegible]; vice-chairman, Mr. [illegible]; hon. secretary, Mr. [illegible]; treasurer, Mr. [illegible]. The collection has already commenced.

RACE RELATIONS IMPROVE

THE Mayor of Maritzburg, Mr. A. E. Hirst, referred to the improvement in relationship between the European and the Indian in Maritzburg, when he spoke at the wedding of the two daughters of Mr. C. Bishoon at his residence last Sunday.

"I believe," he said, "that there is a little better spirit between the Indian and the European now. I want the better spirit to continue."

The nuptial ceremonies, which were held in two specially decorated pandals, were conducted by Pandits [illegible] Singh and R. Patak. The brides, [illegible] Devi and [illegible] Devi were married to Kumar K. Gopaul, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Gopaul, of Riverside, and Kumar H. Mohanlal, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Hurralal, of Bellair, respectively.

The large number of guests, which was fully representative of all sections of the community, listened attentively to the several speakers extending congratulations to the married couples. Mr. S. R. Naidoo was the M.C. for the occasion.

Speaking first, he paid a well-deserved tribute to the services of Mr. Bishoon for the Indian community. He was, said Mr. Naidoo, the only Commissioner of Oaths for the district. He occupied quite a number of public positions. He was also a former member of the Edendale Health Advisory Board and the manager and grantor of the Edendale Indian school.

Others to join in the tribute to Mr. Bishoon were the Mayor, Mr. [illegible], accompanied by the Mayoress, Messrs. J. P. Hollis, N. Deokran, P. Ramlaggan and Garrod. The speeches were interspersed with congratulatory songs rendered by several groups of girls.

Mr. S. K. Naidoo read out messages of good wishes and the list of presents, including a gift of two acres of land each to the contracting couples by the brides' father.

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[illegible] LONGMARKET STREET

The BUILDINGS are constructed of brick under iron roof and consist of Indian barracks containing eleven rooms and eleven kitchens, and, in a separate block at the rear, four lavatories and two bathrooms.

The LAND, which is a portion of Erf [illegible] Loop Street, the exact area of which has to be determined by survey, has a frontage of [illegible] feet to Longmarket Street and a depth of approximately [illegible] feet.

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NATAL INDIAN ORGANISATION

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT

Owing to the death of Mr. A. I. Kajee, the N.I.O. conference which was to have taken place on January 11 and 12, has now been postponed. When the Conference meets it will have the following agenda:

1. Presidential speech.
2. Review of the present position of the Indian community in South Africa since the passing of the U.N. resolution on 8th December, 1946.
3. Method of approach to end the present deadlock between South Africa and India.
4. To bring about a better relationship between Europeans and Indians in South Africa.
5. To take steps to bring about an immediate convocation of a Round Table Conference between the S.A. Government and the Governments of India and Pakistan, as the only means of settling the South African Indian question.
6. General.

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AGENDA

1. Secretary's Report.
2. Treasurer's Financial Statement.
3. Election of One Trustee.
4. Election of Eleven Committee Members.
5. General.

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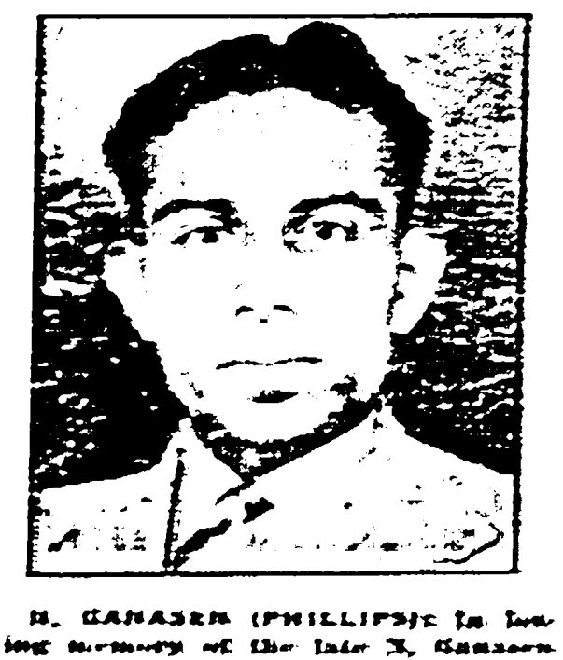

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 1948

School Accommodation

NOW that examination results are being released the old problem of school accommodation crops up again. It is ironic that we have to say "again," for although it is a perennial problem, it seems to exercise the minds of our parents and politicians only at the beginning of the school term when it becomes imminent and the lack of school accommodation makes itself felt in many homes. We have discussed this matter time and again but none of the leaders of the Indian community—"so-called" or otherwise—seem to be capable of preparing a long-term programme to ease the situation progressively, year by year.

Already it has come to our notice that large numbers of children will be turned away both from the primary schools and the secondary schools. There is one fact that [illegible] is, as far as it lies in the power of the Indian people, they have given unstintingly for the erection of schools. They have done more, in comparison with their capacity to do so, in this regard than any other community. But, unfortunately, still more has to be done and greater sacrifices have to be made because the State has refused to play its part in the cause of Indian education. The Natal Provincial Administration has turned a deaf ear to the [illegible] of the Indian people.

It is important that the Indian people continue sacrificing until such time as the hands of the State can be forced otherwise it will be only Indian children who will suffer and the white man of this country doesn't bother over much about illiterate brown children who constitute a potential menace to their "western civilisation." This problem should be taken in hand by the leaders of the community not from the point of view of political propaganda but as a serious social problem and studied accordingly. In these days when facts and figures are important, a searching inquiry should be made into the actual position and condition of Indian education so that when a charge is levelled against any authority it can be said that in a certain area there are so many children but only so many schools with the result that so many children are without schooling. A case based on these lines cannot be refuted for it does not draw on the power of the words used for its strength as a challenge to the state. It will be a simple, yet imposing, record of facts, figures, data and statistics.

There are indications that this year the position about accommodation will be the worst yet encountered and it is anticipated that many children will be compelled to drop their studies after standard six as there is hardly any room in the secondary and intermediate schools. As the years go by younger and younger Indian children pass the standard six examination and the only logical thing for them to do is to continue with their studies. They are too young to work and with Standard VI as their only educational qualification they will find competition extremely keen and suitable jobs almost impossible to obtain. These children must be kept at school otherwise we will have banking up vast numbers of frustrated ambitionless children who will find that they are a burden not only on the community but on themselves also. This must be avoided at all costs and the only suggestion we can make to the leaders of the community—all the leaders—is to delve immediately into the situation and for the time being produce temporary and makeshift plans to ease the strain on the present schools. It would not be out of place to suggest that the question of army hutments to provide temporary accommodation be considered. They would be better than nothing at all.

BREAK WITH PAKISTAN NECESSARY

BOMBAY: "A split in India's cricket controlling body as between India and Pakistan is not only inevitable and imminent, but also a vital necessity to put an end to all bickerings in the country's cricket administration," said Mr. A. S. de Mello, President of the Board of Control for Cricket in India.

"Political developments in the country which have moved with gargantuan strides in the course of the last few months have had repercussions in India's sport," Mr. de Mello added. "At one stage, even the Indian cricket team's tour to Australia was threatened when certain players dropped out of the team for political reasons."

"It is better," Mr. de Mello said, "that if we have to part company we do it soon. I shall say to the Pakistan Cricket Control Board 'You have all my blessings.'"

The Cricket Control Board president vaguely hinted that the Nawab of Pataudi might captain the first of Pakistan Test teams.

On the Bookshelf

SOUTH AFRICAN "QUIZ BOOK"

THE large number of Indians who followed the "Cross Country Quiz" of the South African Broadcasting Corporation, will find Eric Rosenthal's "South African Quiz Book" very interesting.

Rosenthal, who was an outstanding member of the "Quiz" personnel, has compiled a thousand questions all connected with South Africa, including Rhodesia and other immediate neighbours of the Union. These are divided into different categories—South African History, Geography, Literature, Science, Biography, Native Life, Government and Administration. Some of the questions are tough, but a number of easy ones have been included and the book as a whole should provide some excellent mental exercise for those who want to know their country better.

R. S. N.

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CHEAP SENSATIONALISM FANSRACIAL HATRED

BY resorting to cheap sensationalism, the Durban daily and Sunday papers are once more fanning the fires of racial hatred. Recently the papers have taken to accusing the Indians of cavorting with European women, of running lucrative bootlegging with the Native people in European liquor, and of organising crime. The allegations have sunk to nothing more than sordid and vile racialism against a community which cannot fight back. It smacks too much of one Adolph Hitler and "Beware Jew."

NONE of the allegations go beyond surmises and conjectures. No proved cases of "gallivanting" with White women, illicit liquor trading with Natives and organising crime have so far been brought forward. Yet, scan the same papers and one will find cases of immoral relations between European men and Native women and any number of European criminals being sentenced every day.

IT would appear that the European newspapers are once again stalking the Indian to whet the appetite of the White man for anti-Indian prejudices. There could be a claim for justification if the allegations were founded on fact. But that is far from the case.

Last week the "Natal Mercury" came out with a sob story about Indians occupying properties in contravention of the Ghetto Act and charged the Government with being weak-kneed. No definite cases of such contraventions were shown, the news was built on surmise and the Government was asked to act. One case of "fact" was revealed and a "pathetic" picture of a European "evicted" from the property of an Indian by that Indian, calculated to make even stones [illegible]

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Justly and Equitably

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"The Natal Indian Organisation stands against the fanning of the fire of racial hatred. It is regrettable that the 'Natal Mercury' subscribes to quite the antithesis of that stand."

(See also page four)

Racial Equality Inevitable in South Africa

THE day when Non-Europeans gained complete equality with Europeans was inevitable and, on practical and ideological grounds, that day, which would see the end of white supremacy, should be accepted gracefully by the European, declared Bishop Hurley, Roman Catholic Bishop of Natal, when he spoke at a meeting of the Maritzburg Parliamentary Debating Society on Tuesday night.

UNLESS Europeans prepared gracefully to accept the end of white supremacy and the equality of all races in South Africa, the country was doomed to a future of strife and bloodshed, Bishop Hurley, Roman Catholic Bishop of Natal, said on Tuesday night at a meeting of the Maritzburg City Parliament.

The day when non-European races gained complete equality with Europeans, said Bishop Hurley, was inevitable, and, on ideological and practical grounds, that day, which would see the end of white supremacy, should be accepted gracefully by the European population.

Bishop Hurley said that by European supremacy he meant that position of privilege which was held by every European. By accepting the end of that supremacy, he did not mean that Europeans should give up their undoubtedly great achievements in South Africa. All that was required was that non-Europeans should be allowed to share in those achievements, and in the privileges of the white man.

"The non-European races in South Africa should not be held down. They should be encouraged to develop themselves so that they can take their rightful place in society. The 'Herrenvolk' ideology of European domination of the non-European should be abolished, and it should be our final aim to accept the non-Europeans as our equals."

BORN EQUAL

In defence of his thesis, Bishop Hurley argued that, on both idealistic and practical grounds, equality should be extended to other races voluntarily. According to the Christian doctrine, man was born equal in the sight of God, and according to the democratic code—which was a practical application of Christian principles—the fundamental equality of mankind was recognised.

"A refusal to recognise these rights is unchristian," Bishop Hurley declared.

For practical reasons also, equality should be granted. A number of factors indicated that the loss of white supremacy was inevitable. Firstly, history showed that no people ever remained supreme—through lack of attention to the very ideals by which they had attained supremacy, they eventually declined in power. Secondly, population returns showed that Europeans could not keep up their position of dominance for ever. They were outnumbered four to one by non-Europeans, and even immigration would not affect that ratio, because improved health services were resulting in a lower non-European infant mortality rate.

Thirdly, Europeans were loath to concede educational facilities, but a vast change in the pace of non-European education in the past 10 years had taken place. Indians, Coloureds and Natives were reaching a standard of education comparable with that of Europeans.

The full development of the Union's industrial resources was another practical reason why non-Europeans should receive equality. Non-whites were barred from most skilled trades, but if development of the industrial potential was sought, they would have to be emancipated on the field of labour, Bishop Hurley continued.

OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENTS

Developments outside the Union, he said, also bore upon the colour question. In South America there was no colour bar and the population, black and white, was put to full use. There had been "incredible" industrial development. In India [illegible] development, but India would soon be one of the most important nations in the world.

"If South Africa is to keep her place in the world, we must use our population, and to that end we must prepare gracefully to accept the non-Europeans, not as Indians, or Coloureds, or Natives, but as South Africans with us," Bishop Hurley concluded.

NO HINDU RAJ IN INDIA

From Our Own Correspondent

CALCUTTA.—Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, General Secretary of the Socialist Party, made the emphatic assertion at a public meeting here that all attempts to establish Hindu raj in India were mischievous and harmful to the country.

He called upon all to sink their differences and work for the establishment of Socialism in India and Pakistan. It was wrong to misbehave with the minorities of India on the plea that Pakistan was oppressing its minorities. There was no difference between one citizen and another in the eyes of the State.

The Socialist leader commended the example of Kashmir where Hindus, Muslims and Sikhs were fighting together against the invader.

Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, in a speech at Jhansi, appealed to the workers to build up their solidarity and help strengthen the Nehru Government, for "the collapse of this Government, if it occurred following the aftermath of the partition of the country, would provide an opportunity to the Indian princes to attempt to seize Delhi and capture the administration."

Mr. Jai Prakash Narain advised the workers not to be misled by false propaganda and not to resort to strikes on the smallest pretext, but to cooperate with the employers to increase production. Their just demands would not be resisted by anyone.

REPORTS DENIED

KARACHI: A spokesman for the Pakistan Ministry of Foreign Affairs has denied reports that the Soviet Union had approached Pakistan with proposals for a treaty of friendship and alliance.—Sapa-Reuter.

League is Dead

LUCKNOW: The declaration that the "Muslim League is dead" and that the "Muslim League organisation of which Mr. Jinnah is the President has got no hold over Muslim Leaguers in India", was made by the Deputy Leader of the Muslim League Party, Mr. Z. H. Lari, in the U.P. Assembly. The statement was made after Pandit Pant, Premier, had appealed for the loyalty of Muslims in the Indian Union.

About 30 members of the Muslim League Party, led by Mr. Z. H. Lari, Deputy Leader, in the absence of Chaudry Khaliquzzaman, Leader of the Party, were present.

Mr. Purushottamdas Tandon, addressing the members, said that freedom had in a way come to us, but it had brought terror and destruction in its wake. "The country," he added, "is today surrounded by dangers. Only last night, our leader, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, mentioned some of these. I shall not go into details. I shall only say that we have to give serious thought to them and act in relation to the present situation.

"The dream of us Congressmen has been shattered. We had dreamt that we would make of Hindus and Muslims a united strong nation. Whether that dream will ever come true, we do not know. I am one of those who want to see one Government for the world. It is my heart's desire that this country and Pakistan be united."

Mr. Tandon advised the members to face the new set-up. The dangers have to be faced manly, but with wisdom, and brutality must be stopped, he added.

Indian Women Seek Right to Divorce

From Our Own Correspondent

NAGPUR.—In the C.P. Assembly speeches in future will be delivered either in Hindi or Marathi. This was revealed by Mr. D. K. Mehta, Law Minister, as he presented the report of the Select Committee on the Legislative Assembly rules.

Discussion was resumed on the Bill proposed by Mrs. Subhadra Kumari Chauhan preventing remarriage during the lifetime of a spouse and granting the right to a woman to obtain divorce in certain circumstances. The visitors' gallery was crowded with women. Interest was heightened by Pandit Mishra's participation in the debate as member after member had pleaded the cause of women.

No Good

Copying Westerners was no good and all the more so when West itself was witnessing changes, Mr. Mishra said. Another point that he wished to drive home was that a Legislative Assembly was not, at this stage, a fit forum for laws of this type to be enacted. Nevertheless he supported the move for circulation.

The Bill was supported by Mrs. Vimalabai Deshpande who said it was calculated to spread harmony among the community and where glaring obstacles stood in their way some escape should be possible. Democracy demanded that freedom should be unfettered. Mrs. Radhabai Goenka also gave her warm support to it after which the C. P. and Berar Hindu Dampati Remarriage Restraint and Divorce Bill was sent for circulation.

The Assembly session was then declared adjourned sine die.

INDIAN EMBASSY IN PARIS

NEW DELHI: It is fairly settled that Sir N. Raghavan Pillai will be the Charge d'Affaires of the Indian Embassy in Paris.

The choice of an Ambassador has not yet been settled though, it is said, that he would be a person of very wide experience in foreign affairs with plenty of contacts. Later probably, Sir Raghavan Pillai may be posted as India's Ambassador at another important centre. The Indian Embassy in Paris will probably be one of the most important of our foreign establishments and whoever is in Paris may have to look after our interests in the whole of Europe. The Indian Military Mission in Germany may soon be wound up. The Embassy at Paris will then have to take over control of the Mission's work also.

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NATIONAL LOSS

COUNCILLOR AHMED ISMAIL, President, South African Indian Congress, in paying his tribute to the memory of the late Mr. A. I. Kajee, writes:—

The sudden death of my close colleague Kajee is a national loss. His wide experience and manifold public activities have earned for him a high place among our community. He was an authority on our problem. He was one of the main pillars of S.A.I.C., which he, with others, nursed and built since its formation in 1924. It was due to his efforts that it maintained a high level of reputation. It was a link between South Africa and India and handled the South African Indian problem. Looking back on its varied activities and achievements, it can safely be said that its success was due to a sincere band of workers, among whom Kajee was the moving figure.

His vision of work was not confined to South Africa only, but it embraced an international outlook. The part he played during the period of the two round table conferences in 1927 and 1932 between India and South Africa bore ample testimony to his ability as a diplomat. Mr. Rasa Ali once described him as a silver-tongued orator, which he deserved. His masterly presentation of a case evoked admiration. Above all he was loyal to his friends and the cause they espoused.

He died in his post, and in years to come, when his various public activities are surveyed in a calmer atmosphere, the public verdict is bound to be that he has given his best in the services of his community and earned everlasting gratitude.

UNESCO JOBS MONOPOLY CRITICISED

MEXICO CITY.—Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, Indian delegate to the fourth plenary session of the UNESCO Conference here, criticised the number of jobs held by Western European or English-speaking nationals in the UNESCO Secretariat and asked the conference to put an end to the impression that the organisation was an "Anglo-American concern."

Addressing the conference recently he said that 314 of the 317 posts in the Secretariat were held by these nationals.

After asking how the UNESCO could help to dispel the fear and mistrust which hung like clouds over humanity, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan said: "The world seems divided and the future troubles before us."

Mr. Emilio Abello, Chairman of the Philippines Delegation, announced that his country had formed a National Commission and commented: "If UNESCO remains faithful to the ideals set forth in its constitution, it will become the indispensable builder of peace."

STUDENTS CREATE FAVOURABLE IMPRESSION

NEW DELHI.—"On the whole I was impressed with the position which the Indian students overseas had created for themselves so far as their academic work was concerned," said Dr. B. C. Roy, Chairman of the Overseas Scholarships Scheme Committee, formed by the Education Department of the Government of India, who was deputed to visit the United Kingdom and U.S.A. to report on the facilities available to the Indian students in foreign countries for advanced studies.

Dr. Roy was also deputed by the Military Medical Services Integration Committee, created by the Defence Department of the India Government, to study how this problem was being tackled in the countries he toured.

M[illegible] of the [illegible] Municipal Corporation recently decided to [illegible] streets associated with non-Indian names.

The Late Mr. A. I. Kajee

EMPLOYEES PAY TRIBUTE

BY K. R. GOVENDER

THAT dynamic and vivid personality, Mr. A. I. Kajee, had gone the way he came and we shall see him no more. His departure has left us all paralysed.

As one who has had the unique distinction of having sat side by side and served him for over 12 years in every sphere of his activities, business, politics, schools, personal or public work, I consider it appropriate to pay my humble tribute to his memory.

His greatness is illustrated by the number of glowing tributes that have already been paid to his work in the interest of the community, so I shall refrain from reiterating what has been said and written but confine myself to deal briefly of his work in the office.

BUSINESS ABILITY

As a business man with quick perception his ability has been demonstrated by the success he has achieved. In less than 25 years he was able to expand his business as the largest of its kind in South Africa, with branches both at Johannesburg and Capetown. The business at present stands with a capital of £20,000. Not content with this success he entered the Cinema field in partnership with Mr. A. B. Moosa and within six years opened a chain of 14 theatres all over South Africa, subsequently to sell them for £200,000.

To gain such a success, he demanded ability, discipline and promptness from his office staff. There was no place for inefficiency in the office. He did not mind salaries far above the average for efficient workers who could give him satisfaction.

He wanted all work to be systematic, up to date and promptly recorded. Business and political files were part of his life. They had to be in order of sequence, date and subject-matter, and wherever necessary there should be subfiles of subjects in every principal file for ready reference. The files and records had to be kept in such a methodical order that they could be given to him at a moment's notice or else there was sure to be nasty vocal music. The late Mr. S. M. Nana once autographed a title: "A good memory saves Kajee's wrath" and that was too true.

STAFF MEETING

He was thoroughly economical and would avoid wastage but his generosity knew no bounds as he was the type of man who would not pass by if anyone were in distress. He was charitable. After studying the austerity conditions prevailing in England and America during his recent visit, he sent regular parcels of foodstuffs to his friends in those countries. It was only in November last that he sent £500 to India to assist charities, apart from his regular monthly contributions.

He was quick tempered, moody, cynical, abrupt and abusive. At times he would be like a lunatic and swear like the devil but later when in his natural self he would apologise by saying: "Please forgive me for my sins."

The desire to do better was uppermost in his mind and he was always correcting and improving and was never satisfied with his ability or his own work for he would amend and alter important letters several times before they were typed. He was hard to please and never satisfied himself with anybody's work, no matter how proficiently it might have been done.

He had a prodigious memory and could amaze anyone with the accuracy of facts and figures of the contents of a file. His work either in politics, education or social welfare could be written in volumes. There was not a society or organisation that he was not interested in. He took keen interest in education and apart from establishing several schools was Grantee of nine schools.

He was an indefatigable worker full of energy. He would often leave important work until the eleventh hour and then keep on working on holidays and Sundays and even sometimes until past midnight. Time was a precious thing to him and he would be late for meetings and other social appointments.

TIRELESS WORKER

During the final sitting of the First Broome Commission in April, 1941, I remember clearly that we started work at 8.30 a.m. on a Sunday morning, worked all day and continued the whole night through and finished up at 7 a.m. on Monday morning to be in time to give oral evidence at 9 a.m. on the same day. Again when we were preparing the case of the South African Indian Congress for submission to the United Nations Organisation in 1946, we worked up to 3 a.m. and after a few hours sleep were back again at the office at 8.30 a.m.

These are just two instances showing how strenuously he worked. No wonder he was called away at an early age of 52 years.

It is apparent that he knew his days were drawing to an end. He wrote to a member of his family as follows:—

"There is a clot in my blood which may paralyse me or take me away to join my Maker, so be careful for no one will pamper you after your sugar-daddy is gone."

I have accompanied him to places like Pretoria, Johannesburg and Capetown to assist in political work. He was ready and willing to confide his personal problems to me. In a note written from Mossel Bay on the 27.12.47 he said:—

"You were wise in not sending the document, I will take it myself when I go to Capetown after Conference, I hope to return to Durban on the 5th January."

He followed up by a personal letter to me also written from Mossel Bay on the 31.12.47 which, amongst others, says:—

"I sent a wire to Kajimusa regarding the Conference. Please find out if [illegible] organisation [illegible] have followed my suggestions.

"I hope to see Mr. Lawrence who is on holiday in this neighbourhood, and when I have done this I hope to have material that will be helpful to Conference and for the main speech.

"I am not feeling any better than when I came here. I believe I have exerted myself by bathing and walking more than I should have done."

BY C. M. P.

AS one who has served the late Mr. A. I. Kajee as his personal and private secretary for many years, I feel I should pay my personal tribute to him.

His varied qualities and his inestimable services to our people over the last quarter of a century in this country will make the name of the late Mr. A. I. Kajee remembered for many decades.

Despite the fact that he was ailing for some months, and in spite of doctors' orders to take a long and complete rest, he continued working for the welfare of his people. And what has happened. Just as any great leader would prefer to die, whilst serving his people, he also died in harness.

His body and spirit have departed peacefully to the Great Beyond, but the name of the late Mr. A. I. Kajee, who dominated the political arena of the Indian people in South Africa, will never be obliterated.

The late Mr. Kajee played a very important role in the education of our children. He spared no pains on this score but relentlessly toiled in conjunction with those who wished to offer help and assistance and one by one was principally instrumental in the establishment of the nine different schools in and around Durban. At the time of his death he was Grantee of these Government-aided Indian schools.

Message of the Stars

By "SWAMI"

THERE was a time when colossal ignorance prevailed concerning the nature of Astrology and the various facts which it brought to light for the guidance of mankind in conformity with the laws which operate in worlds other than our own terrestrial sphere. The glories of our ancient system of Astrology have been frankly and freely acknowledged by the eminent scientists of the world. It is a pity, however, that while the whole intellectual world should with one voice, eulogise the innumerable wonders of our ancient system of Astrology we, who claim ourselves to believe in the Vedas should be almost entirely ignorant of them.

Truth was held in the highest veneration by our Aryan ancestors, therefore, we should open our intellectual eyes to realities and study the Vedas. It is only by going back to the Vedas that we can have a true knowledge of Astrology.

To quote a mantras in this connection will not be out of place. In the 19th chapter, 7th Sukta of Atharva Veda the names of all the Nakshtras (asterisms) are described and the first mantra tells us that since all the creations of God belong to the stars and planets, the minds of various creatures also change in response to the astral changes hence we should seek the guidance of stars for our daily affairs, such as marriages, etc.

The Mantra is as follows: Chitrani Sakam Divi Rochanani Sarisripani Bhuvane Javanit; Turmisham Sumatimichhamano Ahani Girbhi Saparyami Nakam."

This shows us that astral divination has been known to mankind right down the ages, and it is as boundless in its benefits as life itself.

We are sure that our strongest opponents under the guidance of the celestial bodies would appreciate our endeavours for the cause of a science which, if viewed and studied properly, is sure to relieve humanity of the incalculable miseries which they are suffering from times immemorial.

The Wheel of Fortune from January 17 to 23, for people born under the twelve signs of the Zodiac are as follows:—

ARIES (March 21—April 20), good, 20; bad, 18, 22.
TAURUS (April 21—May 22), good, 17, 18, 19; bad, 21, 22.
GEMINI (May 23—June 21), good, 21, 22; bad, 20.
CANCER (June 22—July 22), good, 23; bad, 17, 20, 22.
LEO (July 23—August 22), good, 21; bad, 19, 20.
VIRGO (August 23—Sept. 22), good, 17, 22; bad, 19, 21.
LIBRA (Sept. 23—Oct. 22), good, 17, 19; bad, 20.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23—Nov. 21), good 20; bad, 18, 22.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22—Dec. 22), good, 18, 22; bad, 17, 20, 21.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 23—Jan. 20), good 18, 23; bad, 17, 20.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21—Febr. 19), good, 19, 20, 21; bad, 23.
PISCES (Febr. 20—March 20), good, 18; bad, 19, 23.

The good days for business enterprises are January 17, 18, 19; for remedial treatments are 17; for love and pleasure 19. Guard against quarrels and disputes on 21 and 22.

Changeable weather is expected about 19 to 20.

The lucky numbers and colours to apply on the Turf on January 17 are 5, 7, 9, 14, 28, 19. Colours: Crimson, scarlet.

AT Lucknow, Mr. C. B. Gupta, Minister of Food of the United Provinces, announced a plan to form groups of public workers charged with combing out food racketeers in all areas of the Province.

Plea for Medical Research in India

BOMBAY.—A suggestion that every medical college in India should organise research work in the different branches of medical science to muster a team of experts for the proposed All-India Medical Research Institute, was made by Dr. Jivraj N. Mehta, Secretary to the Ministry of Health and Director-General of Health, Government of India, at a party given in his honour by Mr. S. G. S. Moolje Jaitha, a well-known business man, at the Taj Mahal Hotel, Bombay. The Jam Saheb of Nawanagar presided.

Dr. Mehta said that medical science in India had a long way to go to reach the standard achieved in western countries. If proper facilities were provided for developing their talents, Indian medical men would be found to be equally capable as the best doctors in other countries, he added. Owing to the disturbances, he said, many Government projects for the improvement and extension of medical research could not be carried out, and it was not possible to say when they would be implemented.

Completely Disorganised

Referring to his visit to the Punjab last month, Dr. Jivraj Mehta said that at that time life was completely disorganised there. Although thousands of trucks were in the possession of the military, for some reason or the other they were not available for medical work. Consequently, medical help could not reach everyone.

The Jam Saheb, paying a tribute to the services of Dr. Jivraj Mehta in the cause of medical science, said that Dr. Mehta had always endeavoured to drive home to the [illegible] profession the higher value of medical science. He hoped that, in the capacity of his present office, Dr. Mehta would bring health to the entire population of India. He also hoped that the scope of medical research would be enlarged to such an extent that instead of Indians going abroad foreigners would be tempted to come here in pursuit of higher studies.

The Jam Saheb also referred to the achievements of Dr. Mehta's wife, Mrs. Hansa Mehta, who, he said, was a pioneer in the women's movement. He wished both of them greater success in all spheres. In conclusion, he pleaded for the recognition of the Shree Gulabkunverba Ayurvedic Society at Jamnagar.

Mr. Moolji Jaitha, welcoming Dr. Mehta, said that medical science and medical needs had attained such a position in social policy that they demanded special consideration in the future administration of the country.

Mr. M. A. Master proposed a vote of thanks to Dr. Mehta, Mrs. Hansa Mehta and the Jam Saheb.

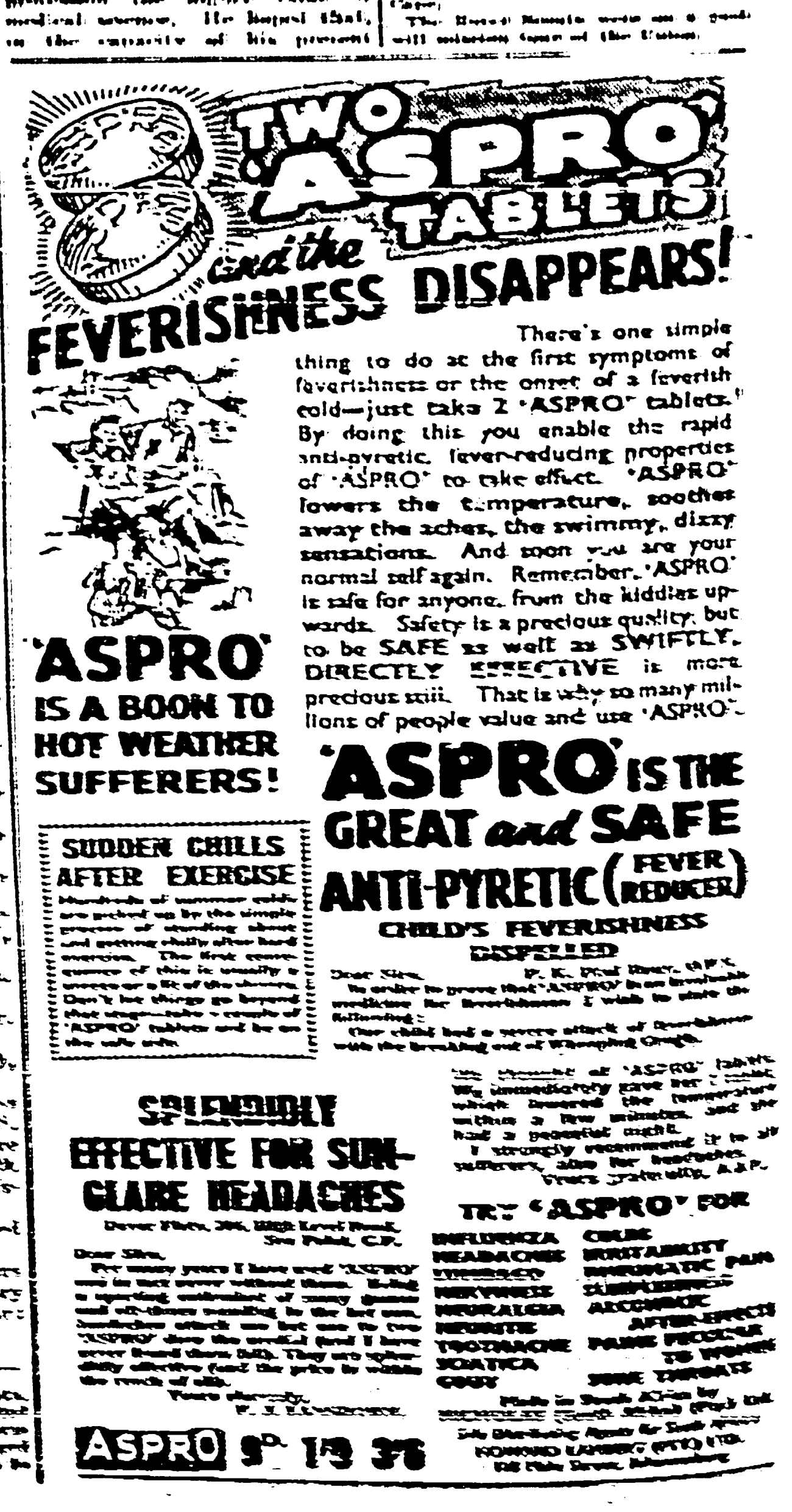
SCOUTS ON GOODWILL TOUR

A contingent of 22 Coloured Rover Scouts of the Cape Western Province, under Commissioner [illegible], of Wynberg, Capetown, were the guests of the Maritzburg Indian Boy Scouts Association recently. A fine programme was arranged. They were taken to the beauty spots of Maritzburg and Howick.

At [illegible] they were shown the training grounds by Mr. Jack [illegible], Assistant Divisional Commissioner of Natal.

On Sunday afternoon Camp, the Natal scouts, entertained them to an hour's show. The contingent left on Monday morning for Johannesburg, from where they intend to visit Kimberley and return to the Cape.

The Rover Scouts were on a goodwill mission tour of the Union.



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Challenge to General Smuts

"WE meet here today to seek your support before we start the new phase of resistance," said Dr. G. M. Naicker, president of the Natal Indian Congress and chairman of the Natal Passive Resistance Council, at a mass meeting held at Red Square on Sunday last, to confirm the decision of the Joint Passive Resistance Council.

Outlining the struggle he said that when the Natal Indian Congress and other Indian organisations had asked for a round table conference between India and South Africa, General Smuts answered in the negative.

Today, however, the South African Government was thinking differently and was even entertaining the idea of a round table conference.

"Your Instruments"

"We are launching our new phase sooner than we had anticipated. We, who are your instruments, have no doubt that you will give us your wholehearted support and will be solidly behind us in our struggle," concluded Dr. Naicker.

The breaking of Provincial barriers was a direct challenge to General Smuts, his Government, and the Natal Indian Organisation, whose members were responsible for the friction in the Cape, said Mr. Sundra Pillay, secretary of the Cape Passive Resistance Council.

We should not be despondent because the position at UN has been slightly reversed. If it had not been for the Passive Resistance struggle the Ghetto Act would have been in operation, he went on.

Retarded Progress

The time has come for the people to carry out our mandate. The Provincial barriers have retarded our progress. If the South African Government recognised us as citizens of South Africa, then there would be no alternative for the Government but to open the doors to Indians.

Dr. A. H. Sader, of Ladysmith, said that there was no time for talks or compromises.

"We must put into effect the new phase as soon as possible.

"Our struggle is the same as that of the Europeans who are fighting against the forces of Imperialism.

"We are not alone. We have behind us world federations and international union of students, who are playing their part well."

"Fault of the White Man"

"We shall have to plan an economic revolution that will upset the whole of South Africa," said Mr. Sonny Abdurrahman, general secretary of the African People's Organisation.

Continuing, he said: "Whatever happens in South Africa is the fault of the white man, who does not appreciate the good things we do.

"This state of affairs cannot go on for long. We must plan something and go ahead. White South Africa will never give us democratic rights without a fight. Therefore, let us go forward united and demand our legitimate rights."

"Free Human Being"

"When I left the shores of South Africa I felt that I was a free human being equal in status to others," said Mr. A. I. Meer, General Secretary of the Natal Indian Congress.

"Non-Europeans suffered discrimination in South Africa because of their colour and economic oppression.

"Here," he went on, "we find artificial barriers created for human beings, and laws operating according to the colour of one's skin."

If General Smuts and his Government believe that they can keep the non-European question a domestic issue, then they are living in a fool's paradise.

Not to Emotions

"We are not appealing to your emotions. We have taken a solemn decision and we are going to see that the decision is carried out," said Dr. Y. M. Dadoo, chairman of the Transvaal Passive Resistance Council.

"We place before you facts and decisions based on calm reasoning and logic.

"We, who are carrying on a common struggle for democracy, have shown to the South African Government the determination and the mettle of the Indian people."

To side track the Indian people the Government was adopting the policy of divide and rule.

The struggle should be intensified and carried on until the Indian people were regarded as Union Nationals, declared Dr. Dadoo.

Dr. Dadoo appealed to the gathering to give financial and moral help for the success of the new phase of the struggle.

"Let not posterity say we were cowards and found wanting when it was necessary. Let us be clear in our attitude. Let us command respect from all quarters.

We must see that full democratic rights are extended to all races irrespective of race or religion, ended Dr. Dadoo.

Mr. Manilal Gandhi, moving the resolution, said that the struggle for democratic rights had been conducted in a splendid manner. The future of the other races depended upon the struggle of the Indian people.

Mr. Ashwin Choudree, who seconded the resolution, challenged Mr. H. G. Lawrence on the question that Indians born in South Africa were not entitled to go overseas with their complaints.

By launching the new phase, Indians were merely exercising the natural inherent rights that go with ordinary citizenship, added Mr. Choudree.

"On the eve of the new phase, let us for a moment recall the happenings of the early days and of the days when our movement was young—when most of our leaders were languishing behind prison bars. There was the time when the Government had tried to crush the resistance of our people by depriving the movement of its leadership. There were the days when night after night gangs of European hooligans mercilessly attacked and beat up our gallant men and women—hoping to crush our spirit.

"These were critical and momentous days—those days of June and July, 1946. But our movement survived. The flame of Resistance had been lit and it spread throughout the length and breadth of the country. The Government was beaten," declared Mrs. Suryakala Patel, of the Transvaal Youth Congress.

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Referring to the formation and the activities of the N.I.O. and the T.I.O., she said they were a group of political bankrupts who were [illegible] backdoor negotiations.

Urging the Indian people to give their full support to the proposed new phase of the campaign she declared, "There is a great task ahead of us. Every ounce of energy will be harnessed. Money has to be collected, and perhaps most important of all, the message of Resistance has to be carried to the people."

MR. D. JADHUNUNDAN

MR. D. JADHUNUNDAN, also known as Mr. D. Judhoo, proprietor of the Acme Printing Press, enjoys an unique position in the district of Springfield, as he has been recently appointed grantee of the Springfield Hindu Government Aided Indian School (formerly the Springfield Methodist Government Aided Indian School).

Mr. Jadhunundan, who is a popular personality in the social, religious, sporting and educational world, is one of the few personalities who enjoy a very high reputation and he is held in high esteem by the community of Springfield. Besides his new appointment, he is closely associated with the following societies: Springfield Hindu Sabha (grantee of school, life member and trustee); Durban Indian Child Welfare Society (chief local representative); Durban Indian Benevolent Society (committee member); Sydenham Ward Indian Ratepayers' Association (vice-president); Nagri Pracharini Sabha, Springfield (trustee, president and life member); Hindi G.A. Indian School Free Meal Service Committee (hon. secretary and treasurer); Andra Benefit Society (member); Nagri Pracharini Sabha, School Building Committee (hon. secretary); Alpine Social Club (patron); Rosebank Scouting Club (patron); Red Cross Society (life member); Springfield Benefit Society (vice-chairman); Andra Vidhya Sabha, [illegible] Hill (life member and trustee); Andhra Maha Sabha, Natal (life member); Arya Pratinidhi Sabha, Natal (vice-president); South African Hindu Maha Sabha (council member and chief representative, [illegible] Hill, on Charitable Institute); Rosebank and District Kali Pooja Committee (member); Indian Master Printers' Association (treasurer).

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HINDU OBJECTS TO QURAN VERSES

So Gandhi Abandons Prayers

NEW DELHI: Mahatma Gandhi abandoned a prayer meeting here recently because one member of the audience, in reply to a question by Gandhi, said that he objected to verses from the Quran being recited as part of the prayers.

WHEN as usual before the prayer meeting the audience was asked if there was any objection to the Quran verses being recited as part of the prayer, one member spoke up and persisted in his objection. Gandhi had made it clear that if there was such objection, he would neither have public prayer nor the after-prayer speech on current events. Consequently, he sent word that there would be neither prayer nor speech before the public. But, the gathering would not disperse without seeing Gandhi. He, therefore, went to the rostrum and said a few words on the reason for suspending the meeting and the working of Ahimsa as he understood it.

Mahatma Gandhi said it was unseemly for anyone to object to the prayer especially when it was on a private lawn. Nevertheless, his Ahimsa warned him against disregarding even one objector when an overwhelming majority were likely to overawe one person into silence. It would be otherwise if the whole audience objected. It would then be his duty to have the prayer even at the risk of being molested.

Further Consideration.

There was also the further consideration that the majority should not be disappointed for the sake of one objector. The remedy was simple. If the majority restrained themselves and entertained no anger against, or evil designs, on the solitary objector it would be his duty to hold the prayer. The possibility, however, was that if the whole audience was nonviolent in intention and action, the objector would restrain himself. Such, he held, was the working of nonviolence.

He further held that truth and nonviolence were not the monopoly of a few adepts. All universal rules of conduct known as God's Commandments were simple and easy to understand and carry out if the will was there. They only appeared to be difficult because of the inertia which governed mankind. Man was a progressing being. There was nothing at a standstill in nature. Only God was motionless for He was, is and will be the same yesterday, today and tomorrow and yet was ever moving. We need not, however, worry ourselves over the attributes of God. We had to realise that we were ever progressing. Hence, he held that if mankind was to live, it had to come growingly under the sway of truth and nonviolence. It was in view of these two fundamental rules of conduct that he and the audience had to work and live.

REQUEST TO LAWYERS TO "BEHAVE"

BOMBAY.—"Lawyers in free India should behave in such a manner that they will no longer be looked upon as parasites. Once concerned only with the interpretation of codified law or administration thereof they will now have to interest themselves in making laws by offering constructive criticisms. In democratic countries it is essential that all persons should take active interest while different types of laws are being discussed in the Legislative bodies," stated Mr. P. M. Lad, I.C.S., Remembrancer of Legal Affairs, Bombay Government, who presided over the golden jubilee celebrations in honour of Mr. S. N. Kharve's active practice as lawyer for the last 50 years.

A number of messages, including one from Mr. G. D. Vartak, Minister (Local Self-Government), were read. Several speakers from the various parts of Bombay praised Mr. Kharve's manifold activities in the different spheres of life.

Tenure Act Allegation

A city attorney, Mr. George Singh, has controverted the statement made in the Durban daily newspaper of the increasing number of Indians breaking the Tenure Act. This paper, he said, had certainly exaggerated the situation and its allegations were completely unjustified.

For every single Indian who has broken the law there are dozens of Europeans who have contravened the Tenure Act by building and occupying houses in the "controlled" areas without first obtaining the permission of the Land Tenure Board in terms of the requirements of the Act. They might have done so in ignorance of the law, which is definite whether it be a European or an Asiatic, that permission must be first obtained for occupation from the Board.

"There is hardly an Indian," he told a "Leader" reporter, "who is prepared to suffer a penalty of £100 as a consequence of being convicted of occupying a house in the 'controlled' area illegally.

"To persist in occupation after a magisterial order of ejectment the occupier further makes himself liable for an additional penalty of £5 a day for such illegal occupation.

"The penalty in the law provides for the strongest possible deterrent, yet 'The Natal Mercury' wants the world to believe that Indians are breaking the law wholesale. Its agitation has caused further trouble.

"I am afraid that these statements are in variance with the facts," said Mr. Singh, in conclusion.

The Government of Bombay has extended the term of office of the Councillors of the Borough Municipal [illegible] up to June 30, 1948, to enable the next elections to the Borough to be held on the basis of joint electorates, says a gazette notification.

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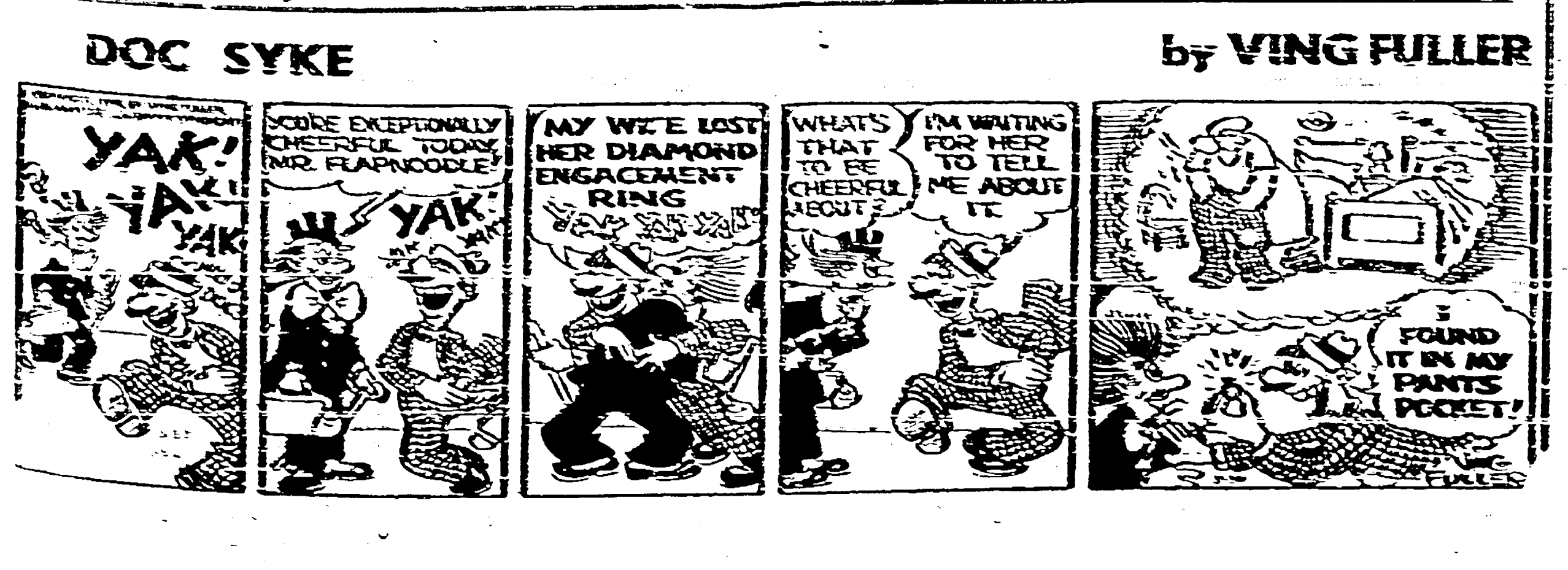
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YOUNG MUSLIMS ENTER NATAL CUP FINAL

IN what can be regarded as the best match for the season, Young Muslim eliminated Central to enter the final in the Natal Cup competition by defeating them on the first innings by 52 runs.

A feature of the match was a century by M. L. Yusuf and a seventh wicket stand by Yusuf and Asmal, which saved Young Muslims from a grave situation.

In the other two "A" Division matches in the League Cup competition, Greyville outplayed Sastri College to win by an innings and 11 runs; while Stars secured an easy first innings win over Schools. In a "B" Division League match Orientals beat United by 7 wickets to [illegible]

BATTING first, Centrals compiled [illegible]

Greyville Beat College

[illegible]

[illegible], the opening batsman of Centrals, of the County Indian Cricket Union, who in his three outings this season at County has been undefeated. His scores were 24, 117 and 34. Playing against Durban in the inter-district match, he made 12 and 24, the highest score of the match.

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ALL-INDIA TENNIS RANKING

CALCUTTA: Sumant Misra, Gaus Mohamed and Dilip Bose are Numbers One, Two and Three respectively in the All-India ranking list of tennis players for the 1947-48 season, released by the All-India Lawn Tennis Association.

Other names in the list are in the following order: (4) Man Mohan, (5) Narendranath, (6) J. M. Mehta, (7) Iftikhar Ahmed, (8) Prem Pandi and (9) B. R. Kapani.

THE 'DAILY DOZEN' FOR CRICKETERS

MELBOURNE.—Every morning since the Indian cricketers began their tour of Australia, they have indulged in physical exercises before breakfast, under the guidance of Tom Langridge, physical culture expert, who has accompanied nearly every touring team here in all branches of sport for many years.

Langridge's specially devised exercises have been largely responsible for keeping the Indians fit in the wintry conditions so far experienced, especially as they have been unable to enjoy a full net practice under sunny conditions.

CHALLENGE TO WILLIE SMITH

A. Symons, of Jeppestown, Johannesburg, through his manager, Mr. [illegible], of Johannesburg, wishes to challenge Willie Smith [illegible] African middleweight boxing title. Symons, who is in the middleweight class, [illegible] and is a contender for the title.

A. Symons, in his last fight [illegible], Willie Smith, the title-holder, was beaten by Symons on a foul decision in the third round.

Promoters wishing to stage the fight should contact the manager at 123 Pritchard Street, Johannesburg, or telephone [illegible] at his residence.

ASIAN CRICKET CONFERENCE

From Our Own Correspondent

BOMBAY: Mr. A. S. de Mello, President of the Board of Control of Cricket in India, stated recently that an Asian Cricket Conference should be called at an early date consisting of India, Pakistan, Ceylon, Burma and Malaya. Mr. de Mello, however, added that this depended upon Pakistan forming a Cricket Control Board of its own. If such a conference was called, Mr. de Mello added, Australia and New Zealand would be consulted.

The Conference would be on the same lines as the Imperial Cricket Conference and in Mr. de Mello's opinion it would help in establishing better relations between Asian countries as sportsmen proved better ambassadors than politicians.

Mr. de Mello added that if Pakistan eventually decided to establish a separate Cricket Control Board, he would be the first to invite Pakistan to play a cricket match against India.

PAKISTAN CRICKET CONTROL BOARD

From Our Own Correspondent

KARACHI.—A meeting convened by Syed [illegible], veteran cricketer, and Mr. Adam Ali Alavi, was held here to discuss the question of forming a Board of Control for Cricket in Pakistan.

The meeting was attended, among others, by the Secretaries of the Sind Cricket Association, and Messrs. Anwar Hussain and Tajammul Hussain.

A more representative meeting is to be convened here at a later date to finalise the formation of the Board.

SCOUT CAMP

SIXTEEN Rover Scouts of the [illegible] First Rover Crew, under the leadership of Mr. [illegible] camped over the New Year holidays at Port Shepstone.

They were taken by [illegible] R. R. Pillay and [illegible]

Seven Wicket Defeat for Champions

From Our Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG, Friday.

ALTHOUGH Natalians were not at full strength this did not detract from the Royals' decisive seven-wicket victory over them. This was the first defeat the champions suffered at the hands of the pioneer club. Both Ted Chetty and P. C. Pillay played grand captains' innings. Bowlers were well on top on Sunday when M.I.C.C. defeated Stars by an innings. V. C. Dayaram (seven for 35) and Harrinarain (six for 27) for M.I.C.C. and Moosa (Stars), five for 13, were the highlights.

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Innings Win for M.I.C.C.

BOWLERS were well on top in Sunday's league game in which M.I.C.C. emerged victorious by an innings and 16 runs.

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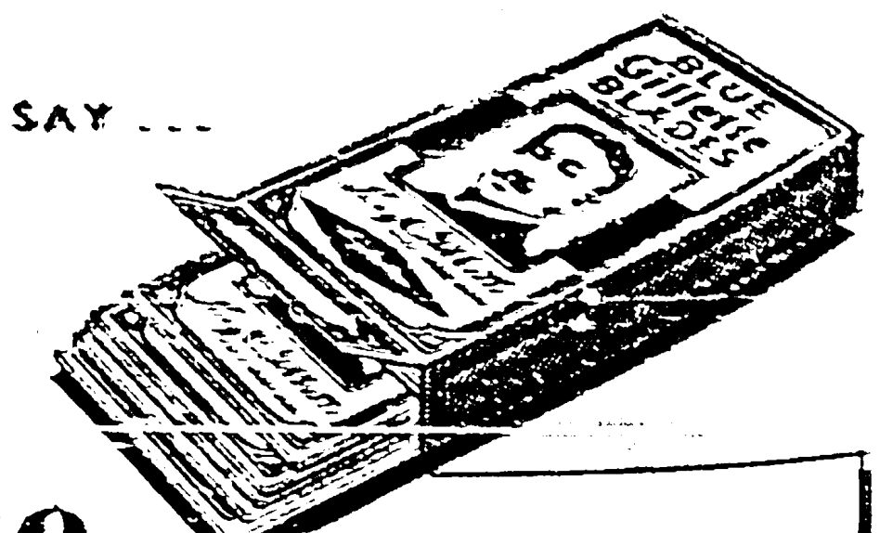

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MAHARAJ RETAINS TENNIS TITLE

S. S. MAHARAJ, of Natal, retained the national singles title when he defeated A. H. Bismillah (Transvaal) 6—3, 1—6, 6—3, 10—8, in a thrilling duel which lasted two and a half hours in the S.A. Indian Tennis Tournament held in Johannesburg.

SINCE the inauguration of the Tournament in 1936, Maharaj has now won the title for the third time—1938, 1946 and 1947.

Partnered by D. Lalljee, Maharaj also brought back the double title to Natal after having beaten the Transvaal pair, Bismillah and the veteran Jajbhay, 6-2, 7-5, 6-4, 6-4.

In 1946, when the Tournament was last played, S. S. Maharaj and L. Bismillah won the double title.

[illegible] his age, he is still a force to be reckoned with.

Owing to pressure of work he was unable to take part in tennis games and has been out of the game for a long time and, therefore, in participating in all the matches he actually competed with very little practice.

Mahomed [illegible] and [illegible] also showed promise of developing into representative players.

S. S. MAHARAJ, the South African Singles Champion with his numerous tennis trophies

[illegible]

JUNIOR GOLF

The Durban Indian Golf Club will be staging an open golf tournament for boys under sixteen at the Curries Fountain links on Monday, January 26, 1948 [illegible]

A [illegible] competition will be held on Sunday, January 18, [illegible]

FRIENDLY INTER-RACE SOCCER ATTRACTION

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RESISTERS TO CROSS

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With the advent, however, of a new group of leaders, the first step adopted was the launching of an active struggle against the Ghetto Act.

In the short period of two years, Mr. Choudree stated, the new leaders, apart from anything else, had brought about a new consciousness, with the result that today the average Indian walked about with a sense of dignity and realised that he also was a human being.

Result of Compromise

Mr. Choudree felt that the Ghetto Act is the result of [illegible] and compromise.

"The new phase of the struggle is a challenge to the Government as well as to the "Moderates," who are prepared to play ball with the Government.

No self-respecting Indian could be allied with the "Moderates."

"The new phase will be an assertion of the rights of the individuals to reside in any part of the country. An Indian cannot be South African unless he is allowed free movement in the country of his birth."

He was amazed at the way things had [illegible] in South Africa by Minister H. G. Lawrence, declared Mr. A. I. Meer, general secretary of the Natal Indian Congress.

Although the Indian resolution received thirty-one votes against nineteen, the fact remains that the majority of nations present at UN supported the Indian case.

Mr. Meer pointed out that the nations at UN gave a clear indication that the world of 1948 was different and that there was no place for racial or discriminatory policies.

"The eyes of the international world are focused on South Africa. Foreigners are seeing Africa from different angles. They are determined to end imperialism and see that the non-European people are given their rights.

"The support of Asia will be [illegible] and spontaneous.

"Are we, who are subject to discrimination, sufficiently awake to take advantage of all the material and foreign aid available to us?"

Mr. Meer warned the delegates that the Indian people were not doing enough and he was dissatisfied with the work done. This shortcoming, he believed, was due to the fact that the majority of the people were still ignorant of the things due to them.

In spite of the good work done overseas the people there, too, were still ignorant of the position in South Africa.

"Therefore, I urge upon you not to rely upon the official leaders, but to educate the people overseas by all the means available to you."

Mr. M. D. Naidoo, acting secretary of the Natal Passive Resistance Council, reporting on the decisions of the Joint Passive Resistance Council, said that India would continue espousing the Indian cause until her resolution for a Round Table Conference met with success.

It was decided that the Indian people move from one province to another at will.

The Joint Council had also decided that all action committees and councils of the Natal Passive Resistance Council should recruit volunteers and raise funds.

The other provinces were asked to accommodate volunteers, raise funds and to find employment for those who broke the barriers. Volunteers should not necessarily be unemployed persons, but men and women drawn from all walks of life.

In the first instance, he informed the gathering, the volunteers would go to the Transvaal.

No Secrecy

No action will be kept a secret from [illegible] Government or people overseas. The greatest amount of publicity would be given to the new phase. The Government will be fully informed of every step, of the movements of volunteers, their places of residence and occupation.

In the course of the discussion Mr. [illegible] Pillay, of Capetown, said that though the struggle did not affect the Cape as it did the Natal and Transvaal, the Indian peoples of the Cape were 100 per cent. with the people of these two Provinces.

"Natal should take advantage of the new phase, because you have here hundreds of unemployed persons who can obtain employment in the other Provinces.

"The provincial barrier is unfair to the South African Indian.

"The Europeans of Natal say that the Indian is a menace to them.

"I hope thousands will take advantage of this new step. Volunteers should be persons from all walks of life."

Buses and Seats

Mr. S. R. Mungal, of Maritzburg, said that the conference should also consider the occupation of seats in buses and public places by those persons who cannot go to the Cape or Transvaal.

Mr. N. Thambiran, secretary of the Transvaal Passive Resistance Council, said the Transvaal would not lag behind in any work. The new phase would not only have its repercussions overseas, but would give an indication of "white supremacy" in South Africa.

Mr. George [illegible], of Dannhauser, said that the Conference could be assured of the support of Dannhauser.

Mr. Sayed Rashid Osman(?), secretary of the Transvaal Muslim League, said that the new phase was the reinforcement of the old struggle. The time had come when Natalians should break the barrier.

Mr. Y. Rawat of the Transvaal Indian Youth Congress said that the Congress was in favour of the decision.

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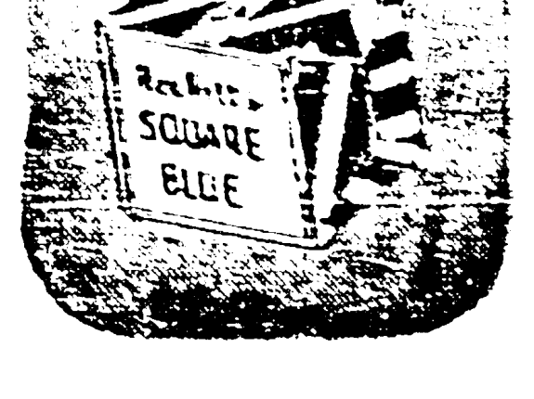

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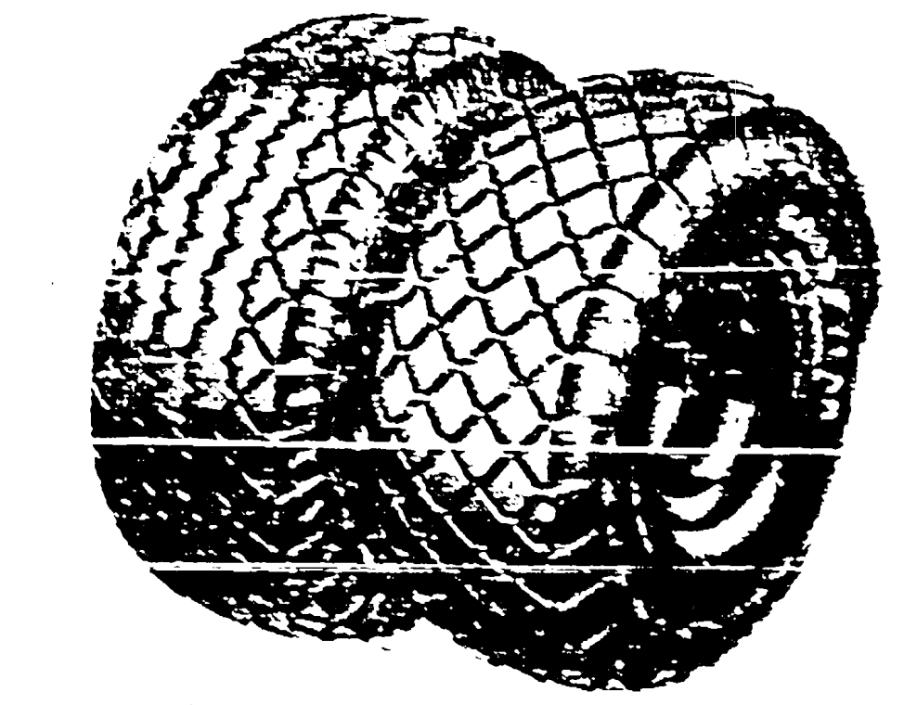

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Around The Cinemas

AVALON: A Western cowboy thriller, "Fool's Gold," a comedy, "A Night in Casablanca," with the Marx Brothers, and "The Brasher Doubloon," a mystery picture, are the attractions of the coming week.

ALBERT: "Arabian Nights," featuring Kanan Devi and Nawab, will be screened during the week. The [illegible], which is a [illegible] musical, has enchanting dances, sweet songs and melodious music.

REGENT: Acharya Art Productions' "Age-Kadam," with Motilal and Anjali Devi, open the coming week. "Lalkar," a comedy, featuring Ramola and [illegible], winds up the week.

Showtime

TONIGHT

Avalon: Black Path of Fear.
Albert: Sea Pirate.
Athlone: Thief of Baghdad.
Regent: [illegible] and [illegible].
Regent [illegible]: [illegible].

Mr. [illegible] [illegible], editor of the United Press of India in Hyderabad (Dn.), has been appointed by the Nizam's Government as their Public Relations Officer in the United Kingdom. He will be attached to the office of the Nizam's Agent-General in London.

Mr. R. K. Naidoo, of the staff of the A.T.S. Indian School, [illegible], is spending his holidays in [illegible] with his people.

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TALK OF THE BAZAAR

By the "Faqir"

IT is amazing what ideas people get when somebody decides to do something which is regarded as slightly out of the normal run of things. Recently I spent a few weeks in the wild and woolly North, and, in keeping with the lay-out of the place, decided to grow a beard. Within two weeks I was sporting one which could have justly been regarded as the envy of any Bedouin sheik, but, unfortunately, people were very curious and I had quite a lot of questions to answer. Some suggested that I had a rash and, therefore, could not do my morning [illegible]; others offered me blades; some said that I was downright lazy; women looked at me, giggled and hid their faces; girls laughed outright; some parents had the audacity to tell their babies that the "bogey" man would take them away if they did not stop crying. I am only human and, at last, one morning I decided that it was easier keeping in line with the accepted line of things.

WELL I'LL BE D——

"THAT was my [illegible] the other day when a young Varsity student sporting a Wits blazer and badge [illegible] me (figuratively, of course) and asked the following question: "Have our Indian girls progressed so far that they have the guts to phone and ask one point-blank whether one is interested in matrimony and then suggest that he marries her?" I have known quite a few forward females but I did not think that a good well-bred [illegible] would dare do such a thing even in the Leap Year. The young man's [illegible] was still quite apparent. He is down on vacation and one evening his sister told him that some young lady or other had been phoning the whole day but had left no number or name except the information that she would phone later that evening. His sister further said that the past few days the same woman had phoned and asked for "Dr. Soandso," giving her brother's name. She politely informed the unknown lady that her brother was not yet a doctor but did have hopes and faith in himself. That night the persistent young woman phoned again and without ceremony shot the following question: "Are you interested in matrimony? Will you marry me?" And she kept her prospective client on the line for forty-five minutes." The young man tells me there is some money in it and he likes the money all right.

REPUTATION SHATTERED

ALTHOUGH I have always been content with the lighter side of things in life I have at the same time claimed a certain amount of ability as a political observer. Recently a number of people asked me what I thought "old S.R." of Maritzburg would do in the political line. I did know that the president and secretary of the N.I.O. had paid him a few social calls, but old "S.R.'s" attitude seemed to indicate that he had retired from Indian politics. I told these few people that "Mr. Naidoo was a smart man" (I think that is what they all say about him in "Sleepy-Hollow—Floral City, I mean). Now he's gone and become the president of the N.I.O., Maritzburg branch. I am no more a political observer. My opinions are not respected any more in political quarters.

MR. JINNAH AND HORSES

THE following story about Jinnah is credited to D. F. Karaka, the eminent Indian journalist:—

"I have just heard a peach of a story about Mr. Jinnah. It goes back to the day Mr. Jinnah graced the Bombay racecourse with his presence and was the centre of attraction there with everyone clicking all round him. Mr. Habib Rahimtoolah was playing host to Mr. Jinnah that day.

"And as they were going up to their box they ran into an English girl who had newly arrived from England. There was the usual introductions and the girl was asked to sit in the Rahimtoolah box near Mr. Jinnah. As the English girl had not caught Mr. Jinnah's name correctly she had little idea who he was. She was quite a bit impressed when several people came to him with their race cards and he wrote something on them. He was, in fact, giving these people his autograph, but the English girl naively thought they were race tips—all hush hush. Regarding Mr. Jinnah as a man very knowledgeable with horses she turned to him a little later and said, "Have you got any good tips?" The cigarette fell from Mr. Rahimtoolah's mouth."

THE CAPE "MET"

[illegible] the next two weeks all punters' minds will be centred on the Cape for the Cape "Met."

This is really a most difficult race, as our best guide is to look [illegible] horses with good recent form, and these are Theorism, Truth, High Signal, Concentration, Carnborough and Marrayfield.

Theorism ran an outstanding race in last year's "Met" and there will be a surprise if he should repeat his win again. Marrayfield won a race on Saturday over nine furlongs and this may be a pointer for the "Met." High Signal also ran on Saturday with [illegible] a very good fourth, but Natal punters know the excellent form of High Signal, for he won the Clairwood Winter Handicap and Champion Stakes in a most facile style, and now for the "Met" he will be the hardest horse to beat. [illegible] for the "Met" and the best of his stable is Truth, who just recently has won a six furlong race. Concentration won the [illegible] Handicap very easily and in the Summer Handicap just got beaten at the post by Illustrated. In the "Met" he will probably make the [illegible].

In summing up the most difficult race, I select CONCENTRATION to win from Truth, High Signal and Marrayfield, with Carnborough the danger.

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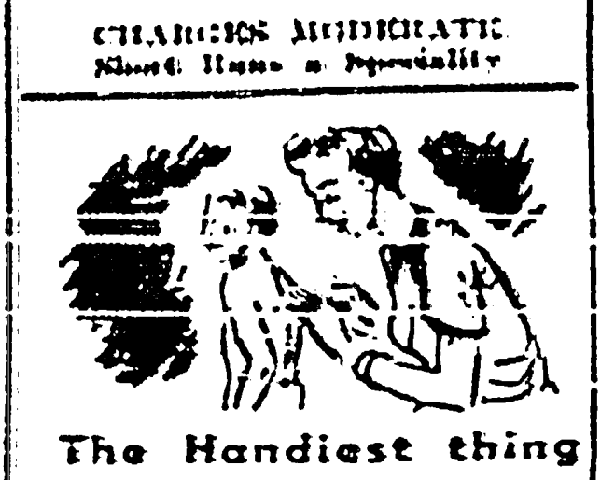

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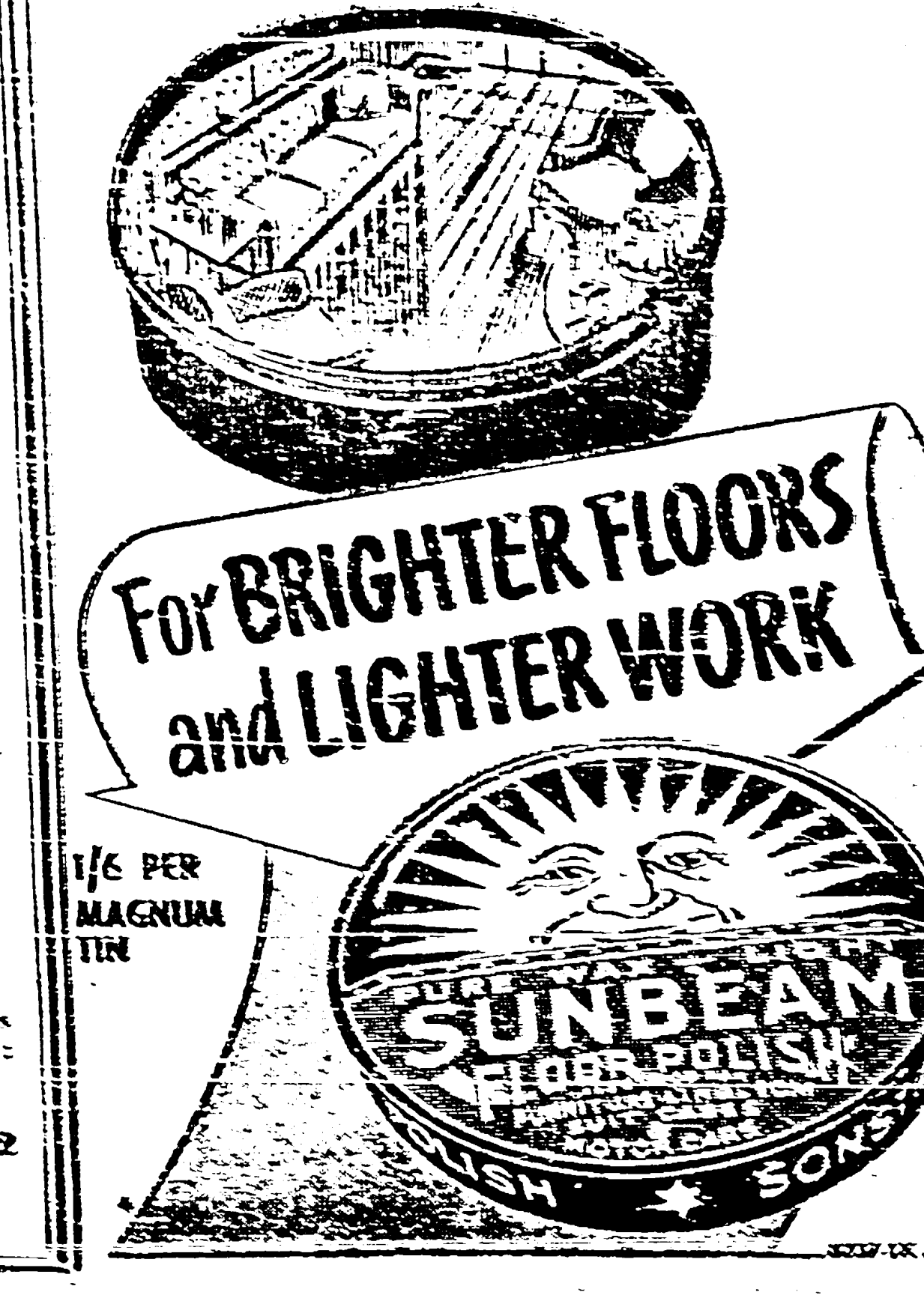

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PROSPECT OF NO SCHOOLING

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An urgent meeting of the parents affected is being called in order to consider the possibility of forming a provisional committee to arrange for the continuation of these classes, states Mr. Pillay's letter.

VEVAGI VANI ORCHESTRA

The Vevagi Vani Orchestra held its sixth annual meeting at its headquarters, 202 South Coast Road, Clairwood, and the following were elected officials: Patrons, Messrs. K. S. Reddy, M. P. Govender, K. K. Pillay; president, Mr. G. [illegible]; vice-presidents, Messrs. [illegible] Naicker, M. S. Reddy and K. S. Govender; secretary and treasurer, Mr. T. A. Naidoo; assistant secretary, Mr. I. [illegible] Pillay; manager, Mr. S. Moodley; assistant manager, Mr. P. R. Govender; [illegible], Mr. K. Krishna Pillay. Committee members: V. K. Govender and A. [illegible].

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RESISTERS WILL CROSS BORDER: NO PERMITS

TOMORROW (Sunday) fifteen resisters will cross over the Transvaal border without permits in defiance of the immigration laws which restrict the free movement of Indians between the Provinces. The Prime Minister, the police in Durban and the Chief Magistrate and the police at Volksrust have been informed of this step. Writing to the Prime Minister the Joint Passive Resistance Council points out: "It is unthinkable that a national of a country should be prevented from moving freely from one province into another within the territorial boundaries of that country."

THE batch of 15 (see page 5) will leave Durban by car after a meeting at the Gale Street Resistance Plot this Saturday afternoon at 1.30 p.m. for Maritzburg where another meeting will be held.

The next stop will be at Ladysmith. The batch will sleep at Newcastle tonight and on Sunday morning will head for Volksrust where it will be received, either by the police or the members of the Transvaal Passive Resistance Council. If the police leave them alone they will proceed to Johannesburg.

The Joint Passive Resistance Council has sent the following letter to the Prime Minister:—

Field Marshal the Right Honourable J. C. Smuts, P.C., Prime Minister, House of Assembly, Capetown.

Sir, We most respectfully submit this earnest plea for the serious consideration of your Cabinet and of Parliament.

1. The Joint Passive Resistance Council of the Natal and Transvaal Indian Congresses notes with regret that the Union Government has not seen its way clear to bringing the Indian question in South Africa to an honourable and amicable settlement, to resolve the dispute with India and to discharge South Africa's responsibility as a member state of the United Nations Organisation.

2. It, furthermore, views with grave concern the publicly expressed intention of the Union Government to implement the iniquitous, unjust and racially discriminatory provisions of the Asiatic Land Tenure and Indian Representation Act of 1946 (the Ghetto Act) in the face of the united opposition of the Indian people of South Africa and the strongest protests from the people and governments of India and Pakistan.

Time-Worn Contention

3. It reiterates its approval of the time-worn contention of the Union Government that the Indian people of South Africa are the nationals of the Union of South Africa. But it maintains on juridical, moral and human grounds that whereas the Indian people have borne lawfully the obligations of citizenship they have been denied the most elementary and basic rights which are inherent in such citizenship.

It is a notable and noteworthy

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N.I.O. Deputation To Smuts

TO DISCUSS ROUND TABLE TALKS

A DEPUTATION, consisting of representatives of the Natal Indian Organisation, the Transvaal Indian Organisation and the Cape Indian Congress will call on the Prime Minister on Thursday next (January 29) in Capetown in connection with the impasse in Indo-European relations. The deputation will discuss with the Premier the necessity of a Round Table Conference between the Union and the Governments of India and Pakistan.

The following have been elected to the deputation from the N.I.O.: Messrs. A. S. Kajee, president of the N.I.O., P. R. Pather, secretary, S. R. Naidoo, C. M. Anglia, A. B. Moosa, A. M. Moolla, M. R. Parekh and one representative each from Northern Natal and the North Coast. The T.I.O. will have six representatives and the Cape Indian Congress three. The deputation will leave Durban tomorrow afternoon.

THE deputation, writes "The Leader" political correspondent, has a difficult task ahead of it, for while everyone in [illegible] realises that something should be done about the stalemate in Indo-European relations, no one is very certain what should be done.

India has indicated that she stands by the 1946 resolution of the United Nations General Assembly. South Africa has refused to carry out the request by the United Nations, and last November she forced a negative decision by the General Assembly on the same question.

After his "victory" at U.N., Mr. Lawrence has indicated that South Africa is now willing to have talks with India on the subject. So far, however, no overtures have been made to India or the Indian people of South Africa. The only person who was up and doing was the late Mr. A. I. Kajee.

The important question is what will the deputation ask the Prime Minister to do? Even if the Premier accepts the principle of a Round Table Conference between the Union, on the one hand, and the Governments of India and Pakistan on the other, there is still the possibility that India may refuse any invitation. It is hardly likely that, under these circumstances, so astute a statesman like General Smuts will extend an invitation to India.

He has stated clearly that he wants the High Commissioner back and the sanctions raised before he will enter into negotiations with India.

Election Issue

Dr. Malan, too, has raised the issue of the second portion of the Ghetto Act. He has proposed that the representation portion be deleted. General Smuts will stand by the Act and the former hopes to make an election issue out of this. If General Smuts stands by this Act India cannot very well expect that he will concede the Ghetto Act as one of the items on the agenda of a Round Table Conference.

Doubtful

With the elections in the offing it is doubtful whether the Premier will pay any heed at all to Indian representations. His one aim, and that of the United Party, is to retain power for the next five years, and political observers predict a hard fight against the Nats. It is only logical, since the Indians do not have to vote, to anticipate that no heed will be paid to Indian representations. On the contrary the full attention of the Government will be focussed on the European voter.

It was suggested at the meeting of the Natal Indian organisation on Sunday that a delegation should be sent out to India also to see the Indian Government.

There was some sharp debate about the size of the deputation which should call on General Smuts. At first it was suggested that six Natal men should go, but later the secretary, Mr. P. R. Pather, found it necessary to increase that figure to nine.

This aroused the ire of some members, particularly a bloc headed by Messrs. E. I. Haffejee and Mahomed Parak who felt that the deputation should be limited to four. They were not slow in declaring that it seemed that "people were pushing themselves" on to the deputation when they could absolutely be of no use to it. It was time that this kind of political activity should be stamped out.

Shepstone Is New Administrator

THE appointment of Senator D. G. Shepstone to succeed Mr. D. Mitchell as Administrator of Natal cannot be without its bearing on the Indian problem in Natal.

It will be recalled that Mr. Heaton Nicholls had to make way for Mr. Mitchell after the debacle which followed the Pretoria Agreement when General Smuts was compelled to go back on his given word because of the attitude of Mr. Nicholls. It was believed that Mr. Mitchell would be able to handle the Indian problem later.

Now, however, Senator Shepstone comes on the scene. He is the Prime Minister's personal envoy to the Indian people, and is regarded as a liaison officer between the Indian community and the Premier. He is also regarded as General Smuts's personal adviser on the Indian problem. Senator Shepstone was a member of the Natal Indian Judicial Commission.

No Room in Schools: Mass Demonstration

IT is anticipated that the pressure on school accommodation will be the heaviest yet when schools reopen on Tuesday and that large numbers of children seeking admission into the infant classes all over Natal, will be turned away. Quite a large number of children will find it impossible to get admission into the Secondary Schools. Sastri College faces a peculiar problem: It has to decide whether to expand its Matriculation class at the expense of its own Standard VII class, for it is the only boys' institution which can take in the boys who have completed their Junior Certificate at Dundee, Newcastle, Stanger, Tongaat and Ladysmith. These latter schools only teach up to the Junior Certificate.

IT has been suggested that in order to bring home forcibly to the Natal Education Department the plight of Indian children who will be refused admission into the schools because of the lack of accommodation, all children so refused should be collected and marched up to the offices of the Administrator of the Education Department.

Year after year the Indian people have built and financed schools, and the Province has found it profitable to "pass the buck."

There are about 100 Indian schools in the Province, of these only 25 are Government schools. The rest are State-aided and everyone has the distinguished marks of "State-aid"—that brand of aid especially reserved and doled out.

Inadequate and Badly Equipped

The schools are inadequate, badly equipped, invariably in a bad state of repair, and with a minimum of furniture and stationery.

In some of these European farmers would refuse to house their animals but the Province makes them do for Indian children—little brown coloured fellows who have no voice, in any case in the affairs of the country.

Recently the Province has taken to explaining that the expenditure on Indian education has been increased tremendously. There is nothing in the development of European education, at any stage, comparable to it. The increase is mainly due to the teachers' [illegible] which it has had to pay since 1946.

The Province conveniently forgets that in the year preceding it had only about 26 schools to look after and maintain and that teachers' salaries in the State-aided schools averaged £5 a month. At that time money was being spent quite freely on European education. A comparison would be interesting.

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He was a distinguished Tamil scholar and was closely connected with numerous cultural and social organisations. Vernacular education was his love and calling, and from [illegible] he served as an active member of the [illegible]

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OBITUARIES

MOONSAMY RAGAVAN GOVENDER

The death occurred, after a short illness, of Mr. Ragavan (Daddy), [illegible] son of Mr. and Mrs. Moonsamy Govender, of 12 [illegible] Road, Sea View, at the Springfield Hospital on January [illegible], at the early age of twenty-one years.

Mr. Govender, who was one of [illegible], first played for Riverside Rangers Football Club (Juniors) as a goalkeeper, and at the time of his death he was a playing member of the Rovers Football Club (Seniors). [illegible]

His passing away at such an early age is a great loss to the Rovers Football Club and all those who knew him, not only as a [illegible] but as a dear friend.

His remains were interred at the Sea View Cemetery. He is survived by his father, mother, five brothers, three sisters, grandparents, uncles, aunts and numerous relatives.

Inserted by the Rovers Sporting Club, Sea View, Durban.

MR. C. RANGASAMY PADAYACHEE

After a prolonged illness of almost four years, there passed away in Port Elizabeth on Friday, December [illegible], 1947, Mr. C. Rangasamy Padayachee (popularly known as Rangam) at the age of [illegible] years.

Mr Rangasamy came to this country from Mauritius at the age of nine years. [illegible]

Wreaths were received from the following: [illegible]

JAIRAJ SINGH

The death occurred under tragic circumstances of Jairaj Singh, son of Mr. [illegible] Singh, of [illegible] Road, off [illegible] Drive, Merebank, on Saturday, January [illegible], 1948.

The late Jairaj, who was very popular among his friends and relatives, was employed by Messrs. Simpson Bros. and Co. Ltd. He was a very keen and intelligent worker in the social club organised by the Indian staff and held an official post there since its inception.

He leaves behind his parents, wife, child, four brothers, four sisters and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

The funeral took place on January 4, 1948, and he was laid to rest amid a large gathering of friends and relatives at the Merebank Cemetery.

ANGAMUTHOO NAIDOO

The death occurred suddenly of Angamuthoo Naidoo (Ronnie), son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Perumal Naidoo, formerly of Kloof and Dundee Dairy, Wentworth, and late of [illegible] Durban (Pty.) Ltd., on Friday, January [illegible], 1948, at the age of four.

Ronald, who was a pet to many friends and relatives, leaves behind his parents, two sisters, brothers and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

The following is a list of wreaths received: Mum, Dad, brothers and sisters; [illegible]

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K. GOKUL, Secretary.

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She was widely known in the district because of her work as a midwife.

She leaves behind her husband, Mr. C. R. Naidoo, brother, sisters, brothers-in-law, [illegible], daughters, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

Wreaths were received from the following: [illegible]

K. C. BOB NAIDOO

The death occurred of Mr. K. C. Bob Naidoo, formerly of East London, who was the head waiter at the Addington Nursing Hospital, on January [illegible], 1948, at the age of [illegible]. His remains were interred at the Sea View Cemetery amid a large gathering.

He leaves behind four children, three brothers, one sister and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

Wreaths were received from the undermentioned: Addington Nursing Hospital, Nursing Staff, Nursing [illegible]

[illegible]

MOONSAMY CHENGADOO (BILLY)

The death occurred after a brief illness of Mr. Moonsamy Chengadoo (Billy), of Clare Estate, at the McCord Zulu Hospital, on Saturday, January [illegible], 1948, at [illegible] p.m., at the age of thirty-six years.

His remains were interred at the Clare Estate Hindu Cemetery and Crematorium.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons, a daughter, three brothers, two sisters and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

Among the floral tributes were the following: [illegible]

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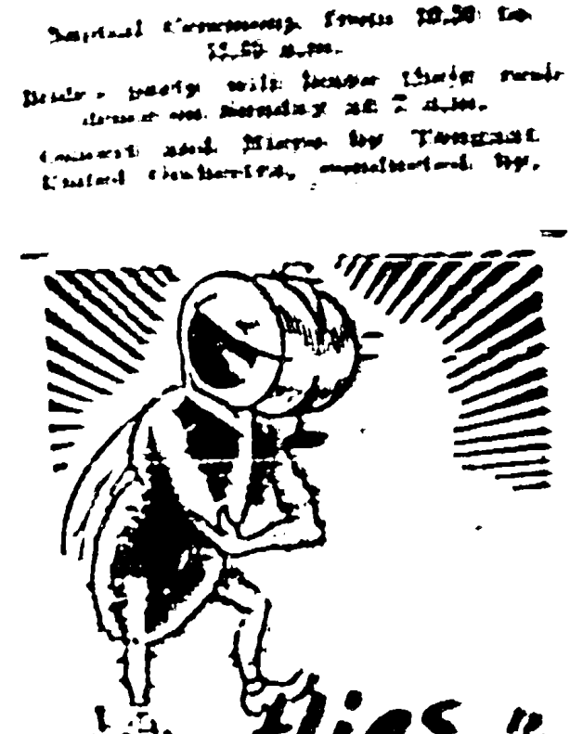
SUNDAY, 25th JANUARY, 1948,

at the Gokhale Memorial Hall, Tongaat.

Nuptial Ceremony from 10.30 to 11.[illegible] a.m.

Bride's party will leave their residence on Sunday at 7 a.m.

Concert and [illegible] by Tongaat United Orchestra, conducted by [illegible]



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MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE

Mr. J. R. Chetty, of Peter's Lounge, and Dr. N. Padayachee, of Durban, are on a holiday visit to the Cape.

Mr. M. A. [illegible], of the Royal Tinsmith Works, is sailing for India next week.

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Mr. K. [illegible], B.A., who was lately senior teacher in biology, geography and art at the Stanger Government Indian Secondary School, has been transferred to Sastri College on promotion.

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The marriage took place recently at Verulam, of [illegible]

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Messrs. L. P. Naidoo, C. S. Naidoo, A. [illegible], V. [illegible], all of the staff of the Clare Estate Government Aided School, and Mr. M. Badal, of Durban North, have returned after a three weeks tour of the Cape and Transvaal.

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HERCULES DEMITRI PILLAY, the three-and-a-half-year-old son of the one-time South African national weightlifting champion, Milo Pillay, of Port Elizabeth, shown lifting a [illegible]lb. weight.

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Mr. [illegible], son of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible], was married to Miss Krishnavathamal (Dayamthee), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. C. [illegible], of [illegible] Riverside Road, Durban North, on Saturday last, at the [illegible] Temple, Umgeni Road, Durban, in the presence of a large and representative gathering.

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Messrs. Jamnadas Bros. and family, of Stanger, returned home after a short holiday spent in Lourenco Marques.

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Mr. Bob [illegible], of Dannhauser, is spending a short holiday in Durban.

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Messrs. Ali Khan, of Durban, Shaik [illegible] (Tongaat), G. H. Shaik (Stanger), Harry Jithoo (Durban) and Freddy [illegible] (Durban) will leave on an extensive tour of the Union by car tomorrow. They expect to be away for about four weeks.

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Mr. D. G. Moodley, principal of the Umkomaas Drift Government Aided Indian School, has been transferred to a similar position at the Naidoo Memorial Government Indian School, Umkomaas.

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Mr. Nathoo V. Morar, of Dundee, was in Durban during the week.

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RAZEEYA [illegible], daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. [illegible], of [illegible] Road, Sydenham, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shaikh Abdul, of [illegible] Street, who celebrated her first birthday on January [illegible], 1948.

Miss Mynawathie, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Khilawan (Moses), of [illegible] Constantine Road, Sydenham, Durban, and niece of Messrs. K. Ramsamooj and H. J. Khilawan, of [illegible] Avenue, Sydenham, Durban, was married to Mr. Soorujpal, the fifth son of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible], of Edendale, Pietermaritzburg, on Sunday, January 4, at the Sydenham Hindu Young Men's Society Hall, [illegible] Essendene Road, Sydenham, Durban, in the presence of a large and representative gathering of relatives and friends.

The wedding was performed by Pundit B. Tulsiram, of Clare Estate, Durban. Mr. M. R. Singh acted as M.C. Among the speakers on the occasion were Messrs. Ganga Bissoon, C.D., of Pietermaritzburg, Pundit B. Tulsiram, K. Garib, B. Udit, principal of the Essendene Road School, O. F. Carby, manager of McNamee Furniture Factory, and D. G. Satyadeva, hon. secretary of the Arya Pratinidhi Sabha (Natal). Numerous presents in kind and cash were received by the married couple. The Misses Gloria and Violetta [illegible] rendered songs on the occasion.

MURGAS PILLAY (Hudson), aged two years nine months, [illegible] son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hudson Pillay, of Maidstone, and the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Pillay, of Maidstone, and Mr. R. Chinsamy Pillay, of Congella.

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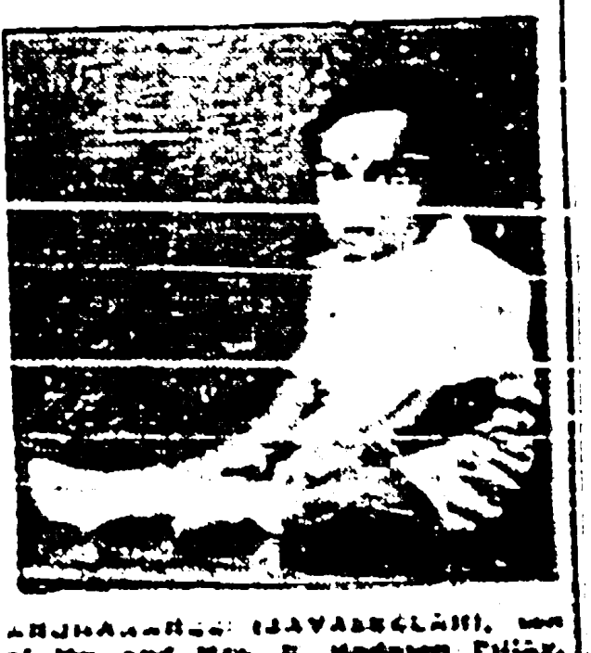
Mr. S. H. Abdool, of Durban, who has been appointed on the staff of the Port Shepstone Government Indian School, leaves for Port Shepstone tomorrow.

Miss [illegible] Ramasreen, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Ramasreen, of [illegible], who was a student at the Indian Girls' High School, Durban, has been appointed to the staff of the [illegible] Indian School.



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Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Maharaj, of Carolina, Transvaal, have returned home after spending their holidays in Durban, Pietermaritzburg, Newcastle, Glencoe and Dundee.

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Miss Kamla R. Maharaj, of Dundee, is holidaying with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Maharaj, of Carolina.

HINDU BRIGADE AT WORK

The Maritzburg and District Hindu United Service Brigade, which has a membership of six hundred, has formed branches in Schroeders, Dalton, Harden Heights, Riverdale and other districts.

At most of these centres vernacular schools, both in Hindi and Tamil, and religious classes have been established.

At a well-attended meeting of Hindus held at Riverdale by the Brigade recently it was resolved that, in view of the lack of schooling facilities in the district, an English school, which would also be used for vernacular purposes, be built.

Accordingly the Brigade made a drive for funds and has met with very encouraging response. It is expected that the building of the school will commence soon.

Many more branches of the Brigade are being formed in various areas. Many destitute families have been assisted with grants, and wherever possible employment has been found for many.

The Brigade has purchased a van for the purpose of travelling.

In memory of the late Mr. N. Ganesh, a well-attended memorial service was held under the auspices of the Brigade recently in Maritzburg. The following speakers paid very eloquent tribute to the late Mr. N. Ganesh: Messrs. R. R. Maharaj, R. S. Vather, A. N. Marie Pillay, Pandit [illegible] and a visitor from Durban, [illegible].

The Brigade is undertaking a lecture tour of different parts of Natal, where it is hoped that many more branches will be opened.

NO TRUTH

Owing to health reasons, Mr. [illegible] has resigned from the executive committee of the Natal Indian Congress, but he is still a member of the Congress. There is no truth in the statement that he has joined the Natal Indian Organisation.

VACATION COURSE SOCIAL

A grand social was held to mark the close of the teachers' vacation course.

Among the distinguished people present were Mr. J. K. Devlin, Chief Inspector of Indian Education, Miss Wyatt Smith, art organiser of the Natal Education Department, Mr. Brahm, physical training organiser, Natal Education Department, Miss [illegible], needlework organiser, Natal Education Department, and others. Mr. R. Pachai welcomed the guests and Mr. A. A. Kochar gave a discourse of Eastern culture and was M.C. for the occasion. The Indian National Orchestra rendered both Eastern and Western music and Miss S. Rose moved a vote of thanks to close a successful occasion.

MR. DONALD CHOONOO, son of the [illegible]

Master [illegible] Manicam, eldest son of Mr. R. Manicam, of Maritzburg, has now returned home after spending the Christmas vacation at Barberton as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian, and at Lourenco Marques and Durban.

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Dr. [illegible], husband of Dr. [illegible] Singh, of Durban, arrived last week from England.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Moodley, of Maritzburg, have now returned home after spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Moodley's brothers, Messrs. S. M. Naidoo, of Merebank.

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Mrs. M. [illegible] Nair and her children, of Merebank, are spending a holiday with Mrs. Nair's father, Mr. M. K. George, of Ballengeich.

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The marriage took place at Johannesburg recently of Mr. [illegible], eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible], of Chaka's Kraal, Natal, to the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Singh, of Vrededorp, Johannesburg, in the midst of a large and representative gathering. The contracting couple were the recipients of many presents and congratulatory messages from all parts of the Union.

The engagement took place of Mr. M. E. Hafejee, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hafejee, the well-known sports official, to the eldest daughter of the late Mr. Ismail Ahmed Vahed, of Majestic Outfitters.

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Mr. A. M. Samuels (Glen), of Ladysmith, has returned home after a motor tour round the Transvaal.

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Mr. M. K. [illegible], of the staff of the Mount Partridge Indian School, has been transferred to the Government Indian School at [illegible].

PRETTY INDIAN WEDDING

From Our Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG, Friday.

THE Boshoff Street Wesleyan Methodist Church was the scene of a pretty Indian wedding on Saturday afternoon, the contracting parties being Mr. Allen Godfrey Choonoo and Miss Ruby Freda Lawrence.

The nuptials were performed by the Reverend F. E. Evans.

The bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming in her gown of silver brocade, and she carried a bouquet of white carnations. The bridesmaids were the Misses Rhona and Gracie Lawrence, sisters of the bride. Mr. F. Emerick was the best man and Mr. S. Nair the groomsman.

The bridegroom is the son of the Rev. H. Choonoo, minister in charge of the Wesleyan Indian Church, Maritzburg, and Mrs. Choonoo; the bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Lawrence and a granddaughter of the late Reverend John Thomas, of Maritzburg.

The reception was held in the church hall, at which over 200 guests were present.

The toast of the bride and bridegroom was proposed by the Rev. F. E. Evans and Mr. G. H. Naidoo. The Rev. H. F. Lawrence, brother of the bride, responded.

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MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE

Mr. J. B. Chetty, of Peter's Lounge, and Dr. N. Padayachee, of Durban, are on a holiday visit to the Cape.

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Mr. M. A. Ballim, of the Royal Tinsmith Works, is sailing for India next week.

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Mr. K. Misra, B.A., who was lately senior teacher in biology, geography and art at the Stanger Government Indian Secondary School, has been transferred to Sastri College on promotion.

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The marriage took place recently at Verulam, of [illegible] Singh, son of Mr. Hardeo Singh, of [illegible] Road, Mayville, Durban, to [illegible], of Temple Valley, Verulam, Natal. Both the bride and bridegroom were the recipients of many presents and congratulatory messages from all parts of the Union.

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Messrs. L. P. Naidoo, C. S. Naidoo, [illegible], all of the staff of the Clare Estate Government Aided School, and Mr. M. Nadal, of Durban North, have returned after a three weeks tour of the Cape and Transvaal.

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HERCULES DIMITRI PILLAY, the three-and-a-half-year-old son of the onetime South African national weightlifting champion, [illegible] Pillay, of Port Elizabeth, shown lifting a [illegible] weight.

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Messrs. Jamnadas Bros. and family, of Stanger, returned home after a short holiday spent in Lourenco Marques.

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Mr. Bob Cassim, of Dannhauser, is spending a short holiday in Durban.

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Messrs. Ali Khan, of Durban, Shaik [illegible] (Tongaat), [illegible] (Stanger), Harry [illegible] (Durban) and Freddy [illegible] (Durban) will leave on an extensive tour of the Union by car tomorrow. They expect to be away for about four weeks.

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Mr. D. G. Moodley, principal of the [illegible] Government Aided Indian School, has been transferred to a similar position at the [illegible] Memorial Government Indian School, [illegible].

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Mr. Nathoo V. [illegible], of Dundee, was in Durban during the week.

RAZEENA BIBI, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. [illegible], of [illegible] Avenue, Sydenham, and grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Abdool, of [illegible] Road, Mayville, who celebrated her first birthday on January [illegible], 1948.

Miss [illegible], eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Khilawan (Moses), of 102 Constantine Road, Sydenham, Durban, and niece of Messrs. [illegible] and H. J. Khilawan, of [illegible] Avenue, Sydenham, Durban, was married to Mr. [illegible], the [illegible] son of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible], of Edendale, Pietermaritzburg, on Sunday, January 4, at the Sydenham Hindu Young Men's Society Hall, [illegible] Road, Sydenham, Durban, in the presence of a large and representative gathering of relatives and friends.

The wedding was performed by Pundit [illegible] Tulsiram, of Clare Estate, Durban. Mr. M. [illegible] Singh acted as M.C. Among the speakers on the occasion were Messrs. [illegible], of Pietermaritzburg, Pundit [illegible] Tulsiram, [illegible], principal of the [illegible] School, [illegible], manager of McNamee Furniture Factory, and D. G. Satyadeva, hon. secretary of the Arya Pratinidhi Sabha (Natal). Numerous presents in kind and cash were received by the married couple. The Misses [illegible] rendered songs on the occasion.

MURGAS PILLAY ([illegible]), aged two years nine months, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Hudson Pillay, of Maidstone, and the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Pillay, of Maidstone, and Mr. R. Chinsamy Pillay, of Congella.

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Mr. [illegible] Abdool, of Durban, who has been appointed on the staff of the Port Shepstone Government Indian School, leaves for Port Shepstone tomorrow.

HINDU BRIGADE AT WORK

The [illegible] United Service Brigade, which has a membership of six hundred, has formed branches in [illegible], Harden Heights, Riverdale and other districts.

At most of these centres vernacular schools, both in Hindi and Tamil, and religious classes have been established.

At a well-attended meeting of Hindus held at Riverdale by the Brigade recently it was resolved that, in view of the lack of schooling facilities in the district, an English school, which would also be used for vernacular purposes, be built.

Accordingly the Brigade made a drive for funds and has met with very encouraging response. It is expected that the building of the school will commence soon.

Many more branches of the Brigade are being formed in various areas. Many destitute families have been assisted with grants and wherever possible employment has been found for many.

The Brigade has purchased a van for the purpose of travelling.

In memory of the late Mr. [illegible], a well-attended memorial service was held under the auspices of the Brigade recently in Maritzburg. [illegible]

The Brigade is undertaking a lecture tour of different parts of Natal, where it is hoped that many more branches will be opened.

NO TRUTH

Owing to health reasons, Mr. [illegible] has resigned from the Executive Committee of the Natal Indian Congress, but he is still a member of the Congress. There is no truth in the statement that he has joined the Natal Indian Organisation.

Miss [illegible] Ramasreen, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Ramasreen (retired), of Rymede, who was a student at the Indian Girls' High School, Durban, has been appointed to the staff of the [illegible] Indian School.

[illegible] (JAYASEELAN), son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Hudson Pillay, of Maidstone, and Mr. R. Chinsamy Pillay, of Congella, who will celebrate his first birthday on Saturday, January 24, 1948.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Maharaj, of [illegible], are holidaying in Durban, Pietermaritzburg, [illegible] and Dundee.

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Miss Kamla R. Maharaj, of Dundee, is holidaying with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Maharaj, of Verulam.

VACATION COURSE SOCIAL

A grand social was held to mark the close of the teachers' vacation course.

Among the distinguished people present were Mr. J. K. Devlin, Chief Inspector of Indian Education, Miss Wyatt [illegible], art organiser of the Natal Education Department, Mr. Brahm, physical training organiser, Natal Education Department, Miss [illegible], needlework organiser, Natal Education Department, and others. Mr. R. Pachai welcomed the guests and Mr. A. A. Kashale gave a discourse of Eastern culture and was M.C. for the occasion. The Indian National Orchestra rendered both Eastern and Western music and Miss [illegible] moved a vote of thanks to close a successful occasion.

MR. DONALD CHOONOO, son of the [illegible] and the late Mrs. A. J. Choonoo, who has completed the requirements of the B.Sc. [illegible] last week. Mr. Choonoo is the first Indian in Natal to obtain the B.Sc. (Hygiene) [illegible] in South Africa. He will be engaged in [illegible] at Fort Hare.

Master Gaanasbee Manicam, eldest son of Mr. K. Manicam, of Maritzburg, has now returned home after spending the Christmas vacation at Barberton as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian, and at Lourenco Marques and Durban.

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Dr. Bronislaw Zeldsmuir, husband of Dr. Annapah Singh, of Durban, arrived last week from England.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Moodley, of Maritzburg, have now returned home after spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Moodley's brothers, Messrs. [illegible] Naidoo, of Merebank.

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Mrs. [illegible] Nair and her children, of Merebank, are spending a holiday with Mrs. Nair's father, Mr. M. K. George, of Ballengeich.

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The marriage took place at Johannesburg recently of Mr. [illegible] Singh, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Singh, of [illegible], Natal, to the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Singh, of [illegible], Johannesburg, in the midst of a large and representative gathering. The contracting couple were the recipients of many presents and congratulatory messages from all parts of the Union.

The engagement took place of Mr. M. E. Haffejee, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. E. [illegible] Haffejee, the well-known sports official, to the eldest daughter of the late Mr. Ismail Ahmed Vahed, of Majestic Outfitters.

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Mr. A. M. [illegible] (Glen), of Ladysmith, has returned home after a motor tour round the Transvaal.

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Mr. M. K. Jettey, of the staff of the Mount Edgecombe Indian School, has been transferred to the Government Indian School at [illegible].

PRETTY INDIAN WEDDING

From Our Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG, Friday.

THE [illegible] Street Wesleyan Methodist Church was the scene of a pretty Indian wedding on Saturday afternoon, the contracting parties being Mr. Allen Godfrey Choonoo and Miss Ruby Freda Lawrence.

The nuptials were performed by the Reverend F. E. Evans.

The bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming in her gown of silver brocade, and she carried a bouquet of white carnations. The bridesmaids were the Misses [illegible] and Grace Lawrence, sisters of the bride. Mr. F. [illegible] was the best man and Mr. [illegible] Nair the groomsman.

The bridegroom is the son of the Rev. [illegible] Choonoo, minister in charge of the Wesleyan Indian Church, Maritzburg, and Mrs. Choonoo; the bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Lawrence and a granddaughter of the late Reverend John Thomas of Maritzburg.

The reception was held in the church hall, at which over 300 guests were present.

The toast of the bride and bridegroom was proposed by the Rev. F. E. Evans and Mr. [illegible] Naidoo. The Rev. H. F. Lawrence, brother of the bride, responded.

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Our Readers Speak

NO FAITH IN N.I.O.

By Geo Ellary (Dannhauser)

Recently there appeared a news item that the N.I.O. was fast growing in Northern Natal and within the course of the next few weeks there would be over ten branches. To the N.I.O. it seems a wonderful effort, but what sort of branches are these? To be quite candid, "faked branches." I call them "faked branches" because I have followed with keen interest as to what sort of meetings the N.I.O. is organising. There is a definite fast-growing discontent as far as the formation of the Natal Indian Organisation is concerned.

Clear expression was given to this discontent when a number of men took the opportunity of firing question after question in regard to the "underdog" and the "puppet" policy of working hand in glove with a Government which has let loose untold misery on the Indian people.

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NO RADIO PAKISTAN

By Goolam H. Karim

RUMOURS are doing the rounds in Johannesburg that Pakistan Radio will be on the air "next week." May I, through your columns, dispel these unfounded and illogical statements. Taking an exceedingly optimistic view, Pakistan Radio will not be heard in the Union for at least another six months. The inauguration of a broadcasting station is not, as some readers may suppose, an easy task. A great deal of preparation has to be put in, programme details have to be meticulously drawn up and talent has to be sought. A serious drawback is the lack of trained and qualified personnel. A clear frequency is difficult to find, and this constitutes a major problem to be faced by the engineers at Karachi.

It is [illegible] writing to the seriously understaffed authorities [illegible] for particulars about Pakistan Radio. At present a skeleton broadcasting service is being maintained, but this is so insignificant that listeners in India cannot tune in to Pakistan Radio. Listeners and the Muslim public should thus patiently await the installation of powerful shortwave transmitters.

Meanwhile readers can tune in to All-India Radio programmes, broadcast from 6.30 to 8.30 a.m., and 2.0 to 3.30 p.m., on various wavelengths. The best wavelength for South Africa is [illegible] metres ([illegible] megacycles). Full details have already been published in "The Leader."

In reply to inquiries, I would like to point out that I cannot advise readers on the purchase of radio sets, but if difficulty is experienced or information is desired on any Indian radio station I shall gladly reply to inquiries, provided a self-stamped and addressed envelope is enclosed with the inquiry.

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INVITATION TO MAYOR

By T. G. Govender

THE Municipality has provided amenities for the privileged Europeans while the Indian residents of [illegible] are denied such facilities. Our grievances are manifold. Sanitary conditions are unhygienic, the drainage system is poor and to aggravate the existing appalling conditions the Corporation, realising that rates are due, has started work on the roads with [illegible].

I would like to see the Mayor and his Councillors walk a few hundred yards on such roads.

Repeated complaints made by the residents of Congella, about the smoke dust from the Congella Power Station, saw the construction of a tall chimney at an exorbitant price in a short time. [illegible] over a quarter of a century. What improvements have been made in that time? Property owner.

Cator Manor Crematorium

The officials and members of the Cato Manor Indian Cemetery Association thank the undermentioned donors for their contributions towards the erection of the Crematorium. They further appeal to the Hindu community for support. The contributions received include up to January 13, 1948.

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NATAL SOCCER PLAYER WEDS

NEARLY a thousand guests crowded into the [illegible] Hall on Sunday morning when the Colonials and Northern Natal soccer forward, [illegible] Naidoo, was married to [illegible].

The hall was gaily decorated with black and gold streamers, the colours of the bridegroom's soccer club, and the music was in the hands of the Kalaivani Orchestra. The nuptials were performed by Mr. V. R. Pandiar.

The bridegroom is the youngest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. R. K. Naidoo, of [illegible], and the bride is the youngest daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. [illegible], of Durban, and is a sister of another well-known soccer player, P. Somalingam. The happy couple were the recipients of numerous congratulatory messages from all parts of the country and gifts in cash and in kind.

Fuel and Power: A Problem for Pakistan

From Noel Buckley, Reuter's Correspondent

KARACHI, PAKISTAN.—Power sources and fuel supplies are No. 1 headache for those whose task it is to solve the problem of the industrialisation of Pakistan. Most discussions on the future of Pakistan start with the question of industrialisation. But, equally, talk of industrialisation always raises the question: where is the necessary power to come from? Pakistan's known coal deposits, for the purposes of industrialisation, are negligible.

PAKISTAN has large rivers. But the largest rise beyond her present borders while within her borders, they flow mainly through flat land. Moreover, they are subject to considerable seasonal variations in [illegible].

The rivers of the Punjab offer far reaching possibilities for hydro-electric development and ambitious plans had been drawn up for their post-war development. But in the division of the province, the great Bhakra project and the Mandi scheme went to the Indian Union—greatly reducing the hydro-electric development potential of Pakistan.

Greatest hopes of Pakistan planners at present appear to be based on the possibility of finding oil, and an intensive search is being made for this both in East and West Pakistan.

Grateful To Britain

Conscious of their need to industrialise as of their need for both power and capital to enable them to industrialise, Pakistanis are [illegible] Rowlands, who has been on loan from the British Government as financial adviser to Quaid-i-Azam Jinnah, Governor-General of Pakistan and, before he left recently for the United Kingdom gave an encouraging review of Pakistan's economic prospects to "Dawn," the leading Muslim daily newspaper here.

Sir Archibald said: "Pakistan is an agricultural country, just as were Canada, Australia, the Argentine and even the United States at one time.

"Pakistan has great natural resources which can be developed in the same way as other western countries have done.

"Pakistan starts its career with four great advantages. First, it has an active and virile people. Secondly, it has a compact and stable political structure which, unlike that of some other countries, is free from disparate tendencies.

"Thirdly, it has plenty of the requirements of life, namely, food, and lastly, it has a favourable balance of trade with the outside world.

"But Pakistan has to industrialise, and industrialise it must if it wants to survive and grow." Sir Archibald recommended that a start be made with industries built round the nation's raw materials—jute, cotton, hides.

Commenting on these recommendations, "Dawn" wrote: "The picture which Sir Archibald has drawn is heartening, the possibilities are immense; but much will have to be done by many before dreams begin to come true.

"Capital is a very shy customer, especially when it has to undertake journeys over long distances; but reasonable attractions can generally woo it from its shyness.

"Given confidence in the stability of Pakistan, the dollar and sterling should seek to outpace each other in the race to this land of [illegible] develop the tendency to welcome one more and the other less.

"And may be, the future 'Jai Hind' Rupee will become a [illegible] competitor, since post-independence madness is over, though the warmth of the welcome it will receive cannot be predicted."

The hopeful outlook of "Dawn" is shared by many economic planners in Pakistan who, though aware of the difficulties before them, face the future with confidence that energy and determination will triumph.

Official Survey

A recent official survey of the industrial potentialities of the province of Sind stated: "Sind is still primarily an agricultural country and as such cannot boast any industrial development. Even in agriculture we are not singularly happy, since, although compared with other Indian provinces we get a better yield of crops per acre, it is nothing compared with other countries who manage to get 3 or 4 times as much as we can.

"In order, therefore, to obtain a more balanced economy to produce more, to raise the standard of living of the masses, to increase their purchasing power and to be self-sufficient and independent in the production of consumers' goods, we must industrialise and that quickly lest the race be lost.

"Unfortunately fuel and [illegible] at the moment, but the signs are that what we lack in coal may be made up for by the presence of oil.

"Even if we are unlucky in this respect, the hydro-electric developments which the Government is considering will compensate the demand for power to some extent.

"Coupled with this, the large oil-fired thermal stations for which oil can and will be imported from the newly developed oilfields in Muscat and Koweit will certainly look after all our power demands."

The economic problems of East Pakistan are almost identical with those of West Pakistan and are being faced as cheerfully.

Power Resources

"Outlining plans for economic development recently, the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Commerce and Industry in the East Bengal Government, Mr. Hamidul Huq Chowdhury, said: "Our most immediate need is the development of our power resources so that we can supply cheap power from thermal and hydro-electric stations not only to the principal industrial centres but also to the villages.

"The most important scheme under examination is the harnessing of the Karnafuly River.

"We are actively pursuing the investigation of our oil and mineral resources.

"It is proposed to issue licences in the Sylhet and Chittagong Districts. The work done so far indicates that there are possibilities of oil in both these areas.

"Possibilities of finding oil in the alluvial tracts of Noakhali, Comilla, Mymensingh and Tippera are also being investigated.

"Similarly, the Government is examining the possibility of finding raw material for cement, [illegible].

"Some coal and iron pyrites have been found in Chittagong. Their economic and commercial potentialities are being examined."

TAMIL SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS

The Sri Kalaivani Tamil School celebrations were held at the [illegible] Sports Ground recently.

There was an impressive parade by [illegible] of the Natal Youth Brigade, led by [illegible]. Besides the appropriate songs and essential dances by the pupils, the [illegible] United Artists were in attendance, conducted by Messrs. [illegible]. At the opening of the function Miss [illegible] sang "Mother India."

Light refreshments were served to the large gathering. Among the speakers were Mr. [illegible] Pillay, the well-known Durban playwright, Mrs. [illegible] Naidoo ([illegible]) and Mrs. [illegible] Moodley ([illegible]).

The best items of the day were "Jai Hind," "Fight of India" and the "Radha Krishna" dances by [illegible] and Devakumi.

The Sri Kalaivani Tamil School was founded on October [illegible], 1947, by Mr. Swamivel Thyagaraja Pillay, who is the organising secretary of the Natal Indian Youth Brigade.

Messrs. [illegible] Bros., Mr. [illegible] Naidoo, of the Distributive Dealers, Messrs. [illegible] Bazaar, Messrs. Samuel and Son and Mr. K. M. David contributed towards the function.

Owing to a shortage of engine drivers, fitters, firemen and other mechanical hands, who were predominantly Muslims and had opted for Pakistan, the Dinapur division of the East Indian Railway has been forced to curtail its passenger and goods services by thirty per cent.

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WELCOME TO DURBAN MUSICIAN

MR. N. MANICAM PILLAY, the well-known Durban musician, who returned recently from India, was accorded a welcome at the [illegible] Hindu Association Hall by the Durban Indian Musical Association and the Natal Karnatic Musical Association.

Mr. [illegible], who presided, gave a brief resume of Mr. Pillay's activities in the musical world. Other speakers who extended a welcome were Mrs. [illegible] Naidoo, Mr. [illegible], Mr. [illegible], of the [illegible] Orchestra, Mr. V. Naicker, of the National Orchestra, and Mr. A. [illegible] Pillay, of the Kalaivani Orchestra.

Mr. Manicam Pillay, who is well known in the Tamil Nad, was welcomed in India by [illegible] and [illegible], two of India's best known poets. During his sojourn in the Mother Country Mr. Pillay got an insight into the cultural activities of the people, which he passed on to his audience. "If you are a Tamilian, be sure you speak, sing and play Tamil music," he said.

The function was brought to a close with a song by Mrs. N. Manicam Pillay, accompanied by Messrs. [illegible] Govender and [illegible] Pillay.

HOUSING BOARD LOANS

Referring to the conditions under which loans are given by the Natal Housing Board, Mr. P. R. Pather told the Provincial Committee meeting of the N.I.O. on Sunday that there was a possibility that one of the conditions would be amended.

At present loans are given for buildings with not more than five rooms. This presents an immediate difficulty, for Indian families are invariably large and need more rooms in a building.

The Housing Board is willing to assist Indians to build their own homes with loans up to £2,500, repayable over a maximum period of 30 years at 3½ per cent. interest.

Poverty and malnutrition in Europe are equalled and surpassed in the Latin American Republics, various speakers declared in New York at a luncheon in honour of the new Pan-American Union Director, [illegible] Dr. Alberto Lleras Camargo.

LESLIE T.I.O.

The Leslie Branch of the Transvaal Indian Congress held a meeting on Saturday last. All the members of the Leslie Indian community were present. The meeting decided to secede from the Transvaal Indian Congress and to seek affiliation with the newly formed Transvaal Indian Organisation.

The officials of the new organisation include all the old officials of the old Transvaal Indian Congress, namely: M. Karodia, president; J. [illegible], secretary; M. K. Kala, vice-president; M. A. Jada, treasurer.

A FAREWELL

The members of the [illegible] Sports and Social Club accorded a farewell reception to Mr. [illegible] Govender, the captain of the football team, in the School Hall, [illegible].

Mr. Govender is leaving the district to take up employment in Durban. Mr. [illegible], who presided over the function, referred to the good work of Mr. Govender, and the interest he has taken during his term of captaincy, a position he has held for the past three years. As a token of appreciation, Mr. Govender was presented with a silver cigarette case.

Among the other speakers were Messrs. [illegible] Naicker (hon. secretary), K. G. [illegible], G. P. Govender, V. V. Reddy and P. M. Moodley.

INDIAN OLYMPICS AT LUCKNOW

From Our Own Correspondent

LUCKNOW.—It has now been finally decided that the forthcoming Indian Olympic Meeting will be held at Lucknow.

It is understood that the U.P. Government have agreed to sanction a good amount for the purpose when the estimate is presented to them. The Government have also agreed to take up the construction of track and equipment as soon as the details are ready.

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TECHNICAL AND COMMERCIAL EDUCATION

Tech. Principal Explains New Scope For Indians

FOR many years there has been a great need for technical training by Indian apprentices and today that need was being met for the Department of Labour, in conjunction with the M. L. Sultan Technical College, had arranged for technical classes for apprentices to commence immediately. This observation was made by Mr. H. Nattrass, O.B.E., principal of the M. L. Sultan Technical College, in the course of an interview.

OUTLINING the new policy of the College, Mr. Nattrass said that students could be trained in part-time classes for all branches of commercial activity as well as for technical employment.

"The needs of those whose education has not been completed are kept well in mind. Classes have been arranged for all grades from the lowest standard to two years beyond matriculation."

In this connection Mr. Nattrass pointed out that in the recent Union Department examinations two candidates of the College had been successful in the Diploma Grade Commerce Examination. This is the highest grade possible in the Government examinations.

In technical education a student can now advance from the Elementary to the Advanced Technical Certificate, then continue and [illegible] a matriculation certificate if desired.

Bilingual Certificate

Facilities are also being provided whereby all students of the College may qualify in the two official languages. Classes leading to the Bilingual Certificate are being inaugurated at every branch of the College. The introduction of Afrikaans into the primary course should prove to be of great value in later years.

The lack of suitable buildings is greatly hampering the activities of the College. A piece of ground on Currie's Fountain has been allotted and plans for a magnificent building embracing comprehensive workshops and including the latest devices of College design have been drawn up and approved. It is hoped that at an early date access to this ground may be made available when work will immediately be put in hand to provide accommodation for full-time day classes.

A Commercial High School will provide up-to-date commercial training for both boys and girls. The cultural side of their education will be carefully advanced while instruction in all branches of commercial activity is being given. This school should prove a most useful stepping-stone to remunerative employment in commercial concerns with a modern outlook.

School of Home Science

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A Day Technical High School with properly equipped workshops will provide an outlet for the [illegible]. Scope for those interested in the furniture and building trades will be the first consideration of the College. As the demand increases such branches as motor servicing, radio-electrician work and similar activities will be included.

The completed scheme of the College will include Arts and Crafts, training of Chefs and Waiters and adequate provision will be made for Physical Education.

Mr. Nattrass expressed great satisfaction regarding the staff available for this great work. Many highly qualified technical experts have already offered their services to the College. The high standard set up in the part-time classes held in the Sastri College Buildings is most gratifying. The outlying centres vie with the larger centre in their efforts to excel. All teachers are fully qualified, the majority being graduates of the N.U.C. or Fort Hare.

Apprehension

The insufficiency of school accommodation for students who have passed Standard Six has given cause for apprehension. The College is making special efforts on their behalf and it is now possible to arrange afternoon classes for those students who wish to take the Standard Seven Commercial Certificate.

Modern educational outlook is slowly broadening from the limited scope of the Junior and Matriculation certificates to the broader vocational scope of the new Commercial and Technical certificates. The cultural side of the courses is maintained throughout at a high standard but extra stress is placed on the bread-and-butter side of the training.

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Batch to Cross Over

THE following comprise the first batch of resisters who will cross into the Transvaal tomorrow without permits, in defiance of the Provincial Barriers:—

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The batch will be led jointly by Mr. R. A. Pillay and Mr. K. Maharaj, chairman of the [illegible] Branch of the Natal Indian Congress, and chairman of the Sydenham Branch of the Natal Indian Congress, respectively.

DESPERATE EFFORT TO GET SCHOOL OPENED

Repeated requests by the [illegible] Indian Education Society for half the cost of the Riverview School building has brought no change in the Department's policy of paying one-third of the cost.

As a result of this, the Society is involved in a debt close on to a thousand pounds.

Since there are over 300 children awaiting admission to school in the district, the Society is making all efforts to have the school open on Tuesday.

A two-year struggle still leaves the Society in debt and now it appeals to well-wishers and individuals to extricate it from the debt.

Far-Reaching Plan Drawn For Pakistan

From Noel Buckley, Reuter's Correspondent

KARACHI.—Beset by troubles within and without, with little but courage to brighten its immediate future, Pakistan recently found time to draw up a far-reaching plan for the education of its future citizens. A convention of thirty-odd educationists and Education Ministers from the Provinces and States of Pakistan who gathered in Karachi for a four-day session with the Dominion Education Minister was Pakistan's first Education Conference; but its significance was greater than that.

IT was an important step towards the realisation of the visionary Pakistan as a new, strong Muslim nation, progressive, yet true to Islamic teaching and drawing inspiration from its Mogul past.

Mr. Fazlur Rahman, Pakistan Education Minister, described the Conference as the "first important landmark in Pakistan's history," while "Dawn," the leading Muslim daily newspaper in Karachi, described the three broad recommendations made by the Conference as "momentous."

The Conference passed a resolution "that the educational system in Pakistan should be inspired by Islamic ideology, emphasising [illegible] characteristics those of universal brotherhood, tolerance and justice, that religious instruction should be compulsory for Muslim students in schools and [illegible] religious instruction should be compulsory for Muslim students in colleges; that the same facilities must be provided for other communities in respect of their own religious [illegible] physical training should be compulsory at school stage with special emphasis on such activities as scouting, military drill, [illegible] mountaineering; and that provision for compulsory military training should be made in universities and colleges."

Scientific Research

Also specifically, the Conference recommended the establishment of a Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, a Council of Technical Education, a Women's Nursing Training Corps, a Council of Islamic Studies, a Pakistan Historical Records and Archives Commission, a Central Advisory Board of Education, a Pakistan Academy and a national library and museum.

They further recommended the establishment of an institute for the teaching of foreign languages and the introduction of a scheme for the exchange of educationalists, teachers, students and literature with other countries.

"Dawn" commented: "It is now the turn for practical implementation of the Conference's recommendations by the Central and Provincial Governments and it is our turn to hope that the process will be as rapid as circumstances and resources permit."

"Not Merely a Religion"

Regarding the Islamic inspiration of the future educational policy, "Dawn" wrote: "Islam is not merely a religion in the sense of other religions, but it is an all-embracing political and social code for the proper regulation of human conduct and human affairs in all their aspects. If those whose task it now is to evolve practical plans and put them into execution can really reorganise our educational system in accordance with Islamic ideology as recommended by the Conference, they will be rendering the greatest possible service not only to Pakistan but to the whole world."

The Conference's recommendation to the Pakistan Constituent Assembly that Urdu be adopted as the "lingua franca" (universal language) of Pakistan may cause some surprise outside India and Pakistan where Urdu—sometimes called Hindustani—has been widely regarded as the "lingua franca" of the whole sub-continent of India.

What the average foreigner arriving in India learned or picked up as Urdu was frequently a few hundred words of basic Urdu, which compromised considerably with the local vernacular.

"Polished Urdu"

What the average Pakistani means by Urdu is the polished, literary, Persian-based language of the old Mogul courts. But even in Pakistan, what [illegible] English or pure French [illegible] in the countries which use these languages.

Nevertheless, there is fairly wide agreement with the claim that the best Urdu is spoken in the United Provinces—now a province of the Indian Union—and particularly in Lucknow and in the present capital of the Indian Union.

To quote "Dawn" again: "In the Punjab they claim to be generally Urdu-speaking and possibly are so, although we have heard our United Provinces friends shrug their shoulders disbelievingly at the mention of the claim.

"In Sind and the North-West Frontier Province, similar claims [illegible] less convincing.

"As far as Eastern Bengal is concerned, most people can understand the language but even the educated classes, with negligible exceptions, do not claim to be Urdu-knowing.

"It would be an excellent idea, therefore, to hold at quarterly intervals or so, a 'national language week,' during which adults occupying important positions in Government and society should attend Urdu classes. For instance, the Education Minister himself may give a lead in Karachi by spectacularly taking to the study of Urdu in formal classes held during such weeks.

"The same example set by the Ministers and Bengali officials in the capital of Eastern Pakistan would go a long way to popularise Urdu and create enthusiasm among the educated classes in Eastern Bengal to learn the language.

"We do not make the suggestion lightly and we hope it will not be lightly dismissed."

SUCCESSFUL YEAR'S WORK

The Clare Estate Area Care Committee of the Friends of the Sick Association held its second annual general meeting on January 11 at the Clare Estate school.

The officials reported a successful year's work. Dr. A. [illegible], the guest speaker, gave an interesting talk on T.B.

The following officials were elected for the ensuing season (all being re-elected): Chairman, Mr. S. P. Singh; hon. secretary, Mr. U. J. Mistry; hon. treasurer, Mr. N. T. Padayachey and hon. record clerk, Mr. J. N. Pandar.

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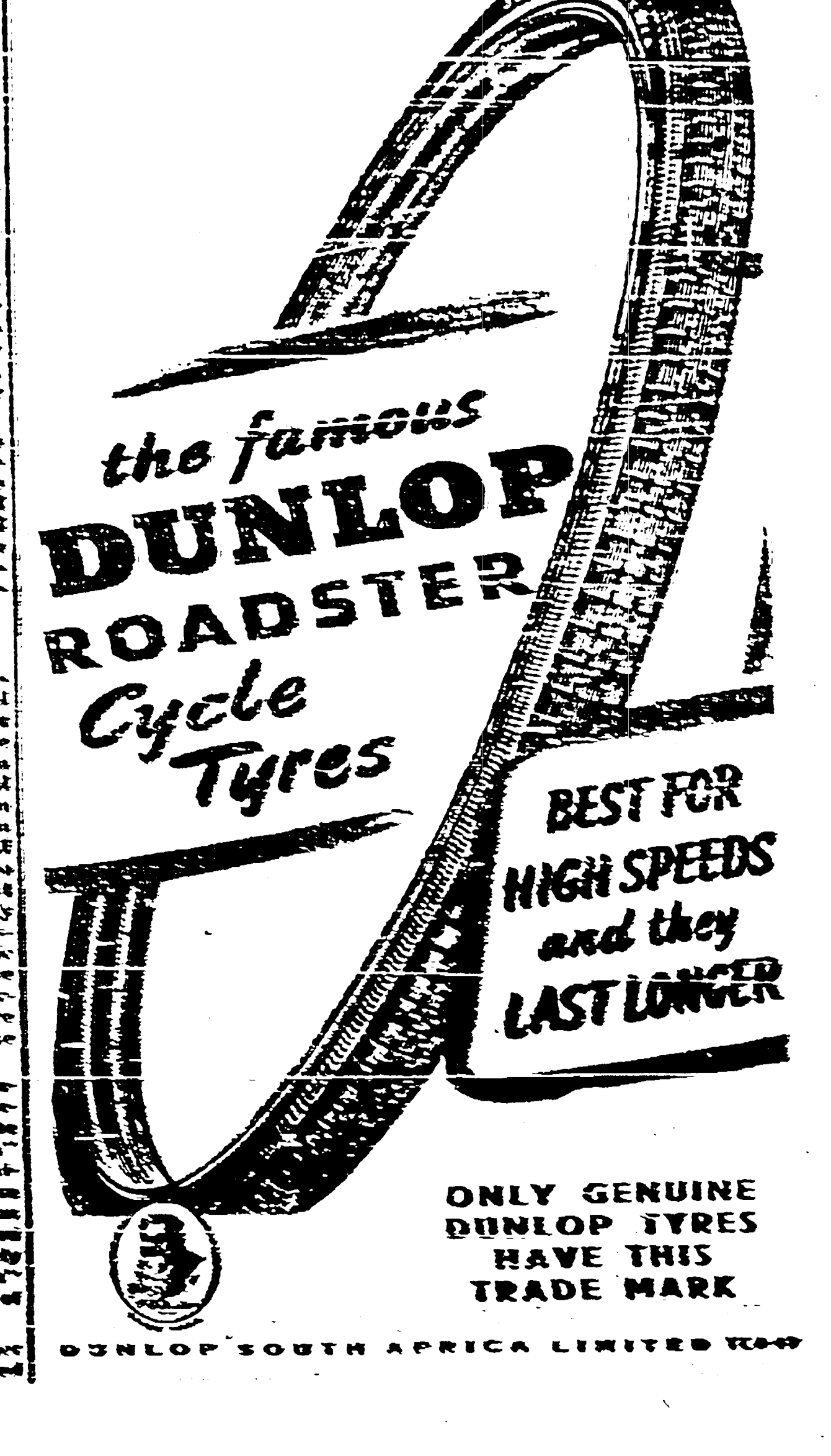

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AGENDA

1. Secretary's Report.
2. Treasurer's Financial Statement.
3. Election of One Trustee.
4. Election of Eleven Committee Members.
5. General.

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The Family of the late Mr. Abdulla Ismail Kajee would like to thank all people for their kind messages of sympathy and condolence in their sad bereavement.

Hundreds of messages have been received from all parts of the world: so many, indeed, that Mrs. Kajee and her Family are sure you will understand if they do not acknowledge all of them individually. They cherish the love and affection conveyed in these messages.

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THANKS

Messrs. Dass Naidoo and Rajoo Naidoo and family, of Sea View, wish to express their sincere thanks to all those who sent messages of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes in their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to the Addington Hospital Nursing Home for services rendered.

Mr. Ramdayal Kalee Singh and family, of 38 Brunton Road, off Marine Drive, Merebank, thank all relatives and friends for their kind messages of sympathy and the beautiful floral tributes sent in their recent sad bereavement.

Mrs. K. Manicham and family desire to thank all friends and relatives for the floral tributes and messages of sympathy sent during their sad bereavement.

APPRECIATION

Mr. and Mrs. R. Khitawon [illegible], of 182 Constantine Road, Sydenham, Durban, thank all friends and relatives who attended their daughter's wedding recently, and for the numerous presents and letters of congratulation received. Special thanks to [illegible] of the Arya Samaj, Sydenham, Durban.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramsamoo [illegible], of Isipingo, wish to thank all friends and relatives for their presence, congratulatory messages and the many gifts received on the occasion of their marriage on the 11th January, 1948, at the Shree Laxmi Narayan Temple Hall, Rossburgh, Durban.

Mrs. S. A. Naidoo, of 122 [illegible] Street, Durban, thanks all relatives and friends for kindly attending the wedding of her son [illegible] (Rama), and also for the many gifts, cards and congratulatory messages sent to the bride and bridegroom.

Mr. and Mrs. K. G. Govender, of 345 [illegible] Street, [illegible], thank all friends and relatives for their numerous gifts in cash and in kind, for their presence and kind messages [illegible] which took place at Clairwood on January 17. Special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Govender, of Umzinto.

The officials and members of the [illegible] Society and the [illegible] Park [illegible] Society beg to thank the public for their kind patronage and help in making the [illegible] show, staged recently at the City Hall, a success. Through this kind help the Societies have benefited to the extent of £[illegible] nett. The major expenses, amounting to £[illegible] in advertising, etc., were paid by the president of the [illegible] Society.

In Memoriam

SOWBAIGUM SOOBEN: In loving memory of our darling mother and wife, who was called to rest on January [illegible], 194[illegible].

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A WAY OUT

THE Indian people are still trying to find a way out of the present impasse [illegible] by the refusal of the Union Government to implement the 1946 resolution of the General Assembly of the United Nations and a negative decision by the same Assembly last year. The Natal Indian Organisation, in an endeavour to find a way out of this stalemate, has arranged a meeting with the Prime Minister in Cape Town during the coming week. The immediate question is: What is the N.I.O. deputation going to ask the Prime Minister to do? It has been said that the leaders of the Organisation will ask the Premier to accept the principle of a Round Table Conference between the Union Government and the Governments of India and Pakistan in an effort to arrive at a solution of the problem. The establishment of such a principle has a number of dangers attached to it and the atmosphere is far too [illegible] for any element of [illegible] on the subject.

In the first place the Prime Minister has made it clear that the prerequisites to any conference with India must be, first, the return of the High Commissioner and, second, the withdrawal of the economic sanctions. India, on the other hand, stands by the 1946 resolution. Neither side will give in and the leaders of the Natal Indian Organisation are now trying to get General Smuts to agree to the principle of a Round Table Conference without prejudice to either Government. It is difficult to see what can be done. Assuming for the purposes of argument that the Prime Minister does agree to the principle and the question of the agenda is left to the members of the two Governments who will meet in Conference. There is no guarantee that the Conference will not break up on the question of the agenda without any work being done.

At the moment, with Dr. Malan trying to make the Indian question an election issue, the Prime Minister's hands are full. In Parliament he has no alternative but to declare that he stands by the Asiatic Act. After making such a public declaration he cannot be expected to tell any Indian deputation that he will discuss the matter with the Government of India. Under the circumstances, it would seem that the journey to Cape Town will be in vain and the stalemate no nearer dissolution than it is today. There is, however, one practical suggestion which the deputation could make to the Prime Minister. They could suggest to him that an Indian commission should come out to South Africa and conduct an inquiry on the spot into the condition of Indians. The Prime Minister has repeatedly asserted that the Indians are Union Nationals, the implication being that they enjoy all the privileges of Union citizens, and that they are well treated. This Commission could carry out preliminary survey work and it should be empowered to make a report to the Indian Government and to the Union Government on the subject of the Indian people in this country. The Union Government should be invited to appoint a representative on this Commission to watch the interests of the Union. Justice Broome, who has already handled the Indian question through three Commissions, would make an admirable choice for such a Commission. The Commission could investigate the position of the Indian people and the claims of the European [illegible] and make its report. This would give the Indian [illegible] the advantage of keeping the Indian question alive in the international theatre—our only safeguard—and at the same time allow the Prime Minister the time he urgently needs until the elections are over because until then he cannot be bothered with an Indian minority which has no vote and which can have no effect on the elections. Whatever might be our principles it is important that we square up to facts although it is not always pleasant to do so. The other alternative for the N.I.O. would be to consider whether it would not be better that they leave the issue alone for a while until such time as the Prime Minister can talk to them without the onus of fighting Malan in Parliament and preparing for the elections at the same time.

MANISHI DEY

An artist with imaginative delicacy, fine handling of colour and intimately domesticated human sympathies

WITH a rich store of experience and wide human sympathies, Manishi Dey is that exceptional being—the shy artist—and is afraid of publicity more than anything else. He can only be induced to talk about himself and his art at rare moments when in an intimate mood.

BORN in 1907 in East Bengal, he belongs to a family of artists and writers. He studied art at Santiniketan and later under Dr. Abanindranath Tagore at the Indian Society of Oriental Art. The first exhibition of his paintings was held in 1925, when his "Spring Dance" was widely appreciated. At the recent International Art Exhibition held in New Delhi his "Brown Study" won a special prize, and two of his paintings, "Toilet" and "Entanglement," have been selected for the Paris International Exhibition.

DEY is diffident to talk about art and artists, but believes that the artist's job is to turn out honest work and leave the highbrow talk to be done by the critics who, he asserts, are quite superfluous. He feels that those artists who want a middleman to negotiate between themselves and the public are usually deficient workers and not above the charge of lacking in courage. He concedes, however, that the critic could be a useful person but that present-day conditions are such that he either bullied the public or was used as a tool by [illegible] persons.

ON the question of style, Dey feels that if an artist finds out what he wants to say he would know how to say it. In other words, that style is the function of thought. He believes that because this is not understood there is so much erroneous thinking about classicism. Those who rejected Ajanta, for example, are wrong, as Ajanta had everything that was desired: anatomy handled with a superb decorative sense; a sensuous appreciation of form and colour and, above all, the whole phenomenal movement of man's storylike infant at the mother's breast, the child at play, the youth at his pleasures, then the sickening of the senses and the turning away from the sheltered domestic hearth, the torments of the soul and the final tranquil enlightenment and the return to the fold of men.

BUT at the same time he says Ajanta is not to be imitated. Ajanta was an efflorescence from an organic context. Monk-artists, saturated with the religious spirit, gave it to the world as their supreme devotional offering. It is futile to imitate the essentials of this art without experiencing a like communion of spirit. Among the finest canvases Manishi Dey has produced are his "Union" and "Threshold of Motherhood." They exemplify his imaginative delicacy, his fine handling of colour and form and his intimately domesticated human sympathies.

BOTH are oil paintings on handmade paper in blue and reddish-brown. There is a haunting familiarity about the maiden on the threshold of motherhood. We have seen her somewhere before—in the Buddhist paintings as the mother of the Lord awaiting the [illegible] miracle of his coming, in the "Annunciation" of Rossetti, an equally haunting conception of wistful maidenhood meditating on the miracle of life that is to spring from itself. Entirely original, this painting treats the perennial miracle of renewing life with reverence and delicacy. The composition and balance of form in "Union" has that simplicity which only a perfect artistic intuition can realise as entirely adequate.

DEY'S "Daughters of the Soil" is still a greater work. In its documentary sympathy it compares with the best of Millet. What is perhaps most striking about the picture is the sense of the succession of time communicated by the composition. The figure that attracts attention first is that of the woman looking out of the picture with the quiet courage with which she faces life and its problems. Immediately behind her is the girl, sheltered, and looking forward to the sun of her life. In the background is an old woman, pure and serene in the evening of her life, her gaze turned away from the pageantry of the world.

Pre-Historic City Unearthed

SIGNS of the remains of what is believed to have been a prehistoric city have been discovered on the banks of the Godavari, in the Warangal District of the Nizam's Dominions.

Near Janampet, a few miles from the right bank of the Godavari about 200 miles east from Hyderabad City, surrounded by thick forests, is Pulochetti [illegible] gudda, a low hill honeycombed with cromlechs roughly numbering about one thousand. One of these cromlechs was opened in 19[illegible] by one Mr. Wakefield.

The cromlechs were once used as family vaults, says Khwaja Muhammad Ahmed, the Director of Archaeology, Nizam's Government, who conducted excavations at two points on the hill from which the tank "Pulochetti Cheru" is visible, and has a ring of stones around it measuring 35 feet in diameter.

The first cromlech is situated nearly in the centre of the ring. The upper slab measuring 10 feet north to south and six feet east-west with a thickness of about 12 inches.

In the second cromlech an iron spear about three feet in length was found and at another place a knife and a hoe were found, which denote that the people of that age were "good metal-[illegible]."

"In opening the tombs," says Mr. Ahmed, "the historian is keenly interested in taking out the bones in as complete a form as possible. But it will be in vain to search for bones in these tombs. Evidently, no attempt was made to preserve the body. Even the sarcophagi are invariably without lids. The occasional opening of the chamber for entering fresh bodies must have been detrimental to the preservation of bones. Besides, the crevices between the slabs gave free admission to destructive animals who sometimes used these chambers as dwellings.

"The great expanse of the cemeteries suggests that a part of the people to whom these graves belong must have flourished somewhere in the vicinity."

"The art of [illegible] seems to have made considerable advance during those days. These cemeteries are signs of a high civilisation and culture in this part of the country, which is thinly populated and extremely backward in our modern civilisation. Descendants of the primitive people, still to be found in great number in these parts, are locally known as [illegible]."

"Shame," "Disgrace" "Disband" – All at N.I.O. Meeting

THERE were cries of "shame," "disgrace" and "disband" at the meeting of the Provincial Committee of the Natal Indian Organisation on Sunday when Mr. P. R. Pather submitted names for addition to the Executive Committee of the Organisation. The procedure was questioned and the fury of a bloc of members, led by Messrs. E. I. Haffejee, Mohamed Paruk, Essop Randaree and F. Bux, only subsided when Mr. Pather withdrew his resolution after a debate lasting an hour.

Mr. Pather pointed out that new blood had been roped into the N.I.O., and it was essential that the services of many new members should be utilised on the Executive Committee. With that in view he proposed the following names as additions to the Executive: V. J. Thacker, S. M. Parekh, A. M. Moolla, M. A. H. Moosa and Essop Randaree, and no sooner had a member from the floor added a few more names than the storm broke. Was the procedure constitutional? Was Mr. Pather motivated by personal considerations? What was in the bag? were questions, innuendoes and allegations contained in the sixty-minute debate that followed. The storm only subsided when Mr. Pather withdrew his resolution.

IN the course of the debate, Mr. Pather pointed out that he was resorting to a procedure that was not exactly constitutional but he was obliged to take the step in the interest of the organisation. He realised, he said, that such a large executive committee (21 members) would be cumbersome but it could not be avoided in the formative stages of the N.I.O., which was still in the process of being organised. This explanation did not satisfy the Haffejee-Bux-Paruk-Randaree Group, which demanded a ruling from the chairman, Mr. A. S. Kajee, as to whether it was constitutional or not. Mr. Kajee [illegible] giving a ruling [illegible] pleased that the House should [illegible] Mr. Pather's plea.

Immediately the names were proposed, Mr. Mohamed Paruk, querying the procedure, said that the N.I.O. should be more careful in its proceedings, otherwise it would open itself to criticism from the people.

Explaining, Mr. Pather said that it was necessary to harness the services of those who had come forward.

Cast No Remarks

Mr. A. S. Kajee said that no remarks should be cast on Mr. Pather's attitude.

"We should enrol and harness as many members as possible until our branches are formed throughout the Union," declared Mr. Pather.

Mr. F. A. Bux, of Stanger, who objected to such proceedings, said that nominations of the executive should be the function of the House and not of an individual.

Replying to Mr. Bux, Mr. Pather said that the secretary had the right to proceed in the manner he had done, and no one could take away that prerogative.

Mr. Bux pointed out that as the matter of the appointment of additional members to the executive committee was not on the agenda it could not be proceeded with.

Mr. Kajee, replying, said that the item "Vacancies on the committee" was an unfortunate error on the part of the secretary. It should have read "Additions to the executive." With this correction on the agenda the matter would be in order.

When Mr. Pather suggested fifteen members, apart from the officials, to form a provincial executive, Mr. E. I. Haffejee interrupted to say that fifteen was too big a number to get together. "We want a small executive to [illegible] work. I cannot see.

[illegible] Constitutional

"[illegible] fifteen in addition [illegible] I am [illegible] that we are not being constitutional," said Mr. Bux, of Stanger.

Mr. P. R. Pather pointed out that his "unconstitutional" situation would only obtain until the conference was held.

Mr. S. R. Naidoo suggested an executive of eleven, plus the officials.

Interrupting, Mr. E. I. Haffejee said, "let us be constitutional."

Mr. Pather: "Once we are well established then we can adhere to the constitution."

Mr. Haffejee: "What about the quorum?"

Mr. Pather: "Nine."

Personal Friends

"Is it possible to get them all together? I wonder. The smaller the number the better. With due respects to Mr. Pather, I would like to know whether Mr. Pather wishes to bring in his personal friends," Mr. Haffejee replied.

"A big number will be unwieldy. We want to organise the movement," interrupted Mr. W. S. Seethal.

Undue Honours

Continuing, Mr. E. I. Haffejee said: "If Mr. Pather's resolution is correct, then we are not constitutional. There are members who are seeking undue honours. I am surprised that our seniors are suggesting such methods.

"We should be diplomatic if we want to strengthen our organisation," Mr. A. S. Kajee interjected.

"Although we are not keeping to our constitution, personally, I think, there will be no difficulty if we have a provisional executive of twenty-one members, said Mr. J. W. Godfrey.

Mr. Pather then, in the midst of applause, withdrew his motion, after both Mr. Cassim Anglia and Mr. Aboo Moosa had made a vain attempt to get the House to allow the motion to go through.

The N.I.O., Mr. Anglia said, had not yet been become stabilised and an occasional "unconstitutional" procedure was to its advantage.

"It is not fair to insult our important people and I appeal to the House to compromise. Are we not "moderates" whose policy is "compromise?"

Mr. Aboo Moosa said that he was disappointed at the proceedings. "This will not enhance the prestige of the N.I.O. By wasting time we are undoing some of the good work already done.

"The passing away of Mr. A. I. Kajee has made our responsibility even greater," he added.

There is nothing behind all this. Our aim in the N.I.O. We want you all to guide us in our affairs, said Mr. A. S. Kajee.

We may be treading on dangerous grounds if we alter the constitution whenever it suits us, continued Mr. Bux.

"THE WORLD IS LISTENING"

GEN. SMUTS

IT was not only the people of South Africa who were listening to this debate, but the whole world, said the Prime Minister, General Smuts, when speaking to the motion of Dr. Malan, Leader of the Opposition, who had asked for the repeal of Chapter II of the Asiatic Land Tenure and Indian Representation Act. What would world opinion be that such a question should become a political football and what would be its concept of the Leader of the Opposition, questioned General Smuts.

Dr. Malan said the Act had come before Parliament two years ago without anyone having asked for it. If it had been intended as a solution of the Indian question, it had failed completely. It had had no effect whatever on the attitude of the Indian community towards the Government or the measure of segregation contained in the Act to prevent penetration into European areas.

On the contrary, the Indians, after the passing of the Act, had gone overseas and made charges against South Africa which had resulted in a boycott against the Union. They had gone further and complained to UNO and had obtained a conviction against South Africa, as a result of which South Africa today stood convicted in the eyes of the world, not only in regard to the Indian question, but in regard to the colour question as a whole.

The Indians had now announced their intention within the next four days to cross the Natal frontier into the northern provinces in contravention of the law. What did the Government propose to do about it?

The Act had been introduced into Parliament purely as a compromise to give the appearance of political unity within the United Party in total disregard of the true interest of the country. The Act also affected deeply the general colour policy of the country. It had been described by the Prime Minister and by the Deputy Prime Minister as the first step in a certain direction—as the beginning of the process of restoring to the Indians all the political rights which they had previously enjoyed.

The next step was to have been the restoration to the Indians of the municipal franchise, a proposal which had been received by [illegible] votes to one by the Durban City Council, the "most loyal city of the most loyal province." This showed clearly that what was con-

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Gandhi and Communal Harmony

TERMS TO END FAST

NEW DELHI: Mahatma Gandhi broke his fast on Sunday last—the sixth day—at 12.25 p.m. (Indian standard time). He took this decision after members of the Government, led by the Prime Minister of India, Pandit Nehru, and the heads of all parties, communities and organisations, had signed a pledge undertaking to implement seven conditions prescribed by him on the previous day.

THE seven conditions were:—

(1) That the annual fair at the Khawaja Bakhtyar Moslem Shrine, due in nine days' time, should take place and the Hindus of that area should assure the Moslems that it is safe for them to take part freely.

(2) That the 117 Delhi Mosques, converted into temples or homes after the September disturbances (when big movements of the population due to the partition were going on) be restored as Mosques by non-Moslems, without Government pressure.

(3) That Moslems should be able to move about freely in the areas of Old Delhi worst affected during the last disturbances.

(4) That non-Moslems in Delhi should not object to the return to Delhi of Moslems from Pakistan.

(5) That Moslems should be able to travel by train without danger to their lives and property.

(6) That there should be no economic boycott of Moslems.

(7) That the accommodation of Hindus in Moslem areas should be left entirely to Moslems.

Fifteenth Occasion

Mr. Gandhi began his fast at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, January 13, to achieve unity between Hindus and Moslems. It was the fifteenth occasion he had fasted to achieve either a political or moral object.

Mr. Gandhi broke his fast 20 minutes after his decision to do so by sipping orange juice from a small glass offered by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Indian Minister of Education.

Mr. Gandhi told his prayer meeting on Saturday night: "I am virtually on my deathbed."

Speaking into the microphone in a scarcely audible voice he added: "What I am doing today is not out of pride, but in duty in all humility and for self-purification. My life is in God's hands. Whatever you do, do it faithfully. You must not do it merely to make me break my fast."

Maulana Azad told a meeting in New Delhi on Saturday night that Dr. B. C. Roy, one of the four doctors attending Mr. Gandhi, had declared that the Mahatma was on the verge of a crisis and serious consequences might follow after another 24 hours.

Mr. Gandhi, at his first prayer meeting after breaking his 121-hour fast for Hindu-Moslem unity, told his congregation that he could not disbelieve the pledge that, come what may, there would be complete friendship between Hindus, Moslems, Sikhs, Christians, Parsees and Jews.

"To break that friendship would be to break the pledge," he said.

"If there is darkness in the Indian Union it would be folly to expect light in Pakistan. But if the night in the Union is dispelled beyond a shadow of doubt it cannot be otherwise in Pakistan, and there are signs wanting in that direction."

To Live to 125

"If the solemn pledge made today is fulfilled, I assure you it will revive with redoubled force my intense wish and prayer before God that I be enabled to live my full span of life, doing the service of humanity till the last moment. That span, according to learned opinion, is at least 125 years—some say 133."

The Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, who stood by when Mr. Gandhi broke his fast, was obviously overcome with emotion. He has himself started a 24-hour fast as a symbol of dedication to the spirit of the people.

Dr. [illegible], the Pakistan High Commissioner, was also at Mr. Gandhi's bedside. He had given an assurance on behalf of Pakistan that his Government would do whatever it could to bring about a peaceful state of affairs and communal amity.

More than 100 people crowded into Mr. Gandhi's room at Birla House, when, looking extremely cheerful, he whispered his decision to break his fast.

Prayers were said, including verses from Hindu scriptures and the Koran and the hymn, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross." Fruits were distributed among all those present at Mr. Gandhi's express wish.

Sikhs and refugees had crowded into the room pledging themselves to banish bitterness from their hearts.

Responsibility Ours

Dr. Rajendra Prasad, president of the Constituent Assembly, said: "Mr. Gandhi has broken his fast simply trusting to our words. The responsibility hereafter is ours and we must live up to it."

The Gandhi fast, in the opinion of well-informed Indian observers, is regarded as having awakened the central Provincial States and local authorities to a realisation of the national emergency.

A fast by Mr. Gandhi is regarded as a most potent weapon and influence for good.

In the last few days there has been a wide response throughout India in the form of pledges and promises by Princes and politicians, Hindus, Sikhs and Moslems, believers and non-believers to promote communal amity.

A peace committee, representing all communities, which met under the chairmanship of Dr. Prasad, will meet daily and report to Mr. Gandhi on its efforts to ensure communal peace and harmony.

Veiled Moslem Women

A medical bulletin said: "We are relieved that Mr. Gandhi has broken his fast. Although the fast is over, he is far from well. We appeal to all not to disturb his convalescence."

Hundreds of Hindus, Sikhs and Moslems waited for more than an hour in the rain tonight to hear Mr. Gandhi's faltering voice as he spoke into the bedside microphone. Fifty veiled Moslem women thanked him for his sacrifice for the minorities.

The red hammer and sickle flags of the Communist Party were conspicuous among the crowd outside Birla House.—Sapa-Reuter.

BOMB BURSTS NEAR GANDHI

NEW DELHI, Tuesday.

A CRUDE bomb exploded 1[illegible] yards from Mr. Gandhi when he was addressing his prayer meeting tonight. No one was injured, and Mr. Gandhi continued his speech, reports Sapa-Reuter. The police arrested a well-dressed young man who was reported to have another crude bomb. Three other men, who are believed to have come with him, drove away in a jeep as the explosion occurred.

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Police Deny Allegations

THE District Commandant of Police has denied that the anti-Indian stories run by the European Press originated from him or that the allegations of the Indians' criminal proclivities represent the viewpoint of the police. This information was given to "The Leader" by Mr. A. I. Meer, general secretary of the Natal Indian Congress, who interviewed the District Commandant in connection with the allegations, made in a Durban newspaper, that Indian "fences" organised native crime and that unemployed Indians ran a lucrative bootlegging trade with the Natives. The Commandant said that this did not reflect the viewpoint of the police, nor was the information contained in them supplied by the police.

Commenting on the anti-Indian stories appearing regularly in the European Press, Mr. Meer said that it was obvious that a systematic campaign was being conducted to incite European public opinion against the Indian community.

"Some of these papers in their reports, he proceeded, go so far as to point out that their source of information is the police.

"We would like an explanation from the Department of Justice," he went on, "whether they are acting in league with the Press in an attempt to incite mob violence against the Indian community."

Screaming Headlines

Screaming headlines as "Indian 'Fences' Organise Native Crime," to mention one, have appeared recently in more than one European paper in Durban, making allegations that Indians, as such, are guilty of the crimes mentioned, declared Mr. Meer.

"[illegible] would like to know if this is the opinion of the Department of Justice?"

Continuing, Mr. Meer said: "When the criminal concerned in any particular crime happens to be a European, no mention is ever made about the race of the individual concerned. We never see in the local Press such headlines as "Englishman Charged for Theft" or "Afrikaner Commits Murder," but when the criminal concerned happens to be an Indian particular emphasis is placed on the race of the individual, both in the presentation of news and the headlines.

Police Denial

In an interview with the District Commandant of Police in Durban last week, in connection with such reports and with particular reference to reports in the "Sunday Post" of January 11, 1948, concerning the allegations of receiving stolen goods by Indians and illicit liquor trading by unemployed Indians, he had pointed out to the District Commandant of Police that the Indian community took a very serious view of reports of this nature, which have appeared in the local Press from time to time.

Answering the question whether the Press reports reflected the police point of view or whether the information contained in such reports had been supplied by the police, the District Commandant of Police said that the reports did not reflect the police point of view nor the information contained in them had been supplied by him.

The obvious inference that one can draw from the explanation of the District Commandant of Police, went on Mr. Meer, is that if there is any collusion between the Press and the authorities, then it must be with someone higher up.

Violent Campaign

Proceeding, Mr. Meer said: "It must be remembered that after the return of General Smuts from the UN session of 1946, a violent campaign was set in motion for the economic boycott of [illegible] in South Africa in an attempt to compel their meek submission to the oppressive 'Ghetto Act' and other discriminatory laws.

"This campaign, accompanied by race hatred and even violence, resulted in a loss of thousands of pounds to the Indian community.

"The campaign, which was openly sponsored by Government party supporters, had many illegal aspects that was allowed to grow without let or hindrance in spite of numerous complaints to the authorities."

Instead of condemning this campaign of race hatred and violence, the Prime Minister stated in Parliament that the movement was a natural result of the Indian complaints to UN and the trade embargo imposed on the Government by India.

"Whatever the reasons for these reports we would like an explanation as to when does the Riotous Assemblies Act, the purpose of which is to prevent the incitement of race hatred, come into force."

Message of the Stars

By "SWAMI"

THE Wheel of Fortune from January 24 to 30 for people born under the twelve signs of the Zodiac are as follows:

ARIES (March 21-April 20). Good, 24; Bad, 25, 28.

TAURUS (April 21-May 22). Good, 24; Bad, 25, 26, 28, 29.

GEMINI (May 23-June 21). Good, 25; Bad, 24, 27, 30.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Good, 30; Bad, 24, 26, 27, 29.

LEO (July 23-August 22). Good, 30; Bad, 24, 26, 29.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22). Good, 26; Bad 24, 25, 27, 30.

LIBRA (September 23-October 23). Good, 24; Bad, 25, 26, 29, 30.

SCORPIO (October 24-November 21). Good, 24, 25, 30; Bad, 28.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 22). Good 24, 28, 30; Bad, 26, 29.

CAPRICORN (December 23-January 20). Good, 24, 25, 29, 30; Bad, 27.

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19). Good, 25, 28, 27; Bad, 29.

PISCES (February 20-March 20). Good, 27; Bad, 24, 29.

The good days for business enterprises are January 24; for remedial treatments 24, 25; for love and pleasure, 24.

Guard against quarrels and dissension on the 28th.

Changeable weather with rainfall and thunder indicated about 24 to 26, and 29 to 31.

The lucky numbers and colours to apply on the Turf on January 24 are 2, 5, 7, 11, 12, 14, 16.

Colours: Violet, white.

TAX ON TEA EXPORT UP

NEW DELHI. — The Government of India has announced the raising by 6d. per 100lb. of the tax on tea exported from India and Pakistan.

An announcement in the India Gazette said one rupee six annas (2s.) per 100lb. would be levied on tea produced in India or Pakistan and exported. This compulsory tax on tea exports had stood at one Rupee since April, 1946.

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TEACHERS' FEDERAL COUNCIL

AN IMPORTANT STEP TAKEN

THE Federal Council of Non-European Teachers' Associations is well on the way towards establishment as a nation-wide organisation, Mr. M. K. Sham, its provisional secretary, said in the course of an interview. Mr. Sham, who attended a meeting of the Council at Kimberley, added: "An important step was taken at this meeting when suggestions for the affiliation of the African Teachers' Federation were received and discussed. The matter will be finalised in July in Durban."

MR. SHAM said: "The meeting at Kimberley occupied itself chiefly with the working out of a formula for the affiliation of African Teachers' Associations to the Council. The African teachers already have a federation to which their four Provincial Associations are affiliated. They could not, naturally, affiliate with us directly as Provincial Associations without affecting their loyalty to their own federation. On the other hand, for only their federation to be represented on our Council would have been inadequate for our purposes.

MR. M. K. SHAM, secretary of the Teachers' Federation.

"Two suggestions have been offered by the Kimberley meeting to overcome this difficulty. The first one is that [illegible] the second one, that the African Federation be given representation on the Council on the basis of its Provincial Associations. This would mean that the African Federation would be entitled to eight representatives on the Council, two for each of the Provincial Associations affiliated to it.

"These suggestions will be considered by the organisations concerned and the final step in the establishment of the Council will be taken at Durban in July next. I might say that the second of the two suggestions I have mentioned found general favour among representatives at the meeting, and I am satisfied that it will be acceptable to the African Associations and their Federation.

MR. SULEMAN KHAN, secretary of the Indian Teachers' Society, who represented the society at the Kimberley meeting of the Federation.

A notable thing about the views expressed at the meeting was the complete unanimity about the need for a Non-European Teachers' Federal Council. Two new organisations represented at the meeting were the Federation of African Teachers' Associations and the Transvaal African Teachers' Association. The latter organisation was very enthusiastic, and there is the possibility of the O.F.S. Coloured Teachers' Association also being represented at the meeting at Durban in July.

"The formation of the Council will give Non-European educational aspirations in this country one voice, transcending racial and Provincial barriers. One of the immediate jobs this Council will undertake will be the education of attitudes among teachers themselves and of the communities they represent and serve so as to inculcate a single view of our educational aims. It is our object to assert and strive for the common citizenship of all race groups in this country."

The following organisations were represented at the Kimberley meeting: O.F.S. African Teachers' Association, Messrs. L. K. Ntlabati, M. Kgware; Teachers' League of South Africa, Messrs. A. Fataar, E. Maurice; Natal Indian Teachers' Society, Messrs. M. K. Sham, S. Khan; Federation of African Teachers' Associations, Mr. M. Mbata; Transvaal African Teachers' Association, Mr. E. Lekgetha.

Karachi: The total number of refugees registered at employment exchanges in Western Pakistan up to December 12, 1947, was [illegible], out of which [illegible] were placed in employment.

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JUNIOR LEADER

MY dear Children,

I am afraid that most of my Juniors have lost faith in their Chachajan judging by the number of letters I have had wanting to know what happened to their special Corner. Chachajan, unfortunately, has been the victim of circumstances, but now all the difficulties have been smoothed over and I can assure you that your Corner will be a regular feature. My sincerest apologies to all my readers and although it does appear a bit late my best wishes for a new year that will realise all your dreams.

Dear Children, I must assure you that as much as you have missed me I have missed you all a great deal by not keeping in touch with you through the medium of this column. I hope you can imagine the number of letters I have received from old and new members wanting to know just what has happened to our Column. I have been able to reply to some letters personally.

By the way, I must thank all those who have sent in greeting cards to me. Of the many beautiful cards received, I treasure one which was painted in water colours, sent in to me by M. [illegible], of the Depot Road School. So much for that.

EXAMINATION RESULTS

SEEING that the results in the Standard VI Certificate Examination are now out, I wonder how our Club members fared. To those who have been successful my heartiest congratulations. To those who have been less fortunate I shall say do not get the [illegible] but try and try again. They say failure is the stepping stone to success. So keep this in mind. I have received a few letters already from those who have passed and from those who have failed setting out their difficulties, etc., and seeking advice. I have replied personally.

HOLIDAYS

THE last competition I told you about was on the holidays—though I have already received some letters in this connection, I think I shall have to hold on till the end of January when I expect more to come in by then.

PEN FRIENDS CORNER

THIS corner seems to be rapidly growing and has no doubt created a great deal of enthusiasm. My only wish, as I have stated at the outset, is that you all will develop healthy friendship by which you will benefit, and which will, no doubt, last into life. Here are some new members. I have many more which I hope to publish soon.

D. G. Ragven, 14, c/o Government-Aided Indian School, Isipingo, Natal, who is interested in story books, art, history, hygiene, geography, sports, and "any other interesting subjects," would like a pen friend with similar interests in India.

S. Mahadew Johnnie, 13 Prospect Farm, Private Bag, P.O. Stanger, Natal, whose interests are in stamps and pictures, would like a pen friend from any part of the world.

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Miss Celenia Rogers (16), of 97 Woodford Grove, Durban, who is fond of netball and cookery is also interested in reading classical comics and story books, would like a pen friend from any part of South Africa and America.

O. Achary (12), of 365 Umgeni Road, Durban, whose interests are in stamp collecting and story books, would like somebody to write to him with similar interests.

Harricund Chunderdeen (11), of St. Xavier's School, Oakford, Verulam, Natal, whose interests are in stamp collecting would like somebody to write to him with similar interests.

Bobby Abrahams, Jr. (17), of 134 Umgeni Rd., Durban. Bobby, who is interested in the cinema, comics, and in fact any subject of interest, would like pen friends of either sex to correspond with him from any part of the world, particularly America.

Miss S. Omar, P.O. [illegible], Natal, is interested in the movies, reading and Indian dances and music, and would like pen friends with similar interests. The addresses of Messrs. David Reginald McHarry and Ralph A. Yerrakadu are: 178, Lemmon, West Coast Demerara, British Guiana, South America, for your information.

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WRITE REGULARLY

I do not know whether some of you forgot, but please write regularly to me telling me what you want, and what you would like to read, in fact, about anything, in this your own column. I suppose some of you are under the impression that if you have written once, you are not privileged to write again. You may write as many times as you desire. [illegible]

While on this subject I must draw your attention to the fact that I have received many forms duly completed, but with no covering letters as to what they are interested in.

How am I to guess this? Besides some of you have really annoyed me, especially the older ones, by sending in forms in a dirty condition; folded at all angles; torn out instead of being neatly cut out; and some of which are not legible. You must bear in mind that it is the little things in life that matter. If you do not learn to be neat and tidy and to take care in whatever you do, then it will become an integral part of your life to be untidy, careless and lazy.

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LAUGHTER CORNER

THE following story was passed on to me by someone who celebrated the festive season very well.

"I had 12 bottles of whisky in my cellar and my wife made me empty the contents of each bottle down the sink, so I proceeded to do as my wife desired, and withdrew the cork from the first bottle, poured the contents down the sink with the exception of one glass, which I drank. I then drew the cork from the second bottle and I did likewise with the exception of one glass, which I drank. I extracted the cork from the third bottle, emptied the good old whisky down the bottle except for one glass which I devoured. I pulled the cork from the fourth sink and poured the bottle down the glass, then I drank some. I pulled the bottle from the cork of the next, drank one sink out of the next cork and poured the bottle down my neck. I pulled the next bottle out of my neck and poured the cork down the sink, all but the sink, which I drank. I pulled the next cork from my throat and poured the sink down the bottle and drank the cork.

"Well, I had them all emptied and I steadied the house with one hand and counted the bottles which were 24. I also counted them again when they came round again and I had 74, and as the house came round again I counted them again and finally I had all the houses and bottles and houses counted.

I proceeded to wash the bottles but couldn't get the brush out of the bottles, so I turned them inside out and washed and wiped them all; went upstairs and told my other half all about what I did.

Till next week,

CHACHAJAN.

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No School For 300 Children

AN emergency meeting of Indian parents of Bellair and Sea View was held on Tuesday night under the aegis of the Sea View-Bellair Branch of the Natal Indian Congress, to consider the position of the large numbers of children who will be turned out of the only school—Government Aided—at Sea View owing to lack of accommodation.

Discussions at the meeting revealed that some 300 children resident in Sea View and Bellair alone will not find accommodation in the school.

Plans Rejected

Meanwhile, repeated applications by the Bellair and District Indian Vernacular School Trust, for the approval of a plan—for which a permit has been issued by the Building Controller—for the erection of a school building on the Trust's three-quarter acre of land, have been rejected by the Durban City Council on the grounds that the land is not large enough. These rejections have been made despite the fact that in the last few years a number of schools have been erected on land ranging from ½ acre upwards.

An urgent meeting of the school Trust Committee will be held to consider the possibility of erecting tarpaulin shelters on its property to accommodate these children.

"If the City Council persists in its attitude of refusing to approve of the school building plans, then, in my opinion, the School Trust will be justified in taking such a decision, and I have no doubt this action will receive the united support of the Indian people of my district," Mr. R. A. Pillay, chairman of the Sea View-Bellair Branch of the Natal Indian Congress, [illegible].

The World is Listening

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tained in Chapter Two of the Act was not wanted by the people.

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The Prime Minister said the Leader of the Opposition had asked in his motion for an alteration in the Asiatic Land Tenure and Indian Representation Act, saying it was useless and harmful. The portion of the Act he wanted repealed had not yet come into operation, so how could it be useless and harmful?

One would have thought the Opposition would have waited until the Act was brought into force before deciding whether it was useless and harmful. Parliament would make itself look ridiculous by withdrawing an Act before it had come into operation.

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The Prime Minister said the future of South Africa could only be guaranteed on sound lines if good relations and co-operation were maintained between the different sections of the population. Economic and other interests were so inexplicably intermingled that if the good faith existing between the two sections were disturbed, it would have the most damaging effects.

South Africa had a most difficult task. In other countries it had been a case of mixing or of extermination. But South Africa had chosen the path of maintaining the civilisation of both sections, and the success it had achieved over hundreds of years had been almost a miracle, compared with what had happened in other countries.

"Let us continue on that path. We can only do so by maintaining the good faith between the two sections."

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The Prime Minister added: "[illegible]. There is no doubt that there exists today a keen interest in what is described as human rights. There is increasing development in this direction all over the world and South Africa has to keep her eye on that development if she does not wish to become isolated."

Dealing with Dr. Malan's reference to Communism, the Prime Minister said that luckily for the people of South Africa Communism was not a great matter in the Union, as it was in many other countries.

But while Communism was only beginning here, he could think of nothing more calculated to further it than the policy of the Nationalist Party. Communism was a creed that made the greatest appeal to the underdog and to the suppressed peoples, and it was suppression which was the main feature of the Nationalist policy.

The Opposition was creating in the country the impression that the Black Man was the enemy and that impression was beginning to have its effect upon the coloured peoples.

The Natives were asking themselves "are we the enemy?"

Orderly and law-abiding as they had always been, they were now being influenced by this campaign against them.

South Africa was an advanced and progressive country and her progress had been assisted in no small measure by the Native, whom he regarded not as a threat but an asset.

"Let us take his hand and go forward with him while retaining our leadership. We are here to maintain the leadership in South Africa, but if we take the hand of the Native as that of a child, we must not at the same time extend a kick. I cannot support the motion of the Leader of the Opposition, nor do I believe that the people of South Africa will support it."

INDIANS PAY £10,500 FOR HALF-HOUR BROADCAST

AT the end of December, 1946, 6,000 Indian radio owners had paid £10,500 for a half-hour weekly Indian programme.

The matter, "The Leader" understands, will be raised in Parliament, when a question as to whether the Indians get an adequate service will be asked.

The Indian Radio Owners' Association feels that the South African Broadcasting Corporation should provide a two-hour daily session for Indians, one hour in the morning should be designed to meet the Indian women and a second hour in the evening should be devoted to the family. This could even be a relay from the All-India Radio.

ITCHING POWDER USED TO ROB CASHIER

From Our Own Correspondent

[illegible], a cashier in the banking firm of Messrs. Motumal Lalchand, Bombay, was relieved of Rs. 10,000 while returning from the Kalbadevi branch of the Bank of India to his firm with the money.

On the way to his firm, the cashier was overcome by an "itching sensation" at the nape of his neck, and was led to a nearby tap to wash the affected part by a stranger. While doing so, he is alleged to have been relieved of the bundle of money in currency notes, which he was carrying.

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Chetty, Logambal C.
[illegible]
[illegible]
James, Gladys J.
Pillay, Kamala D.
Pillay, P. D.
Pillay, Vijayalutchmie M.
Smith, R. B.

Third Class Pass

[illegible]
Kallie, R.
Kanaye, K.
Maharaj, P. B.
Maharaj, R. S.
Moodley, Lalitha S.
Naidoo, D. R.
Naidoo, N. A.
Parekh, B.
[illegible]
Phillips, Camilla F.
Pillay, C. C.
Seethal, Dawn R.
Singh, N. R.

ST. OSWALD'S GOVERNMENT INDIAN SECONDARY SCHOOL, NEWCASTLE

First Class

Meda, Ismail M.
[illegible]

Second Class

[illegible]
Juggernath, Hurrylall.
Meda, A. [illegible]

Third Class

Muthiyalu, Vadival.
[illegible]
Pillay, R. [illegible]
[illegible], Baliram.
Singh, Munnalall B.

SASTRI COLLEGE

First Class

Bux, N. M.
[illegible], R. K.
Govender, P. N.
Khan, A. H.
Maharaj, M. R.
Naidoo, M. J.
Naidoo, V. M.
Naidoo, V. G.
Pillay, N.
Pillay, R. A.
[illegible], M.
Reddy, Y. G.
Salie, M.
[illegible]
[illegible], S. A.

Second Class

Allopi, S.
Ally, D.
Ameer, A.
Appanna, K.
Chetty, M. V.
[illegible], K.
Essop, O. M.
[illegible], N. M. A.
Hammond, D. T. M.
Hammond, S. J. H.
[illegible], G. S.
Maharaj, H.
Maharaj, R. H.
[illegible], D. M.
Moodley, N. M.
Moonsamy, G. R.
Motala, E.
Nagan, C.
Naicker, C. A.
Naicker, K. S.
Naidoo, C. G.
Naidoo, R. V.
Naidoo, S. N.
Naidoo, S. R.
Naidoo, S. R.
Padayachee, V. K.
Pather, G. K.
Pather, V.
Pillay, M. S.
[illegible], C.
Rai, S. N.
Ramdhani, R.
Ramutar, M. R.
Reddy, G. V.
Reddy, N. M.
Roopnarian, H.
Seedat, E. K.
[illegible], S.
[illegible], S. A.

Third Class

Bhugwandin, I.
[illegible], D.
Dhupelia, A. P.
Docrat, E. D.
Doorgaparsad, R.
Frank, M.
[illegible], H.
Gayadeen, K.
Gopie, R.
Govender, C. D.
Hafejee, M. K.
[illegible], M. A.
[illegible], J.
Jain, E.
Joosub, J. D.
Juggath, R. C.
[illegible], P.
Karim, R. A.
Khan, Y.
Latiff, A. M.
Lutchminarian, L.
Maharaj, H. G.
Maharaj, S. D.
Mahommed, C. A.
Motala, H. K.
[illegible], S.
Naidoo, A. R.
Naidoo, C. S.
Naidoo, D. G.
Naidoo, F. S.
Naidoo, H. A.
Naidoo, N. M.
Naidoo, P. I.
Naidoo, R. N.
Naidoo, Veerasamy M.
Naidoo, V. K.
Naidu, G. A.
Nair, K. S.
Patel, C.
Pillay, A. K.
Pillay, C. R.
Pillay, P. R.
Pillay, S. R.
Rajah, M. V.
[illegible], S.
Ramoutar, S.
[illegible], S. A.
Roopun, M.
Sarawan, R. F.
[illegible]
Seethal, R.
Sham, A. G.
Singaram, T.
Singh, R. B.
Singh, K. P.
Soobramoney, M.
Surujbelee, J.
[illegible], I.
Varma, M. R.
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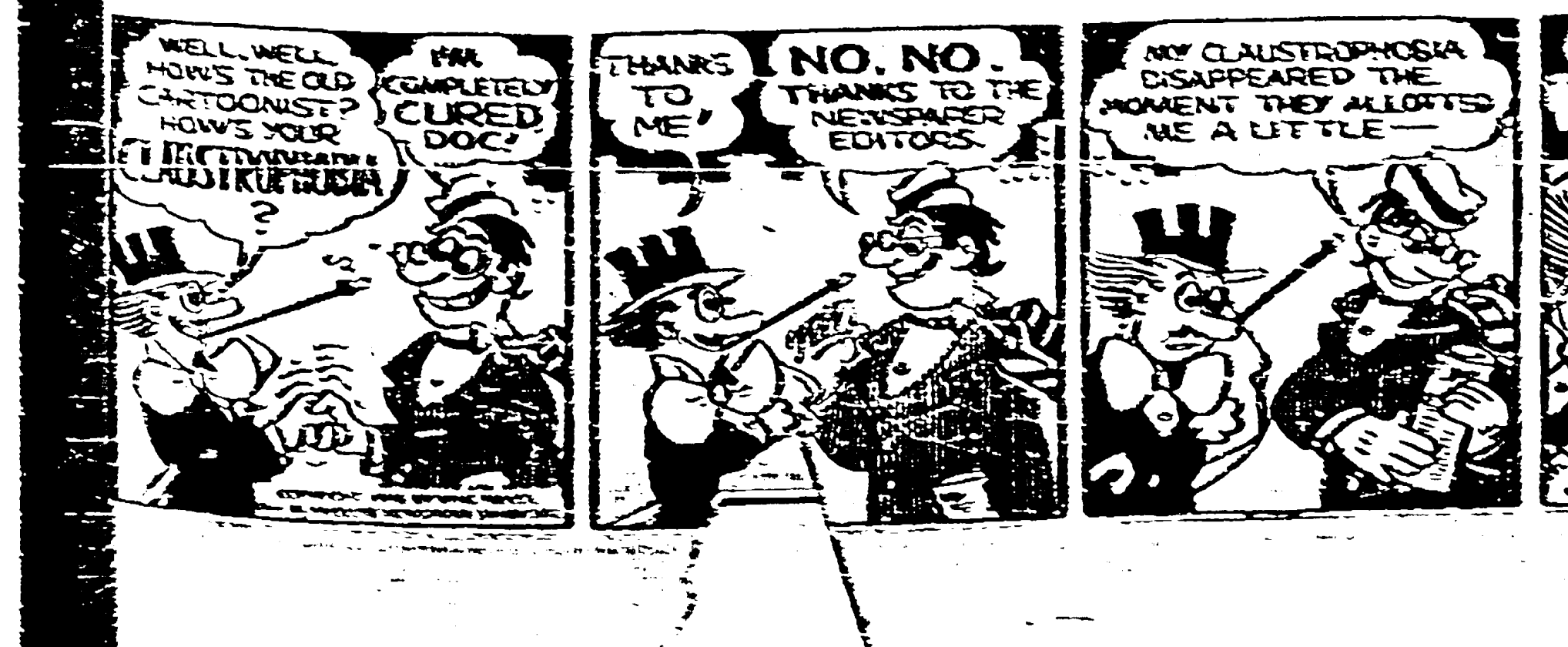

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CENTURIES BY BAROODEEN AND YUSUF

YOUNG MUSLIMS secured the right to represent Durban in the Natal Cup Competition after gaining a first innings decision over Bharat of the "B" Division.

In the "B" Division League games, both United and Orientals collected full points at the expense of Young Ottomans and Young Bharat respectively, while Sparks were fortunate in obtaining a single innings win over Young Kismet.

Attractive centuries by M. I. Yusuf (Young Muslims) and Y. Baroodeen (Orientals) were a feature in the week-end's matches.

Yusuf's Century

S. M. PATEL and H. V. Bhana opened the attack for Bharat [illegible]

[illegible]

Y. Baroodeen Hits 100

[illegible]

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"B" Division: Bharat v. [illegible], No. 3.

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PAKISTAN'S DELEGATION TO UNO

KARACHI. — The Government of Pakistan Delegation to the Security Council of the United Nations consists of the following:

(a) Representative: the Hon. Sir Mohammad Zafarullah Khan, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Commonwealth Relations; alternates: His Excellency Mr. Abul Hasan Ispahani, Ambassador for Pakistan to the United States of America, Mr. Mohammad Ali, Secretary-General to the Government of Pakistan.

(b) Adviser: Sir M. Wasim, Advocate-General, Pakistan.

The delegation is accompanied by Mr. Akhtar Husain, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Commonwealth Relations, as Secretary-General, and by Colonel Majeed Malik as Public Relations Officer.

GREENSOME COMPETITION

[illegible]

SCHOOL SPORTS AT SPRINGFIELD

The grounds of the Springfield Hindu Government Aided Indian School were the scene of great activity when the School held its annual sports recently. [illegible]

[illegible]

"REPATRIATE INDIANS"

At the last meeting of the [illegible] Indian Study Group the motion that Indians should be repatriated [illegible] was [illegible] by the "Government" (United Party), led by Mr. [illegible], the "Prime Minister," against the Opposition (Nationalist), led by Mr. [illegible].

[illegible]

CRICKET AT COUNTY

[illegible]

COLENSO'S BIG WIN

[illegible]

New Sports Secretary

MR. A. H. PATHER (left), above, better known as Ronnie, who has been appointed full-time secretary to the Durban Indian Sports Ground Association. Mr. Pather commenced duties at Currie's Fountain last week.

[illegible]

"CHAMP'S" OFFER TO COACH

[illegible]

STILL NO TROPHIES

From Our Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG, Friday.

ANOTHER soccer season is almost upon us but it seems that the affairs of the 1947 season have not yet been settled, according to some clubs, writes our Maritzburg correspondent.

[illegible]

Royals Fail on Good Wicket

From Our Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG, Friday.

ROYALS unaccountably collapsed for 73 runs on a batsmen's wicket against Orientals on Sunday and were eliminated from the Natal Cup competition. E. S. Adams (Orientals) and T. V. Valiatham (Royals) were once again in fine form, taking five for 35 and six for 38 respectively.

Stars are in a strong position against United in the other Natal Cup game.

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Char Ankhen	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Pratima	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jwar Bhata	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Sajan	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kul Kalank	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dr. Kotnis	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kaise Kahoon	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Tara Mati	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Over Border

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that that in no other part of the world has the freedom of movement of a people been restricted as that of the Indian community in South Africa. It is unthinkable that a national of a country should be prevented from freely moving from one province into another within the territorial boundaries of that country.

4. The Joint Passive Resistance Council considers it its duty, in furtherance of its struggle for freedom from race oppression, to put this question to the test.

And, therefore, it has solemnly decided to undertake to organise a disciplined, non-violent passive resistance campaign to deliberately but conscientiously commit a breach of the unjust provision of the Immigrants Regulations Act of 1913 and bear the penalty thereof rather than submit any longer to an undemocratic, inhuman and barbarous piece of legislation as a further protest against the 1946 Act.

P.R. Day

5. In pursuance of this decision, the Joint Council solemnly mindful of its responsibilities and duties has resolved to declare the [illegible] day of January, 1948, as "P.R. Day" (Passive Resistance Day), and on this day it will undertake to lead the first batch of 15 volunteers across the borders from Natal into the province of the Transvaal. Subsequently more batches will go into action. Entry into the other provinces in defiance of the provincial barriers will also be undertaken by the Joint Council in due course.

6. We are conscious of the importance of the step we propose to take and are prepared fully to bear the penalties of this unjust law. But we do so with implicit faith in the justice of our cause and in the goodwill and support of all men believing in genuine democracy and the welfare of South Africa as a whole. We do so fortified by the moral support that progressive and democracy-loving people everywhere are willing to render us during the course of the struggle.

7. We emphatically refuse to believe that a struggle for justice is in vain—we are marching in step with history. We take this step inspired by the epic struggle of all people fighting for freedom from time immemorial and in no less measure by the great deeds of the Afrikaner people in the war against British Imperialism and subsequently against Fascism in which you, Honourable Prime Minister, played such a noble and historic part.

Cannot Be Denied

8. The Rights of man cannot be denied to a people for all time and a stage is inevitably reached in their history when they moved by this awakened sense of duty against the calculated acts of oppression of their rulers, assert their birthright by following the path of suffering and sacrifice and such a time has now come in the history of the Indian and other non-white people of South Africa.

9. We make this final plea to you, your Cabinet and Parliament as a whole in the name of democracy and justice to remove these unjust, undemocratic and inhuman restrictions—the Asiatic Land Tenure and Indian Representation Act, 1946; the Immigrants Regulations Act, 1913; and the numerous other legal enactments which impose special disabilities upon members of the South African Indian community, [illegible] we have dedicated our all to the struggle, in the knowledge that a just cause never fails to triumph.

May wisdom guide you, your Government and Parliament.

We remain, Union Nationals fighting for the rights of citizenship.

JOINT PASSIVE RESISTANCE COUNCIL OF THE NATAL AND TRANSVAAL INDIAN CONGRESSES

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No Room in Schools

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Commenting on the position, Mr. Subhan Khan, secretary of the Natal Indian Teachers' Society, told a representative of the Leader that the only way out was the immediate extension of a number of primary schools to teach up to Standard VIII. To this the Education Department countered that it did not have the teaching personnel but for this only the Department was to blame. It was illogical to expect one teacher-training school, as an adjunct of a secondary school, to train enough men to man the Indian schools of the Province.

There had, however, Mr. Khan said, been a modification this year. Indian teachers could take their T.III examinations externally.

At its conference last July the Teachers' Society had decided that it would circularise all principals in order to get first hand information on the question of accommodation. The Department frowned on this procedure, saying that the N.I.T.S. should first get its permission. The Education Department also rejected the proposal of the N.I.T.S. to set up a joint committee of the N.I.T.S. and the Education Department to investigate the question of Indian education, saying that it knew enough already.

Discussing the problem of school accommodation at the beginning of the new school term, Mr. J. N. Singh, chairman of the Education Committee of the Natal Indian Congress, said that the [illegible] of the Administrator's refusal to entertain a deputation from the Indian community, will now seek an interview with the Prime Minister, General J. C. Smuts, the Minister of Education, Mr. J. H. Hofmeyr, and the Provincial Authorities, in order to discuss in detail the problems confronting Indian education in Natal. A letter to this effect has been addressed to the Prime Minister, he added.

In addition to this, Mr. Singh went on, the Natal Indian Congress will put forward to the authorities concerned the following suggestions:—

Since there is a shortage of secondary schools for Indians — Sastri College being the only one — the authorities should seriously consider conducting classes up to the matriculation standard in the Intermediate Schools in Natal outside Durban, while the larger primary schools in Durban should continue classes up to the first year of the junior certificate.

This Congress feels will enable students to remain at their schools and, to some extent lessen the burden of finding accommodation for the nine hundred and fifty [illegible] continuation passes of last year and the two hundred and fifty who were refused admission at the beginning of the year.

Further, discarded military huts should be erected alongside schools for the infant classes.

"We have qualified teachers in the schools, who can take up appointment in schools where classes up to the matriculation standard are to be conducted," said Mr. Singh when questioned on the staffing of schools.

"Even girls who have the necessary qualifications or not should not only be encouraged, but employed as temporary teachers," added Mr. Singh.

Import Teachers

Mr. Singh said: "If the objection is raised that there are not sufficient science teachers, these can easily be imported from India as was done when Sastri College was first established."

"Besides our original Five-Year Plan for Indian education in Natal, building of schools would be encouraged by the community, although it being the responsibility of the Provincial Department," proceeded Mr. Singh.

The Natal Indian Congress, stated Mr. Singh, has succeeded in petitioning the Mayor, Mr. L. L. Boyd, through voters headed by Dr. Mabel Palmer, to convene a public meeting in the City Hall on January [illegible], the day of the opening of schools.

At this meeting, pointed out the chairman, a deputation will be elected, which will seek an interview with the authorities.

The Congress officials together with parents will visit schools on the opening day.

After a march past of children, who have been refused admission in schools, through the streets of the City, there will a mass demonstration at the Red Square. A deputation, comprising parents and a few secondary students, will be appointed at the meeting, and will then proceed to Pietermaritzburg to interview the Administrator.

"The deputation will sit on the door steps, if necessary, if a hearing is refused," concluded Mr. Singh.

In Maritzburg

The N.I.C. (Maritzburg Branch) has made representation to the Education Department to provide facilities in some of the Government-aided schools in Maritzburg to absorb children who have passed from Standard III into Standard IV.

If standard III passes are heavy it is likely that the Woodlands school will not be able to admit all because of accommodation. In that event children who wish to continue their studies and enter Standard IV may be admitted to some of the Aided schools.

Should and Standard III passes find it difficult to gain admission, they should call on Mr. V. K. Pillay, the Secretary of the Organisation, 467 Church Street and leave their name and address. The N.I.C. will assist as far as it can.

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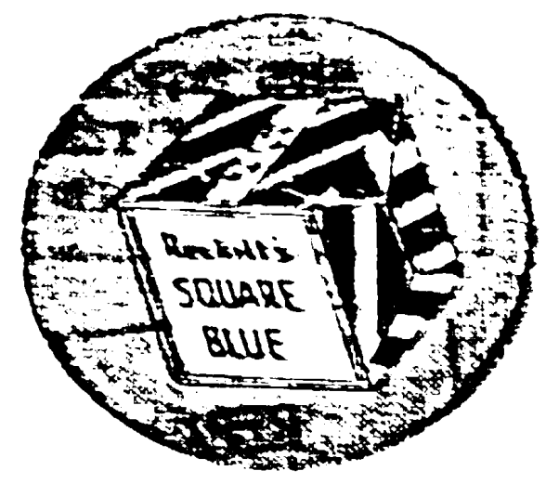

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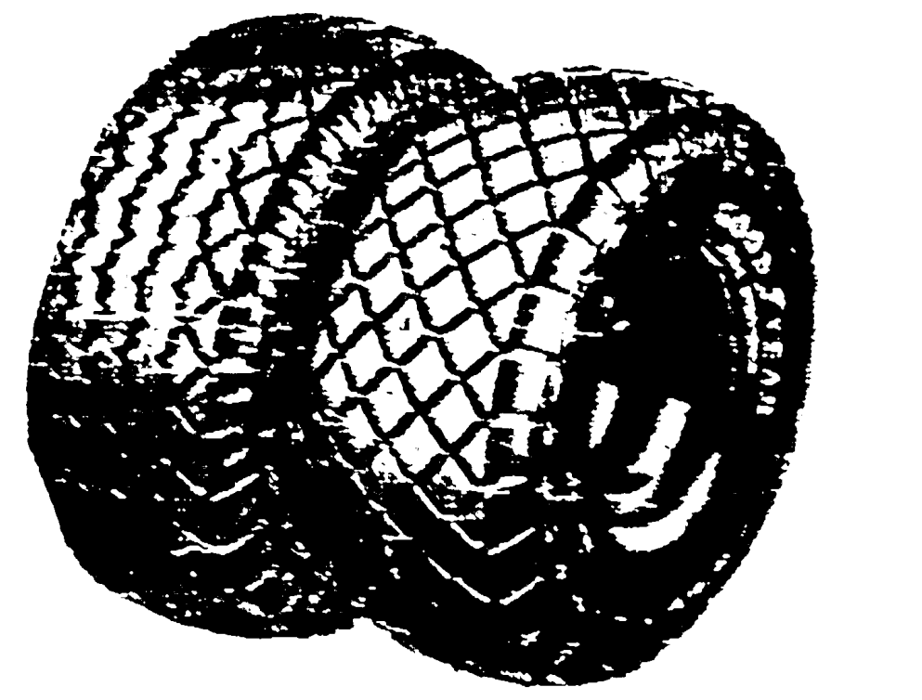

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Around The Cinemas

AVALON: A Western cowboy thriller, "Rhythm of Rio Grande," a mystery picture, "The Man Who Wouldn't Talk," with Lloyd Nolan, and a melodrama, "Wanted For Murder," featuring Eric Portman, are the attractions of the coming week.

ALBERT: Krishin Movietone's "Preet," a social number, with a galaxy of stars, will be screened during the week.

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TALK OF THE BAZAAR

By the "Faqir"

THIS is the story of Rama. Rama is an ordinary fellow, there is nothing extraordinary about him and no flash of genius either but, at the same time, he is not what one might term silly or stupid. He likes good company and an occasional female/woman/lady to lunch or sup with. Beyond that there is nothing more than he is really interested in excepting this one really important matter: He is looking for a proposal for some young woman—but that some young woman must have money. He says he has worked hard all his life and he does not see why he should have to continue working hard when he can avoid it by marrying rich. Recently he did what a large number of Indian fellows do: spent a holiday in the Cape where the female population is considerably greater than the male population. He has come back a dreamy-eyed sort of fellow whose thoughts are far, far way, somewhere in the Peninsula, I suppose. I have seen him sit in a corner for hours by himself and dream and dream. I couldn't see the dreams. He seems to have been deserted by his regular Natal company. Last week I met him at our favourite haunt in town and he told me that he was waiting for some bright-eyed female from the Cape to turn up. Nobody did. I wonder what he is going to do next.

COMPLIMENTS?

ALTHOUGH my reputation as a political observer has been shattered by old "N.I.C.'s" down unto the present [illegible], there are, I assume, some people who still have faith in me as the following letter from "Simpleton" will show. Unfortunately, I must leave "Simpleton's" friend to make his own decisions because my advice there is, [illegible]. He is my "guru" and mentor in all important matters, you know. If he had been present I could have submitted the question to him. "Simpleton" writes:—

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LIKE THE OLD DAYS

LIKE the old days—that was my reaction at the Committee meeting of the Natal Indian Organisation on Sunday for it reminded me of those hectic days of the N.I.A. when there was a leftist minority and subsequently the reconstituted N.I.C. with a leftist minority also. Recently the Congress meetings with a left majority [illegible] minority at all looked like [illegible] affairs. Sunday's N.I.O. meeting was a lively affair what with Chairman Nicasen making heroic endeavours to [illegible] committee members [illegible] hand and waving his arms [illegible]. [illegible] some Committee members who missed the meeting when they told him that he was acting unconstitutionally.

Also Moosa and "K.I." found their English vocabulary insufficient and, chairman or no chairman, they "had it out" in Gujarati! Old J.W.G. had an unkind question flung at him. When my Uncle Jimmy rose to make an important observation somebody shouted "shut-up." All in all, like the old days.

Racing Selections

By DIPLOMAT

The following are my selections for the City Sporting Club race meeting:

First race, 1.5, Galloway and Pony Handicap ("A" Div.), six furlongs.—1. WINNING GIRL. 2. Tohruk. 3. Point to Point.

Second race, 1.35, Maiden Juvenile Handicap, five furlongs.—1. CHAOS. 2. Thunderstruck. 3. Ascot.

Third race, 2.10, Galloway and Pony Handicap ("B" Div.), six furlongs.—1. PLAYMATE. 2. Decorative. 3. Sunshine.

Fourth race, 2.45, Scottsville Handicap (2nd Div.), five furlongs.—1. ROMELINA. 2. Jocko. 3. Sayona.

Fifth race, 3.25, Stewards Handicap, 1¼ miles.—1. AVIATION. 2. Fast Miss. 3. Shot at Dawn.

Sixth race, 4.5, Maiden Galloway and Pony Handicap, one mile.—1. BRIDLE MONT. 2. Penultimate. 3. Hare Bell.

Seventh race, 4.40, Scottsville Handicap (2nd Div.), five furlongs.—1. SOLSHIC. 2. Dr. Ansen. 3. Pickle.

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Resisters Test Premier's Assertion

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ON Sunday, January 25, 1948, with the hands of the clock hovering on mid-day, and a heavy drizzle of rain pouring down from a sky banked with grey clouds, a batch of 15 Natal-born Indians crossed over the Transvaal border at Volksrust to open the second phase of the Passive Resistance Campaign and at the same time to test the oft-asserted claim of the Prime Minister that Indians are Union nationals. They carried no permits. Normally they would have been prosecuted, but up to the time of going to press the police have left them strictly alone.

The resisters who had left Durban the previous day in heavy rain, travelled all night with breaks at Maritzburg and Ladysmith; had a few hours sleep in Newcastle and on Sunday almost on twelve midday they arrived at the border. They were led by Dr. Naicker to the little bridge which marks the Transvaal-Natal Border and received by Dr. Dadoo who said: "In the name of truth, justice and democracy I receive you into the Transvaal." The volunteers then followed him to the waiting cars and they headed for Johannesburg. The Natal officials, their work done, set off on the homeward journey.

ALTHOUGH there was a large number of Europeans at the border, there were no incidents. They were content to watch simply without question. They said nothing at all but clustered around on the little bridge as Dr. Naicker formally handed the volunteers over to Dr. Dadoo. They followed the resisters in the Transvaal cars and saw them go off to Johannesburg.

A few policemen, one of them apparently the chief of police of Volksrust, were present but they were only interested in keeping the road clear for traffic. They did not even come near the group of resisters. It was strange to see no members of the police taking notes when both at Ladysmith and Newcastle the police were greatly interested in the proceedings.

It was a simple impressive ceremony and was over within five minutes. It seemed an anticlimax particularly after the journey that had been put in to get to the border of the two Provinces, writes a Leader reporter who accompanied the volunteers right up to the historic bridge between Charlestown and Volksrust.

Continuous rain on Saturday interfered with the mass meeting which had been arranged for half past one in Durban. The meeting was finally held almost an hour late in one of the tents in which the resisters, courting imprisonment, lived at the Resistance Plot.

Speaking at this send-off meeting Mr. Manilal Gandhi declared that if the European had been placed in the position in which the Indian was, there would have been a war for the assertion of the rights of the individual and the people. It was better, he said, to suffer and die than to live slaves. "If we are to live then let us live as worthy citizens."

Mr. Gandhi said that the present struggle was not a war or a fight against the individual European but it was directed against the constituted Government of the country which denied the Indian people their just and legitimate rights.

The European should, instead of interfering with the Indian people in their struggle for freedom, study their problems. Then they would be able to appreciate the latter's aspirations.

First Batch

Dr. Naicker, the president of the Natal Indian Congress, declared that this was only the first batch. Others would follow weekly. The leaders would also be seen in the thick of the fray.

Immediately after the meeting the resisters, together with officials and members of the Passive Resistance Council of the Natal Indian Congress, got into the waiting cars and headed for Pietermaritzburg. The journey was without any incidents.

At Maritzburg Mr. R. K. Naidoo, the president of the local branch of the Congress, declared that it was a damnable state of affairs that the Indian people should be confined within the borders of one Province. It was only the Indian who suffered this while the other sections were able to move about freely.

Mr. Naidoo declared that the Indian people of South Africa had the moral support of India and the All-India National Congress.

Others who spoke at the Maritzburg meeting were Dr. Naicker, Mr. R. A. Pillay and Mr. S. R. Mungal.

From Maritzburg the cars set off for Ladysmith where a meeting had been arranged after the bioscope show was over. When the last car pulled away at half-past six it was raining heavily and when the last car pulled into Ladysmith it was still raining heavily.

MIDNIGHT MEETING

The company had supper in Ladysmith about ten o'clock that night and a meeting was held in the Athlone Theatre at 11.15 p.m. It lasted exactly an hour and despite the awkward hour and

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SMUTS REPLIES

CAPETOWN, Thursday.—The Prime Minister, General Smuts, told a combined deputation of Indians from Natal, the Cape and the Transvaal today that the Government was considering ways towards a round-table conference between the Union and the Governments of India and Pakistan, but was waiting for "a better atmosphere." He would welcome any attempts towards creating a better atmosphere by the proposed delegation to India. He said that he personally did not despair of a solution.

A [illegible] deputation will [illegible] the N.I.O. will return [illegible] India and Pakistan to pave the way for round-table talks between the three Governments. [illegible] the Prime Minister [illegible] his willingness for such a [illegible]. It is expected that Mrs. V. M. L. Ballinger, M.P., and Mr. Ballinger will accompany the deputation to India.

Small Committee

The Prime Minister suggested the formation of a small committee which would keep in touch with him and other Ministers in [illegible].

General Smuts, at the start of the interview, referred to the [illegible] of the late Mr. [illegible] Kajee to his community. [illegible] those present stood in [illegible] Mr. Kajee.

The Administrator-designate of

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Union Nationals Penalised For Being in Union

AN ex-Union Defence Force member, who rose from the ranks to the position of a second class warrant officer, and according to the claims of the Prime Minister and Mr. H. G. Lawrence, Minister of Justice, is a Union National, has been penalised for being in the Union. Seaman Chetty, the well-known Indian boxer who served with distinction in the war fell foul of the police during the week in Cape Town. His crime, and that of his two colleagues, was that they did not carry permits to enter the Cape. They had to pay a deposit of £10 each and £1 each for permits.

SEAMAN CHETTY, Kid Sathianey, and Young Hussain [illegible] of South African born. They have lived all their [illegible] in this country and had [illegible] their homeland, [illegible] to participate in a boxing tournament in Capetown.

[illegible] did not apply for permits [illegible] the Cape and the police [illegible] down immediately on [illegible]. They were allowed to remain in the Cape provided they [illegible] each as deposits and [illegible] for permits. Otherwise [illegible] was prosecution [illegible] imprisonment.

[illegible] was the very Mr. Lawrence under whose Ministry, that [illegible], the police acted, who claimed so freely at the United Nations that the Indians were Union Nationals. The claim was repeated to death. The previous year the Prime Minister himself had made the claim.

It is a peculiar brand of "nationality" this which prevents Natal-born Indians from entering the other Provinces without a permit. Yet almost every day immigrants are pouring into the country and they can roam the whole country without let or hindrance. A large number of them belong to the German and Italian races whose soldiers in the last war sent to oblivion many Springbok soldiers. They are now welcomed with open arms and yet the Indians, whose kith and kin fought so gallantly from the heights of Keren and whose armies covered themselves with glory in Italy cannot go to Cape Town or Johannesburg without a permit.

Is that the brand of Union Nationality which the Prime Minister and his Minister of Justice have been claiming for the Indians?

If that is so then it would seem that even the highest in the land tells lies without batting an eye.

In a letter to the "Cape Times," Mr. G. Manuel, chairman of the Cape Indian League, says that sportsmen in Capetown are indignant at the "shabby way" in which the Immigration Department treated the three men, all of whom were born in South Africa.

As they did not carry permits they were liable on conviction to imprisonment for six months without the option of a fine, the letter continues.

To avoid disruption of the tournament, the promoter, Mr. Shaikh, paid the £30 deposits and £3 permit fees.

"Moslems Held Positions of Honour"

— M. C. Setalvad

LAKE SUCCESS.—Sir Zafrullah Khan's speech last week, when he argued Pakistan's case before the Security Council, was attacked by the Indian delegate, Mr. M. C. Setalvad, a Bombay Jurist, who described it as irrelevant and distorted.

Mr. Setalvad said that Pakistan had made false accusations in the hope of obscuring the real issue.

The accusation that the Indian Government wanted to exterminate the Moslems in India was untrue. There were 35,000,000 Moslems in India and large masses of them, even though in small minorities, lived unmolested and peacefully in all Indian Provinces.

Moslems held positions of honour and importance in the judiciary and other public services and in the Indian diplomatic service.

The inference to be drawn from the migration of population was that the overwhelming majority of Moslems in India felt secure and did not want to move.

Mr. Setalvad asked the Security Council to contrast the tranquility in India with what he called the spirit of lawlessness, murder and massacre rampant in Western Punjab and Sind.

The root cause of these events was the continuous preaching of hatred by Moslem leaders over many years, he said.—Sapa

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OBITUARIES

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The death occurred, after a brief illness, of A. Nadas (Daddy), eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Ayasamy Pillay, of 48 [illegible] Road, [illegible], at the King Edward VIII Hospital on January [illegible], at the age of twenty-four years. His remains were interred at the Kenilworth Hindu Cemetery, where a large crowd assembled.

He was employed at the South African Canvas Company.

WALTER FREDDY NAIDOO (WALLIE)

The death occurred, after a brief illness, of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Naidoo, of [illegible] Road, Mayville, Durban, on January [illegible], at the age of fourteen months.

His remains were interred at the Cato Manor Cemetery amid a large gathering of friends and relatives. "Wallie," as he was affectionately known, was a pet to the family and to all those who knew him. He leaves behind his parents, three sisters, three brothers and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

MR. C. M. NAIDOO

The death occurred of Mr. [illegible] Naidoo, at his residence, [illegible] Road, Hillary, and formerly of [illegible], on January [illegible], at the age of sixty-one years. He resided at Hillary for twenty-seven years and was a well-known personality at Hillary and district.

His remains were interred at the Hillary Cemetery amid a large gathering.

He leaves behind his wife, [illegible], four grandchildren and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

The following wreaths were received from [illegible]

MRS. [illegible]

KULLAN KANNIE

Mr. Kannie Kullan, of [illegible] Hill, Pietermaritzburg, father of [illegible], passed away at the age of [illegible] years last Monday at his residence.

The late Mr. Kullan came out to Natal from India as an indentured Indian, and since then had resided in Pietermaritzburg for about [illegible] years. He was well known and highly respected by all sections of the Indian community. He was of a quiet disposition and was a friend of all.

The funeral took place [illegible] Cemetery, Pietermaritzburg. Notwithstanding the inclement weather, the large crowd present at the funeral including many from several parts of Natal, bore testimony to the high esteem in which he was held.

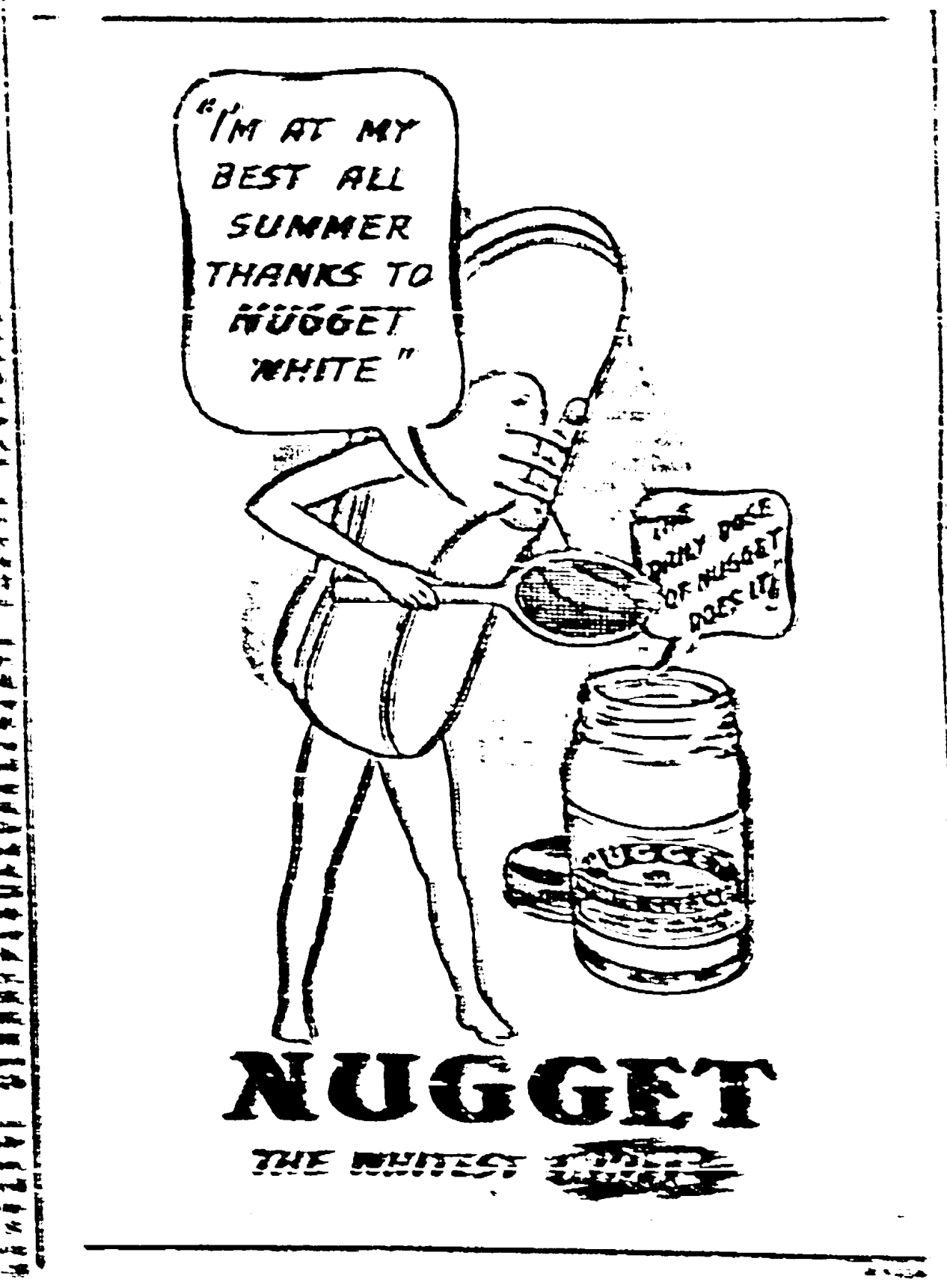
Floral tributes and messages of sympathy were received from India, [illegible] and other places from all parts of Natal.

He leaves behind five sons, two daughters, [illegible] grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

GANAS NAIDOO, son of Mr. [illegible] Naidoo, of [illegible], passed away on January [illegible]. His remains were interred at the Sea View Cemetery.

[illegible] NAIDOO, youngest son of the late Mr. [illegible] Naidoo, and youngest brother of Mr. [illegible] Naidoo, passed away at his residence, [illegible], Tongaat, Natal, on January [illegible]. His remains were interred at the Tongaat Indian Cemetery.

[illegible], beloved eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Singh, of [illegible] Road, and wife of Mr. M. [illegible], of [illegible] Road, Springfield, Durban, passed away at the McCord Zulu Hospital on Saturday, January [illegible].



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LOT 3.—Nos. 144 and 144a BOSHOFF STREET: [illegible] house divided into 2 flats, each with 3 rooms, k.p.h., outside lavatory.

No. 142 BOSHOFF STREET: Brick-built, containing three rooms, kitchen, bathroom and outside lavatory. The whole producing a rental of £15 per month, R.R.D.

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No. 140 BOSHOFF STREET: Brick-built, containing four rooms, kitchen, bathroom and outside lavatory. Native quarters and wash-shed. Rental £5 [illegible] per month, R.D.R.

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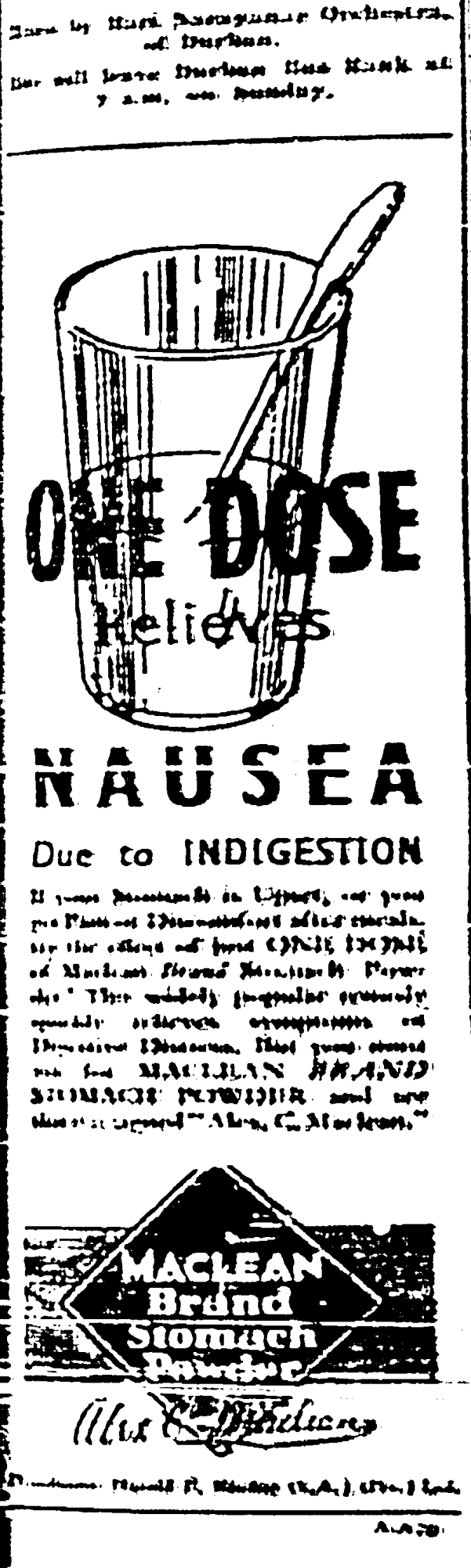

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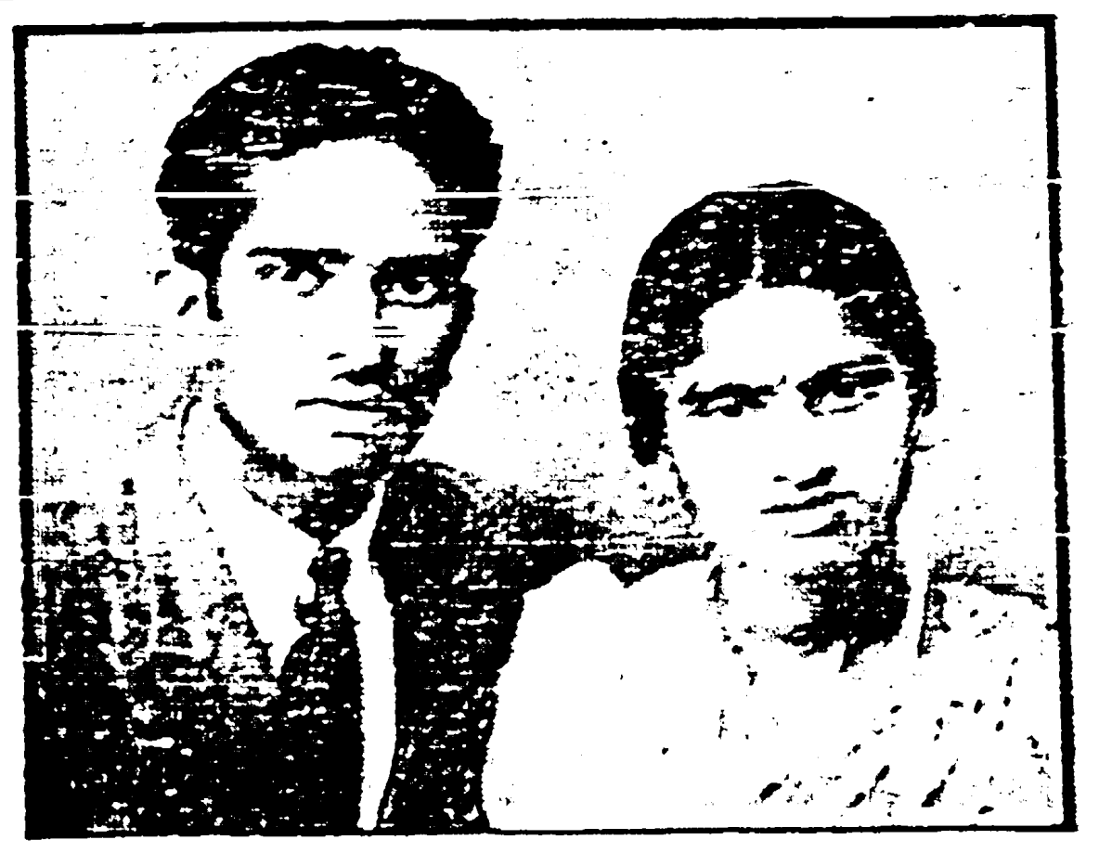
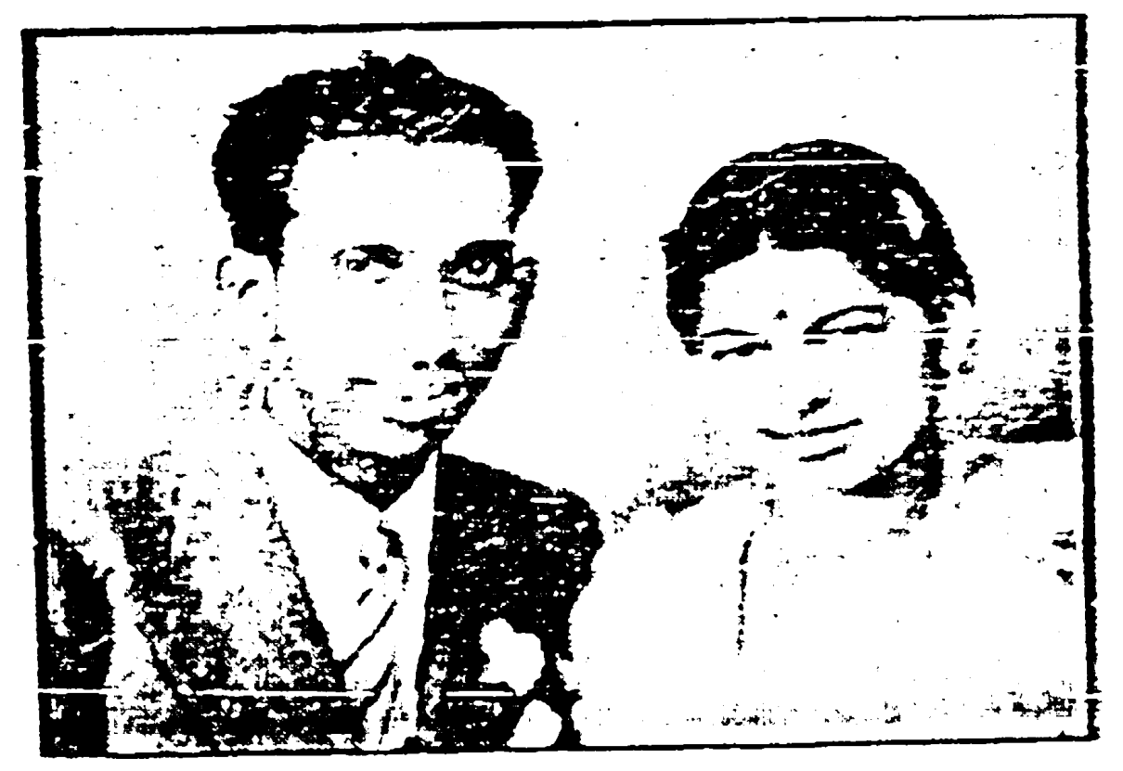


MR. V. GOPAL GOVENDER (ALEX), third son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Vengetsamy Govender and brother of Mr. R. V. Govender, of Chatsworth, and MISS THANAMMAL, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vengetsamy Naidoo, of Amanzimtoti, Natal, who will be married on Sunday, February 1, 1948, at the Chatsworth Hindu Institute, between 10.30 and 11.30 a.m. Friends and relatives are kindly invited to attend.



One of Durban's biggest weddings was solemnised at [illegible] Hall, [illegible] Street, Durban, on Sunday last by Pandit [illegible], when [illegible] Moorgan, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Moorgan, of Durban, was married to [illegible], daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. T. S. [illegible] Reddy, of East London.

The Master of Ceremonies, Mr. [illegible], in a brief speech, welcomed the guests present and read many of the innumerable telegrams and messages of felicitation received by the bride and bridegroom.

Mr. [illegible] Naidoo, who spoke in Tamil and later in English, dwelt at length on the significance of Hindu marriages. He also spoke of the high esteem and popularity in which Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Chetty (bridegroom's brother and sister-in-law) were held by their large circle of relatives and friends. [illegible] happy couple with health and happiness in their new sphere of life.

Mr. [illegible] Singh, on behalf of the sporting fraternity of Natal and South Africa, and Mr. James [illegible], on behalf of the [illegible] and [illegible] Football Clubs, eulogised the sporting career of the bridegroom and paid a glowing tribute to him for his sporting activities both as a player and official for many years.

Mr. Moorgan is a leading light of both the clubs mentioned. He has served both the Durban Indian Football Association and the Durban Indian Sunday League as treasurer, and is at present serving those associations as a vice-president. Mr. Moorgan is also a member of the D.I.F.A. on the Natal Council.

The bride and bridegroom were the recipients of innumerable telegrams and congratulatory messages from all parts of the Union as well as gifts in cash and kind. Music was [illegible] conducted by Mr. V. G. Pillay.

Mr. [illegible], a leading member of [illegible], who turned 60 on Monday last. He was born at [illegible] on January [illegible], 1888. He was educated at the Higher Grade Government Indian School, where he won the Gold Scholarship prize and was congratulated by the then Governor of Natal, Sir Henry [illegible].

Sir Henry McCallum said: "I congratulate the boys who have gained the esteem of their fellow-pupils and the good fellowship prizes among the seniors fall to [illegible] and the junior to [illegible]. I trust these two will show through life the good qualities which helped bring them these awards."

He was employed at Messrs. [illegible] and [illegible], Ltd., for twenty-two years and at present is conducting a business known as the [illegible] Trading Store (General Merchants) at [illegible] Road, P.O. Red Hill.

He was a keen sportsman and represented the Stella Football Club in 1906, and was also a member of the [illegible] Vishnu Temple.

[illegible] of Mr. and Mrs. J. Maganlal, who celebrated her fourth birthday on January [illegible].

[illegible] of Mr. and Mrs. Soobramoney Naidoo, of Greytown, who celebrated her second birthday on January [illegible].

SHEELA, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] (Harry), of [illegible] Road, off [illegible] Road, Mayville, Durban, celebrated her second birthday on Sunday last amid a large gathering of friends and relatives. She was the recipient of many presents and messages of congratulations.

MR. & MRS. S. N. SINGH (SOOKDEO), who were recently married at the residence of Messrs. J. R. Talawantsingh Bros., Temple Valley, [illegible]. Mr. S. N. Singh is the eldest son of Mr. Hardeo Singh, of [illegible] Road, Mayville, and Mrs. Singh, formerly Miss Kaushal Devi, is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ramkrishna Talawantsingh, of [illegible].

Mr. D. S. Maharaj, of Dannhauser, has been notified of his success in the recent Higher Language Examination (English and Afrikaans) conducted by Die Saamwerk-Unie van Afrikaanse Kultuurvereniginge.

Miss Rathammory Padayachee, of Durban, is spending a holiday in Port Elizabeth.

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Mr. R. M. Moodley (Rajh), of Durban, is indisposed and is with his parents in Stanger.

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Our Readers Speak

"Army Shacks" As Temporary Schools

By "Indian Parent"

EACH year hundreds of children who have successfully passed the Standard VI Examination and have been refused admission by the secondary school authorities owing to lack of accommodation. This malpractice, though inevitable, is fast becoming traditional?

According to this year's pass list, one thousand pupils have gained the Continuation Certificate, and barely one-third of them will ever find admission in the secondary schools.

Undoubtedly this practice is going on unchecked owing to the neglect and disinterest shown by parents and other organisations alike! We know that the Administration is rather shy concerning the erection of schools [illegible] "army shacks" as a temporary measure?

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N.I.O. MEETING

By A. M. Moolla

YOUR report on the proceedings of the Natal Indian Organisation committee meeting [illegible]

[illegible]

French Ambassador In Pakistan

The appointment of Monsieur Leon Marchal as Ambassador of France to Pakistan is announced.

Monsieur Leon Marchal was born on June 8, 1899, and has served for many years under the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs. After serving as Vice-Consul at Montreal from 1927 to 1933 and Second Secretary at Munich in 1934, he was appointed to the Residence General of France in Morocco, where he served from 1935 to 1941. In 1942 he offered his services to General de Gaulle and the French National Committee, and in 1943 was appointed Secretary-General and later Delegate to the Residence General in Morocco, a post he still fills.

TEACHERS' FAREWELL TO MR. DEVLIN

DESPITE the weather, about a hundred teachers and guests were present at the Dartnell Crescent Indian Girls' School on Friday evening, January 16, at a social and farewell reception in honour of Mr. [illegible] Devlin, Chief Inspector of Indian Education, who is retiring from service.

Mr. R. D. Lalla, president of the Natal Indian Teachers' Society, paid a tribute to Mr. Devlin for the invaluable service he had rendered to Indian education.

"The beautiful school buildings are a monument to his name," said Mr. W. M. [illegible] [illegible]

Messrs. K. Thomas and A. D. Lazarus also spoke.

A beautiful silver-plated tea set was presented to Mr. Devlin and a bouquet to Mrs. Devlin from the officials and members of the Natal Indian Teachers' Society.

Mr. Devlin, thanking the Society, said he had always tried [illegible] cause of Indian education, and if he had been successful at all it was due in no small measure to the willing cooperation of Indian teachers themselves. Even now he was eager to be of some help and welcomed the opportunity offered him to assist with the [illegible] classes at Sastri College, where he could make the best use of the experience he had gained as inspector of Indian education. He stated that he hoped to commence at Sastri at the beginning of February.

Mr. P. K. [illegible], who succeeds Mr. Devlin, assured the teachers that he was mindful of his new responsibilities and he would always give of his best for the advancement of Indian education in the Province. He hoped that he would receive the active co-operation of the teachers and the community.

S.A.'s "Disservice To Our Honour"

LAKE SUCCESS: Rev. Michael Scott, who left for South Africa on Monday last, said in a letter to members of the Trusteeship Committee that he would be sending copies of statements made to him by the Herero and other chiefs to them. Despite the fact that he had been asked to make representations, the rules of procedure had not given him time to address the Trusteeship Committee on their behalf.

"The petitioners have been deprived of the right of petition which they enjoyed under the League of Nations, by the Union Government's refusal to acknowledge the solemn obligations which membership of UNO places on it.

"Of even graver consequence are the serious allegations made by the tribes about their treatment under the 'mandate' and the forcible disposition of their lands which has been carried out under that mandate.

"I cannot conscientiously return to S.W.A. until I am sure that at least members of UNO and a Trusteeship Committee have had an opportunity of considering the appeal of these South-West Africans. I have therefore caused their statements to be reproduced in full and circulated herewith. The question of South-West Africa is of vital consequence to all Africans and others whose lands are a sacred trust to our civilisation.

"In challenging the United Nations authority in this matter, the South African Government is doing a great disservice to our own honour and to the prestige of our so-called 'white' or Christian civilisation. I trust that at an early date an opportunity may be found for these African petitioners to represent their case directly before the United Nations Assembly and the Trusteeship Council.

"Meanwhile, it is the earnest prayer of very many Christians in Africa and elsewhere that the United Nations may, by the grace of God, recall South Africa to a fuller sense of her responsibilities to the African people and the civilised world."—Sapa-Reuter.

DEATH OF SIR SETHALVAD

THE death occurred last month in India of Sir Chimanlal Setalvad, the chairman of the Indian Imperial Citizenship Association. Sir Chimanlal was an outstanding figure in the public life of India and belonged to the liberal group of politicians.

He was born in 1866 and received his education at Elphinstone College and the Law School of Bombay. He was a brilliant lawyer and showed a great deal of interest in the affairs of Indians overseas.

When the delegation of the South African Indian Congress was in India the year before it had at its disposal the help and advice of Sir Chimanlal. He entertained the members of the delegation at the Taj Mahal Hotel prior to their interview with Lord Wavell. At the Taj he heard the Indian case and also introduced them to other Indian leaders. Owing to illness, however, he was unable to accompany them to see the Viceroy, but asked Sir Homi Modi to act in his stead.

His son, M. C. Setalvad, was the legal adviser to the Indian Delegation at the United Nations.

The Natal Indian Organisation has sent a letter of condolence to the family.

Mr. D. S. Vather opened a bazaar under the auspices of the Pietermaritzburg Arya Stree Samaj at the [illegible] Hall, Maritzburg, recently. [illegible] Building Fund.

INDIAN ORPHANAGE SITE GRANTED

MARITZBURG, Friday.

AFTER protracted negotiations the Maritzburg City Council has granted the Aryan Benevolent Society a site for the Indian Orphanage, Mr. R. Maniram, President of the Society, told a "Leader" reporter last night.

The site is situated at the intersection of Raymond and Rosedale Roads, Mountain Rise, and building operations will commence as soon as the title deeds are passed.

Mr. Maniram hopes that the public will respond generously towards the cost of the building.

("The Leader" Special Service)

Karachi: The appointment of Mr. Yahya Kemal Bayatli as Ambassador of Turkey to Pakistan is announced. Mr. Bayatli was formerly Turkish Minister in Madrid and Warsaw, and is a former Professor of the Istanbul University. He is also a poet and writer, and was at one time a member of the Grand National Assembly.

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ANDHRAS AND TAMILIANS LAY CLAIM TO MADRAS CITY

From Our Own Correspondent

BOMBAY.—Vocal elements among more than 100,000,000 people of Southern and Western India are working for a linguistic "carve up" of the large provinces of Bombay and Madras into new and separate administrative units.

Statements are being issued and "demands" formulated; there is even a proposal to "split" Madras City but, unlike the north, there is no communal problem and it is thought that the rival claims will eventually be settled, with Mahatma Gandhi's blessing, on a basis of the creation of four new "linguistic" provinces.

From Our Own Correspondent

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Mixed Reception

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Kannadiga Leaders

[illegible]

Madras, which has been the capital of the province for nearly 300 years, is being claimed by the [illegible]

They argue that the site of the city, whose population is nearly 1,000,000, was sold to an Andhra king to the East India Company.

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DR. PRASAD LEAVES CABINET

NEW DELHI: The Honourable Dr. Rajendra Prasad has resigned his office of Minister of the Indian Dominion Cabinet consequent on his election as President of the Indian National Congress.

His Excellency the Governor-General has, on the advice of his Government, accepted the resignation and appointed His Excellency Shri Jairamdas Daulatram, at present Governor of Bihar, to be a Minister of the Dominion Cabinet and Shri M. S. Aney to be Governor of Bihar in his place.

Mr. Daulatram, journalist and political worker, was born in 1892 in Hyderabad (Sind). He took his degree in law in 1916 and practised as a lawyer at Karachi from 1915 to 1919. In 1919 he joined the Home Rule Movement and later took part in the Congress Satyagraha Movement.

Mr. Daulatram was general secretary of the Indian National Congress from 1931-34, and was jailed four times during this period. He was also a member of the Congress Working Committee from 1925-1941. In 1942 he was again arrested along with other Congress leaders and released in 1945.

He was appointed Governor of Bihar in August, 1947.

[illegible] of Tamil culture [illegible]

Independent State

Some Tamilian leaders have gone further, demanding a new independent State for South India, to be called Dravidistan.

They also claim that Tamil language and culture are more ancient than either Sanskrit or Hindi, an adaptation of Sanskrit now suggested as India's national language.

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The demand for Dravidistan has in its turn sharpened the edge of controversy over the possession of Madras city.

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H.R.H. Sardar Shah Mahmud Khan Ghazi, Marshal and Prime Minister of Afghanistan, inspecting the guard of honour presented by the Pakistan Navy on his arrival at Keamari Harbour.

WISDOM OF STEP DOUBTED

MARITZBURG, Friday.

GENERAL SMUTS is at present busy preparing for a General Election and it is, therefore, an inopportune time to interview him on the Indian question. Furthermore, India, too, has not indicated as to what her next move is going to be in regard to the Indian dispute, Mr. M. C. Naidoo, a former Secretary of Maritzburg Congress, told the "Leader." Mr. Naidoo feels that the N.I.O. is moving too far ahead of public opinion. They have not as yet received any definite mandate to bring about a solution to the Indian dispute with the Indian Government.

IT is a matter for regret that the N.I.O. is moving too far in advance of Indians' public opinion in regards to matters affecting the Indian community, said Mr. Naidoo. The latest move of the N.I.O. to interview General Smuts at Cape Town and to [illegible] to act as intermediaries between the Governments of the Dominions of India and Pakistan on one hand and the Government of the Union of South Africa on the other savours, to my mind, of lack of foresight, he declared.

It will be recalled that in 1946 the United Nations Assembly gave the two-thirds majority vote in favour of India, but a year later [illegible] South Africa on the Indian question simply because India did not get the necessary two-thirds majority. Surely this does not mean that the South African Indians' cause was completely lost at UNO. As has been pointed out by Mr. [illegible], the majority of the nations at UNO voted against South Africa and they realise that everything is not so well in the South African garden. Admittedly, all sane and rational Indians realise the importance of promoting goodwill and understanding between the European and the Indian communities in this country, especially when the atmosphere is charged with tension and misunderstanding.

"Communistic Tendencies"

Whilst Communistic tendencies may permeate the congress some [illegible] there is no reason why the N.I.O. should go to the other extreme of embarrassing the Indian Government and the South African Indians who, as yet, have given no definite mandate to the N.I.O. to bring about a solution to the Indian problem in the way they want. In this connection I heartily endorse the leading article which appeared in the last issue of "The Leader." It would be best to leave matters in abeyance until after the general election, when General Smuts would be in a better position to discuss the Indian question when the Indians could put forward proposals more in keeping with the dignity and self-respect not only of Indians resident in this country but also of those in India, concluded Mr. Naidoo.

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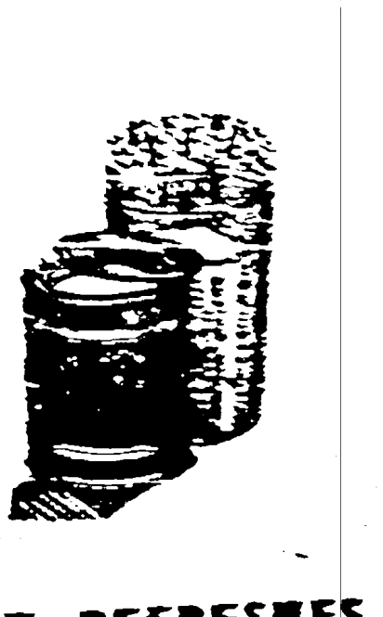

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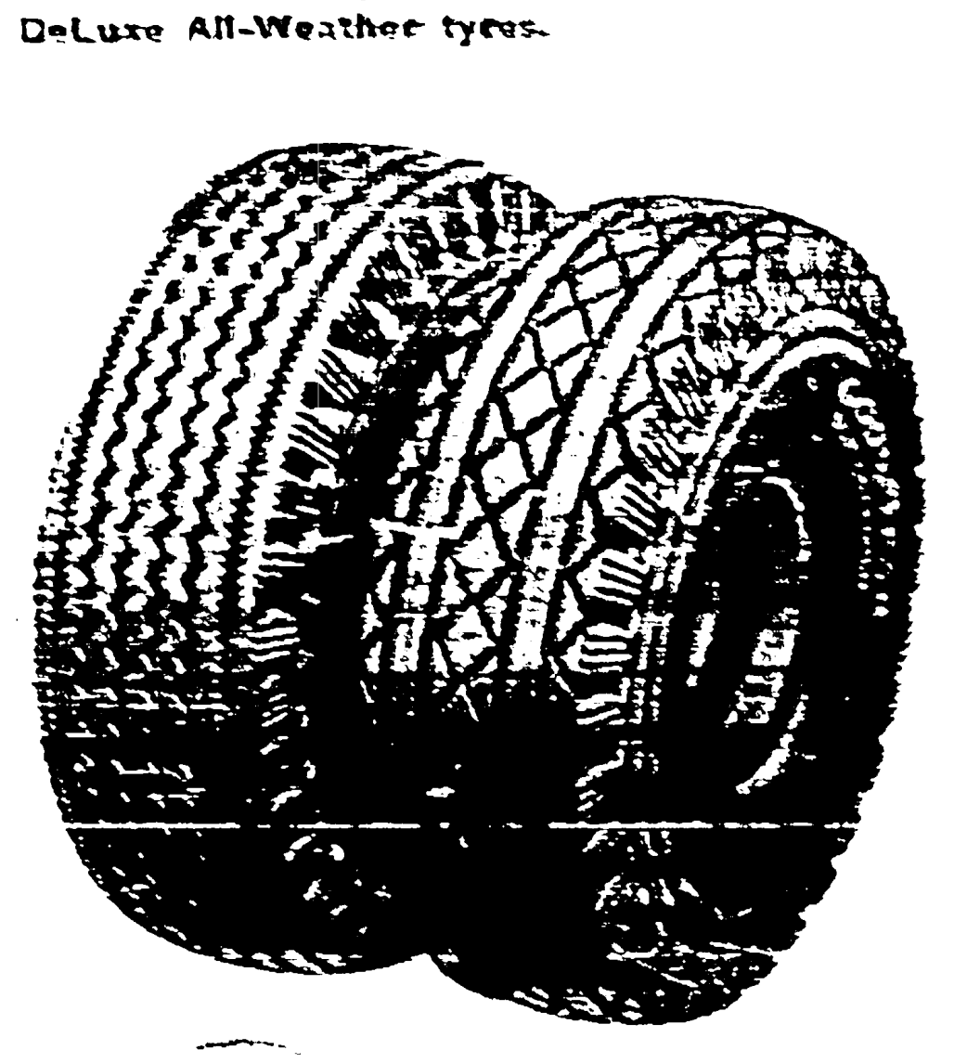

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THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Naidoo and family, of 136 Mountil Road, Mayville, Durban wish to thank all relatives and friends for the many messages of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes sent in their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Naidoo and Dr. [illegible].

Mr. and Mrs. K. Chengiah Chetty, of 84 Leopold Street, Durban, thank all relatives and friends for kindly attending the wedding of their son, Mr. C. A. [illegible], and also for the many gifts, cash and congratulatory messages sent to the bride and bridegroom.

Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Naidoo and family wish to thank all relatives and friends for their kind messages of sympathy and floral tributes sent in their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to Dr. [illegible].

In Memoriam

GOVENDER: In loving memory of my dear wife and our darling mother, [illegible], who was called to higher service on February 2, 1946. [illegible]

I. ESSOP [illegible]: In ever loving memory of our darling mother, [illegible], who passed away at [illegible], Durban, on the 28th January, 1947. [illegible]

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A mother true and kind,
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[illegible]
We tended you with loving care,
But could not make you stay.
Time has changed in many ways,
But one thing changes never—
The memories of the happy days
When we were all together.
Ever remembered by her loving husband and [illegible] children, [illegible] Road, Sillery.

APPRECIATION

Mr. and Mrs. Rawat Bhagwandeen and family, of [illegible], sincerely thank all their friends and relatives for their presence, congratulatory messages and for the many gifts on the occasion of the marriage of their fifth son, [illegible], at Johannesburg on January [illegible]. [illegible]

Mr. S. Kalidean, of the [illegible] Clothing Factory, wishes to thank [illegible] for their kind hospitality and kindness shown to him during his stay in Capetown.

Mr. and Mrs. V. K. Chetty, proprietor of the Springbok Service Station, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Pillay and Mr. V. S. Reddy, of East London, desire to express their deep appreciation and grateful thanks to all relatives and friends for their kind presence at the marriage of [illegible] at [illegible] Hall on [illegible]. They also embrace this opportunity to convey their profound sense of gratitude to all those who sent telegrams and messages of felicitations and gifts, both in cash and kind, to the married couple.

The Leader
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SATURDAY, JAN. 31, 1948

Union Nationals

WHEN the United Nations assembled, both the year before and last year, the South African representatives, on the first occasion the Prime Minister himself and next his Minister of Justice, claimed loudly and repeatedly that the Indians in South Africa were Union Nationals and hence the charge of the Union Government. Now that claim has been put to the test, for fifteen Indians crossed over the Transvaal border without the necessary permits last week. The Government and the police are aware of this, but so far no action has been taken against them. These men are in Johannesburg at the moment. Their action certainly puts the Premier's aforementioned claim that Indians are Union Nationals to the acid test. It would, of course, be a tactical blunder for the Government to take any steps right now, for that would reveal the hollowness of the Prime Minister's claim at United Nations. If he did leave these fifteen resisters arrested, then he can justly be accused of gross falsehood in a world forum. Those who have organised the movement should bear this in mind and plan accordingly. It would strengthen their hands enormously if they organised all the Indian waiters who have been sent back from the Cape under the Immigrants' Regulation Act, and, if they have not yet settled down in any work in Natal, they should be asked to return to their jobs in the Cape if possible under the watchful eye of the Passive Resistance Council. Many of these waiters have virtually lived all their lives in the Cape and were earning a decent livelihood. To-day in Natal they cannot find a decent job nor any housing accommodation.

If the Prime Minister's claim, and that of his Minister of Justice, mean anything, then these men should be allowed to settle in the Cape without let or hindrance. After all they are Union Nationals and as such [illegible] rights and privileges which flow from nationality. Right now the country is being flooded by White immigrants, with many of whom this country was recently at war. The perpetrators of Belsen and Buchenwald and the Ras who found it fun raping Abyssinia can range freely over the whole of the Union and the Rhodesias, while the Indian people, whose kith and kin fought with such heroism from the heights of Keren and whose Tenth Division covered itself with glory in Italy for the Allied Cause, cannot leave the Province of their birth without falling foul of the law. They have been concentrated in Natal while the opportunities and avenues of work have been closed to them from the other Provinces. They cannot go simply because the law of land, in whose making they have had no say at all, prohibits them from doing so. It is nauseating to think that the very people who said that no German was a good German and no Italian a good Italian allow these people to range freely over the country while the Indians are cooped up in one Province.

General Smuts is now faced with the realities of the situation hitherto he just made claims; now the Indian people have replied. Unfortunately for him, the Immigration Department in the Cape slipped up at a crucial moment when it interfered with the Durban boxers. It is ironical that one who should have fought with such distinction in the Allied Cause and risen to high rank in the Union Defence Force should himself be victimised simply because he was exercising the rights of a Union National—that of being in any part of the country without let or hindrance. Unfortunately for him if he did not have £11, he faced the prospect of prosecution and a fine or imprisonment. That is the brand of nationality that South Africa maintains for a section of its population which is South African in every sense of the word. That is the brand of nationality for which, it would appear, Indian soldiers fought with such heroism in North Africa and in Italy, and that is the brand of nationality which is now being put to the test. It would be well for General Smuts to reconsider these arbitrary immigration regulations before South Africa is arraigned once more at the bar of world opinion. If Union Nationality is to mean anything to the Indian, then he should be allowed free access to the other Provinces.

PROFILE

Dr. HOMI BHABHA

DAPPER, handsome, 38-year-old Dr. Homi J. Bhabha is the complete antithesis of the popular idea of a scientist. Debonair, he could step into a film without batting an eyelid.

Brisk, fluent, he talks with gestures. A born teacher, he reduces the most complex theory to terms understandable by the man-in-the-street.

He weaves a beautiful chain of clear ideas. The tragedy with the layman is one or two links slip the memory and the whole dissolves.

All of it is somewhat in the true Einstein tradition. A journalist who once interviewed that eminent physicist proudly informed him "that there are now eleven men in the world who understand the Theory of Relativity." The following morning, however, he phoned Einstein regretfully to inform him that the knowledge was still confined to ten scientists.

Dr. Bhabha once explained cosmic radiation to a party of high officials. Five minutes later, leaving him, they had a strong urge to return for further elucidation of a baffling point.

The precision of a scientist and the exuberance of an artist—that's Bhabha. And uncommon in a scientist, he paints, too. Showing you his paintings, some of them have a surrealist touch, he would talk of his trip to Toledo to see El Greco's paintings, whose influence his small work shows.

After a brilliant career at Bombay, Bhabha went to Cambridge, where he took the mathematical tripos and came out first. He was awarded the Rouse-Ball travelling studentship in mathematics from Trinity College. He worked under the famous Professor E. Fermi in [illegible] in Rome and under Professor H. H. Kramers in Utrecht. He also lectured at Cambridge on cosmic radiation.

At the age of 31, for his work on cosmic rays, he was made a Fellow of the Royal Society. He worked with Dr. Heitler on cosmic ray showers and their theory known as the Bhabha-Heitler Theory of the Cascade Theory. Two American scientists, Carlson and Openheim, who were working on the same lines, were 15 days too late with their results.

Today, the Head of the Cosmic Ray Research Unit at the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, Dr. Bhabha is studying the cosmic ray with apparatus devised by himself. For cosmic ray investigation India is, according to him, particularly favourably situated as it stretches from the geomagnetic equator to a magnetic latitude of [illegible] degrees north at Peshawar.

Versatile, vigorous, adventurous, enthusiastic, working with equal ease on abstruse formulae, as on a canvas as fancy dictates, Dr. Bhabha is of the stuff that potential Nobel Prizewinners are made. Many believe so.

Buddist Monuments

ROCK-HEWN monuments of Buddhistic culture have been discovered in Warangal district of the Nizam's Dominions.

Overgrown with rank vegetation, two Buddhist Dagobas and two cells, which have been carved out of small rocks, have been discovered on Kadlavada Hill, near Kottapalem, about 200 miles east of Hyderabad. They are believed to represent the Mahayana cult of the Buddhist religion, which came into vogue in or about the first century A.D.

The wall sections and the sculptures of the cells and the niches in the Dagobas were originally painted. Traces can be seen even now in small places. The process is slightly different from that of Ajanta.

India has Uranium

What are the sources of Uranium in India? A geologist says:—

[illegible] now considered an industrial mineral and as attempts have not been made to extract it from all the possible sources. The deposits of pure uranium ores from which it has been extracted is [illegible] few, but this does not mean that it cannot be extracted from many other sources, writes Dr. V. S. Dubey, Professor of Economic Geology, Benares, in a letter to the "Hindu."

In India deposits of uranium ore occur in Gaya district. American geologists who visited there during the war found, however, that the deposits were not large.

Another source of this mineral may be the cast sand deposits of Travancore State. The sand is mostly monazite, a source of thorium which is another radio-active mineral and which is generally associated with uranium. The uranium contents of these sands are not known, but it may prove a very good and cheap source from which it would not be difficult to extract a large amount of uranium.

Uranium is the most widespread element in nature. Granite rock which covers lakhs and lakhs of square miles in India contains uranium. We can obtain one pound of uranium from one lakh pounds of granite. So there is no dearth of uranium, adds Dr. Dubey.

The question is whether it can be extracted profitably from granite. It can be done. Ordinarily fifty tons of granite will give one pound of uranium. In granite uranium is concentrated in the one per cent of heavy minerals which can very easily be extracted from granite by crushing the granite and following ordinary dressing methods.

It is not difficult to establish a plant that could thus treat 2,000 tons of granite. This plant would extract twenty tons of heavy minerals from granite, which would contain about forty pounds of uranium. Also, from this twenty tons of heavy minerals radium can be recovered by ordinary chemical treatment.

On the Bookshelf

"BURMESE FAMILY"

Those who have followed the history of the development of the countries of the East will find "Burmese Family," by Mi Mi Khaing, herself a Burmese, particularly interesting for it tells the story of a people who have now attained an independent status.

The book is an intimate study of a Burmese family of the upper middle class by one of its English-educated daughters who had been exiled from home by war.

The book is a record of the gracious, merry and wise living of the Burmese, whose love of dress, of pwe, of good food, taste of festivals, elegance and the theatre are delightfully recreated.

R. S. N.

"Burmese Family," by Mi Mi Khaing, is published by Longmans, Green and Co.

AYURVEDA

AYURVEDA, which means the science of longevity, is a Hindu system of medicine which goes back to Sushruta of the fifth century B.C., whose works in Sanskrit deal with the methods of diagnosis and therapy in [illegible]. It has a rich pharmacopoeia and special knowledge of cures and ointments.

Even as early as the second century A.D. Charaka had detected and found remedies for 1,500 diseases. There is proof to show that vaccination, not known to the West till the 18th century, was practised as early as 550 A.D.

In addition to pharmaceutical therapy, Ayurveda specialises in Yoga for mental healing, for many diseases have been cured by Yogic exercises than by drugs.

Sastri Turns Away 280 Boys: No Room

SASTRI COLLEGE, it is understood, turned away about 280 boys who had applied for admission into Standard Seven. All the boys live in and around Durban. They cannot be taken in because of the following reasons: (a) Last year's failures who had to be re-admitted, (b) those who were refused admission last year were given preference this year, (c) there was a heavy call on Standard VIII, IX and X, (d) Sastri is the only high school in Natal which can provide Standard IX for those who have passed the J.C. at Newcastle, Dundee, Ladysmith, Stanger and Tongaat. At the Junior Girls' School fifty applications may be refused while the conversion of two lobbies into classrooms made possible the admission of 30 girls who had been turned away last year.

REFERRING to the position which has resulted in thousands of Indian children being turned away from school because of the lack of accommodation, Mr. S. Cooppan, M.A., who has spent a considerable amount of time doing research into the history and problems of Indian education in Natal, declared that it was another glaring example of the racial injustice perpetrated against the Indian.

"I am sure," Mr. Cooppan said, "the Government in South Africa would have been able to retain its seat for a day were such a thing to happen to European children. Yet this has been happening in Indian education year after year and the Provincial Administration have not taken any active steps to put an end to such an intolerable situation where children grow up in enforced illiteracy.

"I doubt whether they have any definite programme at all. I am even inclined to question the bona fides of the Provincial Administration in their attitude to the educational advancement of the Indian people.

"A careful study of the position shows that while 25,000-30,000 children of school-going age who could be in school are not all [illegible]. If there was the willingness on the part of the European Provincial Council, this [illegible] anxiety of Indian parents could be solved overnight. But it is a well-known fact that the Province, and the Union Government hiding behind the [illegible] of the provincial system has been, and is, pursuing a laissez faire policy in regard to Indian education.

"The absence of complete free and compulsory education, and the almost complete dependence on a system of aided schools are also ample proof of this.

Must Wake Up

"The Indian community must wake up to the realisation that they are gravely jeopardising the future of their children if they expect an anti-Indian Government to solve the present educational confusion.

"I am afraid, while we rightly agitate for full equality of educational opportunity, once again we must dip into our greatly depleted pockets and suffer more sacrifices, if our children are not to grow up in ignorance.

"There is only one way to relieve the present pressure on accommodation. Each district of each school committee must take immediate steps to put up temporary schools, buildings along the lines of the army barracks, to accommodate the infant classes. If space is available then this barracks may be erected on the school grounds, or on a vacant piece of ground near an existing school.

"The Union Defence Minister must be urged to release such barracks immediately to the Indian school committees. There may be a difficulty in some areas where the City Council may not approve of the erection of such structures. Representations will have to be made to the civic authorities to relax their building regulations in view of the urgency of the problem.

"We must not resort to these mushroom private schools. The idea is to bring the children under the administration of an existing school. The Education Department must then be requested to supply its own teachers and thus take over at least part of the responsibility for the education of Indian children.

Four months ago there were 38,868 Indian students accommodated in 185 Government, Government-aided and private schools in Natal. For the 40,000 European students, however, there were 401 schools in Natal.

"As for teachers, we must make use of those who have passed the P.S.C., J.C. and Matric. We cannot wait for them to be professionally qualified. Even now 25 per cent. of the Indian teachers are unqualified.

"There is no alternative to this admittedly makeshift measure. Attention must be given as to whether such unqualified teachers might not be enabled to learn the minimum essentials of the technique of exposition and illustration within a month or two. A kind of COTT training scheme in teaching skill.

"At present such teachers are absolutely at sea amidst their charges. The outline of school routine and general principles of infant class teaching with a number of model and other suggested lessons can be prepared and distributed by the Department to such teachers on appointment. The weekend teachers' classes (where they are available) are a slow and uncertain way of training such a "shock brigade" as our present circumstances demand."

Demonstration Organised

A LARGE demonstration was organised by the N.I.C. on Wednesday afternoon as a protest against the shortage of educational facilities for Indian children.

The demonstrators, who consisted chiefly of students and children assembled at Sastri College. They marched via Warwick Avenue, Victoria Street, Albert Street, Leopold Street and Soldiers Way to Cartwright Flats, carrying banners bearing the slogans: "75 per cent. of the Indian people are illiterate," and "Accommodate our 30,000 school-less children." Demonstrators shouted "We want more schools."

The procession, which was preceded by the Chief Constable, Mr. R. Johnston, and escorted by members of the City Police, was perfectly orderly. The Mayor of Durban, Mr. L. L. Boyd, had previously approved the route.

The meeting held at Cartwright Flats deplored the lack of educational facilities for about 30,000 Indian school children and the "apparent indifference" of the Natal Provincial Administration to the crisis. It authorised the Natal Indian Congress, with a deputation to be appointed by a larger meeting, to see the Administrator and ask both for long range planning and immediate temporary measures to meet the situation.

The N.I.C. was also authorised to interview the Prime Minister if necessary to secure energetic and early action.

It is understood that about seven hundred children—about half of them girls—have been turned away from a school in the Clairwood area writes a "Leader" reporter. Clairwood is one of the more densely populated Indian areas in Durban. The Education Department proposes to erect two new schools in this Area. The question is when will these plans materialise?

Here an interesting fact is revealed—that of about 200 Indian girls seeking admission have been turned away. The Education of the Indian girl have been retarded not, because of parental objection to girls' education, but because of the lack of accommodation.

Similarly, the other areas have been affected as well—Springfield, Westville, Mayville, Cato Manor, Greenwood Park, Overport, to mention a few, besides the Sydenham, Malvern and Sea View Central Durban area.

Some schools had been able to take an extra pupils a few years back, but this soon had to be discontinued when the regulations in connection with floor space came into operation.

Dr. Naicker said: "It is the responsibility of the Government and the Provincial Authorities to build more schools. Of the 157 Indian schools in Natal, only 20 were built by the Government, and the rest of the schools were built from Indian money. In regard to the amount spent in Indian education, it may be pointed out that in 1945, £407,000 was spent on Indian education, and more than double that figure—£1,035,000—was spent on European education in Natal. The Natal Indian Congress was forced to organise this demonstration, because the Administrator had refused to see a Congress deputation, even after a lengthy memorandum had been presented to him. I am sure this step of the parents and children will bring [illegible]."

Mr. J. N. Singh, pointed out that even after the Administrator had refused to see a deputation of Congress, the N.I.C. had addressed a letter to him making suggestions of how the crisis could be met.

"It has been suggested," went on Mr. Singh, "that the larger primary schools in Durban be allowed to conduct standard seven classes, and the infant classes be housed in military huts alongside existing schools. The Natal Indian Congress had also written to the Prime Minister asking him to receive a deputation of Congress to interview him on the question. The Mayor of Durban had been petitioned to call a public meeting at which a deputation would be elected to see the Administrator. The Congress had seen the Mayor in the morning and had agreed to convene and preside at such a meeting to be held someday next week at the Avalon Theatre."

SMUTS REPLIES

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Natal, Mr. D. G. Shepstone; the Minister of the Interior, Mr. H. G. Lawrence; the former Minister of the Interior, Senator C. F. Clarkson (who is now Minister of Posts and Telegraphs); the Commissioner for Immigration and Asiatic Affairs, Mr. J. H. [illegible]; and the chairman of the Asiatic Land Tenure Board, Mr. D. S. van der Merwe, were present at the meeting.

The Indian deputation consisted of 30 members, 10 from each province. They were introduced by Mr. A. S. Kajee, president of the Natal Indian Organisation. The chief spokesman was Mr. P. R. Pather, secretary of the Natal Indian Organisation. He was supported by Mr. S. R. Naidoo, of Maritzburg, who was a member of the Broome Commission, and Mr. A. M. Moolla, of Durban.

The Non-European Railway Passengers' Welfare Association has protested to the Railway Administration in connection with the waste water contained in tanks provided in the second and third class coaches.

A Landmark In Indian Struggle

Johannesburg: "January 25, 1948, will go down in the history of the Union as an important landmark in the struggle of our people to obtain full citizenship rights in South Africa; for in the brief period of thirty-five years we are for the second time attacking the restrictions placed on our freedom of movement and this time in order to focus the attention of the country and the world on the Ghetto Act passed by the Union Parliament," declared Dr. Y. M. Dadoo at a meeting arranged here on the "Red Square" last Sunday, on the occasion of the crossing of the Transvaal Border.

"ON this occasion we recall our community's first attack on the inter-provincial restrictions, in November, 1913, when Mahatma Gandhi led passive resisters from Natal into the Transvaal in defiance of the Immigration Registration Act of 1908 to ventilate the grievances of our people," Dr. Dadoo went on. "His achievements in South Africa, culminating in the Smuts-Gandhi Agreement of 1914 and his subsequent use of this weapon in India with the result that it gave new hope to India's 400,000,000 leading to the withdrawal of the British Imperialists and the setting up of the new dominions are historical facts known to all.

"We welcome the gallant Natal Resisters, who have been privileged to be in the first batch, under the joint leadership of Mr. R. A. Pillay and Mr. R. Mahabeer. They have, through their actions, challenged the contention of Mr. Lawrence, put forward at the United Nations, on behalf of his Government that Indians in South Africa are Union Nationals. The 1913 Act gives a contemptuous answer to the Union Government's contention, for the Immigrants Regulation Act is an act without parallel in any civilised democratic country in the world.

"It is an act which makes the Indian people, born in the Union foreigners within the boundary of South Africa. An Indian born in Natal, whom Mr. Lawrence calls a Union National, on his entering the Transvaal is placed in identically the same position as a national of a foreign country entering the Union of South Africa. [illegible] administratively he receives from the authorities even worse treatment than a foreigner with a white skin coming into this country.

"We have decided on the attack on the 1913 act to expose the hollowness of the Union Government's contention that we are Union Nationals and that the Indian question is a domestic one.

MODERATION KEYNOTE

"If the Government and the European Press was not engaged in a deliberate attempt to discredit the present leadership of the Indian community then they would have had to admit that moderation is the keynote of our passive resistance movement. Is it extremism to ask to be recognised as South African citizens? Is it extremism to ask to be allowed to make a full contribution to the progress of our country? Is it extremism to have withstood the blows and kicks of Durban European hooligans without the slightest retaliation? We ask for full democratic rights to enable us to play our full role in the Union and to remove the blot which has besmirched the name of our country in the Assembly of the nations of the world. We ask for no more; we ask for no less.

ACT AS EMISSARIES

"On January 29 General Smuts is meeting a deputation of his so-called 'moderates' and from the general trend of publicity given to this pending discussion it is becoming clearer that General Smuts and his Government are out in search of Indians to act as emissaries to India and Pakistan with the avowed purpose of convincing those Governments to agree to a Round Table Conference with the Union based on the 1927 and 1932 agreements, agreements which were entered into by an imperialist dominated Indian Government after discussions on the ways and means of reducing the Union's Indian population by such measures as repatriation to India and emigration to other British possessions.

"AN HONOURABLE COMPROMISE"

"Let me tell General Smuts, his Government, and the so-called moderates that a Round Table Conference on this basis is not acceptable to the South African Indian people, nor to the Governments of India and Pakistan. We want a Round Table Conference. That remains one of our premier demands. But we want a Round Table Conference on an honourable basis. We want a conference on the basis of the 1946 resolution of the United Nations as has already been made known to General Smuts by the Prime Minister of India, Pandit Nehru. General Smuts must realise that he is dealing with 400,000,000 people who have achieved a new status.

"My appeal to the misguided individuals who are meeting him on the 29th of this month is that they must desist from taking a step not in keeping with the self-respect of India, Pakistan and our community. To these so-called 'moderates' I say: 'If you have not the courage to carry into effect the South African Indian Congress Conference decision to resist the Ghetto Act, a decision [illegible] lution of the Executive of the S.A.I.C. supporting Passive Resistance in unambiguous terms; in the making of both these decisions you took part and gave your approval, then do not harm the struggle. Let the Natal and the Transvaal Indian Congresses carry on the struggle and you wind up the puppet organisations you have set up.'"

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Short intensive courses for teachers who are already in employment are also being arranged.

Mountbatten To Resign

New Delhi: It has been announced here that Earl Mountbatten will definitely relinquish his appointment as Governor-General of India in June.

At the time of the transfer of power to Indian hands, August 15, 1947, he told the constituent assembly that he would be asked to be released from his post in April, 1948.

He has since been persuaded again to continue as Governor-General until June of this year.

Earl Mountbatten has already indicated that India would only feel the full impact of freedom when she has one of her own men as the constitutional head of the country.—Sapa-Reuter.

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THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Naidoo and family, of 126 Mountif Road, Mayville, Durban wish to thank all relatives and friends for the many messages of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes sent in their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Naidoo and Dr. Mauley.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Chengiah Chetty, of 64 Leopold Street, Durban, thank all relatives and friends for kindly attending the wedding of their son, Mr. C. A. Varathorey, and also for the many gifts, cash and congratulatory messages sent to the bride and bridegroom.

Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Naidoo and family wish to thank all relatives and friends for their kind messages of sympathy and floral tributes sent in their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to Dr. [illegible].

In Memoriam

GOVENDER: In loving memory of my dear wife and our darling mother, Cooppamah, who was called to higher service on February 2, 1938. [illegible]

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I. KASOP MOODLEY: In ever loving memory of our darling mother, [illegible], who passed away at 7 Pyramid Court, Durban, on the 30th January, 1947. [illegible]

MOODLEY: In treasured memory of my dear wife and our darling mother, Kuppammah, who passed away on January 31, 1947. [illegible]

APPRECIATION

Mr. and Mrs. Rawat Bhagwandeen and family, of Glencoe, sincerely thank all their friends and relatives for their presence, congratulatory messages and for the many gifts on the occasion of the marriage of their fifth son, Ramdeen, at Johannesburg on January 18, 1948. [illegible]

Mr. S. Kalideen, of the Kismet Clothing Factory, wishes to thank Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Dooley and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. Sulie and family, of Kensington, [illegible] Rumble and family, Mr. and Mrs. Garnett and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ardment Jack Reel and family, Mr. and Mrs. D. Naidoo and family, of Wynberg, Mr. S. R. Kathrada, of the Crescent Cafe, and the officials of the Western Province Amateur Athletic and Cycling Union for their kind hospitality and kindness shown to him during his stay in Capetown.

Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Chetty, proprietor of the Springbok Service Station, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Pillay and Mr. V. N. Reddy, of East London, desire to express their deep appreciation and grateful thanks to all relatives and friends for their kind presence at the marriage of Canon Mersan to Sharamee at Lowther Hall on Sunday last. They also embrace this opportunity to convey their profound sense of gratitude to all those who sent telegrams and messages of felicitation and gifts, both in cash and kind, to the married couple.

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Union Nationals

WHEN the United Nations assembled, both the year before and last year, the South African representatives, on the first occasion the Prime Minister himself and next his Minister of Justice, claimed loudly and repeatedly that the Indians in South Africa were Union Nationals and hence the charge of the Union Government. Now that claim has been put to the test, for fifteen Indians crossed over the Transvaal border without the necessary permits last week. The Government and the police are aware of this, but so far no action has been taken against them. These men are in Johannesburg at the moment. Their action certainly puts the Premier's oft-asserted claim that Indians are Union Nationals to the acid test. It would, of course, be a tactical blunder for the Government to take any steps right now, for that would reveal the hollowness of the Prime Minister's claim at United Nations. If he did have these fifteen resisters arrested, then he can justly be accused of gross falsehood in a world forum. Those who have organised the movement should bear this in mind and plan accordingly. It would strengthen their hands immensely if they organised all the Indian waiters who have been sent back from the Cape under the Immigrants' Regulation Act, and, if they have not yet settled down [illegible] be asked to return to their jobs in the Cape if possible under the watchful eye of the Passive Resistance Council. Many of these waiters have virtually lived all their lives in the Cape and were earning a decent livelihood. To-day in Natal they cannot find a decent job nor any housing accommodation.

If the Prime Minister's claim, and that of his Minister of Justice, mean anything, then these men should be allowed to settle in the Cape without let or hindrance. After all they are Union Nationals and as such entitled to the ordinary rights and privileges which flow from nationality. Right now the country is being flooded by White immigrants, with many of whom this country was recently at war. The perpetrators of Belsen and Buchenwald and the Itie who found it fun raping Abyssinia can range freely over the whole of the Union and the Rhodesias, while the Indian people, whose kith and kin fought with such heroism from the heights of Keren and whose Tenth Division covered itself with glory in Italy for the Allied Cause, cannot leave the Province of their birth without falling foul of the law. They have been concentrated in Natal while the opportunities and avenues of work have been closed to them from the other Provinces. They cannot go simply because the law of the land, in whose making they have had no say at all, prohibits them from doing so. It is nauseating to think that the very people who said that no German was a good German and no Italian a good Italian allow these people to range freely over the country while the Indians are cooped up in one Province.

General Smuts is now faced with the realities of the situation; hitherto he just made claims; now the Indian people have replied. Unfortunately for him, the Immigration Department in the Cape slipped up at a crucial moment when it interfered with the Durban lawyers. It is ironical that one who should have fought with such distinction in the Allied Cause and risen to high rank in the Union Defence Forces should himself be victimised simply because he was exercising the rights of a Union National—that of being in any part of the country without let or hindrance. Unfortunately for him if he did not have £11, he faced the prospect of prosecution and a fine or imprisonment. That is the brand of nationality that South Africa maintains for a section of its population which is South African in every sense of the word. That is the brand of nationality for which, it would appear, Indian soldiers fought with such heroism in North Africa and in Italy, and that is the brand of nationality which is now being put to the test. It would be well for General Smuts to reconsider these arbitrary immigration regulations before South Africa is arraigned once more at the bar of world opinion. If Union Nationality is to mean anything to the Indian, then he should be allowed free access to the other Provinces.

PROFILE

Dr. HOMI BHABHA

DAPPER, handsome, 35-year-old Dr. Homi J. Bhabha is the complete antithesis of the popular idea of a scientist. Debonair, he could step into a film without batting an eyelid.

Brisk, fluent, he talks with gestures. A born teacher, he reduces the most complex theory to terms understandable by the man-in-the-street.

He weaves a beautiful chain of clear ideas. The tragedy with the layman is one or two links slip the memory and the whole dissolves.

All of it is somewhat in the true Einstein tradition. A journalist who once interviewed that eminent physicist proudly informed him "that there are now eleven men in the world who understand the Theory of Relativity." The following morning, however, he phoned Einstein regretfully to inform him that the knowledge was still confined to [illegible].

Dr. Bhabha once explained cosmic radiation to a party of high officials. Five minutes later, leaving him, they had a strong urge to return for further elucidation of a baffling point.

The [illegible] of a scientist and the [illegible] of an artist—that's Bhabha. And uncommon in a scientist, he paints, too. Showing you his paintings, some of them have a surrealist touch, he would talk of his trip to Toledo to see El Greco's paintings, whose influence his easel work shows.

After a brilliant career at Bombay, Bhabha went to Cambridge, where he took the mathematical tripos and came out first. He was awarded the Rouse Ball travelling studentship in mathematics from Trinity College. He worked under the famous Professor E. Fermi in [illegible] in Rome and under Professor H. H. Kramer in Utrecht. He also lectured at Cambridge on cosmic radiation.

At the age of 31, for his work on cosmic rays, he was made a Fellow of the Royal Society. He worked with Dr. Heitler on cosmic ray showers and their theory is known as the Bhabha-Heitler Theory of the Cascade Theory. Two American scientists, [illegible] and Oppenheim, who were working on the same lines, were [illegible] too late with their results.

To-day, the Head of the Cosmic Ray Research Unit at the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, Dr. Bhabha is studying the cosmic ray with apparatus devised by himself. For cosmic ray investigation India is, according to him, particularly favourably situated as it stretches from the geomagnetic equator to [illegible] magnetic latitude of [illegible] degrees north at Peshawar.

Versatile, vigorous, infectiously enthusiastic, working with equal ease on abstruse formulae, as on a canvas as fancy dictates, Dr. Bhabha is of the stuff that potential Nobel Prizewinners are made. Many believe so.

Buddist Monuments

ROCK-HEWN monuments of Buddhistic culture have been discovered in Warangal District of the Nizam's Dominions.

[illegible] two Buddhist Dagobas and two cells, which have been carved out of small rocks, have been discovered on Kalbunda Hill, near Kodingovalam, about 200 miles east of Hyderabad. They are believed to represent the Mahayana cult of the Buddhist religion, which came into vogue in or about the first century A.D.

The wall surfaces and the sculptures of the cells and the niches in the Dagobas were originally painted. Traces can be seen even now in small patches. The process is slightly different from that of Ajanta.

India has Uranium

What are the sources of Uranium in India? A geologist says:—

U[illegible] now considered an industrial mineral and so attempts have only been made to extract it from all the possible sources. The deposits of pure uranium ores from which it has been extracted [illegible] are few, but this does not mean that it cannot be extracted from many other sources, writes Dr. V. S. Dubey, Professor of Economic Geology, Benares, in a letter to the "Hindu."

In India deposits of uranium ore occur in Gaya district. American geologists who worked there during the war found, however, that the deposits were not large.

Another source of this mineral may be the vast sand deposits of Travancore State. The sand is mostly monazite, a source of thorium, which is another radioactive mineral and which is generally associated with uranium. The uranium contents of these sands are not known, but it may prove a very good and cheap source from which it would not be difficult to extract a large quantity.

Uranium is the most widespread element in nature. Granite rock which covers lakhs and lakhs of square miles in India contains uranium. We can obtain one pound of uranium from one lakh pounds of granite. So there is no dearth of uranium, adds Dr. Dubey.

The question is: could it be extracted profitably from granite. It can be done. Ordinarily fifty tons of granite will give one pound of uranium. In granite uranium is concentrated in the one per cent of heavy minerals which can very easily be extracted from granite by crushing the granite and following [illegible] methods.

It is not difficult to establish a plant that could thus treat 200 tons of granite. This plant would extract twenty tons of heavy minerals from granite, which would contain about forty pounds of uranium. Also, from this twenty tons of heavy minerals radium can be removed by ordinary chemical treatment.

On the Bookshelf

"BURMESE FAMILY"

Those who have followed the history of the development of the countries of the East will find "Burmese Family," by Mi Mi Khaing, herself a Burmese, particularly interesting for it tells the story of a people who have now attained an independent status.

The book is an intimate study of a Burmese family of the upper middle class by one of its English-educated daughters, who had been exiled from home by war.

The book is a record of the gracious, merry and wise living of the Burmese, whose love of dress, of jokes, of good food, taste of festivals, ceremonies and the theatre are delightfully recorded.

R. S. N.

"Burmese Family," Mi Mi Khaing, is published by Longmans, Green and Co.

AYURVEDA

AYURVEDA, which means the science of longevity, is a Hindu system of medicine which goes back to Sushruta of the fifth century B.C., whose works in Sanskrit deal with the methods of diagnosis and therapy in scientific detail. It has a rich pharmacopoeia and special [illegible] and ointments.

Even as early as the second century A.D. Charaka had detected and found remedies for [illegible] diseases. There is proof that vaccination, unknown to the West till the 18th century, was practised in India as early as 550 A.D.

In addition to pharmaceutical therapy, Ayurveda specifies a Yoga for mental healing. Far more diseases have been cured by Yogic exercises than by drugs.

Sastri Turns Away 280 Boys: No Room

SASTRI COLLEGE, it is understood, turned away about 280 boys who had applied for admission into Standard Seven. All the boys live in and around Durban. They cannot be taken in because of the following reasons: (a) Last year's failures who had to be re-admitted, (b) those who were refused admission last year were given preference this year, (c) there was a heavy call on Standard VIII, IX and X, (d) Sastri is the only high school in Natal which can provide Standard IX for those who have passed the J.C. at Newcastle, Dundee, Ladysmith, Stanger and Tongaat. At the Junior Girls' School fifty applications may be refused while the conversion of two lobbies into classrooms made possible the admission of 30 girls who had been turned away last year.

REFERRING to the position which has resulted in thousands of Indian children being turned away from school because of the lack of accommodation, Mr. P. Coopsamy, M.A., who has spent a considerable amount of time doing research into the history and problems of Indian education in Natal, declared that it was another glaring example of the usual injustice perpetrated against the Indian.

"I am sure," Mr. Coopsamy said, "the Government in South Africa would have been able to retain its seat for a day were such a thing to happen to European children. Yet this has been happening to Indian education year after year and the Provincial [illegible]

"I doubt whether they have any definite programme at all. I am even inclined to question the bona fides of the Provincial Administration in their attitude to the educational advancement of the Indian people.

"A careful study of the problem shows that while 25,000-30,000 children of school-going age who should be at school are not all [illegible] urgent needs are very much smaller than this, for actually every year only about 2,000-3,000 children seek admission into schools for the first time. [illegible]

"The absence of complete free and compulsory education, and the almost complete dependence on a system of aided schools are adequate proof of this.

Must Wake Up

"The Indian community must wake up to the realisation that they are gravely jeopardising the future of their children if they expect an anti-Indian Government to solve the present educational confusion.

"I am afraid, while we rightly agitate for full equality of educational opportunity, once again we must dip into our greatly depleted pockets and suffer more sacrifices, if our children are not to grow up in ignorance.

"There is only one way to relieve the present pressure on accommodation. Each district or each school committee must take immediate steps to put up temporary asbestos buildings along the lines of the army hutments, to accommodate the infant classes. If space is available then this hutment may be erected on the school grounds, or on a vacant piece of ground near an existing school.

"The Union Defence Minister must be urged to release such hutments immediately to the Indian school committees. There may be a difficulty in some areas where the City Council may not approve of the erection of such structures. Representations will have to be made to the civic authorities to relax their building regulations in view of the urgency of the problem.

"We must not resort to these mushroom private schools. The idea is to bring the children under the administration of an existing school. The Education Department must then be requested to supply its own teachers and thus take over at least part of the responsibility for the education of Indian children.

Four months ago there were 38,168 Indian students accommodated in 155 Government, Government-aided and private schools in Natal. For the 40,000 European students, however, there were 401 schools in Natal.

"As for teachers, we must make use of those who have passed the P.S.C., J.C. and Matric. We cannot wait for them to be professionally qualified. Even now 25 per cent. of the Indian teachers are unqualified.

"There is no alternative to this admittedly makeshift measure. Attention might be given as to [illegible] might not be enabled to learn the minimum essentials of the technique of exposition and illustration within a month or two. A kind of COTT training scheme in teaching skill.

"At present such teachers are absolutely at sea amidst their charges. The outline of school routine and general principles of infant class teaching with a number of model and other suggested lessons can be prepared and distributed by the Department to such teachers on appointment. The weekend 'teachers' classes (where they are available) are a slow and uncertain way of training such a 'shock brigade' as our present circumstances demand."

Demonstration Organised

A LARGE demonstration was organised by the N.I.C. on Wednesday afternoon as a protest against the shortage of educational facilities for Indian children.

The demonstrators, who consisted chiefly of students and children assembled at Sastri College. They marched via Warwick Avenue, Victoria Street, Albert Street, Leopold Street and Soldiers Way to Cartwright Flats, carrying banners bearing the slogans: "75 per cent. of the Indian people are illiterate," and "Accommodate our 30,000 schoolless children." Demonstrators shouted "We want more schools."

The procession, which was preceded by the Chief Constable, Mr. R. Johnston, and escorted by members of the City Police, was perfectly orderly. The Mayor of Durban, Mr. L. L. Boyd, had previously approved the route.

The meeting held at Cartwright Flats deplored the lack of educational facilities for about 30,000 Indian school children and the "apparent indifference" of the Natal Provincial Administration to the crisis. It authorised the Natal Indian Congress, with a deputation to be appointed by a Congress meeting to see the Administrator and ask both for long range planning and immediate temporary measures to meet the situation.

The N.I.C. was also authorised to interview the Prime Minister if necessary to secure energetic and early action.

It is understood that about seven hundred children—about half of them girls—have been turned away from a school in the Clairwood area writes a "Leader" reporter. Clairwood is one of the more densely populated Indian areas in Durban. The Education Department proposes to erect two new schools in this Area. The question is when will these plans materialise?

Here an interesting fact is revealed—that of about 300 Indian girls seeking admission have been turned away. The Education of the Indian girls have been retarded till now, not because of parental objection to girls' education, but because of the lack of accommodation.

Similarly, the other areas have been affected as well—Springfield, Westville, Mayville, Cato Manor, Greenwood Park, Overport, to mention a few, besides the Sydenham, Malvern and Sea View Central Durban area.

Some schools had been able to take on extra pupils a few years back, but this soon had to be discontinued when the regulations in connection with floor space came into operation.

Dr. Naicker said: "It is the responsibility of the Government and the Provincial Authorities to build more schools. Of the 157 Indian schools in Natal, only 29 were built by the Government, and the rest of the schools were built from Indian money. In regard to the amount spent on Indian education, it may be pointed out that in 1940-41 £407,000 was spent on Indian education, and more than double that figure £1,000,000 was spent on European education in Natal. The Natal Indian Congress was forced to organise this demonstration, because the Administrator had refused to see a Congress deputation, even after a lengthy memorandum had been presented to him. I am sure this step of the parents and children will bring action," concluded Dr. Naicker.

Mr. [illegible] Singh, pointed out that even after the Administrator had refused to see a deputation of Congress, the N.I.C. had addressed a letter to him making suggestions of how the crisis could be met.

"It has been suggested," went on Mr. Singh, "that the larger primary schools in Durban be allowed to conduct standard seven classes, and the infant classes be housed in military huts alongside existing schools. The Natal Indian Congress had also written to the Prime Minister asking him to receive a deputation of Congress to interview him on the question. The Mayor of Durban had been petitioned to call a public meeting at which a deputation would be elected to see the Administrator. The Congress had seen the Mayor in the morning and had agreed to convene and preside at such a meeting to be held Sunday next week at the Avalon Theatre."

SMUTS REPLIES

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Natal, Mr. D. G. Shepstone; the Minister of the Interior, Mr. H. G. Lawrence; the former Minister of the Interior, Senator C. F. Clarkson (who is now Minister of Posts and Telegraphs); the Commissioner for Immigration and Asiatic Affairs, Mr. J. H. Rossouw; and the chairman of the Asiatic Land Tenure Board, Mr. D. S. van der Merwe, were present at the meeting.

The Indian deputation consisted of 30 members, 10 from each province. They were introduced by Mr. A. S. Kajee, president of the Natal Indian Organisation. The chief spokesman was Mr. P. R. Pather, secretary of the Natal Indian Organisation. He was supported by Mr. S. R. Naidoo, of Maritzburg, who was a member of the Broome Commission, and Mr. A. M. Moolla, of Durban.

The Non-European Railway Passengers' Welfare Association has protested to the Railway Administration in connection with the curtailment of trains provided in the second and third class coaches.

A Landmark In Indian Struggle

Johannesburg: "January 25, 1948, will go down in the history of the Union as an important landmark in the struggle of our people to obtain full citizenship rights in South Africa: for in the brief period of thirty-five years we are for the second time attacking the restrictions placed on our freedom of movement and this time in order to focus the attention of the country and the world on the Ghetto Act passed by the Union Parliament," declared Dr. Y. M. Dadoo at a meeting [illegible] on the "Red Square" last Sunday, on the occasion of the crossing of the Transvaal Border.

"ON this occasion we recall our community's first attack on the inter-provincial restrictions. In November, 1913, when Mahatma Gandhi led passive resisters from Natal into the Transvaal in defiance of the Immigration Registration Act of 1908 to ventilate the grievances of our people," Dr. Dadoo went on. "His achievements in South Africa, culminating in the Smuts-Gandhi Agreement of 1914 and his subsequent use of this weapon in India with the result that it gave new hope to India's 400,000,000 leading to the withdrawal of the British Imperialists and the setting up of the new dominions are historical facts known to all.

"We welcome the gallant Natal Resisters, who have been privileged to be in the first batch, under the joint leadership of Mr. R. A. Pillay and Mr. R. Maharaj. They have, through their actions, challenged the contention of Mr. Lawrence, put forward at the United Nations, on behalf of his Government that Indians in South Africa are Union Nationals. The 1913 Act gives a conclusive answer to the Union Government's contentions, for the Immigration Regulation Act is an act without parallel in any civilised democratic country in the world.

"It is an act which makes the Indian people, born in the Union foreigners within the boundary of South Africa. An Indian born in Natal, whom Mr. Lawrence calls a Union National, on his entering the Transvaal is placed in identically the same [illegible] as a national of a foreign country entering the Union of South Africa. He is a prohibited immigrant and administratively he receives from the authorities even worse treatment than a foreigner with a white skin coming into this country.

"We have decided on the attack on the 1913 act to expose the hollowness of the Union Government's contention that we are Union Nationals and that the Indian question is a domestic one.

MODERATION KEYNOTE

"If the Government and the European Press was not engaged in a deliberate attempt to discredit the present leadership of the Indian community then they would have had to admit that moderation is the keynote of our passive resistance movement. Is it extremism to ask to be recognised as South African citizens? Is it extremism to ask to be allowed to make a full contribution to the progress of our country? Is it extremism to have withstood the blows and kicks of Durban European hooligans without the slightest retaliation? We ask for full democratic rights to enable us to play our full role in the Union and to remove the blot which has besmirched the name of our country in the Assembly of the nations of the world. We ask for no more; we ask for no less.

"AN HONOURABLE COMPROMISE"

"Let me tell General Smuts, his Government, and the so-called moderates that a Round Table Conference on this basis is not acceptable to the South African Indian people, nor to the Governments of India and Pakistan. We want a Round Table Conference. That remains one of our premier demands. But we want a Round Table Conference on an honourable basis. We want a conference on the basis of the 1946 resolution of the United Nations as has already been made known to General Smuts by the Prime Minister of India, Pandit Nehru. General Smuts must realise that he is dealing with 400,000,000 people who have achieved a new status.

"My appeal to the misguided individuals who are meeting him on the 29th of this month is that they must desist from taking a step not in keeping with the self-respect of India, Pakistan and our community. To these so-called 'moderates' I say: 'If you have not the courage to carry into effect the South African Indian Congress Conference decision [illegible] subsequently fortified by a resolution of the Executive of the S.A.I.C. supporting Passive Resistance in unambiguous terms; in the making of both these decisions you took part and gave your approval, then do not harm the struggle. Let the Natal and the Transvaal Indian Congresses carry on the struggle and you wind up the puppet organisations you have set up.'"

ACT AS EMISSARIES

"On January 29 General Smuts is meeting a deputation of his so-called 'moderates' and from the general trend of publicity given to this pending discussion it is becoming clearer that General Smuts and his Government are out in search of Indians to act as emissaries to India and Pakistan with the avowed purpose of convincing these Governments to agree to a Round Table Conference with the Union based on the 1927 and 1932 agreements, agreements which were entered into by an imperialist dominated Indian Government after discussions on the ways and means of reducing the Union's Indian population by such measures as repatriation to India and migration to other British possessions.

COMMERCIAL CAREERS FOR INDIANS

THE M. L. Sultan Technical College is making special arrangements to provide students who have passed their Standard VI examination with a complete Standard VII commercial certificate course during the afternoons and evenings.

In view of the [illegible] shortage of school accommodation large numbers of students cannot be admitted to Sastri College to follow the Standard VII course. These students can, therefore, take advantage of the new classes which lead to a remunerative commercial career. Special stress is placed on the teaching of Business Methods and Bookkeeping.

The Commercial Standard VII course is an entirely new course which differs materially from the course followed in the Provincial schools. The new course is specially designed to train students for business employment. All students will be taught the two official languages. Early application for enrolment should be made as accommodation is very limited.

Short intensive courses for teachers who are already in employment are also being arranged.

Mountbatten To Resign

New Delhi: It has been announced here that Earl Mountbatten will definitely relinquish his appointment as Governor-General of India in June.

At the time of the transfer of power to Indian hands, August 15, 1947, he told the Constituent Assembly that he would be asked to be released from his post in April, 1948.

He has since been persuaded to continue as Governor-General until June of this year.

Earl Mountbatten has already indicated that India would only feel the full impact of freedom when she has one of her own men as the constitutional head of the country.—Sapa-Reuter.

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"Duty of Humanity to Become God"

DR. RABINDRANATH TAGORE WAS ONE OF THE GREATEST MEN OF INDIA AND ONE OF THE GREAT MEN OF ALL PLACES AND OF ALL TIMES. THE WRITINGS OF TAGORE HAD NOT MERELY AN APPEAL FOR ONE COUNTRY BUT HAD AN UNIVERSAL APPEAL BECAUSE TAGORE REPRESENTED THE UNIVERSAL MIND.

These were some of the tributes paid to India's poet and savant of international fame, the late Dr. Rabindranath Tagore, at the [illegible] anniversary and convocation of Viswabharati, Dr. Tagore's international university, held at Santiniketan (West Bengal).

One of the unique features of the convocation was that the function was held in the open, at the famous Mango Grove of the University, hallowed by its association with the poet. Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Governor of the United Provinces, presided and the Convocation Address was delivered by the American professor, Dr. J. M. Holmes.

DR. HOLMES in his convocation address, described Rabindranath Tagore as a world teacher. Here was a man, he said, with infinity, and therefore knew the magnificence of any human life as set against that background.

"If there was a man alive who had spoken of the spirit with authority, it was Tagore."

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"The life of Tagore stands out," he remarked, "like an example of one of the greatest Indians who loved his country and worked for it."

A Messenger of Culture

Rabindranath, Dr. Holmes said, understood that in the language of music and literature there was no enmity between man and man. Art produced no imperialism, literature knew no imperialism, music recognised no militarism. Culture was free and the culture of every man was a part of the universal culture of mankind.

In his later years he became a pilgrim and messenger of culture, which, on behalf of the world culture, which was the unity of the East and the West he travelled far to Japan, he went to revolutionary Russia and visited England and America, spreading the message of peace and brotherhood of mankind. [illegible]

Addressing the students, Mrs. Naidu said: "We are living today under the flag that is the promise of our freedom still unfulfilled. [illegible]"

The writings of Tagore, Mrs. Naidu said, had not merely an appeal for one country but had an universal appeal because Tagore represented the universal mind.

"To Become God"

Reminding the students of the teachings of Poet Tagore and Mahatma Gandhi, which enjoined one to "rise above the common level of humanity, to become God," she exhorted them to be interpreters of those teachings and culture to the world abroad, and not merely in India.

[illegible]

"I want today that all of us should pledge ourselves in not reviving the glories of India but to create a renaissance of India's freedom. I want you to carry its message to the world and through every message, every action, every speech and through every life, to speak of India's greatness and beauty in the world," she concluded.

A Temple of Peace

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, Governor of West Bengal, addressing the students said that Viswabharati was a temple of peace and a place of world synthesis.

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The annual report of the University said that during last year Viswabharati had maintained and in many ways extended its creative work in the sphere of education, fine arts, research studies and in the domain of rural welfare. [illegible]

Big Powers Represented In Delhi

NEW DELHI: With the arrival of the Ambassadors of the U.S.S.R. and Nepal in Delhi on December 21, all the Big Powers are now represented in India's capital.

In Delhi there are now representatives of the U.S.A., U.S.S.R., U.K., France, Belgium, the Netherlands, China, Nepal, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iran, Australia, Canada, Burma and Ceylon.

Exchange of envoys with other countries is under way.

The Government of India have appointed Sir N. Raghavan Pillai as Charge d'Affaires in Paris and Mr. B. F. H. B. Tyabji as Charge d'Affaires in Brussels.

Sir Raghavan, Secretary, Ministry of Commerce, was one of the Indian delegates to the recent Havana Trade Conference and earlier led the Indian delegation to the International Trade and Employment Conference held at Geneva.

A member of the Indian Civil Service, Mr. Tyabji, has held many responsible posts in Government of India, and has since December, 1946, been attached to the Constituent Assembly of India.

[illegible] and Asian [illegible]. Thus it had done through discovery and studies [illegible] which had lain buried in the annals of forgotten history or scholarly treatises and literature that they were translating from Tibetan and Chinese text.

Not only were modern methods of [illegible] and research being used but the scholars were working with western collaborators in unravelling the lost traces and discovering the foundations of thought and work which united Asian and world civilisation. The artists were also exploring the fundamental links of art, both of the East and the West with the same object in view.

They were continuing to receive scholars and artists from different parts of Asia and Europe. They had also been sending members of their own staff and students to other lands.

KARACHI: Pakistan has received 13 [illegible] cattle, 8 Red Sindhi bulls and 3 Red Sindhi cows in Manila and Philippines Republic. Requests from other countries for Pakistan cattle have also been received.

Message of the Stars

By "SWAMI"

THE Wheel of Fortune from February 1 to 6 for people born under the twelve signs of the Zodiac are as follows:—

ARIES (March 21-April 20): Good, 1, 2, 6; bad, 3, 4.
TAURUS (April 21-May 22): Good, 2, 3; bad, 1, 4, 5.
GEMINI (May 23-June 21): Good, 1, 6; bad, 2.
CANCER (June 22-July 22): Good, 3, 4, 6; bad, 2, 5.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Good, 4; bad, 1, 2, 3.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Good, 1, 2, 5, 6; bad, 3, 4.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Good, 2; bad, 1, 4, 5.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Good, 1, 6; bad, 3.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 22): Good, 2, 3, 5; bad, 1.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20): Good, 1, 5; bad, 2, 6.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19): Good, 3, 4; bad, 1, 2.
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20): Good, 2, 3, 6; bad, 1, 5.

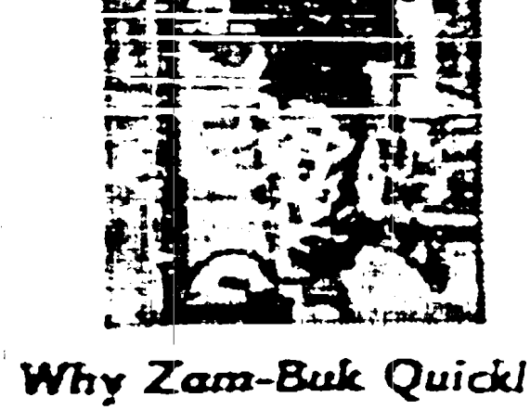
The good days for selling, investments, new business ventures in February 1; for love and pleasure 2; for travel and correspondence, 1, 6; for remedial treatment, 4; for property deals, mines, [illegible] 3.

The weather condition for February is indicated to be cloudy on most days with sudden change to hot periods and heavy rain and thunder storms in some places. Changeable weather is expected about the 1st to 5th.

The lucky colours and numbers to apply on the Turf on February 1 are: 2, 9, 11, 14. Colour dark red.

KARACHI: The total number of refugee labour employed on the Pakistan P.W.D. works during the week ended December 19, 1947, was 3,537, the average being 506 per day. The number of skilled labour employed was [illegible] and that of unskilled 2,8[illegible].

"Oh! my Sore, Aching Feet!"



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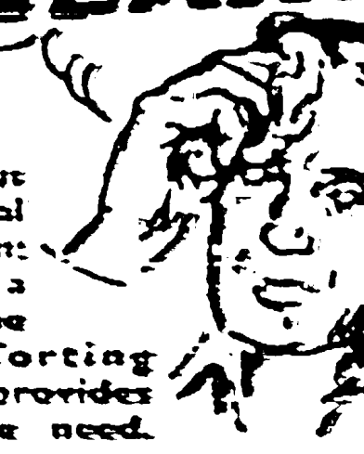

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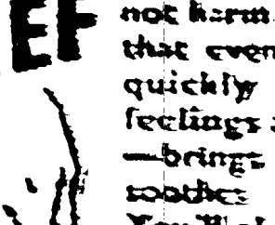

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MY dear Children,—

How does it feel to be back at school after such a long break? I suppose by now all of you must have got into your stride to see another happy and interesting (?) term through, and forge ahead into the educational field to make yourselves the men and women of tomorrow. Considering the present alarming state of affairs existing in almost every part of Natal in regard to school accommodation, you should, indeed, take full advantage of the facilities offered, and also whatever your parents are able to do for you in this direction. I do not wish to enter into details in connection with this matter, but I felt it was my duty at least to offer some advice.

THE HOLIDAYS

I was pleased to hear from Junior readers that they have enjoyed their holidays.

However, in the meantime, I hope some of you have not forgotten that the best letter on the holidays will receive a prize. I have decided to extend the time still further to send along some of your interesting accounts.

PEN FRIENDS' CORNER

My note last week about writing regularly brought in streams of letters during the week, so much so that I have not been able to deal with all of them adequately. Now that's the desired spirit, keep it up, though, of course, it means more work for me!

Most of our Junior readers must be wondering why their names have not been published in our column. I still have received forms and more forms duly completed but unless I receive a letter stating on what the members are interested in, then I shall reluctantly have to hold on to them until such time as I receive the letters.

I wonder how our Junior readers are getting on with their pen friends, or is it that they still have not managed to get their pen pals as yet? Will those who have been able to make contacts, please write to me? I shall be looking forward to your letters. This week I have more names to pass on to you.

Ram Panday (17), of 154 Cannon Road, Rossburgh, Durban, who is interested in literature, cinema, bioscope, driving and photography, would like a pen friend from the Cape, Rand or Bloemfontein with similar interests.

R. Kobal Pather (17), of 28 Carlisle Street, Durban, is interested in collecting photographs of professional boxers from all parts of the world, would like a pen pal from America with similar interests.

S. R. Bagwandeen (16), of 185 [illegible] Street, Clairwood, Natal, interests: Literature and collecting photographs, wants a pen pal from any part of South Africa and India.

C. Ramjit Singh (16), 440 Hamilton Road, Sydenham, Durban, interests: Boxing, soccer, cricket and movies. Ramjit wants a pen friend from any part of South Africa to write to him.

Bobby Pillay (13), of 321 West Road, Overport, Durban, would like a pen friend from any part of the world, particularly India. He is interested in politics, movies, sports, comics and other "colourful" magazines. Thank you very much, Bobby, for your good wishes in our undertaking. I appreciate it very much and look forward to your support in helping us with our Corner.

R. Ramjulhan (14), of P.O. Box 1704, Durban, who is interested in books and "any other subject of interest," would like a pen friend from the Transvaal or Rhodesia.

[illegible] (13), of P.O. Box 25, Tongaat, Natal, is interested in music, tennis, classical comics and art and would like a pen pal from any part of the world. I am glad you are taking a keen interest in our Corner, Morgan. More Juniors like you will carry us a long way.

S. Partap Singh, of P.O. [illegible], Durban, Natal. Many thanks for your lengthy and interesting letter. I appreciate your kind remarks about the value and necessity of a Junior Section such as ours, taking into consideration the conditions under which we live in this country. Our Junior Section is at your disposal. I must say that the suggestions as outlined in your letter are quite good and interesting, and you may send your articles on the subjects mentioned. Kindly send me your completed form.

S. Roopsingh (13), of P.O. Box 8, Maidstone, Natal, would like a pen friend from India to learn about the riots and all about schools in India.

L. Daniel, of P.O. Box [illegible], Durban, who is interested in the cinema, stamp collecting, sports and screen books, would like a pen friend of either sex to write to him from the Rhodesias, England, and particularly India and America. Kindly send me your completed form.

CHACHAJAN.

MATRIC RESULTS

INDIAN GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL, Durban

Second Class
Pramada [illegible].

Third Class
[illegible].
Muthammah Pathrajie.

SCHOOL-LEAVING CERTIFICATE

Third Class
Savitri Maharaj.
Loganayagee Naicker.
Dhun Rustomjee.
Khatija Shaikh.

SASTRI COLLEGE

First Class
Sonlal [illegible] (distinction in geography).
C. T. Naidoo.
P. M. Rajoo.

Second Class
S. Kasiperumal.
J. A. A. Lazarus.
V. C. Lutchmanamy.
M. K. Mathie.
V. G. Mistry.
P. S. Naidoo.
S. V. Naidoo.
H. Ojildeen.
R. S. Rustomjee.
S. S. Singh.

Third Class
S. N. Cooppan.
H. Dukhanti.
M. A. Mathie.
S. Moorugan.
R. H. Naidoo.
L. K. Peters.
S. K. Rajmohamed.
R. Ramlall.
I. H. Sader.
G. L. Samuel.
V. [illegible].

SCHOOL-LEAVING CERTIFICATE

Second Class
P. N. Govender.
T. Kamburan.

Third Class
M. L. [illegible].
C. Benimadho.
R. Bepathram.
H. Bodasing.
A. R. Chetty.
R. H. Maharaj.
K. M. Majik.
A. M. Meer.
D. Moodaley.
S. S. Naidoo.
M. C. Narismulu.
S. M. D. [illegible].
D. N. Padayachee.
G. D. Pather.
T. D. Pather.
S. Perumal.
T. P. Shukla.
S. R. Singh.
D. K. Vandayar.
O. T. Watiyam.

J.C. RESULTS

INDIAN GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL, Durban

First Class
Josephine Naidoo.

Second Class
Joyce Joseph.
Gunnambal Naidoo.
Mildred Naidoo.
Manimagalai Pather.
Shamu Singh.
Savia Singh.

Third Class
Narayani Chetty.
Thanmayagee Naidoo.
Caroline Narayadu.
Somboliam Pather.
Puyanthie Pillay.
Gloria Pillay.
Thanabakium Pillay.
Mary Isaacs.
Kamala James.
Paruathy Moodley.
Chitraka Ramsaran.
Jasma Sham.
Sumitha Sham.
Tharadevi Singh.
Sheila Sullaphen.
Emily Thomas.

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Testing Premier's Assertion

the rain which had been falling all day the attendance was better than both Maritzburg and Durban. It was at Ladysmith that the police first showed up. Both at Durban and Maritzburg there were no signs of them.

Dr. A. H. Sader, who presided at the Ladysmith meeting, received a hearty ovation. The volunteers, he said, were sacrificing for the cause of the Indian people and for the generations which were still to come.

South Africa, he declared amid boos, was a vast prison house. That could not be denied. In a so-called democratic South Africa the Indian people were denied the ordinary rights of citizenship.

"All we want in this country is the unfettered right to live where we please and to enjoy the ordinary rights of citizenship. In England, after two years, I had the right to vote. This is one of the things we want."

It should at all times be borne in mind that the people would have to wage a bitter struggle if they wanted these rights and privileges. Fortunately, as yet the Indian people had not been called upon to give up their lives.

The struggle of the South African Indian was not an isolated one but was, on the contrary, part and parcel of the greater world struggle for freedom by all peoples. In South Africa there was the added danger that the country would become Fascist, Dr. Sader warned.

It was the duty of the Indian professional man to take an active [illegible], Mr. G. H. Mayet declared.

The Indians could take heart from the fact that for two successive years India had championed their cause and still stood by them.

Mr. A. Smith, president of the Ladysmith Branch of the A.P.O., said that his organisation, though not an Indian body, supported the Passive Resistance Movement wholeheartedly.

"Those of you who are going to cross the borders have our full support."

The Coloured man had a vital interest in the struggle of the Indian people. Today it was the Indian people; tomorrow it would be the Coloured people. The Government wanted to suppress every non-European, irrespective of the fact whether he was an Indian, Coloured or African. The only thing that mattered was that the people were non-Europeans.

For as long as he remembered, Mr. Smith declared, the Coloured people had been loyal supporters of the Government. They had served with distinction in two wars but they only got "sweet nothing" and the boot for their pains.

In Ladysmith during the war 10,000 Coloured soldiers had been stationed, but they could not buy a decent cup of tea anywhere.

"Our Coloured men died on the desert sands of North Africa fighting against the Germans and the Italians. They were not even armed; yet, today, back in the Union, what have they got?"

Mr. Nullabalk, sporting the card of a patriarch and speaking with vehemence, urged the young people of Ladysmith to volunteer "for service." It was important to be alive, but freedom was more important and greater than life itself.

More Confidence

"We are going forward to fight and we have confidence in you that you will continue giving us the support you have in the past," declared Mr. R. A. Pillay, one of the joint leaders of the batch.

"Our sacrifice and suffering here is insignificant when compared with that of the coloured people, who are fighting for their freedom in other parts of the world. It is inevitable that we triumph in the end for in the millions of Africans and the progressive Europeans of the country we have allies.

"If we are Union Nationals, as the Prime Minister asserts, then we are now testing that assertion."

Mr. Ramnath Maharaj, the other leader of the batch, said: "I am convinced that if the Provincial barriers are raised then the Indian problem in Natal will solve itself. We are now heading for that."

About one in the morning the company moved out of Ladysmith and headed for Newcastle, where arrangements had been made for sleeping, but the [illegible] was in a generous mood and the notorious [illegible] stretch on the Durban-Johannesburg road was in a hellish state. Hours and hours of soaking rain had made the surface treacherous and in the early hours of the morning the drivers had to be [illegible].

One car immediately in front of us moved dangerously and with bated breath we saw it slowly steady itself as its two wheels came back to earth. One car with two others got through that stretch of bad road, but two behind us, we learnt the next morning, got bogged and a third which had been keeping close, towed them out, with the occupants pushing from the back. It was a weary, bedraggled assortment that got to Newcastle about four in the morning to find that the local officials had given up hope and gone to bed. Some snatched a few hours' sleep in their cars and at 11 o'clock on Sunday they left for Charlestown after being shown the house in Newcastle which Gandhi had used as his office.

It was still raining and a thick mist enveloped the roads as the cars sped past Ingogo and Mount Prospect and under the very shadows of the historic "Hill of Doves"—now Amajuba, where once the sturdy Boers fought for their freedom from the British and where Sir Geo. Colley was sniped. As the cars sped past these historic places one could not help reflecting that once more a people were fighting for freedom, but there were no arms and no weapons and no immediate prospect of death. But still another chapter was being added to history.

A little before midday the resisters arrived at the bridge, which spans the little spruit separating the two Provinces. There was a time when there were policeguards on this bridge who asked Indians for their permits to enter the Transvaal. The war somehow altered that procedure and the police were deployed elsewhere to more urgent work. They have not yet come back to keep watch on that bridge and so on the morning of Sunday, January 25, 1948, there were no police there to ask for permits.

The cars stopped about two hundred yards away and led by Dr. Naicker the resisters marched to the middle of the bridge where Dr. Dadoo received them. Although quite a number of European spectators had gathered nothing untoward happened. For the long journey the actual crossing of the border appeared to be an anticlimax.

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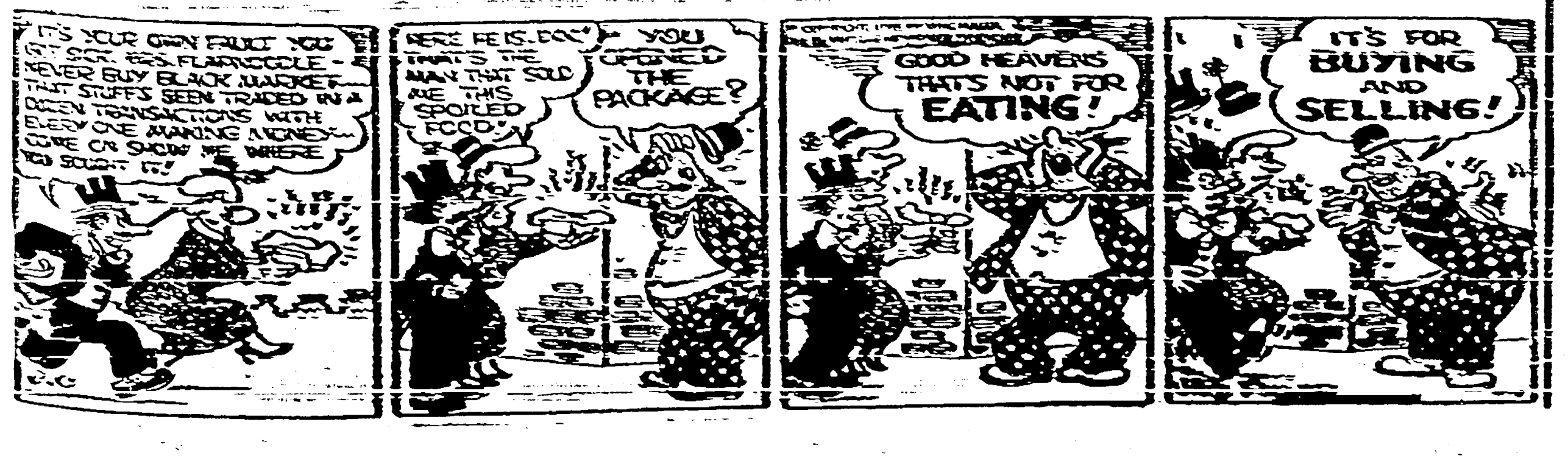
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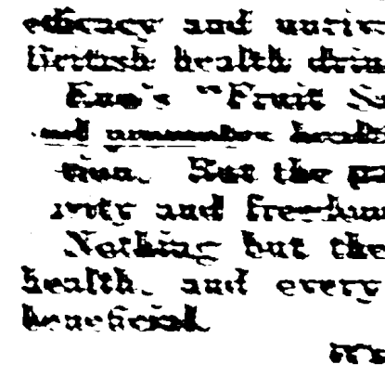

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Adelaide: Although India lost the Fourth Test here by an innings and 16 runs, Vijay Hazare distinguished himself by getting a century in each innings and so joined the select band of cricketers who have scored a century in each innings of a Test match. Once again the Indian side revealed that it has to depend on a few. It has too many "weak spots."

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Mankad Hit

[illegible]

Hassett Sedate

[illegible]

A Tragic Period

[illegible]

Hopes Wrecked

[illegible]

Spirited Innings

[illegible]

Chanceless Century

[illegible]

"Looked Cheap"

[illegible]

Lindwall brought about the collapse, taking three of the last four wickets and finishing with an analysis of seven for 38.

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Hazare's Great Knock

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CRICKET LOG

D.D.I.C.U. LEAGUE LOG

"A" DIVISION

[illegible]

"B" DIVISION

[illegible]

Rain Writes Off Cricket

From Our Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG, Friday.

For the third consecutive week all cricket was washed out by rain last weekend, and as only about eight or nine weeks are left there appears to be little prospect of the fixtures being completed this season.

[illegible]

The annual general meeting of the Mayville District Indian Football Association will be held at the [illegible] Hall on Wednesday, February 4, 1948, at 7.30 p.m.

STELLA REPORT PROGRESS

The Stella Football Club held their annual general meeting on Sunday last. [illegible]

NO TROPHIES: NO PRESENTATION

From Our Own Correspondent

MARITZBURG, Friday.

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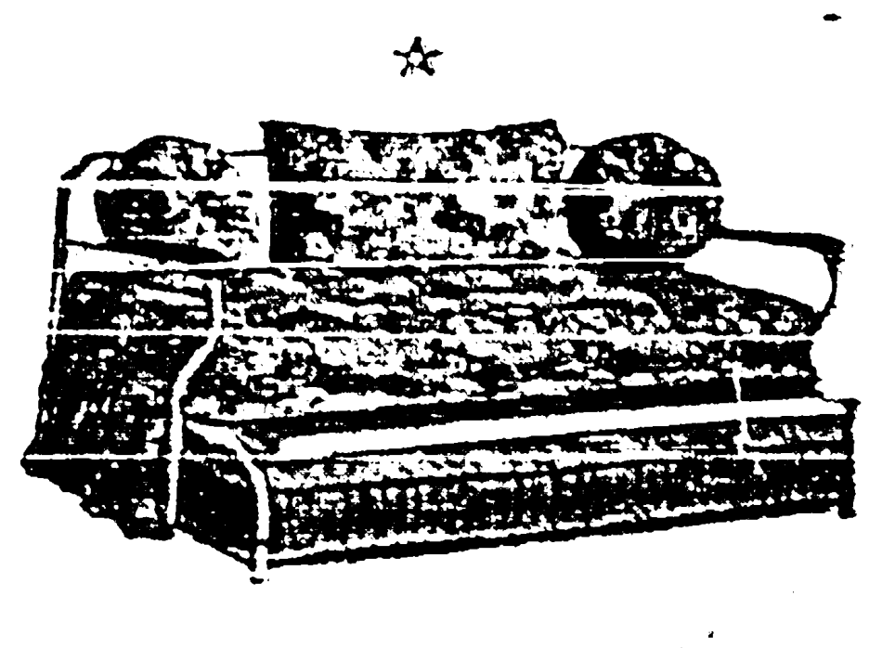

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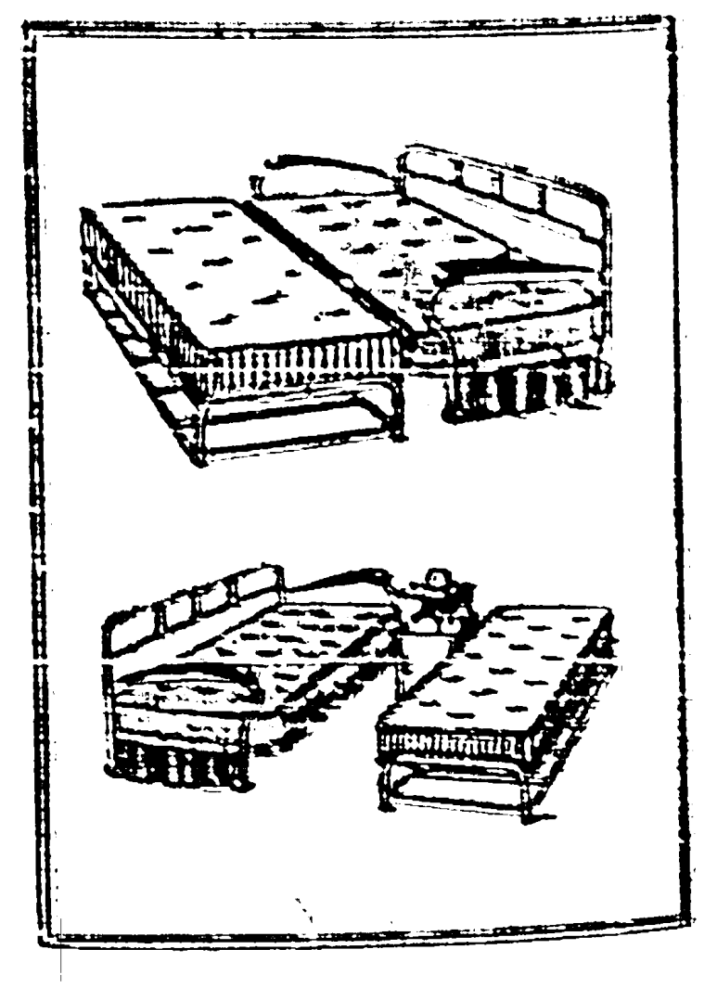

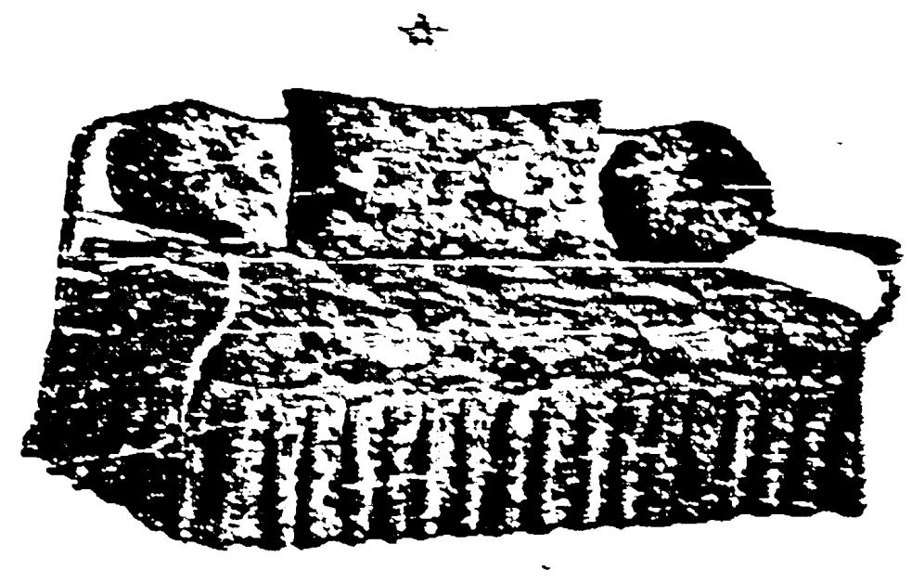

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J. NAIDOO, B.A., Secretary-Registrar.

SOCCER SCRIBES REVIEW PAST YEAR

WITH about two months on hand, the Soccer Associations are preparing for their annual meetings, writes a "Leader" reporter. The secretaries of four Durban Associations have completed their reports surveying the activities of their organisations for the past season. Generally all associations report progress during the year. The standard of soccer was quite high. Emphasis, however, was laid on the need of the services of a coach for further improvement of the game. So far the Durban Indian Football Association has had a coach during one season. All the other Associations feel that if they are unable to procure a professional, then at least the services of a veteran should be sought. The only problem was the financing of the coach. The question of the laxity of referees was also generally commented upon.

MR. M. K. NAIDOO, secretary of the Durban Indian Football Association, told "The Leader" that the season had been a successful one and the standard of play was quite high, although there was room for improvement. [illegible]

M. K. Naidoo

Old Trophies

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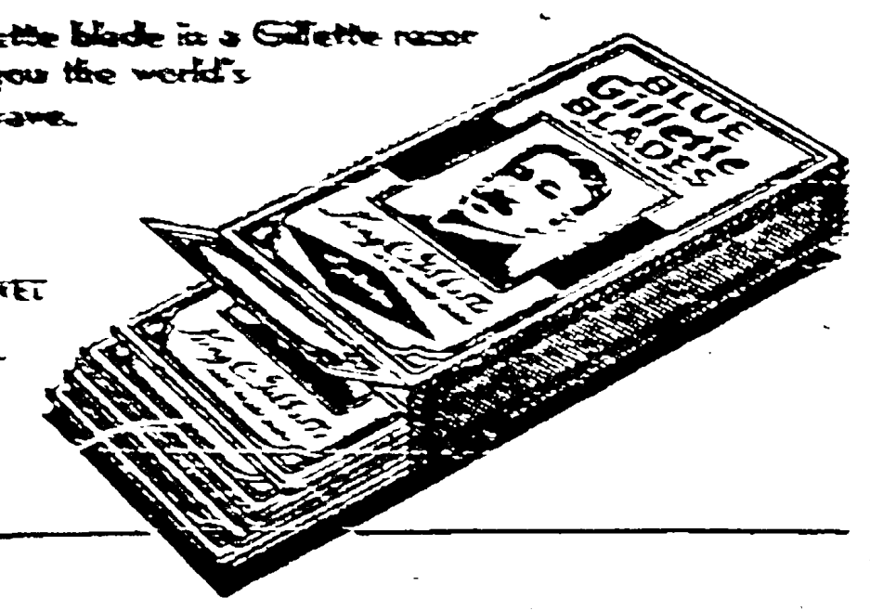

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All members are earnestly requested to attend.

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The GLENCOE BRANCH

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PAKISTAN'S WOMEN GUARD

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Karachi: Begum Fazlur Rahman, wife of the Honourable Mr. Fazlur Rahman, has returned to Karachi from Lahore where she attended a conference of leading women convened by the Committee of the Pakistan National Guard in order to organise a Pakistan Women's National Guard. The conference was held under the Chairmanship of Begum Liaquat Ali Khan, wife of the Premier.

NON-EUROPEAN STUDENT'S SUCCESS

A former student of the Non-European Section of the Natal University College, [illegible], also known as [illegible], has just distinguished himself as a university student in the United States.

In June, 1947, he was awarded a Master's Degree in the Political Science by the John Hopkins University, Baltimore. His thesis, which covered 200 pages, was on "Some Aspects of [illegible] Executive Agreements," and he had the opportunity of studying the United States Congress and the Supreme Court [illegible], and came in contact with Senators, Representatives and State Department officials and experts.

He was present as a [illegible] of some of the sessions of the United Nations Security Council and General Assembly at Lake Success and met many of the delegates, including those from China, Indonesia, Egypt, India and the Netherlands.

He also gained a scholarship to the Harvard Law School. Only [illegible] of these scholarships are awarded each year, and candidates entered from over [illegible] university institutions throughout the United States.

CENTENARIAN'S 200 DESCENDANTS

From Our Own Correspondent

TRAVANCORE (South India): A man here claims to have reached the age of 114 years and to have 200 descendants.

His wife died last year at the reputed age of 103.

TALK OF THE BAZAAR

By the "Faqir"

ALTHOUGH the war finished sometime back, I am sure readers will find this story of war-time compromises with one's principles interesting. It was told me by Dr. B. T. Chetty, who was one of the few Indians who, having qualified, decided to take a chance against the German U-Boats plying the Atlantic. On board was a mixed crowd. There was one White woman who had the typical South African outlook towards the non-European. She couldn't stomach them, and actually made that quite plain. There was also on board an East African Native who was being repatriated from England via South Africa. He wore a pair of dungarees, had been probably wearing them for the last twenty years. He also had on a greatcoat which was a real "stinker." He tried to part with it on board, but nobody would have it. Dr. Chetty warned him to hang on to it, for that was about the only worldly possession this man from East Africa had. People kept as far as possible from him. Then one night a German torpedo caught up with the boat, and all on board went for the lifeboats. The African was among the lucky ones. He found a lifeboat quickly, and in the cold waters of the sea his greatcoat was a comfort. Then somebody pulled in a woman wearing a flimsy nightie soaked through and through. She was dumbfounded and sprawled right across the African's lap without waiting to see who it was. The African was a gentleman. He gave the lady his coat, and she huddled gratefully under it. Despite their predicament, quite a few laughed that night when principles and prejudices collapsed before need. At Freetown, where the survivors stopped for sometime, they found that woman had changed amazingly for the better.

MATTER OF DIALECTICS

MY office boy has returned from his holidays with something he calls a "matter of dialectics." I told him I didn't understand. "Don't bother," he told me, "even those people who talk so freely about dialectical materialism don't understand it either." Over the last few months that he has engaged himself with the Indian problem he found that for a very long time there was an element in the community whose motto was "no compromise." They built themselves on it and day in and night out they shouted "no compromise." Yes, my office boy says, he has checked up and found that these fellows' main political platform was "no compromise." In fact, "no compromise" became a Lord's Prayer with them. They lived, dreamed and walked "no compromise." Now my office boy has discovered a breach in the forts of the "no compromisers." Recently he heard their Big Chief, During Darling [illegible], talking of an "honourable compromise." He suspects that the days of "no compromise" are over and that "honourable compromise" dishonourably takes over. If this isn't a compromise what is, my office boy asks. He has put the question to a few chaps who have got him entangled with such high falutin' statements as "dialectics, my man, dialectics; society is dynamic and changing, always in a state of perpetual motion; the law of society and of human life itself is change." I don't understand either.

MORE COMING

THIS story was passed on to me by a teacher fellow during the week. On the day that school opened a local parent turned up to school with a few of his offspring to set them on the high road to education. He was asked for their birth certificates. He produced an envelope, from which he extracted bits and pieces of paper which, assembled laboriously, made about two birth certificates. But why this [illegible] state of affairs? Oh! he had kept the certificates in a tin canister, but a little mouse had found its way in and chewed up some of them. The teacher couldn't help remarking on [illegible]. Oh that was nothing, there were still a few more at home, and what is more, the fond parent volunteered the following with pride: He had that morning sent for the doctor and soon hoped to apply for the fourth birth certificate!

Messrs. A. K. Moolla, F. A. [illegible], [illegible] and Suleman Valod, all of Stanger, spent last weekend at Greytown and Kranskop. At Kranskop they were entertained by Mr. Goolam Nabbie I. Moolla.

Racing Selections

By DIPLOMAT

The following are my selections for the Clairwood race meeting run on Saturday:

First race, 12.15, Maiden Juvenile Handicap, five furlongs.
1. THE FAVOURITE.

Second race, 12.50, Maiden Juvenile Plate, five furlongs.
1. INVERMARK.
2. Rydal Mount.
3. Alderman.

Third race, 1.25, Galloping and Pony Handicap, seven furlongs.
1. FALAISE.
2. Winking Girl.
3. Tyneside.

Fourth race, 2.5, Umbilo Handicap (Hcd. Div.), one mile.
1. BLUE SCARF.
2. [illegible]
3. Sunny Dennis.

Fifth race, 2.40, Rosetta Handicap ("B" Div.), five furlongs.
1. RINGED.
2. [illegible]
3. [illegible]

Sixth race, 3.15, Umbilo Handicap (Top Div.), 1¼ miles.
1. MOLASSES.
2. [illegible]
3. Fifth Brigade.

Seventh race, 3.50, Rosetta Handicap ("C" Div.), five furlongs.
1. GUESS WORK.
2. Lands End.
3. [illegible]

Eighth race, 4.30, Rosetta Handicap ("C" Div.), five furlongs.
1. SIXI.
2. Springbok.
3. Controversy.

Ninth race, 5.5, Rosetta Handicap ("A" Div.), five furlongs.
1. HAYWIRE.
2. Floodlight.
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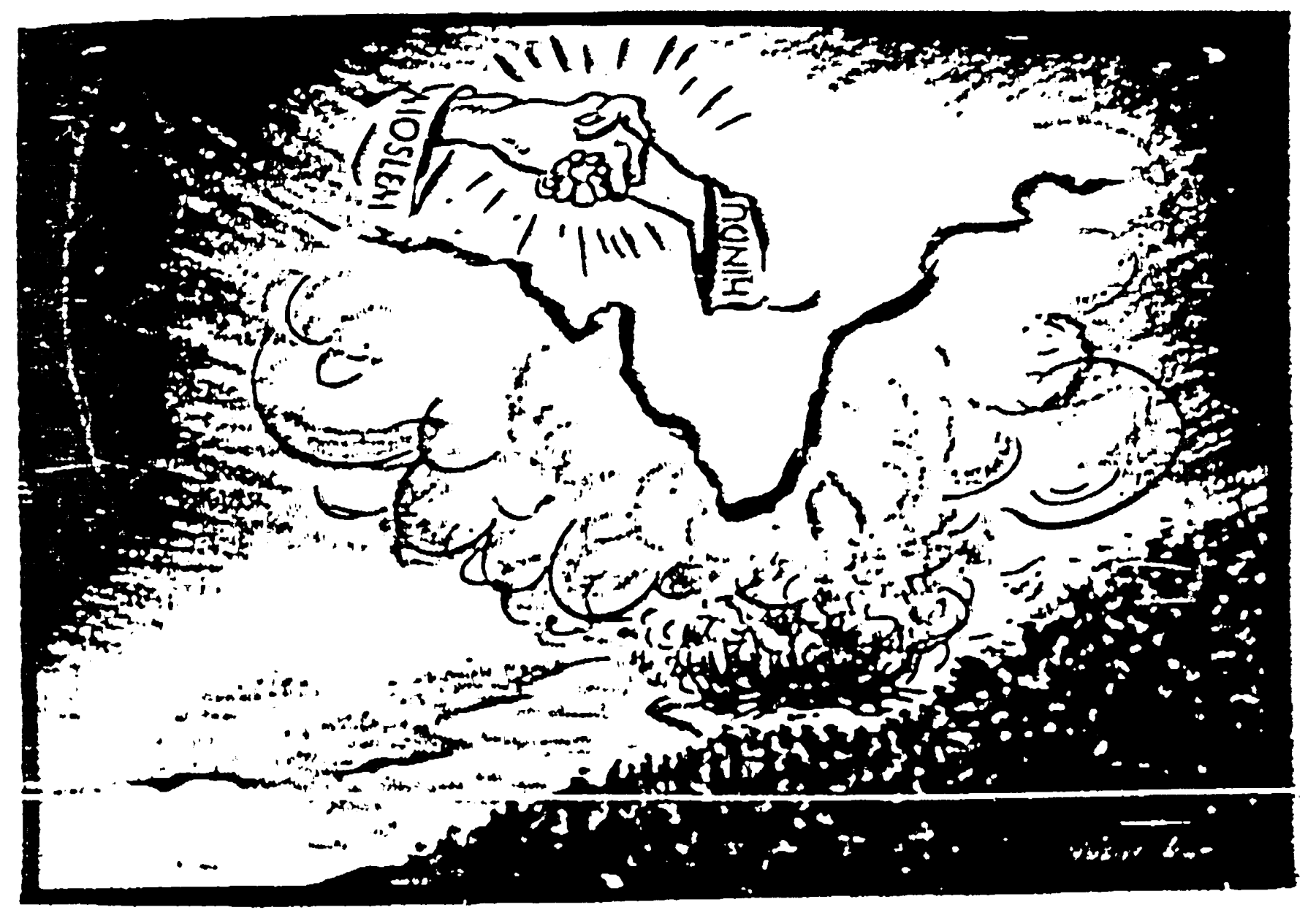

Editorial...

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1948

IT was not the death of Gandhiji which staggered the Indian people—and for that matter all people all over the world who knew of this heart-saint, philosopher, mystic and politician, but the circumstances of the death of the dearly beloved Bapuji of the Indian nation. It is possible that even now, a week after his death, the Indian people have not yet gauged or compassed the magnitude of the circumstances. It seems even so many days later a phantasmagoria, an unreal dream that the renowned apostle of non-violence and of the sublimation of Truth should die violently. If it had not happened the deed would not have been capable of belief. It has happened and reveals clearly that this life is something just in transit. It is impermanent, insecure and unsafe.

The world has paid its tributes unstintingly to a man who was aeons ahead of his time and one who had done immeasurable good in the cause of humanity. It is true that he fought for the liberty of the Indian but he made it clear that he bore no malice against any individual but that he was championing the cause of a people against a system which exploited and oppressed these people. He used soul-force and it was the oppressed and the exploited who suffered and died rather than the exploiter and the oppressor. The very nature of his fight made it impossible for the oppressor to suffer or to die. Now he has passed on and it remains for the Indian people—and the people of the world to take stock of this man's life, his work, his struggle and his achievements and out of this to try and fashion a just world, a world in which every thing is decent, in which there is honest dealing between man and man, a world in which everyone becomes his brother's keeper, a world in which the strong take care of the weak —a world, in short, based on Truth and Justice and Charity, the cardinal points on which Gandhi's life pivoted.

The immediate task is before India. The manner of Gandhi's death is a challenge to the great religions of Hinduism and Islam and to India itself. It is a challenge that these people should attempt to fashion out of the ashes of the man they mourn today a united sub-continent in which all Indians, Hindus, Moslems, Christians and Parsees will live together in harmony and peace; each respecting and recognising the others' rights. The divisions are great between Hindu and Moslem but in his lifetime Gandhi has shown—he showed it in Calcutta only a few months ago—that there can be concord between Hindu and Mussulman and that they can live together in harmony.

It is now for all Indians then to search their souls, to cast aside their own petty feelings and to rise to the greatness which, in spite of the philosophy of the cynics, is inherent in man. We would be bad judges of human nature were we to believe that this transformation can take place overnight but this much we are confident of: that it is possible that there is no one so bad that he can never be trained to walk the straight and narrow path.

There is only one memorial that can be raised to the memory of one of the greatest men the world has known. That memorial cannot be carved out of granite or marble. It can only be fashioned out of the unity of Hindu and Mussulman in India. Any other memorial to Gandhiji will be false and will not survive the ravages of time and the elements. He gave his life for a cause and it is for those who are left behind and who mourn his passing to further his work—to see whether they cannot continue and realise that which he strove for. That can be the only true memorial to Gandhiji.

These things will not be as easy to realise in the hard and matter-of-fact world as they are to state on paper. They are, however, possible and let us hope that when the first fit of pain is over that the people of India will re-state their faith, collect their bearings and set out to hammer a country whose internal peace will be tribute enough to the memory of a great Indian and, as General Smuts has said, "a prince among men."

GEN. SMUTS'S TRIBUTE

"Prince Among Men"

WHEN he received news of the death of Mr. Gandhi, the Prime Minister of South Africa, General Smuts, said: "I have heard of the assassination of Mr. Gandhi with the deepest grief, which, I am sure, will be shared all over the world. Mr. Gandhi was one of the great men of my time, and my acquaintance with him over a period of 30 years has only deepened my high respect for him, however much we differed in our views and methods. A prince among men has passed away, and we grieve with India in her irreparable loss."—Sapa.

World Tributes

New Delhi, Saturday: Messages of condolence on a scale rarely known in history poured into New Delhi today on the death of Mahatma Gandhi. Some dispatches said:

NEW YORK

Plans to set up a memorial in Washington to Mr. Gandhi were speeded up as New York newspapers used their largest type to announce the assassination and filled columns with tributes of his greatness.

CANBERRA

Mr. J. B. Chifley, the Australian Prime Minister in a message to Pandit Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, said "The Government and people of Australia learned with horror and deep regret of the tragic death of Mr. Gandhi who will be remembered in Australia as a man who worked for the good of humanity and the ways of peace."

BAGHDAD

Many Indians in Baghdad cried like children when they heard the news of Mahatma Gandhi's death. The Indian community closed shops and offices and went to prayers.

CAIRO

The Egyptian Wafdist leader, NAHAS PASHA expressed deep sorrow for Mr. Gandhi's death. "His death is a hard blow to great ideals," he said.

THE HAGUE

The Dutch Prime Minister, Dr. Louis Beel, profoundly shocked at the news of Mr. Gandhi's death, said "no personal sacrifice had been too great for the Mahatma's devotion to the welfare of his fellow men."

PARIS

The veteran socialist leader M. Leon Blum in his party organ "Le Populaire" voiced the general reaction in the heading of his editorial "The Earth is in mourning." He wrote: "I never saw Gandhi, I do not know his language, I never set foot in his country and yet I feel the same sorrow as if I had lost someone near and dear."

VATICAN CITY

The Pope expressed his deep grief for a man who was the spiritual leader of millions of Indians and who had always struggled for peace.

NEW ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE TO INDIANS

"My Constant Endeavour"

"THE Indian community have played, and will continue to play, an important part in the progress and prosperity of this Province, and it will be my constant endeavour to promote their interests, as with other sections of the population, towards their social and material advancement," said the new Administrator of Natal, Mr. D. G. Shepstone, in the course of a special message to the Indian people through "The Leader."

Mr. Shepstone said: "On my assumption of the office of Administrator I send my greetings to the Indian community of Natal. I have received many messages of congratulation, both from individuals and organisations, and I am very grateful for this evidence of goodwill towards me.

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