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Muslim Festival Days

The article by a despondent Muslim is nothing but a fact, that the capitalists look for money first and think of God afterwards. It is not only that the Muslim shop owners of Ladysmith neglect to observe such an important festival day, but I assume that most of the Muslim business owners throughout Natal are not so religious.

The simple reason for such behaviour is that they are particularly zealous to grab more money for their self-interest, and as they never like to see a moment wasted of business opportunities. These capitalists would have even taken advantage of any public holiday if the law was not there to prevent them from doing so. It is important to remember that all these business owners exploit the one class, and they are the shop assistants, and some even exploit their own relatives. Take the case of Maritzburg, where there are hundreds of Muslims, and it is a shame to see that none of the shop owners have pity for any worker who wishes to be with his family on such a great occasion.

Not only these two Muslim festivals every year are important, but Friday midday prayer is also important, and very few shop assistants and shop owners crowd to the capacity in the mosques. Most of these shop owners themselves go rushing straight from the shops in the same shabby clothes, and then back to open the doors all in a hurry. It is high time that all assistants and exploited relatives should make up their minds to stand against this selfish idea of such non-religious capitalists.

H.H.

Maritzburg.

The Managerial System

Indian education in Natal still has a few defects. It has not, surprising to note, reached the Transvaal standard as yet, in spite of many privileges, the pupils do not take the fullest advantage of the scope offered to them.

In the Transvaal, education is free, books are free, and believe it or not, in winter the children, especially the poor, are provided with a hearty breakfast and warm clothing to don.

One defect in our Natal system is the managerial system. Their existence is made worse by their nonco-operation, i.e., they never meet and bring about a uniformity in their organisation, with the result that many become the sufferers. How? Their method of promotion, their ideas of collecting school fees and the sums to be paid, their discretion of handling cases of misbehaviour, etc., all vary.

Why do they not meet as a body as the teachers do and bring about uniformity—a very desirable thing indeed?

But worse still are the head-teachers, in many more respects one head-teacher differs from the other.

"RYDER."

Pretoria.

CHRISTMAS CHEER

The Natal Indian Association (Maritzburg branch) assisted by the Indian Unemployment Relief Committee, provided Christmas Cheer to 35 indigent families in and around Maritzburg.

An amount of £15 from the City Council, augmented by funds from the Relief Committee was spent in providing a fairly substantial Christmas Cheer, consisting of 5lb. rice, 1lb. sugar, 1lb. sweets, 1lb. raisins, 1 loaf bread, 2lb. mutton, 1 packet vermicelli, and 1 tin sardines.

We are indeed grateful to the Pietermaritzburg Cold Storage Company for their donation of six sheep. We are also thankful to the City Council for the yearly donation.

These hampers were distributed on

Mr. A. I. Kajee's Question

(Continued from page 4)

population, and desires that it should circumvent its main arteries of traffic in a fashion that it can hide the Indian.

There is a solution of this problem without expropriation. Let the council show its bona fides by erecting several hundred houses for its Indian population on land belonging to it at Sherbrook and at Sydenham. Both these areas are provided with good private-Indian-owned transport. As for the existing Indian houses on land belonging to Indians in these areas, the Slums Act and the Public Health Act give ample power to the city council to bring about better conditions in the existing buildings owned by Indians. This is supported by the city medical officer of health in his report to the town clerk on November 13. He said these pregnant words: "It has been the experience that whilst house repairs or demolition and reconstruction are readily conceded to by the owners concerned, land acquisition is almost invariably resisted by resort to appeal and litigation allowed under this Act" (Slums Act).

We are confident that Sir Edward Thornton and his board will be fair and just to the Indians, and as far as the city council is concerned Sir Edward and his colleagues know from experience of the sorry figure that the council cut in its dealings with the Central Housing Board over the 1926 report. Indians will look forward that again on this occasion the report of the Central Housing Board will be such as to expose the cunning angles by the city council of the housing needs and civic amenities of the Indian population.

ARYA SAMAJ MOUNT PARTRIDGE OFFICIALS

The annual meeting of the Arya Samaj, Mount Partridge and District, was held at the Samaj hall on Sunday. The annual report of the hon. secretary reflected a good year's progress, and the chairman, in moving the adoption of the secretary's report eulogised the good work carried out by the officials in general during the year under review.

The following officials were elected for the ensuing year: Patrons, Messrs. R. R. Maharaj, F. Ramlagan, G. Bishoon; president, Mr. Seetharam Gourie; vice-presidents, Messrs. S. Ratcharam, R. Ramgarib; hon. secretary, Pandit O. Shivrathan; assistant hon. secretary, Mr. O. Pothan; hon. treasurer, Mr. S. Bajju; auditor, Mr. R. R. Maharaj.

Committee: Messrs. Jagarnath, R. Chatterpaul, Baldeo, Maharaj, Ram-pauk N. Durean; delegates, Messrs. Seetharam Gourie, F. Ramlagan, G. Bishoon, S. Ratcharam, R. Ramgarib, O. Shivrathan.

The news of another gift by a member of a well-known Indian philanthropic family of Pietermaritzburg has just become known. Hearing that there was an urgent need for a hall in the district which would serve the religious, social and educational needs of the Hindu community, the donor has consented to build a hall for about £400 to meet these long outstanding needs.

Members of the Hindu community deeply appreciate this generous gesture.

Christmas eve and on Christmas day packets of fruit and cakes were distributed at the Grey's Hospital, Mental Asylum and the Aryan Benevolent Home.

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CRICKET UNIONS ASKED TO EXPLAIN

"Interested" writes:—

In the sporting columns of your issue of last week I notice Mr. A. Khan takes "Observer" to task for making a statement about the state of Indian cricket in Durban, and asks the officials of the cricket union to wake up and "rap the hands" of such writers as "Observer."

I would also like to ask the officials of the various district cricket unions in Natal to "wake up" and explain how is it that Mr. G. K. Nulliah, of Ladysmith, was selected to represent the County Indian Cricket Union in an inter-district match against the South Coast Indian Cricket Union one week and the following week selected to represent the Northern District Indian Cricket Union against the Durban Indian Cricket Union.

I believe the rules lay it down that players must be bona fide residents of their respective districts, and to be registered for a certain number of days before they can take part in any representative games, yet Mr. Nulliah was allowed to participate in two games in two different districts within the space of one week.

Now that the officials are awakened, what are they going to do about it? Will they take action? I doubt it.

STAR OF INDIA F.C.

The officials, supporters and players of the Star of India F.C., of Clairwood, had a photograph taken of the club on Sunday last. The year 1941 was a most successful year for the club. They were the winners of the league, joint holders of the Bodha's Memorial Floating trophy and joint holders of the Sunerah Shield.

After the photo the club had a smoker at the New India Lounge, Durban. The club is trying to keep the colour flying this year also.

KEEN CRICKET IN MARITZBURG

Royals Qualify for District Final

Winning the toss, M.I.C.C. decided to make use of the perfect wicket against Royals in the semi-final at the Peters Shield at Maritzburg on Sunday last.

Accurate bowling by S. Moor, H. Nanjee, the M.I.C.C. were soon in trouble, and were all out for 87 runs, with R. Harrinarain 22 and Danabalan 20, as the chief scorers.

Ted Chetty and T. V. Valiathan, the Royals' opening pair, set about the bowling in brilliant style, which made the score-board figures climb more merrily.

With only two wickets down, the Royals eclipsed the opponents' total and thereafter the spectators were entertained to hurricane hitting.

T. V. Valiathum 43, I. S. Chetty 42 and E. Cassimjee with 35 were the main contributors, thus giving the Royals an easy victory by 122 runs on the first innings.

The winners of the Orientals-v match will now meet Royals to decide the right to represent Maritzburg in the Peters Shield Natal competition.

ORIENTALS-SCHOOLS MATCH

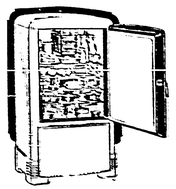
In the other Peters Shield district set for decision on the 24th inst., to be continued today. Schools won the toss, sent the Orientals to bat on a good wicket.

Devastating bowling by M. Sheegian and S. Reddy found the powerful Oriental batsmen scratching for runs and were all out for 63 runs.

At the time of drawing stumps the Schools have played themselves into a winning position, with 3 wickets for one wicket (P. Nulliah 27 not out).

Rain only, it is expected, will save the Orientals elimination today.

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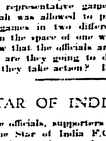
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OSING OF LAW CLASSES

Possible Explanation Disputed

HANS MAGHRAJH KES A STATEMENT

of the possible explanations ered in connection with the of the N.I.C.C. law classes for was the withdrawal of a grant- £363 per annum to make up any deficit in the fees, the truth of which is denied by the guarantor Mr. Hans Maghrajh.



Hans Maghrajh

In the course of a statement to The Leader, Mr. Hans Maghrajh said that in order to start the classes he provided a guarantee up to £100 a year if the fees did not make up this amount, for three years.

The first year he paid a little over £70, in the second year the sum was about half and in the third year, that was last year, he paid nothing because the fees covered the expenditure. The class had been well-supporting and there was an interest in the students this year who had the assistance of the guarantee had expired because of the cessation of time and he never was approached by the N.I.C.C. authorities about it.

He has learned that classes have been stopped because of the want of a guarantee Mr. Maghrajh said The Leader that he was prepared to provide another guarantee on the same basis as the last year. It meant the reopening of the classes so that the facilities would not be lost to the Indian community.

The following are successful Indian students who have been under the tuition of Mr. R. Mahanarj, of "Villa," Glenesse: National Certificate (Std. X Matric exam): G. R. M. Durrat, complete pass; A. M. Jiggan, geography, book-keeping and commercial arithmetic. Junior Certificate (Std. VIII): C. M. Durrat, complete pass; Ismail, complete pass; Shyamkumar Maharaj, complete pass with distinction in book-keeping.

MR. M. C. FANNIN SUCCESTS—

The Old School Tie for Indians

ENGLISH PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM FAVOURED

THE old school tie might find favour with Indians, in that the system of the English public schools might be introduced among the Indian community of this country was the hope expressed by Mr. M. C. Fannin when he opened the Manor Garden Indian School, Durban, on Sunday last.

He also referred to the presence of a large body of Europeans, both men and women, who were liberally inclined towards the Indians.

Result of Self Help

"THIS building is a tangible result of self help among the poor," said Mr. A. I. Kajee, who presided at the opening of the new Manor Gardens Private English School on Sunday last.

Speaking of vernacular education, he said that it could not be measured by any measure the people knew, but would show itself in the course of years when the young men who had benefited discovered that their duty lay in that portion of the community which knew self help. Those old people who had been responsible for the Manor Gardens Hindu Association Hall were no more with the community, and it was left to the young men to carry on their work. They were on the eve of another step, that of beginning another English school in the area.

He also stated that the name of the Association had been changed to Arya Samaj in order to give lie to some unfounded allegations against the body and to remove any friction due to caste or dialectal differences. There should be no division at all as far as the education of children was concerned.

In welcoming Mr. Fannin to open the school, Mr. A. I. Kajee said that no better man could be found for the purpose. Mr. Fannin not only took interest in opening a school, but he was still interested after the school had been opened.

Mr. G. P. Maharaj, who was deputed by Mr. S. A. Maharaj to read the presidential speech, gave a brief survey of the history of the Manor Gardens Hindu Association. It was established at a time when there were no public institutions in the locality, but the people, although they led a hard and difficult life, realised that the future of their children depended on educational facilities. Hence the Association came into being, with the late Mr. B. M. Singh, Mr. K. Baijnath and S. Ramportal, of Darnall, as patrons.

A dramatic club was formed later in order to collect money.

"To bring about better harmony and co-ordination of thought, the Association decided at its last special general meeting to change its name to Arya Samaj," Mr. G. P. Maharaj continued.

The total value of the site and building was about £400. A plan had been drawn up for the extension of the building in order to comply with the regulations before a grant-in-aid could be sought.

"The person who has been instrumental in making all the necessary arrangements for today's function is Mr. B. Bachoo. Though he is not an official or a member of our Association he has sacrificed much of his precious time, thought and money to alleviate the position of our Association.

"His unselfish devotion and interest displayed in our welfare, and his wise counsel received constantly are highly appreciated. To him we offer our very sincere thanks and pray that whenever occasion demands he will be good enough to give his services, as he has always done ungrudgingly." Mr. G. P. Maharaj concluded.

Before Mr. M. C. Fannin was called upon to open the school he was garlanded by Mr. G. P. Maharaj, who also had a bouquet each for Mrs. Fannin, Ramchandra Singh (Hindi), Mr. W. S. Seethal, Mr. A. E. Shaikh, Mr. R. B. Maharaj and Mr. C. R. Naidoo.

Speaking afterwards, Mr. Kajee said £20 was already available for the extension of the school; Mr. K. Baijnath, £25; Mr. E. M. Pandit, £15; Mr. Chas Moses, £10; Mr. A. Kajee, £10, and the Esipingo Indian Society, £10.

GOVT. OF INDIA'S ASSURANCE

Guarding Rights of Indians Overseas

The Minister of Indians Overseas, Mr. M. S. Aney, in the Central Assembly, said that the Government of India could claim that whatever the difference between them and the political parties in other matters, both were agreed in championing and zealously guarding the rights of Indians abroad.

Indians, he claimed, had found in the Government of India a champion to protect the honour of Indians overseas.

ment of a child's character. It was a shame that the Government had neglected the question of free education for Indian children while other sections enjoyed it. He was very glad that the Natal Provincial Executive had at last decided to introduce free education for Indians.

Mr. Fannin hoped that the system of public schools in vogue in England would be adopted by the Indians in South Africa. It was a "very fine thing," he said.

Referring to Mr. Kajee, he said Mr. Kajee had a knack of getting anything when he sought it.

All the Europeans, Mr. Fannin said, were not bad. There were plenty of liberal men and women ready to assist the Indian people. He had much pleasure in opening the school, he concluded.

Mr. B. Barnabas, headmaster of Cato Manor Government-aided Indian School, said there was very great need for more schools. The Indian people never lacked in self help.

Mrs. Lall Singh, before her marriage a teacher at Glenesse, prayed that Almighty God would crown the enterprise with success. She also appealed to parents to send their girls to school. Japan, she said, had liberated its women and "couldn't we be given the same equality." Indian women in India were today advancing very fast, Mrs. Singh concluded.

The other speakers were Messrs. K. Baijnath (in Hindi), S. S. Guru Sewnigut (in Tamil), Pandit J. Ramchan Singh (Hindi), Mr. W. S. Seethal, Mr. A. E. Shaikh, Mr. R. B. Maharaj and Mr. C. R. Naidoo.

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Generous Muslims of Pretoria Honoured

A RECEPTION was held under the auspices of the Muslim Study Group at the New Madressa 11-13 Reuben Street, Pretoria, last week to honour Messrs. H. S. Ebrahim, Hajee Ismail N. Mahomed, Amin Soondhka, Aboo Suleman and Aboobaker Moosa, of Durban, for their generous public donations.

Mr. Cassim Hajee Osman, who presided, outlined the purpose of the function in a nut-shell, explaining that the generous donations given by Hajee Suleman Ebrahim and his nephews to the public in the form of two halls, rent-free and £20 per month for the maintenance of the Madressa for a period of five years.

The chairman also thanked Messrs. Hajee Suleman and Hajee Abdul Carim for their donation of £20 to the Muslim Study Group, and also for placing the hall at the disposal of the group.

Finally, the chairman outlined the sympathetic co-operation and spirited encouragement given by Mr. Aboobaker Moosa in all the activities of the group. Mr. Aboo Suliman's material and moral assistance elicited grateful praise.

Mr. M. I. Patel delivered a comprehensive and a critical lecture concerning the position of Muslim youths, the overwhelming reforms necessary in the social, educational and commercial lives. He surveyed the aims and objects of the Muslim Study Group, and emphasised the fact that the group was not out for money, but for public support, encouragement and co-operation.

Mr. Aboobaker Moosa expressed his pleasure at being a participator in the functions rejoicings, and proceeded to mention the educational trust established by his brother and himself.

He said: "Mr. H. S. Ebrahim made a magnificent gesture the other evening when he announced that he and Messrs. Hajee Abdul and Amin Soondhka will spend £2,500 for the education of Muslim children of Pretoria by monthly contributions of £20."

He enlarged his theme of education and the promotion of the social well-being of our people, blaming our backwardness to lack of education. He went on to say, "I am sure that most of you are aware of the munificent donation made in the will of the late Noor Mahomed Ayob, of the sum of £7,000 for the erection of a Madressa school in Pretoria."

Mr. Aboobaker Moosa also referred to the declaration made by Hajee Mahomed Hajee Joosub for the sum of £5,000 some time ago, for the establishment of a Madressa and the income of a large property in Lourenco Marques for its maintenance.

The speaker enjoined upon the Muslims of Pretoria that this £10,000, which was being placed at their disposal, should no longer remain "paper donations," and exhorted the donors to create an education trust to this money in the best possible

Mr. H. S. Ebrahim thanked group for publicly honouring his nephews for their generations—and further mentioned that, although the penal sign for the Madressa was fra was confident that something and outstanding would be before the committee of that

The other speakers were Cassim Hajee Osman, A. S. Sheik Ahmed, Hajee Habib, Moosa, and Mr. Paruk, from

The Muslim Study Group honoured the guests by giving dinner at Polley's hotel.

SURTI MADRESSA TRUST
Annual Meeting in Maritzburg

The annual meeting of the Soont Madressa Trust and Mosq held at the Dr. Sir Mahomed Library and Mahomed Ali Jinnah Maritzburg, last Sunday.

Hajee Hossen Mahomed, pre of the Trust, presided, and wa ported by the secretary, Mr. Moosa. After the transaction usual business the following elected officials for the ensuing President, Mr. Hossen Maho vice-president, Mr. E. E. Jaspa man and treasurer, Mr. M. I. vice-chairman, Mr. A. K. I hon. secretary, Mr. Amod Mosa him; assistant secretary, A. H. auditor, Mr. I. M. Parak; outsi Messrs. I. S. Cassimjee, D. E mall, A. M. Bayat, A. H. Ismail H. A. Bayat, M. E. Parak, C. Bayat, L. A. Haffejee, A. M. E. P. E. Bellim, M. I. Bhamjee, Mahmed Cassimjee, H. E. Dhoda, Kajee, Suleman Fakir and Ab Mota; school manager, Mr. A. I jee (re-elected).

A BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Miss Amina Pegram, (former Capetown, now a resident of Ma burg, held an "At Home" on at her mother's residence to mar her 17th birthday.

There was a large circle of fri present for the occasion, which held at the La Paloma Club. Atte dance a large, beautiful birthday was placed on the table, and pre ceding Mr. Y. Jamal gave lengthy speech and congratulated on her birthday.

Among those present were Jeffy Young, D. Donaldson, D. Te S. Adams, Miss Rashula Pega Fatima, Halmia Pegram, and ot others.

DEATH OF A VERULA FARMER

Mr. Ramprasadh Jugpal, a f inent and well-known farmer of cliffe, Verulam, peacefully p away at the St. Aidans Hospital a brief illness. He was 57 years Mr. Chotu (as he was gen known to his relatives and fri was the second son of the late and Mrs. Jugpal. He was a unrivalled disposition.

A large crowd of over hundred people who attended crematorium testified to the esteem popularity of one who was be all.

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betrothal took place at the ... Mr. and Mrs. B. Parmasir ... when Miss Promise Pur... is engaged to Mr. Sookraj ... son of late Mr. and Mrs. ... and Miss Shanti Purmasir to ... orath Maharaj, son of Mr. ... Shanker, of Dunnhauser.

... Mrs. Aboobaker Moosa and ... Eleven, who have been spend... past holiday in the Tenavaal, ... Durban this week.

... E. Gangat, a teacher at the ... Indian School, has now ... ing and is staying at Dur... further studies.

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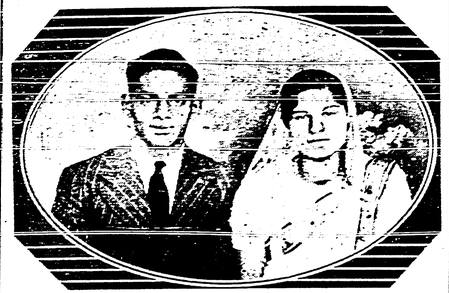
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... riage of Mr. Peter David, ... Mr. F. S. David, to Miss ... day will be solemnised at ... 's Church, Retief Street, ... today (Saturday) at 2.30 ... ends and relatives are cor... ted.

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MUSLIM WOMEN CELEBRATE HON. JINNAH'S BIRTHDAY

"I am very glad to attend this gathering this afternoon and join with you in your celebration of the birthday of the Honourable Muhammad Ali Jinnah," said the mayoress, Mrs. R. Ellis Brown, speaking at a mass meeting of Durban Muslim women at the Pine street Madressa hall, where 800 women were present.

"Honourable Jinnah," she said, "has played a great part in the annals of Indian history. But he has done much for his own country and has been a consistent supporter of the British Government in all his efforts to help India."

"Your great country of India has long been the envy of Japan, Italy and Germany and all the other countries that are linked up together against which England is fighting today. And if it were not for England and the great defence which she is putting up one shudders to think what fate might soon overtake us all.

"I am glad to know that the gentleman we are here to honour is a staunch supporter of the Allied cause.

"The time is soon coming when we must be prepared for the occasion, and therefore every one of you should do your best to encourage your menfolk to become members of the C.P.S., and that you should form up into groups and take the advantage of learning first aid, which is very important, when you will be a real help not only to the Government, but to your own children and the community. There might be an occasion when, if you have not taken this advantage to learn, you will be a hindrance on the occasion and you will not be able to do any service which will be expected of you during the panic period.

"Your leader, Hon. Jinnah, has ... supported to you the concessions ... so that you can understand the ... weighty happenings, and I pray that God will spare him to see this terrible war through to peace and victory for our Allies."

The mayoress, Mrs. R. Ellis Brown, was received by Mrs. Hajee Suleman Mayat, Mrs. Omar Jhavery, Mrs. S. P. Bather, Miss Jhavery and Miss Bather.

The function was opened with the recitation of verses from the Holy Quraan by Miss Zohra A. Vawda, and afterwards messages were read from various bodies.

Mrs. Hajee Suleman Mayat, in her presidential speech, strongly appealed for the organisation of a body for the upliftment of Muslim women on the principal of Honourable Jinnah, the great leader of India. The speech was afterwards translated into English.

The mayoress, who graced the function, was presented with a bouquet.

Miss Jhavery, who spoke in English, gave an outline of the work Hon. Jinnah was doing and how all Muslims were receiving protection under his sheltering wings and his efforts to help and unite all sections of the Indian community.

Among the speakers were Mrs. Abdul Gaffar Master, Miss Fastima Ismail Jeewa, Miss Faatima Abdul Gaffar, Miss Ammena Manjoo, Miss Faatima G. H. Mayat, Miss Ammena Ebraheem Kathrada, Miss Rugaiya Begam Waas-ez-Zee, Miss Zubeda Ahmad Bodat and Mrs. Sepander.

After passing the resolution unanimously which was read out by Miss Faatima G. H. Mayat, a vote of thanks by Ayesha Ebraheem Kathrada, on behalf of the chair, was concluded with prayers lead by Miss Ammena Manjoo.

A purse has already been collected and will be sent to the Hon. Muhammad Ali Jinnah.

TAMIL VETHANTHA KOOTUM

The annual meeting of the Tamil Vethantha Kootum was held at the Siva Subramanier Temple grounds, Main Road, Raesburgh, Maritzburg, on Sunday.

The Kootum has been in existence since 1936, and during that period it had done useful work. Last year the Kootum successfully fed the enormous crowd that attended the fire-walking ceremony on Good Friday at the Temple. The cooks each received by the Kootum for the above purpose amounted to £10 15s. The expenses were £8 1s. 6d. for Good Friday and an amount of £2 5s. 11d. was spent on Kavadi Day, which left a balance of 3s. 11d.

On Sunday the following were elected as office-bearers for the year 1942: President, Mr. A. C. Naidoo (re-elected); vice-presidents, Messrs. G. Rajoo, R. S. Pillay, V. M. Padayachee; joint hon. secretaries, Messrs. C. Rajagopaul, K. K. Moodley; committee, Messrs. S. G. Padayachee, S. G. Pledge, M. E. Reddy, D. Chetty, N. S. Moodley, K. G. Rajah and G. Naidoo.

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THE VOTE IS THE THING

THE case against the proposed expropriation of Indian-owned land was argued before the Central Housing Board in Durban last week. Both the Indian organisations had very harsh words to say against the Indian housing policy of the Durban City Council but in no way could it be said that they exaggerated the Indian viewpoint. The City Council, as a whole, and in spite of the recommendations of its medical officer of health, had done nothing for Indian housing until it was forced to do so by the Central Government. Colour prejudice plays no small part in the matter and, because the Indian does not have the vote, the City Council chooses to be indifferent to improvements in Indian housing. Nearly a year ago The Leader was the first Indian public organ to reveal the insidious attempt on the part of the Council to expropriate Indian land. We raised objections to it in our editorial columns at the time. Since then protests have been lodged against the scheme of expropriation of Indian land for other purposes than its own housing by several public bodies.

Mr. Rustomjee's denunciation of the method employed in regard to the Housing Scheme by the Council still stands. There has been no adequate reply to the charge that he so vehemently made at the inquiry. The solution of the whole question rocks of colour antagonism, as far as the Municipality is concerned. Is there any sufficient reason why men staying in decent houses such as those at Sydenham should be removed, except for the whims and fancies of the City Council? There is a good deal to be done in regard to Indian housing. We are not proud of the slums that exist in various areas where Indians are living. We are one with those who want its demolition; but where we disagree with the attitude of the City Council is that the land should not be made available as playground for Europeans, but it should be given back to the Indian so that the housing, not only meet with building regulations but also conforms to the requirement of the area.

We have no quarrel with the Administration if it intends to improve the housing conditions or embark on any scheme of town planning; rather it has our support. When, however, the intention underlying the scheme is as has been pointed out both at the inquiry and by ourselves before, motivated on the basis of colour prejudice, it will be met strenuously by the Indian community. When Indian opposition is forthcoming it is not, as many Europeans have described it, merely an objection to progressive development. But knowing, as they do, how Indian interest always suffers they are inclined to be suspicious—and not without justification. The authorities have done very little that may be described as a generous gesture of their goodwill towards the Indians. This will go on as long as the Indian is denied representation in the Council chambers.

We have little or no faith in such institutions as the Lawrence Committee—a very sad confession was made as to its innocuousness by Mr. Rustomjee. He declared the Indians were a hundred per cent. ready to assist the City Council, but that assistance was spurned despite the fact that this body had come into existence as a result of the deliberations of the Union Government, the Government of India and the Durban City Council. Its sponsors were important but its influence as far as the City Council was concerned it was impotent.

The solution we can see in these impasses between the Indians and the City Council will be, when the Indian by virtue of his possessing the vote will have some consideration at such gatherings. Without the vote he counts for naught in the scheme of things as it affects the Municipality of Durban.

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Union for introducing a sectional clause such as a Tamilian is not a Hindu.

At first the officials thought fit to limit the Tamilians, but it served no good purpose legally, except ill-feeling in the Indian community.

Mr. A. I. Kajee, a Muslim, who presided at the opening ceremony, announced that the name of the association has now been changed to Arya Samaj, Manor Gardens.

Hindu Tamilians can now be enrolled as members of the Arya Samaj, irrespective of caste.

SOOKDEO.

TONGAAT SCHOOL

In reply to an article headed "Change of Manager," which appeared in The Leader of the 17th ultimo, Mr. G. Burbans, in The Leader of the 24th, made statements that were uncalled for and it was not a reply but merely showing the public Mr. Desai's various positions.

Mr. G. Burbans also stated that the Board had no hesitation that the name of Mr. Desai would be approved by the Department. By this one can understand that until this moment the Department has not approved of the new appointment, but how did his name appear on the invitation cards, as a school manager? Perhaps the secretary thought that he could devise ways and means to bypass what is undesirable but is possible and the Department to accept any proposal he makes.

At the laying of the foundation stone of the new building, Mr. D. Saunders, in the course of his remarks, said that he regretted to note the small amount the Board had collected (£2,000 against a total cost of £8,500 and further added that the planters of his mill drew cheques ranging from £20 to £8000 annually and these should be no difficulty in raising funds.

Among other centres Tongaat ranks itself first as far as raising funds is concerned. For the information of Mr. D. Saunders, and other friends, I feel to mention that the Board does not seek the assistance of the planters but on the people who are really earning £2 to £3 per month and surely they can raise no more money than the small sum.

K. A. MOODLEY.

FROM OUR READERS' LETTERS

Work in India Held U... Because of No "Leade...

"The Leader is the only paper ... kind to cater for the needs o... Indians."—P.R., Pretoria.

"Our ever-popular Lea... T.V.C.N., Maritzburg.

"We have just received a ... from Swami Bhawani Dayal ... since your paper has not reached ... Consequently he is handicapped ... having no news from Natal to ... him in his work for the bene... of the lot of the Indians o... Africa. We shall be grateful ... for forwarding copies in fut... Secretaries, Natal Indian Con...

OUR READERS SPE...

A SOLDIER LOOKS AT THE ...

An extract from the speech ... the Throne at the opening of the ... session of the eighth Union Parli... on January 13, reads:—

"It is accepted that the reste... after the war of the status qu... is neither possible nor desirable ... that everything practicable ... done to ensure a better life for ... tions of the people." The reste... of the status quo ante may be ... desirable but is possible and the ... to do everything practicable ... sections of the people may seem ... able but is inadequate to me... just demands of the second ... servative estimates vouches, ... and oppressed people in this co... Depriving freedom to any sect... the people is a negation of the ... principle of democracy.

We are in a war, head, hand, feet, and this country has ... itself with its Allies to fight ... tyranny, that is Hitlerism, in... wiped off the face of the earth ... peace, freedom and liberty may ... more. Non-Europeans with a ... to fight for South Africa, they ... either by birth or adoption, have ... tered for service. Thousands ... now "Up North," in the battle ... the Nazi hordes; fighting ... preservation of liberty that they ... may, when victory is won, sha... enjoy the freedom that the ... we are told is being fought for.

Many would like to know what ... this freedom would take. What ... of liberty is this that we are ... for with toil, sweat and blood? ... share of the liberty to be the ... of a few of the restrictions that ... imposed upon us, our movements ... speech, or is it to be liberty ... embraces? If this is a Christian ... as it is said it is, post-war reco... tion should be planned with a ... tackling problems in the spir... Christ would wish it to be.

Prejudice should not be ... colour, as colour is only an ... Analysis, of the people of ... tionality, by Bruno Lasker, ... American writer and data ... therein, indicate that we are ... prejudiced. This is acquired ... same manner as we acquire ... language and our games. ... from our parents, our teachers ... companions. Sharp social lines ... drawn and the chasm between ... and white is likely to become ... manent.

Even though efforts are made ... fit of deliberate liberalism to ... the gap, we frequently cannot ... but we don't really try. ... to possess no sense of ... Russia, that glorious land of ... liberty, where freedom ... rights of all, and not the ... a small group who constitute the ... class.

J. M. FRA...
Attached to Indian ... Corps.

Durban.

"BLUFF" THE TAMILIANS

In your last week's issue of the ... Gardens Hindu Association ... criticised by the Indian Edu...

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...N ACT OF ...BRAVERY

...dians Outwit Japs

...OM the north Malayan ...front comes story after ... of acts of bravery by ...n soldiers in action.

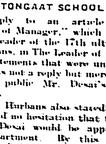
...pital of many acts of gal... is a tale of three Indians ...ff from their unit and cap... by the Japanese. Through ...nterpreter the captors told ...Indians that they would be ...rewarded if they led Japa... troops behind a certain ...sh position. The Indians ...ended to agree and were ...ded in front of a Japa... column with tommy-guns ...ed into their backs. But ...ad of leading the Japanese ...nd the British lines, the ...ians dauntlessly led them ...ght into the line of British ...fire.

...e Indians flung themselves ...e ground as the British ...ed fire and miraculously ...ped being killed. The Japa... forces were either wiped ...or fled in disorder, after ...h the Indians managed to ...tify themselves to the Bri... and rejoined their units.

...AW EXAMINATION SUCCESSES

Distinction for Mr. A. Choudree

...completion of the law examina... the Attorneys' Admission, in ...nths is something of a record. ...distinction goes to Mr. Ashwin ...ree, who, after getting admitted as a candidate attorney in May last wrote his Part II examination in December.



A. Choudree

He is the first Indian in the country to have passed the Union law examinations, as different from those who have taken their Law courses in England.

Choudree has the B.A. with ...sion in Politics.

George Maghraji and Mr. S. ... have also completed the require... of Part II, except in bookkeep... which they will have to take in ...next.

Athmanand Maharaj, B.A., has ...ed the Part I of the Attor... examination.

R. ... Nanbath has completed ...subjects, namely, English, Latin ...al Law and Constitutional ...he B.A.

...sion has been made for raising ...mored and mechanised cavalry ..., new Indian field artillery ..., new regular infantry battalions, ...e units and mechanised trans... services.

...Pietermaritzburg branch of the Natal ... Congress will hold its annual ... in the Madressa Hall on Sun... February 15. The present mem... of the branch is 92, an ... of 83 new members over last ...

WHEN DOCTORS OPERATE THE COLOUR BAR

Indian Deputation Prepares to Protest to Medical Council

THE operation of the colour bar in doctors' surgery and in lifts to these consulting rooms was pointed out at a meeting of the Natal Indian Congress in Durban on Saturday.

This practice was roundly condemned as being inconsistent with the humanitarian outlook of the medical profession.

It was decided to compile a list of cases where Indians have not been admitted to waiting rooms and were made to wait in the passages so that a deputation, fully armed with facts, could wait on the chairman of the Durban Coastal branch of the South African Medical Association.

POLICE TO STAND "NO NONSENSE" —WILL EVEN SHOOT

C. I. Amra Says He is Not Afraid

Mr. D. A. Seedat was arrested in the streets of Ladysmith at 3.30 p.m. on Friday, January 30, 1942. Mr. Seedat and his colleagues, Messrs. C. I. Amra and Desai, were taken to the Ladysmith police station for interrogation. The police stated, according to a correspondent, that they were not prepared to stand any nonsense in Ladysmith. And therefore the police advised them to leave Ladysmith immediately.

Mr. Amra told the police that they were on a legitimate organisational tour for the Non-European United Front and their activities were in no way subversive to the interests of the State.

In reply the police stated, it is said, that the sooner they left Ladysmith the better it would be for them, as they were prepared to go even to the extent of shooting them.

Mr. Amra replied that neither shooting nor imprisonment would frighten them.

Eventually Mr. Seedat was taken into custody by the police. They were told by the police that Seedat had been detained on a warrant from the Durban police. The Ladysmith police would not give further information, but stated that they were waiting for an escort from Durban to take Mr. Seedat to Durban, where the charge will be preferred against him. The police refuse to allow bail for Mr. Seedat.

On Monday Mr. Seedat appeared before Mr. Ryle Masson at the Durban court on various allegations under the Emergency Regulations.

The proceedings were adjourned until yesterday. He was released on £200 bail.

Mr. J. W. Godfrey appeared for Seedat.

S.A. ARMY ORDER

European and non-European personnel—power of command.

1. Non-European N.C.O.'s hold rank within the N.E.A.S. (Non-European Army Service) and will not exercise any command or authority over European members of the forces.

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A South African Army order.

PASSING OF PIONEER

The passing of Mr. Dookran, of Plessisher, Pietermaritzburg, has removed one of the pioneers of Natal.

Having come to Natal from Patna in the eighties he spent most of his life farming.

The large attendance at his cremation bore evidence of his amiability and popularity.

He leaves a widow, two sons and a daughter to mourn their loss.

BREAKFAST—A CUP OF TEA

School Children Have No Lunch

SUPPER BREAD AND PICKLES

That malnutrition is rife to a surprisingly high degree among Indian school children in and around Durban was the general opinion of a meeting of the Preliminary Committee for Food for Needy Children.

The purpose of the meeting, which was held at the M. K. Gandhi Library on Wednesday evening, was to inform the Indian community on health matters and to call for volunteers for a permanent Central Committee for serving meals at schools.

All speakers strongly condemned the state of affairs that obtained in many schools regarding food for needy children who came to school half-starved and were expected to do their lessons.

It was pointed out that in many cases children came to school in the morning with only a cup of tea or a bowl of porridge for breakfast, had no lunch and their supper consisted of handmade bread and pickles.

Miss R. Guy, principal of the Dartnell Crescent Girls' School, said the object of the meeting was to combat and remedy this by arriving at some practical decisions that evening. The Preliminary Committee had come into being chiefly as the result of the efforts of Miss F. English.

It was remarkable how uncomplainingly starving Indian children carried on at school, said Rev. W. H. Satchell, who was in the chair. He could never visualise the same uncomplaining patience amongst children of his own race. He hoped the committee would carry on the excellent work begun.

(The rest of the report of the proceedings of the meeting will appear in our next issue.)

India manufactures 90 per cent. of her own war needs.



CAPETOWN WELCOMES SIR SHAFA'AT KHAN

CONCEPTION OF HIS FUNCTIONS

To Improve Conditions of S.A. Indians

SIR SHAFA'AT KHAN was accorded a public reception under the auspices of the Cape Indian Congress in the Banqueting Hall, Cape Town, on Tuesday.

The mayor, Councillor W. Jones, accorded a welcome on behalf of the city and said that South Africa had been fortunate to have as its High Commissioner one of the most distinguished men of India. He was proud of the Indians of the Cape who had had opportunities and made use of them. They were law-abiding and the percentage of their numbers who had joined the forces compared favourably with that of any other section of the community. He hoped that during the term of Sir Shafa'at's office much good would be accomplished both for Indians and Europeans.

Sir Shafa'at Ahmad Khan and the mayor were garlanded by Councillor Ismail, president of the Cape Indian Congress, who extended a cordial welcome to the High Commissioner. He assured Sir Shafa'at of the sincere desire of the Indians in the Cape to co-operate with him in the fulfilment of his duties. Mr. Ismail said he did not desire to touch on matters political but he regarded the Indo-Union Agreement of 1927 as the Magna Charta of the Indian people of South Africa. The Condonation question which separated husbands from their wives and children was a matter on which he felt strongly.

The franchise rights to Indians in the Transvaal and Natal left much to be desired and he hoped that in the near future full democratic rights would be granted to all Indians whose loyalty to South Africa was unquestioned. Mr. Ismail went on to express dissatisfaction with the humiliating treatment meted out to visiting soldiers and seamen of official rank and hoped that this unfairness would not be allowed to occur again.

"My people in this country are good Indians but they are primarily also good South Africans," concluded Mr. Ismail. "We love South Africa and are prepared to take our full share of responsibility. It is therefore not too much to hope that we shall at least be given the simple rights of full citizenship. May this be achieved during the stay in South Africa of Sir Shafa'at Ahmad Khan."

The High Commissioner expressed his appreciation of the welcome which he had received both from the Indian community and from all sections in South Africa. He had been overwhelmed by South African hospitality. He had been greatly struck by the beauty of the cities and countryside which he had visited and by the progressive outlook of South Africans and their determination to develop their country until it became one of the great modern nation States.

He felt it was one of his principal duties to understand the spirit and aspirations of South Africa and interpret them to his own Government and people.

VIEWPOINT OF INDIA

His own conception of his functions was quite clear. It was to represent the viewpoint of the Government of India to the Government of the Union. The Government of India had maintained a constant interest in the welfare of Indians in this country, and he would always be prepared to take up any issue on which the Government of India thought that representations should be made.

After paying a tribute to General Smuts for his deep sympathy with the aspirations of other races, Sir Shafa'at went on to say, that while the Cape Town Agreement of 1927 still remained the corner stone on which South African-Indian relations were based, it it must not be forgotten that the India of 1942 was a very different country from the India of 1927.

He described the rapid political and industrial development of India in the intervening years and pointed out that India was now on the threshold of Dominion status and that even now the majority of the Viceroy's Council —the supreme executive authority— was Indian.

Apart from the political sphere there had been immense and dramatic developments in the spheres of both thought and action, so that the period to which he referred would go down in history as an Age of Renaissance.

Dealing with India's contribution to the war effort, Sir Shafa'at said that Japan's irruption had made it clear to Indians of all classes that a natural resistance was called for to a direct threat to their culture, their freedom and their spiritual heritage. National Socialism, whether of the German or Japanese variety, was a disease, and so long as it existed the new freedom to which India aspired with passionate intensity could not be achieved. The war, in Sir Shafa'at's opinion, had automatically solved many of the most difficult problems in India. One of these was the Indianisation of the Army. Thousands of young Indians had received commissions in the Indian Navy, Army and Air Force. They are laying the truest foundation for Dominion Status by showing that Indians have the capacity not only for political but for military leadership. Life in the Army was showing up the futility of class, caste and community divisions.

Again the colossal industrial expansion brought about by the war was bound to be maintained when the war is over. It will bring about a rapid rise in the standard of living and provide a durable economic basis for a great post-war industrial state.

Sir Shafa'at appealed to South African Indians to do what they could to emulate their fellow countrymen by assisting in South Africa's war effort by contributions of both men and money.

He went on to express his surprise that in the Cape where Indians were not subjected to the most drastic of the legal restrictions imposed on their fellow countrymen in other provinces, the community had thrown up so few men of outstanding merit and power of leadership.

He appealed to Cape Indians to help on the cause of the community by assisting promising young people to go on to higher education. The possession of the franchise in itself was only a means to an end, and should not engender a feeling of false security. Persistent and tireless activity in the social and educational spheres was necessary.

Sir Shafa'at concluded by saying that his chief aim was to improve conditions of Indians in South Africa. That was the object with which the Government of India had sent him to South Africa. It was a gesture which the Government and people of India thought with one mind and heart and with one voice.

He appealed for the co-operation of both Europeans and Indians in order to find a solution for those difficult inter-racial problems. He himself was satisfied that a solution was far from impossible. The world was now witnessing the co-operation of the races of different races in defence of a common ideal. That in itself made it more than ever clear that all inter-racial problems should be settled in a spirit of goodwill and on a basis that would preserve the self-respect of all races and communities.

SECONDARY EDUCATION AT STANGER

Secondary classes for Indians have now been instituted at Stanger. The community's thanks are due to both the Department of Education and the local branch of the Natal Indian Congress Association. The classes meet a long felt want of the Indian community, but it is feared that unless the community is prepared to share in its responsibilities its maintenance will be seriously jeopardised.

The number of eligible students necessary for the continuance of the classes stands on a very dangerous minimum, and the withdrawal of one or two will render the position difficult. This seems the actual position, as some students are already finding the cost of secondary education beyond the purses of the poor parents. To cite a specific case—one student has to pay 17s. 6d. bus fare per month, 5s. for school fees, three to four pounds for books, plus incidental expenses. His father earns less than £7 as wages.

It is far short a boy and others in like position that the community must think of providing bursaries to help deserving students, and it should aim at the same time that the classes are permanently established.

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MAGICIAN WAVES THE WAND AT THE AVALON

Eastern magician, Kardani, [illegible] a star turn at the Avalon next week. After him there will [illegible] hilarious comedy "A Chump [illegible]

[illegible] the only Eastern Magician ever to perform the "Yogi Death Chest," gaining [illegible] fame of a well-known Hindu [illegible] in India, where he was [illegible] the rudiments of this trick, [illegible] had taken him over five years [illegible]

[illegible] magician's new show [illegible] more than two hours of [illegible] and deep mystery in his [illegible] production. The master of [illegible] aided by rabbits, guinea [illegible] fishes, to a living person. [illegible] a few of Kardani's world-[illegible] tricks and illusions: The Magic [illegible] Talking Skull, The Chinese [illegible] The Crackers of Quing Hi, [illegible] growing of roses, where do the [illegible] Vanishing Cage and Canary, [illegible] range of other wonders.

[illegible], who is 28 years old, has 17 [illegible] experience in the art of magic [illegible], and has travelled widely.

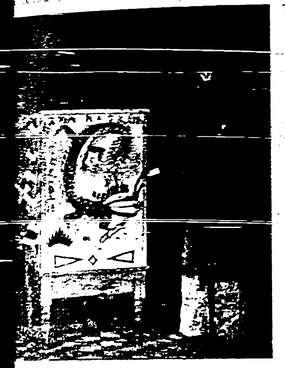
[illegible]ING SCENES OF THE WEST

[illegible] the colourful and adven-[illegible] background of the Old West, [illegible] days when justice was adminis-[illegible] to the point of a gun and [illegible] Judge Roy Bean loomed as [illegible] Law West of the Pecos."

[illegible] Gobbyn's "The Westerner," [illegible] Cooper in the title rule, [illegible] on the programme at the Ava-[illegible] on Thursday.

[illegible] by William Wyler from the [illegible]ispation by Jo Swerling and [illegible]dosh, "The Westerner" fea-[illegible] the cast which supports [illegible] such notable players as Walter [illegible], Fred Stone, Doris Daven-[illegible] Rand, Forrest Tucker and [illegible]. The setting of the story [illegible]arrison, Texas, in the roaring [illegible] the 80's when there raged a [illegible] and long protracted battle be-[illegible] the cattlemen, original settlers [illegible] land, and the homesteaders, [illegible]ght to till the land which they [illegible]ated under the law.

[illegible] when this basic [illegible] receiving [illegible] the Westerner, a roving cow-[illegible]nd Cole Harden, drifts into [illegible] and finds himself entangled in [illegible]ons "Law West of the Pecos." [illegible] Westerner is a wily strategist, [illegible]arbers, and bold, and when he [illegible]rge with wily Judge Bean, [illegible] a shrewd opponent. Dra-[illegible] that Judge Bean's idol is the [illegible] and beautiful Lily Langtry. [illegible]ayer tells the Judge that he [illegible] the Jersey Lily and knows her [illegible]n sees infringes the Judge [illegible]ranges to have Cole reprieved [illegible] time has come for a showdown with Judge Roy Bean. He follows the weatherbeaten, grimy old man to Fort Davis where Lily Langtry is to make her long-promised visit. How Cole waylays the Judge just as the gorgeous actress is about to step before the footlights and what happens when guns are fired provides the story with a swift, action-filled ending.



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Talk of The Bazaar

BY "THE FAQIR"

SOME SCHEMES

If ever the word "self-help" has been belaboured by any community before, the speakers did it at the opening of the Manor Gardens Private School. Each speaker had cause to indulge in the way Indians were helping themselves as far as education was concerned. The Faqir agrees with Mr. A. I. Kajee when he said that it would be fatal if the community sat back on its achievements.

There is still room for more in another department. That of bursaries and scholarships provided by Indian individuals for Indian children. Take the handbook of any European school or university and the number of bursaries and funds provided for their girls and boys by individual members of the community is surprising. As a result of browsing over one such handbook I propound some schemes and would like to hear from anybody who has objections or suggestions to them. A Bodasing bursary for university work, an E. M. Parak scholarship, a N. Bhoola scholarship, a K. Baijnath bursary fund for successful P.S.C. students, a W. S. Seedat bursary for students preparing for the matriculation, a Sultan scholarship tenable in the science department of any university, and last but not least an A. I. Kajee Research Trust for post-graduate work in the history of the Indian people in this country. There is no authoritative work on the subject and it is definitely time that someone started on it. These are, of course, a few schemes—all abstract and in the nature of a pipe-dream just now. It would not be impossible for these schemes to materialise, and what would the community give for that realisation!



This is a romantic view of Doris Davenport and Cary Cooper, who provide the thrill and heart interest in Samuel Goldwyn's "The Westerner," the spectacle drama of a passing era, which will sweep across the screen

PETROL RATIONING A RELIEF

The Faqir has met the man for whom petrol rationing has no terrors. In fact, he is quite pleased with the new scheme that prevents joy-riding at weekends. He is the "Nawab" Soleman, who finds that owing to the restrictions he will be able to spend more time in his office, devoting more attention to his own work than gallivanting about the province with his confreres. Another fact which he appreciates and which is the direct result of petrol rationing is that he will be able to save about £20 a month. Just a reminder, in case further up something about scholarships has been said.

HIS TRADE

The secretary of the Indian Technical Institute, Mr. C. M. Tilstead, was analysing last Monday the results of the national technical and commercial examinations held last November. In diploma bookkeeping, out of the five distinctions obtained throughout the whole of the Union two were Indians—M. Haffajee and K. Mistry—students of the Indian technical classes, he said, and the only remark a Gujerati student made was "That's our trade."

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WEEKEND CRICKET AT CURRIE'S FOUNTAIN

Overnight rain and wet turf on Saturday morning delayed the afternoon's cricket at Currie's Fountain on Saturday last. Matches started after three o'clock.

Batting first against Kismet in a Natal Cup knockout match, Ottomans had 114 for the loss of two wickets when stumps were drawn on the first day's play. Kazi had 49 not out, Desai 35 and A. I. Timol 24.

On Sunday Ottomans declared at 156 for the loss of five wickets, Desai having 69 not out to his credit and Kazi 55.

Kismet had 160 minutes in which to make the score, but at the close of play they had lost seven wickets for 43 runs. Hassen took 145 minutes over his 12. Ottomans used 10 bowlers in an effort to induce the batsmen to hit out, but they refused.

This match will have to be replayed.

On No. 1, Greyville, batting first against Centrals, compiled 58. Centrals had 55 in their first innings when play closed for the first day.

Centrals won on the double innings on Sunday.

In an Azmal's Cup time match Muslims compiled 120 for the loss of five wickets against Sastri College in the allotted 100 minutes. Sastri College had 70 for seven at the close of play (H. Mall 38). Muslims won.

OFFICIALS OF SOUTH COAST DISTRICT

At the annual meeting of the South Coast District Indian Football Association the secretary, Mr. G. M. Pillay, submitted an elaborate report. He said that there was only £700 owing on the ground. The following office-bearers were elected for the ensuing season:—

Patron, Mr. A. Singh; president, Mr. A. R. Ramith; vice-presidents, Messrs. R. R. Pillay, G. Harry, M. Ramgopan, M. S. Rilly, D. R. Pillay, R. S. Reddy, P. Chithai; chairman of the ground management committee, Mr. P. M. Pillay; treasurers, Messrs. P. M. Govender and S. P. Naidoo; secretary, Mr. G. M. Pillay; record clerk, Mr. D. J. Singh; auditor, Mr. R. Gopaul Singh.

GARMENT WORKERS' F.A. OFFICIALS

The newly-formed Durban Garment Workers' Industrial Football Association held its first meeting, and the following officials were elected for the present season: Patrons, Captain Edmund Weston, Mr. Adam Fayers, Mr. A. Milner; president, John Shadrach; vice-presidents, Messrs. M. N. Singh, M. Cobb, John Solomon, M. N. Pillay, J. Arumugum; hon. secretary, Edgar Kemp; assistant hon. secretary, Perumal Govender; hon. treasurer, A. M. Francis; record clerk, K. Moodley; auditor, E. P. Freeman.

A NATAL TEAM?

Mr. A. Khan sends his selected team to represent Natal in the forthcoming South African Indian cricket tournament to be played at Johannesburg: M. I. Yusuf, captain (Durban), M. C. Reddy (Durban), D. Jack (Durban), M. Kisten (Durban), A. I. Timol (Durban), J. Jack (Durban), A. H. Cowadia (Durban), D. E. Jamal (Northern District), G. K. Naidoo (Northern District), Harry Narain (Maritzburg), A. H. Rawat (Maritzburg), G. H. Tweat (Durban), Ted Chetty (Maritzburg), M. Saffrudeen (Durban).

Manager: Hajee E. I. Haffejee.

DURBAN TEAM BEATS STANGER

A Five Wickets Win on Double Innings

The Stanger United C.C. entertained the Bharath C.C. of Durban to a friendly game at Stanger on Sunday last. After the heavy overnight rain the pitch was almost in an unplayable condition and full of tracks. The match commenced at 1.10 p.m. when, winning the toss, the visitors sent Stanger in to bat. The home team was soon in difficulties and were three down for four runs in two overs. The bowlers were always on top and dismissed the side for 28 runs in 80 minutes (S. Patel 2 for 10, Daya 5 for 7).

The visitors did not fare any better, and at one stage were in danger of being behind on the first innings, having seven wickets down for 17 runs. Desai saved his side with a timely 18, and the innings closed for 23, giving them a lead of 15 (J. Chengiah 6 for 23 and V. G. Augustine 4 for 19).

In their second venture it took the fifth wicket to pass the first innings deficit of 15 runs, and Stanger could not again cope with the bowling and the pitch. The side was all out for 73 runs (Patel 4 for 13 and Daya 6 for 20).

Bharath passed the score required for the loss of five wickets, thus winning a match full of excitement and thrills by five wickets on the double innings.

CRICKET AT DURBAN

DURBAN TODAY

NATAL CUP

Kismet vs. Ottoman, Main; umpires: S. M. Emmamally and M. S. Hadat. Hours of play: 2.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. each day.

ASMAL'S CUP

Central vs. Sparks; umpires: Ajam Haffajee and K. S. Patel.

Muslims vs. Young Central; umpires: A. I. Jamnah and S. M. Vahed.

TOMORROW

ASMAL'S CUP

Bharat vs. Stars; umpires: Y. S. Nulla and G. M. Nair.

Orientals vs. Sastri College; umpires: G. R. Naidoo and P. Moona. Hours of play: 2.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.; each side to bat for 100 minutes.

INTER-DISTRICT CRICKET RESULT

The following was the result of the match, County Union v. South Coast Cricket Union, last week:—

South Coast, first innings, 61; second innings, 42. County, first innings, 58; second innings, 5 for four wickets (declared).

Mayville Cricket Union beat the North Coast Cricket Union at Mayville.

TOMORROW'S FIXTURE

Mayville v. North Coast.

MAYVILLE CRICKET TEAM

The following have been selected to represent the Mayville District XI against the Country Cricket Union in the final for the Dr. Rochlet Wade Memorial Shield, to be played at Cowie Reserves: A. R. Pillay (captain), Reeves Naidoo, Arlidge, Lee, Yusuf, S. Ettie Pillay, R. Rama Singh (Old Collegians C.C.); Dick Naicker (Cato Manor United C.C.); M. Sahan, Indoo Persadh (Manor Cricket Club); Nyne Moodley (Stella United C.C.); C. V. Govender (Mobeer Cricket Club).

Reserves: Bilcoko (Clare C.C.), V. Sahan (Manor C.C.), P. S. Reddy (Stella United C.C.). Manager: Mr. B. Reuben.

£4,500 School Scheme

FOUNDATION LAID AT TONGAAT

The foundation stone of the new school building of the Tongaat Indian Schools Trust Board, estimated to cost £4,500, was laid on Sunday last by Mr. Douglas Saunders, J.P., managing director of the Tongaat Sugar Co., Limited.

This new building comprises 13 rooms, 11 of which will be used as classrooms.

When ready this new building will be used as a boys' school and the girls will occupy the present boys' school, which is the Natal Administration's building.

In the course of his speech Mr. Saunders referred to the rapid progress that was being made in the educational sphere ever since the Indian community were given local self-management.

The president, Mr. D. S. Khan, paid a tribute to the good work that the Wesleyan Mission had done towards Indian education. When the scheme was completed the two schools, presided Mr. Khan, together could accommodate 640 children. This would meet the immediate as well as the requirements of a few years ahead.

"Apart from this new building serving local needs we feel that in the near future it would serve the coastal requirements. It is centrally situated on the North Coast and before long we would be asking Government to allow secondary education here. We are not without hopes that some day tuition up to the matriculation may be imparted in the new building. The standard VI passes this year at Tongaat and its neighbouring schools which, for practical purposes, belong to Tongaat, are about 45. Therefore, if there could have been accommodation the opening of ... dard VII classes from the ... was a possibility.

"Since 1936 representations ... been made to the Administra... elevate these schools to ... Government status, but it was found possible to do so yet. I hope that in the near future the ... tions may take place."

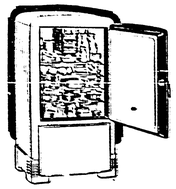
There was a large gathering ... from all parts of the country, ... speakers were: Messrs. Sorabjee ... tompies, E. J. Chetty, A. ... G. Harbans and Dr. P. S. L... chagne.

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...000 Children Go Without Good Meal

...ARVATION IN A LAND OF PLENTY

...pils Come to School Without Sufficient Food

...THETIC tale of poverty and want in the lives of Indian ...hool children was told at a meeting, "Food for Needy Indian ...Children," held in the Gandhi Library last week. One of ...kers said that the term "malnutrition" as applied to Indian ...children was a wrong one. Actually the word was ...tion."

Unable to Do Their Lessons

...aking her report the organiser ...committee, Miss F. English, ...during the past two years ...ool reached the members of ...an Women's Association and ...ing and Educational circle of ...difficulties Indian teachers ...ng in trying to teach children ...not have sufficient nourish... enable them to do their les...

...women social workers also ...his state of affairs as mothers ...es and realised the family ...which permitted children to ...ool improperly fed and im...ed.

...effort to cooperate with ...in serving meals to needy ...was only part of a means to ...kept informed of the progress by ...very large problem of economic ...which existed in every section ...community.

...were many instances where ...had provided meals for child... of their own pockets and some ...of the Education Department ...ised the position had arranged ...ey grants to help teachers feed ...ldren in greatest need.

...October last the Indian ...Association and the Reading ...national Circle asked the prin... of Indian schools to meet them ...er to have a preliminary dis...sion to what practical steps ...be taken in order to "put food ...mouths of needy children."

...chers recognised the sincerity ...women social workers and a ...ary committee was appointed ...ow the project. The committee ...November as considerable in...ion had contributed it of the ...e a permanent committee to ...in the scheme, and a meeting ...called for February, 1942.

...was suggested that any work ...ools had been able to do by ...d the Education Department's ...and by solicitation of gifts ...in no wise be disturbed. The ...should be expanded and other ...brought as many of the Indian ...were in areas where the In... community was in very poor cir...stances.

...economic distress amount... ...in classes of the Indian popula... ...was not even as ill as worst as ...school and the committee felt ...was great work ahead, when the time came that all Indian children should be educated.

The preliminary committee had notified the Minister of the Interior, the Secretary for Public Health, the Council for National Nutrition, the Social Welfare Department, and the Protector of Immigration of the work that was being done.

A SUBSCRIBERS' ROLL

Regarding the collection of funds by the Central Committee (proposed) the aim was that a definite subscribers' roll should be compiled enabling persons to contribute specified sums monthly, quarterly, half-yearly, or annually. Helpers were required to explain this scheme. On the question of serving meals, all concerned were kept informed of the progress by means of the Indian Women Social Workers' monthly leaflet.

Efforts had been made to ask those doing practical work and had first-hand knowledge of health and economic conditions to speak, and it was hoped that a permanent committee would be formed after the meeting, Miss English concluded.

Speaking again, Miss English said that a written investigation had been made. A simple form had been drawn up for the schools in Durban and the immediate district to find out what was being done. Twenty-seven schools had replied. Fifteen of these got a share in the Department's grant, and two or three had been able to supplement the grant by making appeals to storekeepers for help.

The returned forms further revealed that 330 children were receiving food of some kind at school and teachers considered that 1,382 scholars were in need of a nourishing meal for them to do their lessons.

There were about 30 schools outside Durban where no meals were served at all.

From her own experiences, Miss English said, there were about 3,000 Indian children in schools who needed a good meal.

About £5,000 per annum was required to feed 3,000 children on 20 school days per month for ten school months in the year. This estimate was a very modest one, Miss English concluded.

Dr. Goonam said that the evening's meeting was timely, and was pleased

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FOR KING AND COUNTRY

Indian Recruits Wanted

A large number of Natal Indians have joined the Union forces. These men are a credit to the Indian community. They are doing a necessary job of work for the Empire, and are doing it well in service with the forces in East Africa, Abyssinia and North Africa.

More men are needed and an appeal is directed to Natal Indians to support their comrades in the forces. Motor drivers (licence not necessary), mechanics, artisans, carpenters, handymen, anyone who has handled machinery, field workers and clerks are all urgently needed to help win the war.

All information and particulars: Non-European Recruiting Office, 141 Warwick Avenue, Durban, or nearest magistrate.

AT MARITZBURG

Sergeant G. K. Naidoo, of the Durban Recruiting Office, will be at the Recruiting Office in Maritzburg on Monday next, and Indians who are desirous of joining the Service Corps will be able to see him then.

A PRISONER OF WAR

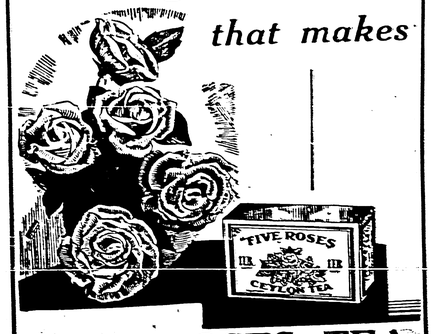
Italians Are Cruel He Says

A soldier in the Indian and Malay Corps, Private M. Mahomed, had the experience of being captured by the Germans at Sidi Rezech, guarded by Italians and subsequently retaken by the British force. He was wounded at Sidi Rezegh and is now convalescing in Durban.

Stating his experiences to a Leader reporter he said that he was one of the 5,000 who were surrounded by German tanks. A large number escaped but being wounded he was taken prisoner.

The Germans had looked after them comparatively well and food was fairly good, but when the Italians took charge they ate up the food of the prisoners. They were also cruel to them.

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3,000 Children Go Without Good Meal

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to know that steps were being taken in the right direction. Malnutrition or semi-starvation that prevailed even among members of the middle class was the cause of the scourge of tuberculosis. Most Indian parents were satisfied that they and their children ate the best of food—but did they? They only ate carbohydrates such as rice and lentils, but this was not sufficient because of the low nutritive value of the food.

She had seen little children in Victoria street, pot-bellied and haggard, with thin stumps for legs. The resisting power of these children was very low. The vitamin value of vegetables and fruit was unknown to the majority of the Indian people, and she hoped that the move made by Miss English would not be in vain.

In conclusion, she was prepared to give half an hour to an hour of her time, if occasion arose, to conducting classes of mothers, who should learn about dietetics.

THE DENIAL OF FOOD

Mr. A. I. Kajee said that of the social evils the denial of food to children was the worst, and if the situation persisted it would ultimately break the system under which the people were living.

The Provincial Council observed the brutal things that were said about it because of its failure to provide food for needy school children, but were the Indians themselves free from blame?

The absence of teachers from the meeting was a shame, for they did not seem to realise their obligations and duty to the community. Members of the public not being conversant with the situation could be excused, but teachers who knew of the problem but did nothing were not fit to take charge of the children, concluded Mr. Kajee.

Inspector Devlin said that the question of malnutrition went beyond the Education Department whose hands were very heavily tied. He even knew of teachers and the children of teachers who suffered from malnutrition.

Councillor Fyfe deplored the small attendance. He could not understand why people displayed such apathy towards meetings which were called for the sake of the poor.

The attendance would have been different if the meeting had been called in honour of some person who had a "handle attached to the front of his name."

He could not blame the poor Indians, for the capitalist system under which they were living was all wrong. Many people, because of their higher education realised this but could not come out openly with their convictions.

"It's poor people must put solid weight behind us in order that we may get what we want. The education of the men and women and children must be brought into their homes."

Miss S. E. Lawrence, a teacher herself, put a plea on behalf of the unfortunate children. More and more helpers were required. The teachers were doing a little, but there was so much to be done. They also required the cooperation of the mothers and elder sisters who did nothing at home. It would be a huge fight if people did not come forward willingly to help the committee.

Mr. E. D. Lalla, who was a teacher in one of the peri-urban schools, said that the term "malnutrition" applied to Indian school children was a wrong one. Actually the word was starvation.

About forty children at the school at which he taught had neither breakfast nor lunch.

It was a pathetic and heartbreaking sight to see children searching for lunch papers in order to glean some crumbs and crusts from them. That was happening at his school. Tuesday was a pleasant job when children were showing signs of starvation by fainting and falling down during school hours. They went through it every day.

The children at his school had never heard of butter and of eggs which, they believed, were something out of which the chicks came. As for fruits, apples, bananas, etc., they only knew of green guavas which they pinched from neighbouring gardens.

When, however, they came into towns and saw other fruits at the market they firmly believed that that was something which only European ladies purchased.

FARMERS POOR

The farming community, was very poor, but what right had anybody to deny food to children in a land of plenty? Indians were born in captivity, reared in malnutrition and died of malnutrition.

Most of the children in his district came to school with only a bowl of porridge for breakfast and had no lunch, while their supper consisted of hand-made bread and pickles.

ASK THE RICH MAN

Mr. Lalla advocated a bold frontal attack policy if the position had to be relieved.

"Ask every rich man," he said, "how could he sleep soundly when there are hundreds of children starving and crying out for food. It was a crime against human dignity to let this situation persist, he concluded.

Mr. E. Thomas, speaking on behalf of the Teachers' Society, said that Mr. Kajee's allegations against teachers were unfounded. His statements could not go unchallenged. The Indian teacher had never yet shirked his responsibility in the province, and there was no social welfare service where he had not done his bit.

Before the meeting terminated, Mr. Satchell, who presided, moved that the preliminary committee constitute the nucleus of the permanent body. Volunteer helpers were then called for and more are urgently required to work as "Anti-Malnutrition Workers."

The preliminary committee consists of the following: Miss F. English, organiser; Mr. G. A. C. Lawrence, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Jithoo, Miss R. Gay; Mrs. Chris Naidoo, Miss M. Stevens, Isipingo; Miss S. E. Lawrence; Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Lazarus; Mr. M. Sawaunny, and Mr. M. Naidoo, of Candella Road Girls' School.

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MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE

Mr. Frank Williamson, P. Kisand party were the guests of Mr. Furenswar and Sons, at residence, Cranbrook, over the end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lingham Padayachee, Maritzburg, spent last weekend at residence of Mr. Madurray Naicker, ith Coast Junction.

Messrs. A. I. Kajee, M. A. Motala, M. A. Mayat, and M. I. Bobat, of Mr. and Moulana Molvi Mia, of Johannesburg, visited the Indian Government-Aided School of Richmond, were entertained by Mr. Ahmed Lorik Goordeen, of Dannhauser, passed in the following subjects: B.A., LL.B.: English I, Latin Roman Dutch Law and Constitutional Law. Mr. Goordeen, who matriculated last year, took a high pass Afrikaans.

The engagement took place on Sunday last at the residence of Mr. Pandav, 46 Campbell avenue, Mr. J. S. Panday to the daughter Mr. Bhagerathi Gosai, of Maid-There was a Katha ceremony the engagement. Over 200 attended the function.

Mr. S. Ramasroop, of Mount is recovering from a minor on at the Addin's Indian Hospital. She was ill for some time.

The marriage took place at her residence, Springfield, last week of Kumari Soni, the fifth daughter of Mr. Jurbadhan, of Springfield, to Kumar Amrutlall Roghanbeer, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Roghanbeer, of Jacobs.

Mr. Amir Khan, B.A., a teacher at Sastri College, has obtained the B.Sc. in mathematics III and experimental psychology. He is the third Indian to hold double bachelor's degrees.

Young Hercules de Mio (C. G. Pillay), the well-known weight-lifter and strong man, of Port Elizabeth, arrived in Durban yesterday from Johannesburg, together with his pupil, Mr. T. Rangasamy. Accompanying them is Mr. R. Canisasamy, of Port Elizabeth also.

Mr. G. V. Naidoo and Mr. C. Murugan, both of Durban, spent their weekend in Maritzburg with Mr. Joseph Michael.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Naidoo held an "At Home" on Thursday last at their residence, "The Rest," Stanger, to celebrate the first birthday of their second son, Rama Chandra.

A gathering of friends was present. Baby Rama Chandra was the recipient of many presents.

Among those present were Dr. V. T. Williams, Messrs. D. D. Lalla, Abbai Kassoo, G. S. Naidoo, S. M. Naiker, B. Virasamy, Steven Thummiah, K. P. Padayachee and D. Jumna.



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A bi-monthly collection was duly organised solely from the parishioners. Later in December, 1940, the first annual collection from the public of Pietermaritzburg was taken, which helped to swell the funds. We distributed appropriate Christmas hampers to twenty indigent families. Each hamper consisted of 10lb. rice, 5lb. sugar, 5lb. flour, 1 tin jam, 1 packet biscuits, 1 Christmas pudding, a pound each of sweets, nuts, raisins, and currants, 1 tin condensed milk, 1 tin custard powder, 1 tin baking powder, 1 packet jelly, 1 tin Nestles cream, 1 packet tea, 1lb. butter, 1 fowl and 1 loaf of bread.

During the year 1941 the bi-monthly collections amounted to £12; with this cash we helped several families.

In December, 1941, under the direction of the good Sisters of St. Anthony's School, our young parishioners organised a most successful concert. £22 out of the proceeds was given to our Poor Fund. We are indeed very grateful to the Sisters and also to the young people. This generous donation enabled us to give in cash to twenty-eight destitute families for Christmas, 1941. A word of thanks goes to Dr. M. R. Peters who for the past two years has rendered medical attention gratis to some needy cases. We also thank most sincerely our parishioners and the public for the excellent manner in which they responded. We fervently hope they will continue their generosity towards our good cause.

MRS. M. R. PETERS,
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Malnutrition in Schools

"THE shocking revelations of the wide-spread prevalence in Indian schools of malnutrition must have cause for alarm for the whole community because it is a problem that no people, whatever their colour, can hope to disregard or ignore with impunity./ If this problem of malnutrition is allowed to drift on its own it may develop into proportions of such magnitude that the community will be unable to retrieve the position. At the meeting (see our news columns) a number of speakers showed concern over the situation, and the majority of those speakers had first-hand information and material to speak from. One speaker recounted his observations in a country school. Although there is just ground for concern, that is not enough. What is actually wanted is food. The majority of the children do not suffer from malnutrition but actual starvation, and they are the children of those people whom an insane system reduces to and does not recognise above the status of mere labourers. In the case of the Indian the position is aggravated by the colour mania and he has to labour back-breakingly for a mere monthly pittance.

It is difficult for many of the better-off members of the community under the circumstances to realise that such a heart-rending position can exist among children, who are the future citizens. It does, and the vigilance of only those who are directly concerned and that of a handful of humanitarians sees it and makes effort to combat this menace, which if allowed to remain unbridled must ultimately ruin the people. Although malnutrition may exist among all classes of people the position of actual starvation among the poorer ones is emphasised by the fact that many children go through the day with only a cup of tea for breakfast and bread and pickles for supper. There is no lunch.

Free medical attention at all Indian schools is an absolute and indispensable necessity. Those who have prescribed for it in European schools but refuse to do so for children whose skin is other than white must surely rank in the same category as infanticides. What crime can be more abhorrent to human nature. The Indian people, because of their economic status, cannot provide all the facilities so that their children may grow up healthy. They pay for their education and books and the whole exhausts their income, but yet there are some men among them who can afford to be liberal.

According to the facts and figures given by Miss Eadie—and that as a modest estimate—there are about three thousand children who are actually starving in and around Durban! If the Indian people and much more, the leaders, can claim to be eternally vigilant about the interests of their children then they must act now. Delay will be fatal.

The gigantic central scheme, as is envisaged by the organisers of the "Food for Needy Children Committee," must and should have the help of all who can in a position to help. The door of every member of the community must be knocked, it need be at midnight, and he must be asked the question: "How can your conscience leave you to sleep in peace when there are precisely three thousand children starving in Durban? Are you inhuman or is your much vaunted concern for the welfare of your children only a publicity stunt?"

It is also important to note that the Natal Education Department is in many cases providing funds whereby teachers in some schools are able to give some meals to children who are in need. There are also teachers who are prepared to sacrifice their time and even requisition their measure resources in order to provide food for poor children.

"I Am Almost A South African . . ."

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(IN A SPEECH AT THE CAPE INDIAN CONGRESS WELCOME RECEPTION AT CAPE TOWN)

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I AM grateful to you for the honour you have done me tonight by according me welcome to the Cape on behalf of representatives of the Indian community and of other elements in the life of this fair city. Speeches and addresses of the kind delivered must be doubly welcome to one who comes in your midst without his family and, at first, without the advantage of friendship with any section of the population.

I feel that the kind words in your address are more an expression of your generosity to me, than due appraisement of my merits, none is more conscious of the limitations of his experience and outlook than myself, and I can assure you quite sincerely that I feel sometimes quite unequal to the burden of such a responsibility without the inspiration and encouragement of your support and cooperation.

Your generous, cordial welcome tonight will sustain me in my arduous task, and enable me to carry out my duties with the conviction that at every stage of my endeavour I can count on your support and help in the discharge of my duties.

I have now spent two months in this delightful land, and I find myself completely at home among all sections of the population. I cannot express adequately my gratitude to the Indian community in Natal, the Transvaal, and, last but not least, the Cape Province for the kindness with which they have received me. The warmth of welcome, the courtesy they have shown me and the consideration extended to me on all occasions and in all places have made me for the task which is undoubtedly one of great difficulty and delicacy, and inspired me to carry on the work of my office in a spirit of hope and trust. Hope for the future of my community in this land and faith in the justice of its cause, the integrity of our purpose and the stability of our policy.

I came to South Africa a stranger to the customs, laws, people and habits of this land. In a short time, however, all sections have made me feel as one of themselves and I can truly say that I have come to regard them with the same affection with which I regard other countries which it has been my privilege to visit. I admire the seven great qualities of your magnificent countryside. I am struck with amazement with the progress strides which South African industry and commerce has made in an exceedingly short time; and I am overwhelmed with the hospitality which, if I may say so, the peculiar attributes of this land.

I have had the privilege and pleasure of visiting some of your famous cities. I was in Durban almost a week and a half and admired its magnificent harbour, which is the pride of Africa; the prosperity of its citizens and the splendour of its monuments. Johannesburg is a beehive of industry with a dynamism and energy which are without a parallel in any part of South Africa. Its citizens have developed a civic pride and a keen affection for their town which would do honour to any town in the world. Pretoria is the Washington of South Africa and reminds one irresistibly of the simplicity, grace and symmetry of New Delhi. The designer of the secretariat of Pretoria was also the architect of New Delhi, and he achieved something of the spirit enterprise and energy of a young and virile country like South Africa into another city which contained the ancient culture and old world charm of an historic town of the old Moguls—who, it may be noted, ever demanded a palace or a pyramid even for their dust—in a city which was to symbolise New India. The common architect of these two cities—the secretariat.

Perhaps the Secretariat of New Delhi contained a harmony of happy thought, spirit of fervour and hope for the future which he was launching in Asia and India.

How shall I speak of Cape Town, the city which entwines round the heart of every visitor to this delightful province? Your beautiful city has been described by the travellers who went to Ind's in bygone days as the queen of poetry and eloquence. Every traveller to India from England would at least a day or two stay in your city and marvelled at its magnificent beauty, while Cape Town herself gloried in her beauty, which her integrity was assured by the magnificent mountain chain ever watchful over her. Her prosperity and wealth was manifest in an atmosphere of cultured leisure and luxurious quiet, and her roads from the interior of this continent were completed by the happy blend of the blue and green into a rhythm of unsurpassable beauty. From some points of view it is the most beautiful city in the world that can astonish and overwhelm by the power of sight. Cape Town as a whole is a miracle made out of sea—sea—water and a little sliced out of the Cape built of sunset and

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LAW CLASSES: NO CANDIDATE ATTORNEYS

Profession Hesitates to Take on Articled Clerks

THERE have been many conjectural explanations Mr. Ashwin ...ve told The Leader in connection ...he closing of the law classes for ...ropeans.

"I am happy that my friend Mr. Maghraj, who made my task ...r with his guarantee when I ...moved for the establishment of ...asses, is prepared to do so again; ...am afraid that it is not for the ...of a guarantor that the classes ...been closed down.

"I approached Mrs. Mabel Palmer, ...ctor to non-European classes of Natal University College, and the ...l explanation that I have been ...ked with is that at no time were ...lasses intended for a combined ...LL.B. degree.

"The classes were primarily for the ...ney's Admission, Part I and II, ...those who chose to attend it were ...ed to do so, enabling them to ...some law subjects for the B.A. ...it as I view it, the opening of ...for to the legal profession de...s not so much on the question of ...es as on the much more difficult ...e of obtaining articles with a ...ing attorney. If there are a ...cient number of students who have ...ified for their articles the Natal ...ersity College authorities can be ...pacted.

"If they, however, on account of ...hortage of lecturers, or for some ...reason, refuse, then a remedy is ...available to us under Sub-section ...(a) Order XXXII. of the Rules ...e Supreme Court, Natal Provin...Division, which reads: 'A person ...desires to become a candidate at ...y, and is otherwise qualified, may ...e N.U.C. Council refuses to admit ...or makes no provision for his ad...ion as an internal student, attend ...se of lectures given by some per...or persons approved by the court, ...a course shall cover the same sub...as are covered by, and extend ...the same number of hours as, ...ectures delivered to internal stu...s by the lecturer appointed by the ...C.'

"I may add this rule was added ...the decision in ex parte Somers, ...N.P.D., when, owing to the re...by the N.U.C. to admit him as ...internal student, the registration ...is articles were refused.

GENERAL HESITANCY

"Under this rule attempts could be ...e to find some competent person ...e approval the court has power ...grant. It is quite obvious that ...ersy of the whole question is ar...ed. There seems to be a general ...sion on the part of the members ...the legal profession to take on ar...d clerks. This, I am told, is due ...e overcrowding of the profession.

"I have made consistent attempts ...obtain articles for some students, ...have pointed out with all emphasis ...that, whatever the position might ...as far as the whole legal profession ...concerned, for a large community ...ours there is inadequate representation at the Side Bar. The complete ...ence at the Bar of any of our men ...the result not of any difficulties, but ...ly because the legal profession is ...t in its infancy for our youth. Any ...ons with the B.A.-LL.B. can practise at the Bar without serving ar...s.

"In a nutshell the position is ...ther own qualific in London or ob...the B.A.-LL.B. in South Africa, to be finally admitted as an attorney you have to serve the necessary term of articles.

"I am aware that certain leaders of the community are moving in this matter. In the near future we shall know what success has attended their efforts."

AN INDIAN HOSPITAL

Mr. B. S. Singh Supports Scheme

EMPHASIS was laid on a recommendation, made by the special sub-committee on co-ordination of hospital services, which met in Durban last week, by Mr. B. Sookdeo Singh, a prominent member of the Indian



Mr. B. S. Singh

community, in connection with a new hospital for entirely Indians.

This recommendation, quoted Mr. Singh to The Leader, was that "it is considered that the mixing of Indians and natives at the King Edward VIII Hospital has not been a great success, and it is suggested that a new Indian hospital should be built."

Mr. Singh said that owing to these conditions at King Edward Indians, including doctors, have for some time felt the serious need for an Indian hospital.

"But as these schemes are huge it has prevented its realisation," he said. "When the Provincial Administration takes it up I hope that they will be able to get into touch with the responsible members of the Indian community and so know the requirements of all sections so that they may be met in this proposed scheme. This will also obviate any duplication."

Mr. Singh felt that the Administration's scheme, if satisfactory to the Indians, would have the support and co-operation of the Indian community. The Indian medical men will also welcome it and will be able to treat their patients at this proposed hospital.

VEDIC CONFERENCE

A Vedic conference, under the auspices of the Arya Pratinidhi Sabha, Natal, will be opened at Patel's Hall, Durban, this (Saturday) evening and will be in session on the following day. There afternoon at 2.30 there will be a children's session and at 4.30 there will be a women's assembly.

INDIAN WOMEN AS SHOP ASSISTANTS

A New Avenue of Employment Opened

INDIAN women will now have the opportunity to prove their mettle in another field. So far they have only had a chance of either becoming mothers or teachers and many of those who entered the latter profession ultimately went back to the home. That, of course, is the badge of the woman. If the venture of a local shopping establishment is successful a number of Indian women will have the opportunity to become saleswomen.

This will be a definite diversion for those who are prepared to forsake the kitchen, and what is more they will be paid standard rates of wages and the employer will have no chance of exploiting women. This change may be the forerunner of the emancipation of the Indian woman.

Indian women as shop assistants in a local Indian establishment will certainly have a good and powerful commercial attraction and business for this store should hit the skies.

Indian women, who have the personality and the pull, but who up till now have had to remain content on a Natal Education Department salary of £5, will have an opportunity to enhance their economic status. The results of such an enterprise are manifold. We may soon have Indian women as mannequins.

This enterprise, on the more serious side, opens a field for women—a field hitherto barred and used exclusively by men, regardless of the fact whether they had to sell women's apparel or men's apparel.

The Indian community has plenty of girls of sound reputation and character who have all the attributes of a successful salesman, but who have no opportunity of becoming a saleswoman.

Salesmanship, too, is an art or a profession in itself. The Indian girls will have to be mentally alert and possess a strong personality.

The Leader learns that one or two girls have already given up teaching and are joining this firm, and hope to become successful saleswomen—just as today the European women are monopolising the work in the European establishments.

Independent of Control

At a meeting of all Sastri College students held at the M. K. Gandhi Library last Wednesday it was unanimously decided to form a students' union which would protect and champion the interests of all students at Sastri College.

The body is to be a progressive one and will be absolutely independent of control from any of the college authorities.

Various speakers from the platform and the audience pointed out the necessity of such a union. The activities of the union will not be limited to a single college alone. The object of the conveners of the meeting is to found a large and powerful body such as those that obtain in other parts of the world.

A provisional committee of seven has been elected to see to the preliminary work and also set about drawing up a suitable constitution.

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SUNLIGHT SOAP

Sir Shafa'at Says . . .

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which now and then in winter becomes a golden mist, patterned with great peach trees and bright orange blossoms. It is the result of a happy marriage between the sun and the sea, which dissolves all her admirers into the ripples of her glory and serenely obliterates the dissidents.

WORTHY OF A POET

I am afraid you will regard the sentiments I have expressed above as the language of hyperbole, more worthy of a poet, with a highly developed imagination than a man of affairs who has come to spend some months among you with the express purpose of studying the problems which affect his community and attempting to solve them.

I can only plead in excuse my enthusiasm for a town which has been the theme of many a hunter and traveller, and has cast her spell on all who have had the privilege of sheltering within its walls. I can say quite frankly that if there is one place which has given me unalloyed pleasure and reminds me of some of the historic towns of the world, it is Cape Town.

The Mayor and members of the Town Council have a perfect reason for their pride in their native town, and I congratulate them on the way in which they are administering their sacred trust. This brief summary of the chief cities of South Africa will convince you that I have not been idle, and have been busy trying to study the manners, life, customs and habits of the citizens of this land of promise and plenty.

After a residence of nearly two months in this land I can claim to be almost a South African in sentiment and habits, and the charm and culture of your young country has qualities which no other land possesses. Her sons have almost an overpowering admiration for the rhythm of her hills, the timbre of her twilight, the unique line and colour of her throbbing stars, the keynote of the Cape sunsets, orange, green or scarlet, the salts and sweets of her brief but stormy history, the tang of her bad lands, and banked may fires of her romantic tradition. Every country has her genius, moulding all interlopers like myself to her likeness and subduing them to her proper place in an incredibly short time.

AN INTERPRETER

A stranger like me draws inspiration from the undulations of the Cape soil, gracious with its symbolic fruits and from the air and the soil he draws space and freedom, and absorbs the spirit and the atmosphere of the place until he forms indissoluble links with the spiritual and mental heritage of this land. It is for this reason that I claim to be one of you, and though a newcomer by your shores I have tried to imprison the concentrated and exquisite spirit of your country so that no difference should exist between you and me, and while I perform the function of an ambassador in interpreting the mood and thought of my ancient land to the people of this land I discharge the no less important and sacred duty of interpreting the mood and thought of this land to my own people and to my Government. It may be that I have taken too broad a view of my own functions and I may find that it is difficult to carry it out in practice; on the other hand I derive consolation from the fact that sympathy which the needs and aspirations of a country to which one is accredited is an indispensable condition of success in the sacred discharge of one's mission.

In any case I can assure you of one thing, and it is this. I have come here full of admiration for the work accomplished by a host line of your able men of whom any country might be legitimately proud, and if I am asked—as I have been asked in the past and am bound to be asked in future—to work for and represent the case of my community before the powers that be, this should not be regarded as meddling in the slightest degree what I have said above with regard to the people at the helm of power and influence.

SCOPE OF DUTIES

I have intimated in Johannesburg as well as in Durban the scope of my duties as High Commissioner. Whatever interpretation might have been placed on the nature of my office in the past, my conception of my functions has been clear from the outset and there ought to be no misunderstanding on this point. My relations are with the Government of the Union, and on all points which I regard as important I naturally must deal on behalf of my Government with that of South Africa. Within the framework of this provision I am prepared not only to give advice, but also to take up any basic issue and other administrative measure which my Government may regard as a fit subject for representation to this Government. I am afraid my speech at Pretoria was not correctly reported and I was represented as saying that I could only give advice. This is not a true picture of the situation, and as I gave a brief account of my duties at Durban, I do not think it is worth while repeating it here. Suffice to say that I stick to my Durban speech, and nothing has occurred in the interval or is likely to occur in the near future which can change the policy I outlined there.

The Government of India have been most anxious in the past to do what they can to improve the lot of the Indian community, and to suggest measures whereby their moral and material condition could be brought up to the level of European races.

PROGRESS ACHIEVED

Ceaseless efforts have been made since 1927 to effect this, and no one who has followed the growth of this agency can help being struck with the progress that has been achieved during the last fourteen years. The Cape Town Agreement of 1927 has remained, and will remain for a long time to come, the foundation of European and Indian rapprochement in this land, and the Government of India no less than the Indian people have tried to work that agreement in the spirit in which it was conceived by its authors.

We are fortunate in the fact that we have at the helm in this country a popular man of extraordinary ability and deep sympathy with the aspirations of other races, whose brilliant qualities have made him truly the cynosure among the South Africans of his age. It is my earnest hope and prayer that the Indian question will be viewed with the same freedom from party spirit with which it was regarded in the past, and that the base issues which are still awaiting settlement will continue to be discussed in the atmosphere of 1927.

I have mentioned above the atmosphere of 1927. This necessarily refers to South Africa and not to India. The India of 1942 is fundamentally different from that of 1927. It is important to emphasise this again, as I find there is a tendency among certain elements years ago into the discussion of the Indian problems of today.

A young country may soon reach the maturity of its life, and after passing through stages into maturity may assume the sovereignty of its powers. Many countries take an incredible time in attaining manhood. . . . South Africa has reached maturity, and for swift evolution to manhood is one of the miracles of the new age. India's case is, however, quite different. She has attained a level of culture nearly 2,500 years ago, which is still the marvel of the most advanced people of the period. India has now reach with the main-spring of endeavour and creation energy, and accepted the Muslim conquest with placid acquiescence. She absorbed Muslim culture with the same avidity and penetration.

IMPACT OF THE WEST

Finally she had to readjust her thoughts and her life to the impact of Western culture, and after almost ninety years of apprenticeship to the new science and the new art, she has risen like Phœnix from her ashes, after a period interval of some centuries, and her zenith is now on the road to progress, leaping over obstacles with gigantic strides, and absorbing the spirit of the age with that gift of penetration, almost of intuition, which has invariably preserved her personality among the nations of the world. She is now trying to make up for the time lost by her in the travail of national unity and national growth. After winning Dyarchy and framing it unsatisfactory, she worked the new constitution of 1935 in all provinces of British India. The new political framework created a revolution in provincial government, and India for the first time after an ominous gap of centuries came to the helm of power throughout British India. It is sometimes forgotten that in the Indian States the countrymen have given brilliant examples of statesmanship, and the most Indian states such as Baroda, Mysore, Hyderabad, etc., have for the last 30 years been initiating reforms and training Indians in the powers and mysteries of high statesmanship.

The Indian Prime Ministers of these States have shown what Indian talent, given opportunity, can be developed to maturity.

In 1937 in the provinces of British India itself, throughout the length and breadth of the land, Indians were in actual and complete possession of the Government, and they showed an ability of a high order together with a spirit of accommodation and compromise in the handling of delicate administrative details which augured well for the future of the country.

The position now is that Dominion status was safeguards has been conceded in principle by the British Government, and there is every reason to believe that India will be accorded the status and powers of a Dominion in the British Empire after the war. Indians are engaged in the work of production of provincial administration, they have not been slow to voice of the need for control over the centre.

In fact political agitation in India has revolved round the principle of central responsibility. There is a unanimous wish to organise control over defence services to give a tremendous impetus to the industrialisation of India, and to launch an all-India drive for social services. The time is not distant when India will soon have virtually a national government in the centre and Ministers in charge of all the departments will be Indians. Even now there are six Indians out of eleven in the Viceroy's Executive Council, and the twelfth, a Sikh, is Indian. With the advent of dominion status the process of Indianisation will be speeded up and the administration as a whole will be Indianised.

HEROIC AGE

In the States too administration has been in Indian hands for centuries, and the States have naturally been powerfully influenced by the rapid progress made by British India. Viewed mainly from the political plane the progress made by India is phenomenal. The Indian people have served as the ruling power in India for centuries of all changes and vicissitudes in its long history, and possess in a high degree all the essentials of statesmanship, the passion for justice, the passion for freedom, awareness and the ethos of power intent on service.

India is now entering upon that renewal of youth and energy which has fired the imagination of its artists, and previous to that period there is no parallel in the history of the race. It is a period of continuous power we call every race, that supremacy of decadence we call judgment. Periods of change of power, or of renewal between decadence and new creation. Periods of transition between preparation and apprenticeship.

Young Indians had absorbed philosophy and science of the and were not content to be mere imitators. They developed the and modified sciences and art they had learnt in various learning in Europe and America, our servants now occupy as high a place in the hierarchy of throughout the world.

The contributions of Indians realm of science have earned national fame, and their in botany, physics, chemistry, cine in all its aspects, as well engineering, is too well known to mention here. In the arts they shown a remarkable capacity for assimilation and creative thought. of Indian languages has one of the loveliest signs of times, and compositions of the poets in the vernacular show that reveal the inborn gift of the hand of such writers language plastic, taking form like the wax, so that no effort of can be discerned.

Their poetry shows the refined sumptuousness of a nature keenly alive to plastic beauty and gifted with a exhaustible facility of language. passionate insight into the soul essence of an emotion which fails the peasant in his verse expresses successively the depths of tender tion, the caprices of an overpowering passion and the rhythmic sentiment that winds in myriad movements the dance.

The modern vernacular literature India, as represented by Dr. Tagore and Sir Muhammad Iqbal, has the charm of musical language, subtlety of musical movement in and thought and feeling are alike refined to a limpidity that suits the flow melody in song. The vernacular literature of India had fallen on evil days before the great reformers arose to purify it of its grosser elements, and raise it to the level of the highly developed literature of the West. It was written to please—to please persons who were flattered with fantastic genealogical trees and false mythologies, with the virtues which they never possessed, and with the crude pollution of shame apparent to their contemporaries, to themselves and to posterity.

MODERN MOVEMENT

The leaders of the modern movement in literature inculcated the knowledge of life that throbbed in the India of olden days, the knowledge that made old India young again. Though learned in the highest degree and gifted with an erudition that would do honour to the most renowned academics of the world, they were able to carry the erudition without bending beneath its weight and were skilful enough to use it without pedantry. The literary giants of the new movement in literature, such as Dr. Tagore, the Nobel prizeman, and Sir Muhammad Iqbal, were students alike of books and human nature, and took part in all the national movements of their age.

In the case of each of them we are justified in saying that the man was not inferior to the thinker, and we great alike in action and thought. Their willingness to sacrifice form, beauty, rhythm, the arts of culture and learned leisure, the fame which they had slowly and steadily built up, and the friendships which their genius had created among all sections, to serve matters of fact, stringent discipline and the call of duty and conscience.

I have given this account of the profound changes in the structure of Indian thought at, I am afraid, inordinate length. I have done so because I am convinced that the Indian renaissance of today, which is manifesting itself in several directions, and has been expressed in indestructible form on an unprecedented scale, is a political revolution whose implications have not yet been fully grasped and is far-reaching social changes which has profoundly modified the relations between different classes and races, and has lead India to the highest place in the economy of Asiatic nations in the immediate future.

(To be continued in our next issue)

Newspaper Pictures at the Avalon

Monday Indian picturegoers have their last chance of seeing Indian picture "Naya Sansar," deals with Indian newspaper the Avalon. This picture, which be shown on the following be returned to Bombay after

Those who have seen it be like to see it again, and those have not seen it yet should not is outstanding picture. They not miss the "merriment round talking camp-fire and the flames lit up the faces of the gipsy ncing to the strains of tem music. The fairest and the of them is the object of the ns of many and soon jealousy a quarrel between two rivals. them, her accepted suitor, is be killed by the other when, sh of lightning, the gipsy girl dagger and herself enters the The daughter of the wilds has blood of her wandering ances- [illegible] runs her heart does she?

Spring when the spirit of youth ight and romantic dreams are On a festival day, returning e temple, a girl is inspired by us occasion to express her emo- rough melody and rhythm."

miss "Naya Sansar."

IGN CORRESPONDENT

the first time in the history of picture making, the reactions engers aboard a great trans-atlantic seaplane, disabled in the air and spinning into the sea, was filmed for a spectacular sequence of the new Walter Wanger thrill drama, "Foreign Correspondent," which will be Avalon's change of programme starting on Wednesday.

A master of realism and suspense, Director Alfred Hitchcock discussed the matter at length with Producer Wanger before the picture started.

"Of course I know it will be tremendously expensive," he said. "It probably will cost ten times as much as using miniatures, the customary method. However, it has the advantage of novelty—noone has ever attempted it before, and it will add tremendously to the drama of the scene. The audience will know exactly how it feels to go through such an experience when they see it on the screen. It will add a fitting climax to a series of progressive situations which are more and more suspenseful."

"Making the scenes suffer" is a trick of Hitchcock's which he has found highly successful.

"I make them a part of the story," he explains, "and they go right along with the characters. Sometimes they know more than my people when it is necessary to heighten the suspense, again they are taken completely by surprise. Any picture at which audiences have exclaimed aloud in alarm or gasped with fright, always has been a great success."



Fun in a hotel room as Laraine Day and Joel McCrea prepare to outwit some international gangsters during the thrill-packed action of Walter Wanger's "Foreign Correspondent," which, was directed by Alfred Hitchcock for United Artists release

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Talk of The Bazaar

BY "THE FAQIR"

Johannesburg's Most Modest Man

I HAVE met the most modest man in this country. He is from Johannesburg—where I can't say that such modesty is characteristic of the folks of that city—trying to do a spot of good work for his countrymen in Durban. He, single-handed, has conceived an educational scheme which is taking practical shape. £40,000 has already been expended, and much yet remains to be done, and which will make his name and that of other members of his family one of the foremost in South Africa. He does not like to see his name in print. He does not say it the way those whom we know when they mean just the opposite. He is a man in the million—it is a good thing we still have the 999,999, otherwise we scribes would starve. He is, however, the man I love and esteem, even if I have to starve. Maulana Sahib, I salute thee; thou shalt be known by thy deed, that publicity you cannot avoid.

The Jap Bombs Won't

At an organisational meeting of the C.P.C. a European wanted to know whether Indian teachers would be allowed to attend the same classes as the white teachers. The chairman had the reply: "The bombs won't wait to find out whether you have a white skin or the man next to you has a black one before it explodes." If only more people realised that, there would be more harmony between the racial groups in the country.

No, Savvy

When I wrote about "Some Schemes" in this column last week I fully expected a whole avalanche of suggestions, ideas and objections to reach me this week, but so far I have not received a single letter. Surely the Indian people cannot be as dense as that. Those schemes will mean the uncovering of potential geniuses in the fields of art, science and literature, whether this sincere is actuated by a genuine desire to be patriotic and conserve supplies of paper, I am not in a position to say. Probably this is one way the Indian people are contributing to the anti-waste efforts. What a sad commentary on the interest that the Indians take in the future of their young men and women. After all, a suggestion, an idea or an objection does not cost anything. I expect to hear from my readers this week.

OUR READERS SPEAK

"MARITZBURG MUSLIMS' DISGRACE"

An article appeared in The Leader of February 7, under the heading, "A Birthday Celebration." I wish to bring to the notice of the Muslim community of Maritzburg that the names of Muslim men and women appearing in the article are nothing but a disgrace to the Muslim community. It is contrary to the principles of Islam to have dances on such an occasion, where Muslim men and women have mingled. I hope that the leaders of the Maritzburg Muslim community will bring these wrongdoers to justice.

S. M. R.

County Win Rochfort Wade Shield

A large crowd witnessed a fine day's cricket between County and Mayville for the Rochfort Wade's Shield Memorial (final) at the County Indian sports ground, Sea View, on Sunday last. County were the winners.

Mr. G. I. Aara will speak on "Native Administration" at the Trade Union Hall (Pembroke Chambers, West street) tomorrow evening.

The Fourth Annual Meeting of the Natal Liquor and Catering Trades Employees' Union will be held at the B.W.I.U. office, Timber street, Maritzburg, tomorrow (Sunday) afternoon.

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WEIGHT-LIFTERS IN ACTION

George Naidoo's Feat Surprises Adjudicators

On Thursday last the cream of Indian weight-lifters of Durban were seen in action at the Life Savers' Gym in Commercial Road, when the preliminary weightlifting contests for the Natal Championship were held. This is the first time that a competition for Natal honours has been staged.

The competitors proved to the large audience that, given the facilities, they can go a long way in weightlifting.

George Naidoo, at a body weight of 99 lbs. and an entrant in the bantamweight division surprised both the adjudicator, Mr. L. Holland, and the audience by doing a Two Hand Clean and Jerk of 150 lbs. Another lifter who surprised everyone was Devraj Pillay in the Featherweight class. His total was 155 lbs. on the three Olympic Lifts.

The following took part in the competition: Bantamweight, Kitty Moodley, 121 lbs.; R. D. Naidoo, 129 lbs.; George Naidoo, 99 lbs. Featherweight, Devraj Pillay, 155 lbs.; I. Bahai, 145 lbs.; S. Peters, 120 lbs.; R. D. Naidoo, 135 lbs. Lightweight, L. S. Mayaraj, 162 lbs.; Rahman Patel, 143 lbs.; R. B. Rajput, 130 lbs.; and D. N. Pillay, 140 lbs. These weightlifters will appear this evening at Currie's Fountain to compete for Natal honours.

Young Hercules de Mia (C. G. Pillay), the well-known strong man of Port Elizabeth and the 1933-34 National Weight Lifting Champion of South Africa, will also appear and lift with such well-known local lifters as R. B. Rajput, Rahman Patel, Gordon Patel and L. S. Maharaj, in the open division. Another competitor from Port Elizabeth is T. Rangasamy. The winner will be declared "Champion of Champions."

De Mia Pillay will also give a variety display of feats of strength and has offered £25 to any Indian who can duplicate his feats of strength. He is also prepared to meet any Indian in Natal, irrespective of bodyweight in a competition over the three Olympic Lifts for a sidestake of £25.

This will be Pillay's first official public appearance in Durban; any local weightlifters will have the opportunity of meeting in competition a sensitive South African National Champion.

In addition to the above programme there will be acrobatics, feats of strength, and poujtsu by Sunny Moodley's Club, National P.C. Club, Anamalay's P.C. Club, S.S. Aidan's Young Men's Club, M. K. Tommy's Boxing School and Patel's School.

There will also be competitions for posing and Natal's best-developed youth. Boxing and wrestling are also on the programme.

FIRST FIXTURE OF NORTH COAST C.U.

The first fixture of the North Coast Cricket Union was played last week between Marigold and Umgeni Old Boys on the new pitch at Red Hill.

Old Boys won the toss and sent in Marigold to bat. They made 123 (C. Kid Reddy 3-, V. R. Chetty 22, D. Chetty 14, S. M. Moodley 15 and M. Govender 30). In reply Old Boys could only compile 67 in the face of some very devastating bowling by 16-year-old M. Govender, who took 6 wickets at the cost of nine runs in three overs. Only R. S. Reddy, 22, and S. Muthusamithen, 17, reached double figures.

At close of play Marigold had 37 for the loss of one wicket (C. D. Chetty 31 not out). The match will be continued this afternoon.

UNDER ARM BOWLING AT CURRIE'S FOUNTAIN

Slow Scoring: Batsmen Sleep at the Wickets

EVEN underarm bowling in the last 5 minutes of the replay for the Natal Cup, between Kismet and Ottomans, failed to induce Kismet batsmen Manjoo and Dr. Ismail to hit out. At the close of play on Sunday Kismet had 65 on the board for the loss of six wickets, after having batted for four and three-quarter hours!

The previous week Kismet had employed the same strategy but of going out to the wickets with the intention of staying there rather than to make runs. They succeeded admirably and also repeated that game on Saturday and Sunday last.

Ottomans batted first and compiled 120 runs, of which Desai again made top score of 55. Assim with 18 and A. Timol with 12 were the only other batsmen who helped Ottomans with their total.

Kismet had 45 minutes' play left for them on the first day and had lost one wicket for six runs that of Hassan.

When play was resumed on Sunday afternoon Fakroodeen was out to Shaik without any change in the total. Even Roy Hallgrave seemed an entertaining bat, went out with the determination to stay at the wickets as long as possible. By numerous occasions the batsmen hit the ball for three and refused to run. The first four overs of the afternoon produced only one run!

With six wickets down for forty and about two hours still remaining for play, Dr. Ismail became associated in a partnership that doubled on the slowest tactics of the match. At one stage the score stood at 49 for nearly an hour.

At the close of their hundred minutes Orientals had about scored six wickets. They lost

On No. 2 Stars beat Bharat, also in an Asmal's Cup engagement.

Seventeen overs were bowled and 61 runs scored off them—less than a run per over.

This match will have to be replayed, because a decision must be reached. When Kismet meet Ottomans this time it will be the third engagement for the same cup.

ASMAL'S CUP

Sastri College registered their first win of the season when they beat Orientals by a narrow margin in an Asmal's Cup title fixture on Sunday afternoon.

Sastri College started off in great style their opening bat Munroop, hitting six fours on the leg in the first over. That Mahomed was out before he could open his score. Selvam became associated with Munroop, and some aggressive batting was seen, but the latter was unfortunately run out when he had ten.

Hassim and Selvam together helped pile up the score at a fast pace. Selvam was out when he was caught on the off for an aggressive 17. Hassim stayed at the wickets and looked set for a good score, but threw his wicket away when he had 32. Mall found nobody to stay with him, and when the innings came to a close he had 24 not out.

MARITZBURG CRICK RESULT

Schools Win Peters' Sh... District Final

Winning the toss, Boy... decided to make use of the perfect wicke... against Schools, in the final fo... Peters Shield at Maritzbur... day last.

Accurate bowling by S. S. Bo... K. Naidu and M. Sebastian ma... in Royals being all out for 2... T. V. Vakthum, 17, and T. V. ... paul, 16 and I. Chetty, 15, as the ... scorers.

Bowling: M. Sebastian, 4 for 1... S. Reddy, 2 for 25, and N. K. Sa... 2 for 24.

The Schools' opening pair C. D... samy and P. Nulliah opened th... nings with 5 minutes to go before ... P. Nulliah, in attempting a leg ... the leg, gave a simple catch to ... Chetty. He was out for four runs ... the score thus stood at 6 for ... wicket.

The captain, P. Govindasamy, ... joined C. Dorasamy, and the ... brought the score to 45 runs. Govi... samy was out for ten runs.

With three wickets down ... passed their opponent's total ... finally declared at 120 for 9 ...

C. Dorasamy compiled 64 runs, ... P. Kain, 16, K. Moother, 12, and ... Peters, 12.

The Schools will now meet the D... mans, of Ladysmith, for the ... Shield semi-final.

The following students have b... successful in the national exam... bookkeeping examination at Dur... Junior certificate (normal Sta... (with distinction), Nadasen Pat... Maharaj, M. G. Pouen.

Preliminary certificates: B. ... G. Ebrahim, A. S. G. Hasa... Gopal, T. Gungiah (all with dis... tion), A. M. Khan, H. Sa...

OFFICIALS CENTRAL F.C.

The fourth annual meeting of the Central F.C. was held on Sunday last at 57, May Street, at 7 p.m. A large gathering of officials and members was present, and many spoke on the success of the club. The following officials were elected for the ensuing season: Patrons, Messrs. Archie Nair, Percy Addison, R. K. Chetty, M. E. Reid, K. Manga Pillay and Maxime Pillay; president, Mr. C. R. Naidoo; vice presidents, Messrs. R. E. Pillay, P. R. A. Reddy, P. K. Moodley, A. Naidoo, E. M. Naidoo, V. R. Naidoo, Frank Govender, C. G. Pillay, R. A. Chetty, T. Chetty, M. C. Naidoo and M. R. Naidoo; manager, M. R. Naidoo; assistant manager, R. Govender; junior captain, R. Pillay; vice-captain, M. Pillay; juvenile captain, Govender; vice-captain, G. S. Pillay; secretary and assistant, G. S. Pillay (resigned); committee, G. K. Pillay, C. K. Naidoo, R. Pillay, L. Govender, R. M. Naidoo.

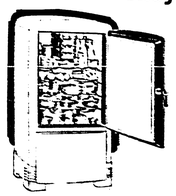
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"A Veteran" suggests the idea that Durban should make a representative Durban cricket team.

A. RamSeyee.

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... SCHOOL . . . THE CHILDREN DO NOT BELONG TO ME AND I MYSELF AM A ...TIAN," SAYS A SCHOOL MANAGER.

...EACHERS' WAR BONUS TURNED DOWN

...mediate Action Advocated at Meeting

...TICAL leaders in this ... had become school ...ers and those whom the ... had expected to do ...ing for them had, un...tely, not come forward. ...Indians as school mana... ...he teachers had justly ...at they would get some ...ance from them, but the ...had shown neither the ...ness nor the prepared... ...help teachers, said Mr. ..., chairman of the Natal ...rs' Union, when the ...n of war allowance for ...sion was made whereby, as an initial step, the union would collect about £5 from members for a fund to grant relief to members who lost part of their salary as a result of being sick or were dismissed for reasons which the executive of the N.T.U. felt were not enough. The money would be collected on a sliding scale. Although the details of the scheme were not acceptable to the house the principle of granting relief to teachers in distress was unanimously agreed upon.

The matter will be further investigated and reviewed at the next meeting.

As a temporary measure it was decided to grant immediate relief to teachers who were in need. A flat rate of £3 was fixed.

Among the speakers were Messrs. Chelliah, J. Hammond, T. Powys, D. R. Singh (Maritzburg), M. V. Naicker, R. S. Woodseth, M. Moodley, B. A. Ramgoolam and R. Perumal.

teachers in aided schools was being hotly debated at the St. Aidan's Hall on Saturday last.

The patience of the teachers had been exhausted and they were not prepared to wait any longer for the war allowance to come. The opinion was also expressed that the managers were only skins behind which the Provincial Administration was really hiding. Teachers were not afraid to voice their just demands as the union was a registered body. Many of them advocated immediate action.

TRADE UNION

...senting his report the secre... Mr. Ismail Meer, pointed ...l applause, that the Natal ... Union was the only educa... ...n in this country which had ...official recognition from the ...nt of Labour as a lawful ...on. The union had also been ...on the South African Trades ...ur Council.

...he inaugural meeting of the ...chers' Union the membership ...eased to 486, and although ... quite a large figure it was ...factory as there were still ...undred teachers who had not ... union but were playing a ..."wait and see."

...per shortage had affected the ...ssue of the N.T.U. bulletin. ...ecretary, however, hoped that ... reduced bulletin would be. ...The union had a bank bal... £82.9.7. This sum did not ...e amount owing to the union ...atal Indian Teachers' Society. ...ch the question of war allow... ... an item of the agenda the ... felt that he should say some... ...out it. At the last general ... it had been decided that the ...uld wait for the "lump sum" ...been received. During the ...days a circular letter was ... to school managers reminding ... previous correspondence on ...ct of war allowance. Only ...very evasive replies were re... the fifty-two circulars that ...ent out.

Characteristic of these replies was that the managers were not the employers but the Department was. Some went further to assert that they were managing schools as a "labour of love" and not a "love of labour."

One manager in his reply stated that the school did not belong to him, the children were not his and he himself was a Christian.

Another manager stated that the two teachers at his school were "quite happy with the £60 a year." The general tone of the letters was that managers shook off all responsibility as far as war allowance was concerned. The replies were read out to the house.

Continuing with his report the secretary stated that there was a ruling of the Department of Labour that teachers in aided schools in the Durban and Pietermaritzburg magisterial areas came under the War Measures Act Promulgation and were entitled to a minimum war allowance of 8/8 per month. When the teachers' representatives told the Trades and Labour Council of the position and the attitude of the managers that body had insisted that the N.T.U. let it take up the matter. In conclusion, the secretary said that the registration of the unions was only an initial step in the struggle of the teachers in aided schools.

RELIEF FUND

The recommendations of a sub-committee on a "Relief Fund Scheme" were presented to the house. Provi-

DANGERS OF T.B. IN SCHOOLS

N.I.A. Deputation to Director of Education

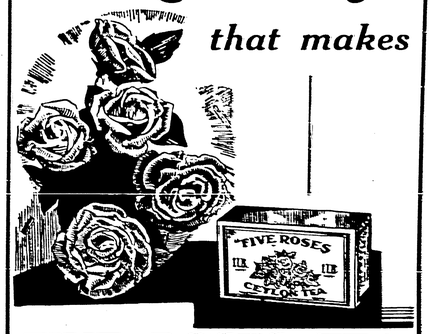
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THE dangers of T.B. among Indian school children were emphasised before the Director of Education, Mr. Banks, by a deputation of the Natal Indian Association, consisting of Messrs. A. M. M. Lokhat, S. R. Naidoo, P. R. Pather, Sorabjee Rustomjee, A. S. Kajee and M. A. Ballim, which waited on him at Maritzburg on Tuesday.

The Anti-T.B. Association's report, which gave the number of Indian adult cases as 1,400 in Durban alone, was quoted. The deputation stated that if the 1,400 were parents, and if on

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COLLEGE'S SENSATIONAL WIN AT CURRIE'S FOUNTAIN

A FIGHTING last-wicket stand by A. Bamillah and Essack, which enabled Sastri College to beat Kismet in the closing stages of a low-scoring game after a sensational collapse, was the highlight of the weekend cricket at Currie's Fountain.

In N. I the Kismet-Ottomans third encounter for the final of the A division Natal Cup competition petered out on Sunday in a win for Ottomans after the wipe had been taken off the game on Saturday.

Sastri College won the toss and sent in Kismet to bat on a wicket that had been affected by overnight rain.

Without opening, his score Badat was back in the pavilion, being bowled by the third ball of the first over of the afternoon by Ayub. The second wicket fell in the next over, when Bramdaw bowled Jewa with his first ball. Kismet quickly lost another wicket and a run-out in Only Cassalia put up any resistance and contributed a valuable thirteen. Bamillah brought on Hassan in place of Ayub, who was being plastered considerably, and the College left-hander shattered the side. He finished up with the striking analysis of 4 wickets for five runs. Bramdaw took 3 wickets for 12.

Mattoop and Lazarus opened cautiously for College, but as time progressed the batting was improved and runs began to come freely. When he had three Mattoop was caught on the off, off Manuel and Lazarus, although himself a bit shaky, found no one to stay with him. A procession began to and from the pavilion, all falling victims to Ernie Lazarus who was out after contributing a useful 17. Nine wickets were down for [illegible] Essack joined Bamillah [illegible] For Essack and Bamillah [illegible] in order to win seemed an [illegible] task when some of the College batsmen had failed; but they set the bowling with confidence and cautiously. Both stepped out [illegible] and Bamillah added to the [illegible] means of singles and [illegible] was content to keep his end [illegible] bowling carefully and slowly [illegible] brought the College score [illegible] the 100 mark. At 3/ the skipper brought on Jewa from Garden end and Essack [illegible] advent by hitting him for two [illegible] the scores even. Jewa [illegible] next one to give College the [illegible] most thrilling [illegible] of a game at Currie's Fountain. College declared at 42 for [illegible] Millah 14 n.o., Essack 0 n.o.)

KISMET COLLAPSES

On Saturday afternoon Kismet-Ottomans resumed their first innings against Ottomans in an attempt to arrive at a decision in the match sensationally and were all out for 36. Garry Kan captured 5 wickets for 12 and Ottomans passed the score in the same afternoon with the loss of one wicket. At the close of the first day's play they had 45.

On Sunday Ottomans kept their [illegible] on the field the whole afternoon and scored 224. Frankie Naidoo [illegible] out when he had 73 (Mayat 28, A. I. Timol 28).

On No. 3 Muslims beat Germiston Amal's Cup fixture.

The replay of the interstation match between Durban and Northern Transvaal Indians was cut after contributing a total of 37. Nine wickets were down for [illegible] Essack and Bamillah [illegible] the score to 100 [illegible] they attend prayers five times a day not to make prominence of [illegible] and pray to Almighty to direct Muslim brothers from the path of [illegible] from the path of righteousness [illegible] rugitness in the footsteps of [illegible] teachings of the Holy Koran. [illegible] it is in Him the eternal power [illegible] Right what is Wrong and not [illegible] in people like S.M.R. and The Muslim Study Group.

I would like to know the [illegible] the Muslim Study Group as a [illegible] discuss the matter further with [illegible] [illegible] E. A. MOOSA.

70 Church Street,
Pietermaritzburg.

Recently a pamphlet was issued by a so-called Muslim Study Group with the heading: "Awake Muslims." I would like to know from the leaders of this group: When was this organisation formed? Who are its leaders? Where are its headquarters?

Is this a real society, doing the good work of uplifting poor Muslims, or are the leaders over-burdened and trying to mind other people's business and hiding behind the skirts of Muslim Study Group and S.M.R.?

The people concerned in the pamphlet are ready to meet the leaders of the group and S.M.R. any time and any place. Are they ready to come out or are still going to hide their faces behind the name of Muslim Study Group and S.M.R.

A MODERN MUSLIM

The Baker Sangeeta [illegible] under the supervision of Messrs. [illegible] Pilley and S. F. Reddy, [illegible] plays and variety concerts [illegible] weekend and Pretoria recently. [illegible] formances were given in Eng[illegible] Germiston, Benoni and Pretoria [illegible] of its own funds.

OUR READERS SPEAK

"MARITZBURG MUSLIMS' DISGRACE"

Dear Sir,

As a Muslim I read with disgust the article of S.M.R. in your last issue and the formation of The Muslim Study Group. Their action in lowering the dignity of the Moslems, which fact they have attained at the expense of their self-respect of the entire community, is abominable.

In the manner in which they have dealt with the article as regards the celebration they have involved the whole community and have cast a slur on the good name of the Moslems.

I have made a thorough investigation of the matter and have definitely found that no Maritzburg Indian Moslem women attended the dance.

S.M.R. and the Muslim Study Group have no right to interfere in the personal affairs of anybody, and in doing so they have placed themselves in a position to become involved in a defamation charge.

There were numerous methods in which to appease the people concerned with the celebration in order to right the wrong. I do not know if they have the right to mind other people's business than the one adopted by The Muslim Study Group and S.M.R. from which any intellectual man will readily shirk.

I am a resident of Pietermaritzburg and am aware of the numerous societies, but never have I heard of The Muslim Study Group, and from their action it is obvious that the members have no aim to publicly denounce the Moslem community.

S.M.R. is carrying the banner of the crusade of Islam who removed his name before a sword-plume, because a person who beholds the right and purity of Islam is not afraid to reveal his name in upholding the faith of Islam, but maybe he is even a worse evil doer than the average person, and is abstaining from shaming the devil because he will have his fortunes laid bare and likewise with The Muslim Study Group.

If S.M.R. and The Muslim Study Group are so noble and ardent followers of Islam it is my sincere request to them that in order to [illegible] the true spirit of the religion of Islam they attend prayers five times a day not to make prominence of [illegible] and pray to Almighty to direct Muslim brothers from the path of [illegible] from the path of righteousness [illegible] rugitness in the footsteps of [illegible] teachings of the Holy Koran. [illegible] it is in Him the eternal power [illegible] Right what is Wrong and not [illegible] in people like S.M.R. and The Muslim Study Group.

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...gagement is announced of ... Baldeo, of Nonoti, and ... Saunkallie, eldest daughter ... and Mrs. Kelawan Ram, of ...ear Sans-Sauci.

... E. Valod, president of the ... Indian Congress, is spending ...day in Durban. He is the ... Mr. A. I. Kajee.

...s Maghraji, one of the ... of the Natal Indian Con... ...t the Sanatorium where he ... an operation for tonsils.

...tonsil case was Bhim ... who has now left the hos...

... J. Koobair, who was a ... St. Aidan's, left the hos... ...week.

...H. Ebrahim, of Pretoria, is ... to Durban. He is staying ...Aboobaker Moosa.

...ie David, son of Mr. J. M. ...ritzburg, who is a B.Sc. ... Fort Hare, has now left ...pital.

...rriage took place at Pre... ...tly of Mr. Ismail V. M. ... well-known merchant, of ... Miss Rookia Bi Bi, daugh... Abdul Ganey Fancy, of

Mr. R. Kallie, of Ladysmith, spent his weekend at Newcastle with his father-in-law.

Mrs. S. Hurbans, of Tongaat, is on a visit to Johannesburg where she is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Reddy.

Mr. I. Hurbans, of Tongaat, has joined the Witwatersrand University where he is doing the second year medical course.

Shanjanand Parmanand, Private of the Indian and Malay Corps, is spending his weekend at his home, Barry Grove, Sea View, Durban.

Mr. S. M. Rahman, I. A. Nabee, A. Adam, and I. Sacoor, of Maritzburg, spent their weekend at Colenso.

Mr. Sayed Nizamuddin Sadrudeen Kazee has resigned the principalship of the Surti Soni madressa and Imam of the Surti Soni Mosque, of Pietermaritzburg.

The marriage took place on Sunday last of Miss Aminabehn Essop Pandor, daughter of the late Essop Pandor and sister of the Pandor Brothers, of De Jager's Drift and Dundee, to Mr. Ismail Mahomed. The bridegroom is a well-known business man of Salisbury, Rhodesia. The Nikah Ceremony took place at the Dundee Mosque, where a large number of people were present.

Mr. Heman Dasani, of Accra, Gold Coast, arrived in Durban last week en route to India. He is staying at Peter's Lounge and will leave next week.

Mr. G. A. Lietz, of Capetown, is on holiday in Durban and has booked at Peter's Lounge.

Mr. S. Bhawani, of Dannhauser, will spend his holidays at Capetown for two months, where he will be the guest of Mr. Anand Singh, of Pearl.

WOMEN AS SHOP ASSISTANTS

Risky Experiment Says Lady Teacher

"Indian Teacher" writes—

May I, through the medium of your widely-known paper, express my opinion in reference to your article entitled "Indian Women as Shop Assistants"?

This enterprise in no sense can be termed a new venture to employ Indian women. Being a teacher myself, I would never like to see my sisters who are engaged as teachers to disguise themselves as shop assistants, though the advantage in this respect are carefully and glamourously outlined to change the minds of Indian teachers.

It is true that salesmanship is an opening which our Indian girls should also take up and develop, but I feel, that this should not be done entirely at the expense of the teaching profession, which I hold is far more important in building up a healthy Indian community.

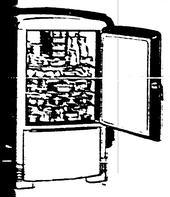
Though the employment of Indian women as shop assistants provides a certain amount of attraction and encouragement, the underlying weakness must not be overlooked. It is very gratifying to note that standard rates of wages are to be paid. But is it hoped that this will be maintained?

Today only one Indian firm is advertising for Indian saleswomen and the scope does not seem wide enough. If these applicants, some of whom are teachers giving up their permanent jobs, are for some reason or other thrown out from their posts as shop assistants, are there any other firms in Durban prepared to employ them? I cannot for the moment think of any. In some respects this employment of Indian women as shop assistants seems a risky experiment.

"Mental alertness and strong personality" is required of shop assistants. It is true that these are essential to build up healthy salesmanship. But I feel far more important is an improvement in the qualities and character of these Indian employers. It is hardly necessary for me to elaborate on this and in passing I would also like to mention that this may be a disturbing factor in finding Indian women as shop assistants.

A representative delegation from the Natal Non-European Taxi Owners' Association, headed by Mr. H. R. Naidoo, will leave for Pretoria shortly, to interview the Chief Controller for Petrol, in connection with rationing of petrol to non-European taxis in Natal.

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Municipal Bursaries

THE Durban Municipality grants bursaries to deserving European students out of public funds—the ratepayers' money. A list of names of Europeans who have won such bursaries has just been issued. We do not grudge the deserving European student this award, but with all that we do feel that as the Indian is also a ratepayer and subscribes on the same basis as the white man there is no rhyme or reason why he should be denied that facility in order to enable a deserving youngster to proceed with his studies.

At the moment we are inclined to think that is due to an oversight on the part of the members of the City Council who have forgotten that the Indian people are also deserving of such benefits. It cannot be said that the City Fathers are without feeling, for that would be a gross lie. All men have feelings; some to a greater degree and others to a lesser but the feeling nevertheless is there. Sometimes it takes a slight jolt to wake that dormant feeling and in the case of the city councillors we believe that a slight jolt will do the necessary.

The request is just and fair as it, besides a concrete assertion: the Indian is as much a ratepayer as the European. For the moment we can find no sufficient reason for the apathy of councillors but refuse to lay the blame at the door of the colour bar. Those who stand and wait may also be served. The Indian has long waited and now he a-k-

INDIA AND THE WAR

The following is the second instalment of the speech, continued from our last issue, made by Sir Shafa'at Ahmad Khan, High Commissioner for India, at Cape Town.

THE present war has given a tremendous impetus to the far-reaching social change. While India has not yet wholly co-operated with the heroic attempt of the British Empire to destroy Hitlerism in the world, and certain elements are holding aloof, a powerful and influential section has supported the present war unconditionally from the time it started, and Indian resources of men and material have been mobilised on a scale which would have been incredible in 1938. Indian industry has had a good opportunity for development and Indian young men, animated by the spirit of their forefathers and determined to emulate their example, have flocked to the colours in ever-increasing numbers.

India's answer to Hitler's challenge was prompt and decisive. She accepted the challenge on September 3, 1939, and millions in India and throughout the British Empire are bravely shielding the great flame of democracy from the blackout of Nazism in Tokio and Berlin.

It is needless for me to traverse the ground and review the progress of events since it started. It is sufficient to say that Indian manhood has responded with alacrity to the imperative need for defence, and the irruption of Japan has made clear to Indians of all classes the necessity for a national resistance to the direct threat to their culture, their freedom and their spiritual heritage. Victory, as Eoh said, is decided in the soul, and the soul of the Allies has reached its immutable resolve. National sentiment, whether of the German or Japanese variety, would not have gained a hold on a healthy body; it is a disease, and as long as it lasts the new civilisation cannot be born and the new freedom to which India aspires with passionate intensity cannot be achieved.

Few people are aware of the political and economic consequences of India's participation in the war in the first place the difficult problem of Indianisation of the army which has been the focus of an acute controversy for years is being automatically solved. Thousands of Indians have joined the army as His Majesty's commissioned officers in all combatant services, the Air Force, Army and Navy. They are thus laying the truest foundation for dominion status for their country, and are showing to the world that they have the essentials not merely of parliamentary but also of military leadership.

In the next place a national army is a great leveller of creeds, castes, colours and races, and the new armies that have been organised since the war began are national in the truest sense of the term. Military life has dissolved futile distinctions of caste, and discipline has levelled down all barriers of birth and wealth.

Again, India has built up numerous factories in most of her cities, and the industrial area of the country is humming with activity and energy. The great centres of vitality in the India of today are the munition factories, the great industrial undertakings which are to be found in the principal Indian towns, and the great Tata Steel Works at Jamshedpur which are a marvel of Indian enterprise and creative energy.

The economic consequences of the industrialisation of India after the war will, I have no doubt, be far reaching. A number of new industries are being established on the anvil. India is now rapidly expanding her commerce by products which will raise the standard of life for millions, intensify the demand for freedom and establish a durable economic basis for an India that will be able to stand on her own legs after the war.

The political repercussions of this phenomenal increase on the workers who are now working in factories will be far reaching, while the cumulative experience of supervisors and technicians who are now engaged in specialised training is bound to have its political and inspired by the efforts and counterpart after the war. A writer has put it: "No country in the production, both raw materials manufactured goods—iron and steel metals and rifles, leather and in such demand for the war and demanding that with the coming peace it shall use the tools to ploughshares and sewing machines."

India is engaged in the production alone with other countries and she is the focus of the requirements of all parts of the British Empire in Asia.

IN SOUTH AFRICA

I have given you only a brief of what India has done in the I am convinced that Indians in Africa are no whit behind their men in India in their sacrifices and their desire to help Empire at this juncture. It is my humble opinion, essential that should donate handsome sums Governor-General's War Fund. [illegible] further and join the section of the Malay Corps in increasing numbers. I know myself trymen in this land, and I had an opportunity of meeting tions in Natal, the Transvaal Cape, and I can say on that with confidence and assurance the Indian community in of South Africa is as eager its full weight in this struggle their brethren in their homeland. are prepared not only to contribute handsomely to the war fund also to offer their lives for the of democracy by joining the I do not think I shall be in discussing the rate of recruitment to the Indian-Malay Corps, reasons for the slow progress in filling in the quota of our munity.

Such a question cannot be here, but I can assure you that engaging my most earnest and I will, I feel sure, be able that our contribution in money does not fall short of portions attained by other South Africa.

For the present it will be if I indicate that my country most anxious to help and is to sacrifice itself for the cause of civilisation. The record of our munity in this land is one of anyone might be legitimately and we are determined to the traditions which have served by every section in the intact.

I have covered a fairly ground in my reply to the address, and the treatment accorded to you to be sketchy fragmentary. I can only the assurance that your address hardly ignore the many problems with which your mind of India as a whole is sarily occupied.

In my reply I have, I am section of the country as a visionary and have not allowed the vagaries of dreamers have done so because I have felt that while we must not be of the hard, tangible facts into precise uncompromising ment, expressed in unmistakable language, we should always be regard to the [illegible] of the age. As statesmen we live in close sympathy with never resign there is but representative as main tendencies, thinkers and idealists, we penetrated by these great moulds of thought which alone can present structure of our society.

If our object were satisfaction and self-adjustment exigencies of the moment, the of your present position, respects at self-improvement and discipline are futile and on the other hand, you are by a feeling of pride in the

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WIT. CLOSES THE DOOR

DIANS NOT ADMITTED TO MEDICAL COURSES

No Room" but They Think Colour Bar the Reason

Witwatersrand University has refused admission to all European students to its Medical Faculty this year. The given is that there is no accommodation, but there are to believe that the University has had to reverse its policy to the persistent agitation of the Afrikaner students and against the admission of non-European students.

Afrikaner Objections

developments leading up to adoption of the present policy summed up as follows:—

had been persistent agitation Afrikaner students and some the exclusion of non-European from the Witwatersrand Uni the agitation was strongest in ral Faculty. A deputation ing combined Afrikaner stu d awaited on the principal to against the admission of non- students.

he problem of accommodation was decided to solve it by indian students who had for admission to the Medical or B.Sc. classes. The decision an attempt to appease the lement.

ars that a struggle has been in the Senate of the Uni on the subject of the admis non-European students to the ; up till now the liberal view prevailed. The illiberal ele ained a point when its suc ssful in securing the adoption of a ecting applications by Indians rst year medical course.

rue that as a result of the lment accommodation at the y is overtaxed, and the lack modation is most felt in the ics. The University authori ever, instead of limiting the of students by applying an al test, sought a way out of ulty by excluding non-Euro racial grounds. The admis ould have been limited to who had passed their matri with honours or in the second University, however, decided the number by refusing ad to all non-Europeans.

has always been some differ opinion on the general prin the admission of non-European to the University. A section ental European University now appears to be inclining ew that the admission of non students was an error, and that this liberal policy has Afrikaner sympathy towards ersity. Some Afrikaner uni have already severed sport cultural relations with the rand University.

nourable J. H. Hofmeyr, in ess to the convocation, con d the University on opening to non-European students. present at the degree-con ocession, and Indian students received by the hundreds of students and their friends packed the City Hall. fore the decision of the Uni not admitting Indian stu the first year medical course. known liberal outlook of the y now appears to be under ereciable change.

ecision to exclude first-year may prove to be the begin a retrogressive policy, and the door may give way to a oc policy. It is to be re-

gretted that the University, whose courageous standpoint inspired high hopes of improved race relationship, should have succumbed—be it ever so slight degree—to the clamour for intolerance and racial exclusion.

The war situation makes the decision of the University all the more regrettable. None of the Indian students can join overseas universities and some of them may abandon their intention to continue their studies.

FLYING OVER COLOUR BAR

Natal Indians Leave S.A. for R.A.F.

A NATAL Indian who could not join up in the Air Force in this country owing to restrictions based on colour, secured an entry by leaving South Africa.

He is Mr. Gurunathan J. Soobiah, a son of Mr. Joe Soobiah, of Maritzburg. He sailed for Mauritius over a month ago and he has now cabled his father that he has been accepted in the R.A.F. and will be shortly sailing for England for training.

Another Natal Indian who has joined the R.A.F. is Mr. Dhramraj Goordeen, of Dannhauser. He had to go to India, as that he would be able to join the force. He is now a flying officer with a commission.

Both these Natal lads have literally flown over South Africa's colour bar.

TAXI REGULATIONS ULTRA VIRES?

The regulations governing taxis under the Amended Motor Carrier Transportation Act are ultra vires.

This is the contention of the Natal Non-European Taxi Owners' Association, which has briefed two well-known Durban advocates to argue the matter before the full session of the Supreme Court.

The application will be heard shortly.

Mr. N. G. Moodley will review "Whither India," by Jawaharlal Nehru, at the Trade Union hall, Pine Chambers, 422 West street, tomorrow evening at eight o'clock.

SHEPSTONE FARMERS GO ON STRIKE

Colour Discrimination Opposed

DISCRIMINATION based on colour has always been the feature of the Port Shepstone borough market. Non-European attendants at the market had hitherto tolerated the position, but as the situation was gradually worsening non-European buyers and suppliers to the market instituted a strike on Tuesday last.

Despite the fact that the market is largely dependent on Indian growers and buyers, the latter have been continually subjected to unfair treatment. Immediately after the strike started prices at the market fell by more than half, fruit and fresh produce fetching as low as one-third of the price that was paid for them at the normal sales at the market.

Since non-European farmers abstained from supplying goods to the market all the stalls have been empty, with the result that hardly any vegetables are obtainable at the market.

Those concerned in the strike are determined to get fair play and not to give in, and even the interference of the police, with threats that a few Indians would be charged "for having created a disturbance," has not had the desired effect.

A petition, which received the wholehearted support of the community and which asks for the redress of all grievances as the condition for the cessation of the strike, has been sent to the City Council.

In order to protect the interests of non-European farmers and others involved, a body called the Port Shepstone Indian Market Association has been formed.

MALVERN RATING

Deputation to Executive

A deputation consisting of Mr. P. R. Pather (spokesman), Mr. S. R. Naidoo and representatives of the Malvern and Districts Indian Ratepayers' Association, Messrs. S. J. Maharajh, S. M. Naik, S. T. Naidoo Rajbunsee and V. M. Naidoo met the Provincial Executive on Tuesday on the question of rating as introduced by the Malvern Local Administration and Health Board.

The Board has assessed the rates on the following basis: 3d. in the £ on the valuation of buildings and 3d. in the £ in respect of land.

Mr. Pather pointed out that in the Malvern area nearly two acres are in the hands of Indians who carry on agricultural pursuits, mostly banana plantation. He urged that there should be a differentiation in the valuation of ordinary and agricultural land. He suggested that the rating should be 3d. in the £ for buildings and 3d. in the £ for onethird of an acre on which the building is erected and 1s. per acre per annum in respect of agricultural land.

These representations have met with some success, for the Executive has now announced a reduction in the rates.



Sir Shafa'at Says . . .

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ments of your countrymen beyond the ally are better qualified to do so now; if you are bowed up with hope Indians of all classes on all fronts for progress in the political and economic spheres, then I suggest you can no longer maintain a purely analytical, positive and critical attitude.

We need something more than mere realism in the re-shaping of our political and social life. We need the dim ideal and social conscience which looks out into the streams of social reform and self-improvement. I have tried to put our needs in a language that will not be regarded as unnecessarily direct and severe. You will, however, pardon me if I develop both these aspects at slightly greater length. Nobody is more conscious of the delicacy and difficulty of his task than myself. None has grasped more vividly the limitations of his office, and the imperative need for not treading upon other people's corns. I have, however, taken courage in both hands and now offer very brief, but I assure you, perfectly genuine and sincere advice on your internal condition.

CARGO OF CULTURE

Your forbears came to this province along with a number of other Indians who diverged to Natal and the Transvaal. You came not only with your working capital and worldly possessions, but also with a cargo of culture on which you and your forefathers had been nourished in the homeland. It was not merely social culture but also culture of mind, which had drilled into you the primordial qualities of grit, perseverance and self-reliance. The three streams ran in three different directions and three different provinces for more than half a century.

Your fellow workers in the other two provinces have thrived and prospered, and some of them have achieved a position of eminence in the sphere on which they had wisely concentrated. There are quite a number of rich and influential Indians in Natal and the Transvaal who have established their position on a secure basis and are rich, influential and public spirited. They have shown by their example what persistence and industry can accomplish in the face of overwhelming obstacles. It is true that their life has been one of incessant struggle and ceaseless oppression, it is no less true than men with weaker nerves and hearts would have given up the struggle as hopeless. Yet they have gone on working and have borne the vicissitudes of fortune in a spirit of hope and trust.

The Indians in this province number only 19,000 souls; they are not subject to the disabilities to which our community is exposed in the Transvaal and Natal; yet, Indians in Natal and the Transvaal have triumphed over their obstacles and have acquired both wealth and influence. You, on the other hand, had practically all the advantages which had been denied to your compatriots elsewhere. Yet I am grieved to find that the number of men of substance and of culture is very small. There are some of you who would do honour to any nation, or race in South Africa. Yet they could be counted on the fingers of one's hand.

Why have we not made greater progress in the Cape than in other provinces? Is it because we were not called upon to struggle in the way in which Indians were obliged to do elsewhere? Is it because the amenities of life in the Cape, and the absence of some of the restrictions to which we are subject elsewhere, have weakened the fibre of our people? Have we lost the actual impetus and energy which knocked us here and have now relaxed in our efforts? Are we now resting on our oars and think ourselves victorious in the narrow and limited field which circumscribes us? Do we think that the harsh we have secured are the greatest to which we can legitimately aspire?

It is difficult for me to attempt a reply to these questions. You naturally

But I cannot help thinking that the Indian community in the Cape is wrapped up in a mood of self-complacency and self-insulation which are positively dangerous to its future economic and political growth. I find some Indians in this province who can be regarded, and are justifiably regarded, as leaders in their respective spheres. Yet their number is exceedingly small. I am afraid the higher education of our community is woefully deficient and the number of Indians in the University of Cape Town must be very limited.

I find no millionaire among Indians at the Cape, while in the sphere of secondary education I fear that only an exceedingly small proportion of our boys proceed beyond the sixth standard. It is obvious that if they do not cross this borderline and pass the matriculation examination, they can neither be admitted to a liberal profession nor can they be apprenticed to a trade. The number of apprentices is exceedingly small. It is a source of great satisfaction to me to find that some of us have the franchise for the Town Council and for other bodies. It is my earnest hope that the franchise will be retained by you and utilised for the improvement of our community.

I am, however, afraid that the mere possession of the franchise has put you into a false feeling of security, and you seem to think that it is a substitute for persistent and tireless activity in the social and educational spheres. Unless you foster higher education, encourage trade and industry, give scholarships to our promising young men, maintain a higher standard of living and take an active part in the civic and economic life of the country, the possession of a franchise will not make a substantial difference. The franchise is simply a means to an end, and the end is not merely the right to vote at an election, but also to raise the level of your community in all directions through that means. Please do not think for one moment that I underrate either the importance of the franchise or the value of the services which you and your forbears have rendered to this province. I do not exaggerate when I say that your ancestors were some of the chief architects of this beautiful province, and you have a perfect right to be proud of the inestimable value of the right which you possess, and I am justified in thinking you regard it as an instrument which can be used effectively to improve your political and economic status.

All that I would like to emphasise here is that we should not remain in a mood of self-complacency and self-satisfaction, but should regard our present position in the Cape, which, I admit, is considerable, as a preliminary to the accomplishment of strenuous activity and noble achievements. Finally, though the franchise which you enjoy is precious, everything depends upon the manner in which this right is exercised and the objects for which it is used.

(To be continued in our next issue.)

CATERING EMPLOYEES' MEETING

A large number of officials and members was present at the fourth annual general meeting of the Natal Hotel and Catering Trades Employees' Union (Matriculation Room) on Sunday last at the R.W.I.F. office. Timber street.

After completion of the usual business the following officials were elected: President: Mr. A. Magan; secretary and treasurer, Mr. Arthur Pereira; executive committee: Messrs. S. J. Ramsinge, M. S. Williams, G. Coppel, C. Gilbert, W. J. Hicks; Natal Central C. Gilbert; Natal general meetings representative, Mr. S. J. Ramsinge; examiners, Mr. C. Mauritzen and Mr. I. Cohen.

MR. A. R. RAMITH RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT

S.C.D.I.F.A. Makes the Choice for the Fifth Time

Mr. A. R. Ramith has been re-elected president for the South Coast District Indian Football Association for the fifth year in succession, and vice-president and trustee; president of the S.C.D. Indian Cricket



Mr A R RAMITH

Union for second year, chairman of the S.C. Area Indian Ratepayers' Association, patron of Clairwood Debating Society, patron of Jacoba Indian Education Society, vice-chairman of Clairwood Hindu Temple, vice-chairman of Clairwood Hindu Cemetery, and assistant financial officer of the Clairwood branch.

CAMP DRIFT FLOODED

Water Rises Four Feet

Heavy rains flooded the Camp Drift area recently, writes our Maritzburg correspondent. Residents in the area affected had to take shelter in other houses in the neighbourhood. The flood, which rose about four feet in height, did a good deal of damage.

Dr M R Peters and Mr. M. Gopaul Naidoo, president and secretary respectively of the local branch of the Natal Indian Association, made an inspection of the area the next day. They estimated damage done by the flood to be about £70.

The association has made an appeal to the Protector of Indian Immigrants, through its headquarters, to make a donation to assist the sufferers.

NORTHERN DISTRICTS INTER-TOWN TEAM

The following players will represent Northern Districts against Durban today and tomorrow in the inter-town final replay at Durban: D. E. Amod, M. C. Asmal, A. Ally and A. Meyer (Stanger); E. K. Nulliah, Sookraj (S.A.R.); Rasdien and M. M. Naicker (Durban United); D. G. Naidoo (C.A.R.); Cassim Essay and Capt. and manager: Mr. D. E. Asmal.

The Indian Distributive Workers' and Clerical Union will hold a meeting this afternoon at 2.30 p.m. Mr. C. I. Amra will speak on the necessity of a union not only of employees but also employers, so that such organisations can form a co-ordinating force and fight against the common enemy—cover hor.

T.B. IN SCHOOLS

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an average they had three children each, there would be over 4,000 potential carriers of the disease in school children. Its dangers are obvious if no precautionary measures were taken. In this connection the association told the Director that it would be able to get the services of Indian medical men, as part of their public services, if the authorities would accept their offer.

Another point the deputation made was the lack of accommodation in the Sastri College. A large number of pupils was refused admittance. The matter was serious, the deputation pointed out, and if there was any break in the study of the youths wanting to be admitted, their whole future would be impaired as they would not be in a position to go back to their studies. It was also suggested that the primary schools should be allowed to teach up to Standard VII.

The deputation urged the creation of at least half-a-dozen extra classrooms. The Department, it was explained, was making large reductions, for it was stated that a large number of the students might qualify themselves of the proposed rating be started at Isipingo.

GIRL STUDENTS INCREASE

The deputation was pleased to note of the large increase of girls at Sastri College School. The separation of the sexes had a great deal to do with it.

In order to provide school facilities for the 18,000 Indian children of school going age, who are now out of schools, the deputation urged the increase of the building grants from one-third to one-half of the cost of the erection of aided schools. The community would be prepared to meet the costs so that the children would not be without educational facilities.

A more liberal allowance, which today was £1,000, of which £450 went to Durban, towards the soup kitchen was also urged by the deputation.

The free education scheme, which was to be inaugurated this year, it was said, would be a gradual process beginning from the infant classes upwards. One class would be taken each year and free primary education for Indians would take eight years before the scheme was completed. The deputation contended that it would be better if the Department started from the top classes. Standard VI or VII wards, instead of going upwards, as contemplated by the Department. As fees were higher in the top classes the tendency, among Indian parents, was to discontinue the education of their children after Standard IV. Revenue from fees was more necessary in the infant classes.

The deputation made a suggestion in regard to free schooling for the children of Indian soldiers in the aided schools. It stated that it would make representations for financial assistance from the Minister of Finance, so that the scheme might not fall through because of any lack of money.

A SPORTSMAN'S BETROTHAL

The engagement took place of Dr. Abdulla Adam (Chandler), a well-known Maritzburg sportsman, to Miss Rukhiah bi-Bi, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Adam, of Cato Manor, on Sunday last.

The ceremony, which was performed at the residence of the bride's father was attended by a representative gathering of the bride's relatives from Maritzburg and Northern Natal.

Congratulatory speeches were delivered by Messrs. Ismail Manjoo, I. Lorgat and Ismail Sarcoor, secretary of the Maritzburg Rangers Football Club.

Among those present at the ceremony were Messrs. M. Ismail, S. Rahman, E. Ismail, I. A. Patel, A. Razack, A. Khan, I. J. Badat, A. Hassen and I. Kader.

Indian Pictures at the Avalon

ON has an Indian programme, pt for one evening, for the next week. Commencing on the "Tamil" section will see pathi" in their own language. great picture, containing an from medieval history, replete harmonious blending of love n.

ursday evening there is the of an old favourite, "Khaz-

What happened to L. Shafi Lal? Did mmit a marriage with Romesh take place? Was the Khazanchi a murderer and a cheat? These exciting questions are answered in a thrill-filled climax and make Pancholi Art Pictures' "Khazanchi" a memorable motion picture.

branch office of National City Shafi Lal, the cashier, the , provided an inspiration and the junior staff. Punctual econd, systematic, diligent, in efficiency, Shafi Lal could 20 years of flawless service nk. But boasting was foreign nature. His simplicity and uture found expression in a and contented home and in iness and cheerfulness of his

ation of the bank's confidence eviation of his merits was exn it was decided to send Bombay with jewellery and s of high importance. At daughter Asha and Kanwal, me youth just enrolled as a re a little apprehensive beould be the old man's first a big city. The parting is and Asha valiantly tries to k her tears. "Do take care lf, Daddy," she says, as the fers his parting blessings.

me evening Kanwal meets the d petite Madhuri, daughter l millionaire Durga Dass. l to another, liking ripened ship and before they know happening they were in love h other—youthfully, impetuously terribly in love with each r brother's romance gave the l mischievous Asha frequent to embarrass him with jokes ries. "When," she would ask d again, "is the happy day?"

ove's course seldom runs The serpent in their Eden's appeared in the rakish and Romesh, a junior partner of a father, Durgas Dass, and a of her stepmother. The aunt nephew conspired to spoil tle game and the millionaire with his wife's insistent pleas Madhuri to Romesh. The ers and hesitates. He daughter and knows where lie.

lightning occurrence changes e landscape of events. Bumrs flash the news in sensaglipses—"Khazanchi Shafi ers an actress and disappears bank's jewellery."

dream is shattered. Asha al are branded as the child-ren of a cheat and murderer and their lives are filled with gloom and misery.

Of course, Kanwal's marriage with Madhuri is out of question. Durga Dass succumbs to his wife's persuasions and Madhuri's wedding is fixed with Romesh. The lovers are torn asunder and the indulgent and simple-minded Durga Dass spurns his daughter's tearful appeals.

BANTU CHIEFS AND RAJAHS

Both "Yes Men" Says C. I. Amra

"There is not much difference between native chiefs and the rajahs and maharajhas of India, because all of them are merely the administrators of the system which exploits the people," said Mr. C. I. Amra when speaking on native administration to the Liberal Study Group.

"In South Africa democracy is prostituted, because it is only for a certain section and not for all the people. The main factor underlying all these so-called problems of the Africans as well as the other non-Europeans is the economic factor. This problem will never be solved as long as the economic exploitation is not removed."

Mr. Amra said that the Council system in the Transkei, the General Council, Native Advisory Board, Native Representative Council and Urban Native Administration did not represent the popular feelings of the African people because there was no direct representation whatsoever.

These bodies were constituted merely to dupe the people. Only those people were allowed on these bodies who are the yes-men of the Government, and also those chiefs were recognised who were prepared to be the tools of the ruling class.

Messrs. S. V. Reddy, D. Awathbaric, V. M. Chetty, J. G. Pillay, J. Sellkram, A. L. Limbada, H. B. Singh and M. S. Naicker left during the week for Fort Hare, where they will do the pre-medical course. Some of them will do the B.Sc.

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Talk of The Bazaar

BY "THE FAQIR"

WHERE IS THE ASSOCIATION?

THE lavish dinners and luncheons given by the Association all members of the Rampur Regiment who were in Durban some months back have not yet been forgotten by the critical populace of Durban. The Association left no stone unturned in order to make the stay of the Rampur men in Durban as pleasant as possible and gave those sons of Hindustan all that money could buy. The local bazaars were raided, the markets invaded and stocks in grocery shops depleted by hard-working members of the august Association to find the best food for the Indian soldiers. They had a grand reception. Now, however, with the advent of another batch of soldiers the Association seems to have gone hibernating. There is no sign of it doing anything for the recent arrivals. Probably it may be just an oversight on the part of the Association, and so the Bazaar brings the matter to its notice in the hope that something may be done.

SHAFA'AT'S ELOQUENCE

If words are to achieve anything for the Indian people in this country then Sir Shafa'at Ahmad Khan should leave a permanent mark in the country. He has been in top form as far as his descriptions of Durban, Pretoria and Capetown have been concerned. He must have made all patriotic directors turn green with envy by the eloquent tributes he paid to the beauty of these cities. His description of Capetown surpasses all. The Bazaar now patiently awaits the result of these orations.

CALLING ALL LAWYERS

Just now, while the question of a legal career for Indian young men is being debated, it would be wise to find out whether all Indian legal officers have articled clerks, and if not—why not? That is the question that all men who approach European lawyers with a prospective candidate attorney are asked. It is quite a just question, and to say "Yes," the Faqir believes, would be a blatant lie. There are Indian lawyers who, except for speaking from platforms about the Indian people, have not got done what they alone can do. One cannot expect a white man to take on an Indian as an articled clerk when our own lawyers do not set the example. As a result of inability to obtain articles, one barrister who has done very brilliantly overseas may be forced to take up teaching as a profession. It is to be hoped that this state of affairs will be remedied!

NEXT STOP HOLLYWOOD!

Strange whisperings have been reaching my ears for the past few weeks. They continued until they had reached such huge proportions that I was obliged to have pen and office and don the garb of Sherlock Holmes, the pipe included, and with my office boy to act as Watson set off on the trail—to find out whether a certain pedagogue of Sastri College is really aspiring to stardom. I soon found myself sandwiched between two burly gentlemen in a queue in front of the Royal Picture Palace. After nearly being suffocated to death (Watson had dropped out of the investigation, as he did not have the necessary seven-pence) I found myself buying a ticket for a picture while the P.D. (private detective boy) in me told me that I had come to the end of my investigations. I had positively spied a group of small boys who eyed me suspiciously. With my monocle clamped over one eye, I scanned the screen minutely, and lo! after a few minutes the mystery was no longer a mystery. A person unlatched to the Sherlock Holmes cult would stupidly ask, "Well, how did you?" It's elementary, my dear Reader. There on the screen, seated at a table with the usual female ornamentings was a gentleman of the teaching profession. Further investigation revealed that the aforesaid gentleman is a member of the staff at Sastri College. It's a small beginning in a blanket, but the ending may be at Hollywood.

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WEIGHT-LIFTING COMPETITION

Milo C. G. Pillay Secures a Win

In spite of the wet weather, a large number of people turned out to see the floodlight physical culture display on Saturday night at Currie's Fountain.

Milo C. G. Pillay, the South African weight-lifting champion, won the open weight-lifting competition with a total of 544lb. on the three Olympic lifts. His pupil, T. Rungasamy, came second with a total of 522lb. L. S. Maharaj, of Durban, gained the third place with a total of 511lb. Gordon Patel, the well-known physical culturist, of Durban, managed a total of 494lb., also on the same three lifts in the open.

This competition was an exciting one, as most of the Durban people had only heard of Milo Pillay, but very few had seen him in action. Pillay's cool way of lifting colossal poundages amazed not only the large audience, but also the adjudicator, Mr. L. Holland.

The other weight-lifting competitions for Natal honours resulted as follows:—

Bantamweight: R. D. Naidoo (410lb.); George Naidoo (390lb.). Featherweight: Derrai Pillay (425lb.). Lightweight: L. S. Maharaj (496lb.); R. Patel (425lb.); B. B. Rajput (447lb.).

In the bantamweight division George Naidoo, weighing 90lb., once more surprised the audience by doing a snatch lift of 120lb. and a jerk of 100lb. At his bodyweight it is doubtful if there is any Indian in South Africa who will be able to duplicate his lift.

The posing competition was won by L. S. Maharaj, and B. B. Rajput was declared the winner of the best developed body competition.

Owing to the weather the programme was not completed on Saturday night, with the result that Milo Pillay and his pupil, T. Rungasamy, were unable to give their show of display of feats of strength. On Wednesday night, however, they gave a display of feats of strength at the St. Aidan's hall, Short street. There was also a movie film show of weightlifting. Local physical culture clubs gave a display of acrobatics, hand-to-hand balancing and muscle control.

After the programme trophies were presented to the successful competitors of Saturday night's show, and a trophy was also presented to Milo C. G. Pillay as the "champion of champions." The trophy was won unbeaten.

Milo's excellent lifting and display of strength has created an enthusiasm among the local physical culturists and in the near future people will have the opportunity of seeing the local lads following his footsteps.

PIET RETIEF F.C.

The second annual meeting of the Piet Retief Pirates Soccer Club was held at the residence of Mr. M. H. Khan recently. After the adoption of the constitution the election of officials took place as follows: Life patrons: Mr. L. M. Mostafa and Mr. J. Werner; patrons: Mr. Van Rooyen, Mr. Somers, Mr. Moosa Mansoor; president, Mr. M. H. Khan; vice-presidents: Mr. M. S. Pantlikhaya, Mr. Ahmed Taj, Mr. Essa Cassim, Mr. Anwar Mahomed; secretary, Mr. V. Williams; assistant secretary, Mr. M. A. Mamack; treasurer, Mr. Gani Essa; auditor, Mr. L. Dorasamy; captain, Mr. Essop Mahomed; vice-captain, Mr. Hoosen M. Mia.

MARITZBURG CRICKET

A. H. RAWAT 61

At Maritzburg Greenside won the toss and decided to bat against Royals for Cassimjee's Cup. A. H. Rawat and Y. S. Cassimjee opened the innings. The first wicket fell when Y. S. Cassimjee was given out l.b.w. for one run. Then A. K. D. Bayat, with Rawat, brought the score to 102 for two wickets, when the latter was clean bowled for 62. A. I. Rawat's entry marked the beginning of a heavy downpour, when play was suspended for the day.

SCHOOLS LOSE TO M.I.C.C.

On Sunday Schools, the unbeaten team, lost to M.I.C.C. in the Cassimjee Cup competitum by 20 runs on the first innings. M.I.C.C. won the toss and sent Schools in, their first wicket falling for 11. After that the score mounted steadily to 123, being all out. The last wicket partnership yielded 17 runs. The scorers were as follows: N. P. Kain, 34; M. K. Naidoo 21 and S. S. Reddy 11 runs.

R. Harinarian opened the M.I.C.C. attack from the quarry end and Danabalan from the pole ground. These two bowlers were left on for a long spell of bowling, when V. C. Dayanand replaced Danabalan.

M.I.C.C. were all out for 143 runs.

NINE WICKETS FOR FOUR RUNS

On Sunday last Ottomans met Ladysmith for Peter's shield district final: the former won by 184 runs on a single innings.

Ladysmith won the toss and sent in their opponents to bat.

Ottomans opened their innings and the first wicket fell at 74 when G. H. Shaik was caught behind the stumps for 33 off Deen.

The second wicket fell at 121 when E. I. Chupty retired for 55. Ottomans innings ended at 204 all out. M. Khan 24 and G. M. C. Asmal 21 t.b. R. Singh 5 for 55, G. C. Govinder 2 for 36, P. M. Govinder 1 for 8 and E. I. Deen 1 for 69.

Ladysmith went to bat at 3.15 p.m. and were all out for 20 within half an hour. A. Ally claimed 9 for 4 and M. Khan 1 for 14. A. Ally, the fast bowler was unplayable. Ottomans won the Peter's shield.

Chief scorers were: G. Danasgram, 48; Danabalan, 31; and Dayanand, 13.

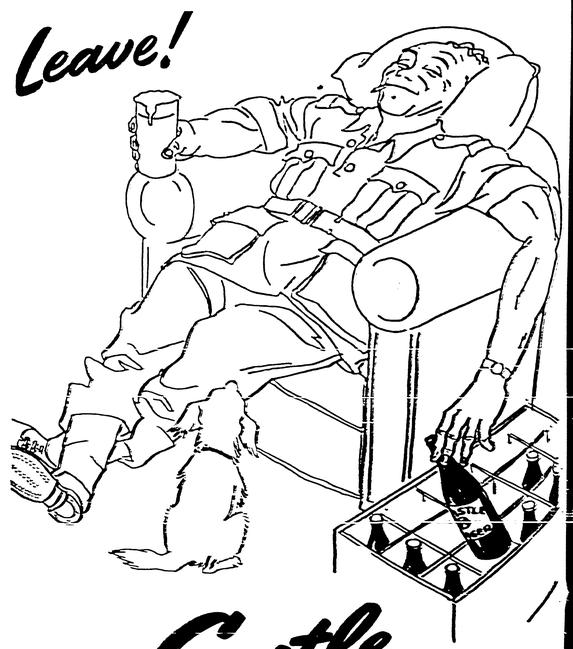
Schools attacked to get their opponents out before they passed their score but they failed.

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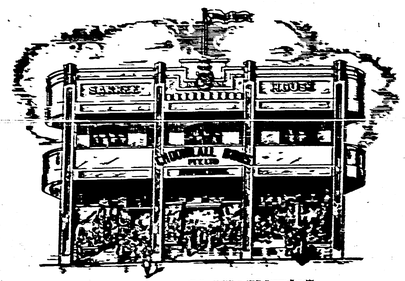


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Colour Bar: Foreign to the 'Varsity Spirit

(From a Correspondent)

The University of the Witwatersrand are not admitting any non-Europeans to the first year of study in the Faculty of Medicine. This is the ruling given by the Senate and approved by the Governing Council of the University, and as a result a number of non-European applications have been turned down.

The hideous head of colour has risen within the portals of a University which had prided itself for its liberal attitude on the delicate question of colour.

More and more acts of this nature compel the non-European to feel that he is not regarded as a constituent part of South Africa, and all that this democracy can offer to him is racial discrimination and hatred. Last year there was a pressure on the year of study in the Faculty of Medicine, and as usual it seems "Exclude the Non-European" was the first cry of the authorities.

The fashion of colour is fast spreading in every walk of South African life, and as this evil has already contaminated the authorities of the Witwatersrand University it will be only a matter of time before the University of Cape Town would pass a similar measure. Unless the conscience of students within the University and those that are really keen to see true democracy practised assert their influence, it will lead to the alienation of sympathy for the cause of the Allies in this war.

It is but hollow mockery for the non-European, when he is discriminated in all walks of South African life, to be proud of his status country.

No general and widespread character of racial discrimination the colour bar could be ... a national ... the disgrace of South ... society.

South Africa ... an evil ... tions amongst the civilised ... the world of taking a ... crimination. Nowhere ... women and children ... against the black man with ... It might be very well for ... Senate to proclaim to the ... the world that "As between ... man there shall be social ... between nation and nation ... be the rule of law, etc." ... is no stronger than its weakest ... and the weakest link in the ... South African democracy ... crimination against the ... and snare to the world ... miserably at home.

Let the University of the Witwatersrand come out of the rut ... it had sunk into, and of which ... also a victim by throwing open ... doors of the University to pupils ... all colours, race and creed, ... an example to the rest of ... Africa—an example ... stitution where independent ... and action should rule supreme, ... a university discriminates on ... of colour so as to pander to ... loses the most cherished ... university, for discrimination ... grounds of colour is foreign ... spirit of any university.

OUR READERS SPEAK

Caste Segregation

I am a resident of a certain North Coast sugar estate, and on this estate there is colour (or caste) bar within the Indian community. It is a disgrace. I haven't any idea of this caste system, because I do not belong to either of those mentioned, therefore I desire to know from any of the readers of this article. Residents of this estate are more of Naidoos, Reddies and Moodleys, and these people are classified as "High Natives," and a certain group of the Pillays, who are also residents of this place, are known as "Pariahs," which I am given to understand are classified as "Low Natives" just for the reason of eating a very rich food such as beef. Is that the reason why they are called low caste? Further, I was told when a Parriah visits a "High Natives" home and when it is time for meals he ought to be served in an earthen plate or a brass-new plate or with banana leaves, but not in an enamel plate, because it is the property of a high class, so if it is handled it ought to be thrown away as it is touched by a low caste.

It is revolting to carried out amongst Indians, who pride itself sets an example to the Europeans, who can segregate Indians in every respect.

"X"

Stanger.

Sanathan or Samajist?

I find that there are two prominent parties in the Hindi community, (a) the Sanathanists and (b) the Aryasamajists.

Both parties are endeavouring to lead the community in two directions and one is at a loss as to whom to follow.

Why couldn't there be a ... debate on the issue between ... both parties to settle this ... portant question?

K. N. SIN...

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...rim Khan, of Waschbank, ...n with Mr. Frank Maharaj ... week after spending a few ...urt Hare.



...loris Paul, eldest daughter of ... Mrs. James Paul, of Plater... ...rg, is now a student of the ...se nurses' class, Durban, and ... qualify for a nurse. She is ...rown member of the Parish ... Anthony's Indian Church, Maritzburg.

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... Randhar, of Durban, who ... the Ladysmith Government ...chool staff, has passed the ...

... Maharaj, of Newcastle, has ...Carolina, where she will stay ... eldest son, Mr. R. J.

SCHOOL FOR MOOI RIVER

Town Board Gives Site

The Mooi River Town Board has offered to purchase and donate to the Indian community, for the purpose of erecting a school, a site adjoining the Catholic Mission at Mooi River. The board, in a letter to the Congress representative at Mooi River, points out that as the site offered does not come within the jurisdiction of the Municipality the offer is made on condition that the Indian community agrees to its incorporation in the borough.

The land is fully one acre in extent and provides an ideal site for a primary school. The playground, also allotted by the civic authorities, stretches over an acre of flat ground and it should prove an excellent field for recreational purposes.

As a result of this offer the Mooi River Indian School Advisory Committee met in the Council Chamber last Saturday. The Rev. Geils was in the chair, and the following members of the committee were present: Mrs. Asher, Mr. T. C. Jamieson, chairman of the Town Board, Mr. Todd, town clerk, Mr. A. I. Kajee, Mr. Aboo Baker Moosa, Mr. James Augustine, Mr. Paul Sykes, Mr. P. M. Singh, V. D. Pillay and Mr. M. Hanif. Dr. Harms, Medical Inspector of Schools, was also present.

The meeting decided to accept the offer of the municipality. Mr. James Augustine, the congress secretary, thanked the municipality on behalf of the Indian community. Mr. A. I. Kajee, one of the trustees of the Moosa Hajee Cassim Trust, said that the trust was prepared to erect a school at a cost of about £2,000.

Several speakers expressed their gratitude to the municipality and to the Moosa brothers for their munificence.

It is expected that tenders will be called soon for the erection of the school. The number of children of school-going age in Mooi River is 75, of which only three are attending schools in Estcourt and other centres.

RED CROSS SUCCESSES AT SYDENHAM

Detachment 62 (Sydenham) of the South African Red Cross Society held a social on Saturday evening in the St. Aidan's boys school hall, Sydenham, for the purpose of presenting certificates to the successful members who have passed the elementary examination of the South African Red Cross Society.

Miss Northern, the branch commandant, in congratulating the members on their success, complimented them for the work they had undertaken, since the detachment was the second male detachment in Durban.

The members gave demonstrations of First Aid which was highly appreciated by all those present.

The branch commandant then presented the certificates to: J. Naidoo (quarter-master), M. Jithoo (assistant quarter-master), A. R. Naidoo, M. Vandlie, R. D. Naidoo, R. Verbarree, G. Simon, A. Rospalk, P. T. Pillay, A. R. Singh, M. Abbas, S. Mesthan, D. Arjy, W. Gabriel, S. Coopan, L. James and B. T. Maharaj.

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Sandwich fillings can be put between the slices later on. It is well to prepare the fillings and keep them in separate dishes until they are required. Many sandwiches are more attractive if served on a lettuce leaf or garnished with a sprig of cress.

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A CORRECTION

Sastri College did not play Kismet, as was reported last week, but Ismet, which is entirely another team.

The following will represent the Ladysmith Ottomans against Maritzburg, in the Peters' Shield Natal Competition district semi-final, which will be played at Maritzburg tomorrow: D. E. Asmal (capt.), E. I. Chupty, G. M. C. Asmal, A. S. Badhur, A. Ally, A. Meyer, H. Davids, E. A. Moola, C. E. Dedhu, G. H. Shaik, M. S. Khan; 12th man, A. C. Asmal (jnr.). Manager: Mr. H. R. Singh.

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A Contented India

THE American Press message has stated that a free and contented India would be better able to contribute to the war effort to win the war which is swiftly approaching its doors. This may be a direct hint to England to grant freedom to India at once, if she is to mobilise immediately the full resources of the country in order to defend the advance of the new foe in the East. There is no limit to which a satisfied people will be prepared to fight if their country and their homes are in jeopardy. The American Press has also asserted that the field fighting be left to the Indians entirely and that the Americans should concentrate on the aviation side of the war. We, however, are reluctant to fall in line with that assertion as the Indian is every bit as capable of being a technician as the American. Indians are both soldiers and technicians.

India has unlimited manpower. It would not be an impossible task for her to recruit an army of ten million soldiers overnight. The snag, however, is that these men must be given something worth while to fight for—something which is dear to them—nothing less than the right to govern for themselves and to control their own future. They have so long been denied dominion status that many of the influential leaders, who have the masses of the Indian people behind them, have made up their minds to ask for nothing less than an absolute severance of all ties with Britain. While all the world cries out to India to give all in this effort to stem the advance of the Japanese, men like Amery and others of his kind made public statements about the disunity of India and the dangers consequent upon granting Dominion status to her.

There is no doubt that if the Indians had something to fight for by now they would have thrown all the resources at their command into an effort to win the war.

The English have promised many things to the Indian, but so far a few of their promises have materialised, and in that light the sceptical attitude of the Indian is not surprising. What the English-man has not realised, easily he can quite well do, is that they fell for it the last time; they are not prepared to be caught again. It cannot be said that Britain is not wide awake to her responsibilities, and if she chooses not to fulfil them now the result may be of tremendous consequence to the Allied countries. The blame of a Fascist success in the East, it is asserted in Indian political circles, can only be laid at her door. It is still not too late for Britain to rally the whole of India with her.

India's Complete Accord

(This coincides Sir Shafa'at Khan's speech at Cape Town.)

I have so far dealt with our domestic problems which affect us internally as a community and increase or reduce the pace of an advance. Let me now refer to what I may term our external problems. You have referred to the desire of my community for freedom from the discriminatory laws to which they are subject in other provinces, and have conveyed the ground which has already been covered by members of my community in Natal and the Transvaal in their addresses to me. I realise that some of the issues which you have mentioned have affected my community deeply for a number of years; and I naturally sympathise with the desire to improve their social and political condition, and to raise them to a level which would compare favourably with that of any other community.

I will naturally do what I can for them. I have come all the way to this land wholly with this end in view. If I had thought for a moment that the lot of my countrymen in this land is not susceptible of improvement in the immediate future; if I had felt that no reform of any kind whatsoever is possible or probable, and that my community must revolve for ever round the axis of discrimination and remain permanently taxed in its present condition, I would most certainly never have thought of coming here.

In fact, no Indian with a grain of self respect and a definite position in his own land would ever think of coming here on such conditions.

On the contrary, I have come here imbued with the determination to do what I can, consistently with my position as a representative of the Government of India to improve your position and status. As you know, the Government of India in the Overseas Department have uniformly pursued a national policy in dealing with Indians in South Africa. If there is one subject on which Indians of all shades and opinion are unanimous, which they regard as the touchstone of their national honour and dignity abroad, it is the treatment of their kinsmen in foreign parts.

They are highly sensitive on this point, and the Government of India have invariably followed purely national policy in their handling of such issues. Hoping, though I am the spokesman of the Government of India, do not go away with the impression that I represent an irresponsible bureaucracy impervious to the needs and wishes of Indian leaders and parties in the Central Assembly on this issue, and unresponsive to the chords of Indian sentiment abroad. On the contrary, the Government of India have consistently given a lead on this issue in the past, and for the last 16 years it has worked in perfect conformity with the legitimate aspirations of my countrymen in and out of India. As my leader, the great Sir Fazli Hussain, explained nearly eight years ago, in dealing with issues concerning Indians overseas, the Government of India will implement the resolutions passed by the Central Assembly on questions which affect Indians overseas and translate their intention into action. There has been no modification in this policy and the passage of time, no less than the growth in the unity, solidarity and power of India have confirmed the correctness of the complete accord which exists on this issue between the Government and people of India.

I have thought it necessary to elucidate the position at length, as otherwise an entirely wrong conception of the Government of India may be formed. While I am prepared not only to give advice to members of my community, but also to help the Indian community on their behalf by representation to the Union Government, I cannot discuss in public controversial issues. It will be inconsistent with my position as High Commissioner to come to the public arena and take part in a controversy which may produce consequences of any Government measures. The limitation which is inherent in my office, and with which I am sure you will agree with me, is thinking that this limitation is our dealings with the Union Government in one which is obliging me and is scrupulously observed by foreign representatives accredited to the Government.

In view of the [illegible] above, I deeply appreciate the [illegible] specifically the [illegible] acknowledged by you in your address. All that I need say is that I have come here to put you the utmost help of which I am capable, subject to the exigencies of my position, and I have applied myself to the study of the problems and formed contact with Ministers.

I will most certainly study [illegible] with the interest and sympathy which they deserve and will do what is appropriate and suitable, [illegible] duty.

I need hardly assure you that the condition of my community is a matter in which I am indeed proud that I should have an opportunity of serving here. Africa is far ever in my thoughts, an opportunity of serving here in the humble instrument for the salvation of my countrymen. I am proud of my Indian blood and everywhere my countrymen present have reason to be proud of their glorious heritage.

The spirit of India which [illegible] through the body and mind of millions in some parts of our country lived on in South Africa, and thousands of our countrymen who have come here to carry out the [illegible] their spirit and build up [illegible] strange lands; and the stock [illegible] sprung from these pioneers has moved constantly towards the [illegible] of equality which has grown in [illegible] and charity with each generation. [illegible] of a nation in the fullest measure of its will to live and [illegible] Indian community in South Africa must strengthen and perpetuate the integrity of this principle.

I feel that I must make it clear that a solution of the Indian problem is possible only with the co-operation of Europeans and Indians in the process. I am convinced that the Indian community in desiring to play a great part in the development of this magnificent land. They have contributed substantially to the growth of Natal, and the expansion of agriculture and its subsidiary industries is due to a large extent to the frugality, thrift and persistence of the Indian worker on the plantations.

The settlement of the Indian problem is by no means impossible, if we have infinite faith in the good will and reasonableness and capacity to compromise and give and take of some of the European communities. The war has knit the bonds closer than ever, and Indian soldiers in all theatres are offering a pledge of the indissoluble unity of the Empire and of the principles of human equality and human dignity which are its [illegible] ing pillars.

This is the time for the healing of old wounds and inaugurating a new era in the relationship of the two races in South Africa, a time when every conceivable ounce of the capacity of the European and Indian communities for [illegible] and [illegible] is [illegible] to the [illegible] war. It is but meet and proper that the spirit of reconciliation should [illegible] up her abode in this land of [illegible] and should build up a [illegible] bridge which will ensure the [illegible] and peace of this country.

The problems with which we are faced are momentous. They have [illegible] tried their leaders have striven [illegible] while many failed. Let us make [illegible] other attempt at solution, and [illegible] based on faith in the justice of [illegible] cause which derives its strength [illegible] the integrity of our principles and [illegible] our race. It is my earnest [illegible] that our efforts be crowned with [illegible] cess, and the two great races [illegible] a common stock of trust and [illegible] dence. Amen!

PROVINCIAL BARRIERS

Workers Ask For Its Removal

HANDICAP TO EMPLOYMENT

[illegible]ing of the Indian Distributive [illegible]rical Workers' Union (Shop [illegible]s) was held in the M. K. [illegible]ibrary Hall on Sunday last. [illegible] Asara addressed a very large [illegible]. He called on every shop [illegible] in Natal to unite and join [illegible]ion. Referring to the Indian [illegible]sistants and the conditions [illegible]hich they work and live, he [illegible]Our employers are not in the [illegible]erested in the welfare of their [illegible]. They think that the assistants [illegible] slaves and that they should [illegible] in their places.' To demand [illegible]ages is a crime to them. They [illegible] realise that low wages lower [illegible]ndard of living and greatly [illegible] health and education of the [illegible]Indian masses. Hundreds of [illegible]s are reaping enormous profits [illegible]r from the sweat and labour of [illegible]sistants, yet they are not prepared [illegible] share a little more of their [illegible]among their employees."

[illegible]ecretary, Mr. D. A. Seedat, [illegible] to the workers to unite. He [illegible]Certain Durban employers are [illegible]their employees as low as £1 [illegible]. per week. It is really amazing [illegible] working class wives are able [illegible] exist on such shocking [illegible]es were not worried about the [illegible] of the workers. He explained [illegible]ditions existing in Northern [illegible] and cited instances of various [illegible]s acts committed by certain [illegible]rs. Other speakers were Mr. [illegible]dley and Mr. Ismail Gangat, [illegible]ovided.

[illegible]following resolutions were unanimously passed:—

[illegible] meeting views with disgust [illegible]fiance of Provincial barriers [illegible]tend to concentrate the Indian [illegible]ion in one Province. As distinct and clerical employees, we [illegible] this system an evil which hampers in finding employment in other [illegible]es and thereby limits the bargaining power of the workers. We [illegible]th resolve that these barriers [illegible]osed for the benefit of the entire [illegible] community.

[illegible] meeting resolves that the [illegible] restrictions on Indian traders, [illegible]the Transvaal Asiatic (Land and [illegible]2) Act of 1939, be removed and [illegible] facilities be provided to them. [illegible] this meeting feels that trading [illegible] for the Indian community [illegible]d to better conditions of the [illegible] distributive and clerical [illegible]."

MARKET BOYCOTT ENDS AT PORT SHEPSTONE

Following Communication From Council

Port Shepstone borough market [illegible] normal last Saturday following the [illegible] of the boycott [illegible]ed by Indian farmers and [illegible]s on the receipt of an assuring [illegible]ication from the Borough [illegible]

[illegible]grievances detailed in the petition which was forwarded with 73 [illegible]atures, have apparently been [illegible]ected and found to be not so [illegible]ess as certain members of the [illegible] alleged in an interview at the [illegible]

[illegible] strike continued for over a [illegible] during which time the market [illegible]s hit by an acute shortage of [illegible] and by the low prices that [illegible] fetched.

[illegible]resumption of Indian business [illegible]ivities was strikingly evident in [illegible] stalls and brisk sales.

"YES WE HAVE NO BANANAS TO-DAY"

Dr. Dadoo Drops Passive Resistance?

By a Special Correspondent.

Is there a prospect of an alliance between the Natal Indian Association and the Nationalist Group of the Transvaal Indian Congress eventuating? A common hatred sometimes brings strange bedfellows. I am credibly informed that at the recent meeting of the Nationalist Group of the Transvaal Indian Congress, Dr. Dadoo, the leader of this group, proposed that the shadow passive resistance carried on by his followers in selling bananas, papaws and deciduous fruits on the steps of the New Law Courts in Johannesburg, be dropped.

Dr. Dadoo proposed that the policy of his group for opposing, or at least being apathetic to the Union's war effort be changed to that of active and fullest support. It is said that Dr. Dadoo maintained that the war is no longer imperialistic in its designs. It is now a war of the common people.

I am not in a position to give more details of the change that has come over the once redoubtable Dr. Dadoo and the new thesis that he advances in support of his change. Perhaps the heroic struggle of the people in Russia, and the crack of the whip from Communist headquarters in Johannesburg has caused our doctor friend to change his outlook? We, however, see a deeper significance in this. We know that the chameleon opportunists of Natal staged a demonstration in favour of passive resistance in June, 1930, and dropped it like the proverbial hot potato in July of the same year, have now convinced Dr. Dadoo that in politics inconsistency and ever changing of principles is the only way that pays. Surely, let us hope, compromise and expediency have not become the weapons of Dr. Dadoo.

Indians would welcome a statement from Dr. Dadoo, as leader of the Nationalist Group, as to the correctness or otherwise of this meeting, and its results. I am given to understand that Dr. Dadoo was opposed by his Hindi-cum-speaking lieutenant, Modh, by the querulous Joshi, the blunt Mirza, and the quakering Baraniehi, and that at one stage he threatened to resign the leadership of his now sadly depleted ranks.

Reflection in compulsory solitude perhaps brings about fundamental changes in a man's nature. Why not a complete change, and why not become an avowed man of expediency and compromise?

NO LEADER CONTENTS BILL

Owing to the Controller's restrictions The Leader contents bills, which have become familiar to thousands of our readers all over the country, have been suspended for the duration.

The Leader, in the short time of its existence, has justified its front page slogan that it is the newspaper of the quarter million Indians in South Africa. It has always endeavoured to give real, vital and interesting news of the Indian for the Indian.

It has been the interpreter of their thoughts and feelings. Its good work has been endorsed on all sides. It has been no partisan, its columns have been open to all, irrespective of party, and its angle of news treatment has always been decided with a view to the good of the community (not sectional) but as a whole.

Public acknowledgment of these facts has been reflected week by week in the increase of The Leader sales. We know that its popularity has not depended upon a bright contents bill, which served only as a reminder that it was on sale. Our readers will still be able to get their paper paper from the same agencies from which they have been able to get it in the past—the paper will still be the bright and better paper — but there will be no bill.

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At a special general meeting of the Natal Furniture Workers' Union Mr. David Rameburan, who holds various official posts such as vice-chairman of the Industrial Council for Furniture Industry, a member of the Apprenticeship Committee and chairman of the union in succession for many years, was unanimously elected organiser at £30 per month from February 1, 1942.

Prior to his election he was on the staff of Messrs. McNamee & Co., Ltd., Durban.

INDIA'S TEN MILLION MEN

"England Must Make Concessions"

AMERICAN PAPER'S APPEAL

The Army drafting of ten thousand young men with civil aviation training is condemned by a leading article in The New York Mirror, says a New York message.

These men, it says, should be reserved for air service, and the paper goes on to say the huge army eventually to take the field for the united nations to beat the Axis "should be drawn from those nations whose populations look our talent for handling and making machines. To be bluntly specific, England should make all concessions necessary to persuade India's people to make the contribution of a trench army of ten million men to the war effort of the united nations.

Neither realistically nor idealistically can Britain's present relationship with India as a subject nation be continued, if we are to make the most intelligent and maximum use of their special resources."

DANNHAUSER SCHOOL ELECTION

The following office-bearers were elected at a triennial meeting held at the Dannhauser Bioscope Hall on Sunday last: Life trustees, Messrs. Sheik Abdool, V. R. Govender, R. Patak, D. Naidu, S. C. Vawda, President, Mr. Sheik Ameer, Vice-presidents, Messrs. Kader Hossen, H. M. Vawda and D. R. Mistery. Hon. secretary, Mr. S. Bhawanie. Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Sheik Abdool. Committee, Messrs. Ebrahim Amad, A. Gaffoor, C. Gopaul, Y. A. Dawjee, I. D. Vawda, D. Lazarus and Sheik Emam. Hon. auditor, Mr. R. G. Maharajh. Manager, Mr. Sheik Abdool. Advisory member, Mr. R. Loganathan.



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Committee: A. Fayers, M. Essop, S. Roghear, A. Bassa, M. H. Cassim; reporters, M. H. Cassim, delegates to the Ispingo F. C. Association, N. Cassiepersadh and M. H. Cassim.



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CLOSING OF DISPENSARY AT MARITZBURG

The R. K. Khan's Dispensary at Maritzburg, which was ordered to be closed two months ago, is now to be closed. Certain Maritzburg Indians are indignant at the action of the trustees. Mr. M. Gopal Naidoo, secretary of the Natal Indian Association, condemns the action of the trustees "in closing the dispensary for their own convenience and for their pal's convenience."

Writing to The Leader, Mr. Naidoo says:—

"Please allow me a space in your popular journal to voice my strong sense of resentment at the attitude of trustees of the R. K. Khan's Trust in closing the dispensary which recently opened at the Aryan Benevolent Home in Maritzburg.

"It will be recalled that, when Dewandayalu arrived from England the R. K. Khan's Trust exclusively in Maritzburg for the purpose of providing free medical treatment to the poorer section of the Indian community. The said dispensary has now been running for the past two months, and the secretary of the Aryan Benevolent Society informs me that over 250 poor Indians availed themselves of free treatment during that period. It was given to me on an authentic source that the trustees of the Khan's Trust have decided to close down the dispensary at the end of the current month because they feel that the dispensary is not given its support, in short, that the attendance is meagre.

"May I know from the trustees whether they had any experience in dispensary work in their line? I begin to think that they fail to be aware of any experience in that department for the simple reason that 250 persons attending a newly-opened dispensary in the course of two months is a sign that it is meeting a definite need.

"I want to tell the public of Maritzburg that the reason for closing the dispensary is the departure to Maritzburg of Dr. Dewandayalu, who is to practise in Stanger. I understand the dispensary goes with him.

"Why not let it remain as we have an Indian doctor in Maritzburg who will carry on with the work of the dispensary, as from the Indian point of view it is an overwhelming success and has already brought some form of relief to over 250 Indians.

"I shall be glad if the Aryan Benevolent Society will allow the Indian public of Maritzburg to inspect the log book at the dispensary and the book alone will prove that a dispensary in Maritzburg is vitally needed.

"The R. K. Khan's Trust had been created by the late Advocate Mr. Khan for the sole purpose of curing the ills and the suffering of the Indian community, and not for the purpose of giving jobs to pals at the expense of the poorer Indians. I whole-heartedly condemn the action of the trustees in closing the dispensary for their own convenience and for their pal's convenience."

ARYA SUNJEETH MUNDAL

The ninth annual meeting of the Arya Sunjeeth Mundal, Durban, held in the Mundal's music room, Dutch, last Sunday.

The annual report of the secretary, Mr. R. R. Prasadh, reflected a year of progress. During the year under review the Mundal's band attended the public at various homes on thirteen occasions. There was also a slight increase in the number of members.

Important seasonal and religious festivals were celebrated. After the suspicion of the treasurer's statement drawn by Mr. P. B. Naidoo which showed a credit balance of £1 which showed a credit balance of £1 10s. 6d., the following office-bearers were elected for the current year:

Patrons, Messrs. K. Rajpaul, T. Sarpopad, D. Ramsamy, R. Parasad and P. R. Singh.

President, Mr. Sookraj Chetty; vice-president, Mr. S. Parmasur; secretary, Mr. D. R. Deopersad; assistant treasurer, Mr. P. H. Narsai; auditor, Mr. Gopal R. Prasad; Com. Sec.; headmaster, R. Ramsamy; assistant headmaster, J. Ramlachan; general manager, S. Sookrua; committee members: Messrs. T. D. Nath, Gopal R. Prasad, S. Parmasur.

THE GREAT FIRE OF CHICAGO BURNS AGAIN AT THE AVALON

The great Chicago fire of 1871, which has been re-acted for the screen, will be the opening film at the Avalon next week. The second picture will be "Boy Friend." Jane Withers, who is the lead, says, "What good is a



Vivien Leigh and Laurence Olivier enact a stirring love story in Alexander Korda's

fire can't help you fight?" It is only at its best. "Lady Hamilton," which is a classic those who want to see an exciting picture should not miss it. will be the main attraction from Wednesday onwards.

"IN OLD CHICAGO"

"In Old Chicago" the fire was given motion and force by the wind as it blew and later shifted, could not have been more accurately done to bring about almost complete destruction of the city. Had any authentic citizen of Chicago in the year 1871 believed that for some reason that city merited the punishment visited on Sodom and Gomorrah and Pompeii, he could have found in the grim events of October 8-11 of that year a considerable body of evidence to support his belief that the fire which swept the city had been given no little help from the skies.

After the end of three days' fire nearly four square miles of what had been Chicago lay in smouldering ruins, peopled only by the dead and those ghouls who roamed the smoking ruins looting—and paying with their lives when spotted by military guards empowered to shoot on sight.

"In Old Chicago" presents Tyrone Power, Alice Faye and Don Ameche in the leading roles. They head the star-scintillating cast of the great American motion picture.

RIDGE VIEW F.C.

The fifth annual meeting of the club, the following officials were elected for the ensuing season: Messrs. P. P. Naicker, P. Moodley, T. S. Naidoo; president, G. Govender; vice-presidents, A. V. Naidoo, S. S. Pillay, Naidoo, A. S. Naidoo, R. Moodley, R. S. Moodley, M. Naidoo, P. N. Pillay, A. Y. Naidoo, Nair, R. G. Pillay, Jack Naidoo, Govender; committee chairman, M. Naidoo; manager, Mr. G. Singh; trainer, Mr. M. S. Govender; treasurer, Mr. L. V. Moodley; hon. Mr. G. G. Naicker; vice-hon. Mr. M. C. Padayachie; hon. Mr. L. G. Moodley; assistant secretary, Mr. P. C. Naicker. The club's annual banquet was held on Saturday evening, when nearly over 200 guests attended and spent an enjoyable evening.

SILVERWILLOW RANGERS OFFICIALS

The following officials were elected for the coming season at the fifth annual meeting of Silverwillow Rangers football club at Puntan's Hill: Patrons, Messrs. R. R. Appadoo, S. P. Chetty, V. L. M. Naidoo, R. Soonarangan; president, Mr. A. V. Veerasamy; vice-presidents, Messrs. K. R. Veerasamy, A. Rammuthoo, A. Veeranah; joint hon. secretaries and treasurers, Messrs. P. C. Naicker and L. Kunniah.

Members of committee, Messrs. T. S. Chetty, A. C. Mario, R. J. Bubby, V. R. Bassanna, V. S. Cato, V. C. A. Bates and A. Rammuthoo; delegates to D.D.F.A., Messrs. S. Rammuthoo, A. N. Vengetsamy, S. Ram and A. Kunniah; managers, Messrs. R. R. Veerasamy and V. R. Freddy; trainer, Mr. V. C. A. Bates.

COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The twelfth annual meeting of the County Indian Football Association, following were elected officials for the ensuing season: Patron, Mr. Samuels; president, Mr. A. Harry; vice-presidents, Messrs. S. P. Pillay, Patrick, R. K. Naidoo, A. M. Jack, S. Chetty, M. P. Joe, and S. S. Naraib; honorary secretary and joint clerk, Mr. M. K. Naidoo; honorary treasurer, Mr. M. J. S. honorary auditor, Mr. G.

The Aryan Benevolent Society, Marburg begs to acknowledge with appreciation a bag of rice from V. Reddy, Raisthorpe, and 10/6 Woodley's Service Station (Pty.),

PARKVILLE CRICKET CLUB

A supporting letter has been received on this subject from "A Keen Cricketer." "The South Coast District Cricket Union," he says, "was well known for the upliftment of sport in the district, but now I should say that they have made a black mark in their good history which they maintained in the past."

The purchase of a piece of land next to the East Street Mosque, with a view to building a Madressa, was confirmed at a committee meeting of the Nizamia Muslim Society. The Madressa Talimul Islam attendance is now 210.

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Talk of The Bazaar

BY "THE FAQIR"

SINCE the war broke out in September, 1939, there has been no dearth of secret weapons that have been invented by the countries that are fighting to plague soldier and civilian alike. Japan, too, since her entry into the war has invented a secret weapon all her own. I am not talking of the new phosphorus bomb that you read about. This weapon concerns all the black and brown people of the country and is of direct interest to them. The new and secret weapon is a bomb that suffers from colour prejudice. It will flatly refuse to explode when a black man is about, but should a white man be in the vicinity it will blow him to Hades, or wherever bombs generally blow people to. This is another unjust act of aggression upon the white people and is based directly on the colour of the skin. Europeans should definitely send a deputation to the Mikado objecting to such unfair treatment.

Heart Attack

Certain of the local young legal candidates have become heartsore for one of their friends has now left Durban. "Speech of promise," "what constitutes divorce" and so on. I wonder if the old adage "absence makes the heart grow fonder" will apply in their case, or will they look to pastures new and seek solace elsewhere?

Smuts' Enigmatic Call

In an effort to stimulate recruiting in the country, Smuts has sent a call to the country by means of the small film. This film, which was recently shown in Durban has one strange thing about it, and no Indian who has any thinking power will have failed to see it. Though the call is addressed to all South Africans, the film does not show a single non-European with or without uniform. Non-Europeans are not mentioned. From this it may be evident that non-Europeans in South Africa are neither South Africans nor are they in this war. In fact, they are not wanted.

Teacher-Workers

Once upon a time if a teacher was asked whether he was working he would give one withering look at the stupid questioner, and an equally withering, "No! I am a teacher." Now, however, that issue is settled. Teachers are now recognised as workers by the Department of Labour. We only hope that fact doesn't take some of the class out of the profession.

A Reader's Suggestion

A reader writes to say that last week the first paragraph in this column, headed, "Where is the Association?" could have been headed better. He suggests:—

Oh, Sorab! Oh, Sorab! where art thou? Hindustan hath need of thee.

A FAIRY TALE

The old, old vendetta has come to an end, we hear. Two men-leaders of political factions have at last decided to bury the hatchet. For long these stalwarts in Indian politics of the country have never been able to see eye to eye. They were at loggerheads. In fact, many people had a sneaking suspicion that the stick carried by one of them was a sort of secret weapon and had concealed in it a dirk or something of the sort. Now, we are afraid, these bloodthirsty ones will be disappointed, for the Sorab-Kajee feud has come to an end and peace reigns supreme over the land.

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DURBAN WINS INTERTOWN FINAL

Successful Finish to a Poor Start

AFTER dismissing the Northern District side for 95 runs Durban lost three wickets for seven on the first day of the replay of the Northern Districts-Durban intertown cricket match last weekend at Currie's Fountain.

C. R. Naidoo was dismissed by a brilliant catch in the slips by David. With his next ball A. Ally, the Northern Districts fast bowler, clean bowled Jimmy Jack, and Durban was two wickets down for no runs. Goolam Mahomed was out before he had opened his score, and Durban had lost three wickets for seven runs when stumps were drawn. On Sunday morning, after half the side was out for 25 runs, Desai and Randaree pulled the game out of the fire by putting on 92 for the sixth wicket.

Two for 0

DURBAN won the toss and sent in Northern Districts to bat on a good wicket. C. R. Naidoo opened the score with a single off Kisten, who was bowling from the Garden end. Asmal had a few uncomfortable moments before he settled down, while Naidoo batted with confidence after he had been dropped by Goolam Mahomed before he had reached double figures.

Timol brought on Davidson from the College end with the score at 17 and Cassimjia in place of Kisten, but the batsmen maintained the rate of scoring, 30 being hoisted in 50 minutes. With the batsmen playing confidently Timol brought on Randaree in an effort to separate the opening pair before they reached 50.

Thirteen runs later the change had its success when Naidoo shot one off Randaree into the safe hands of Jimmy Jack at mid-off. Northern Districts had been given a good start. Naidoo had 31 to the credit of his 35 minutes' batting. The first wicket stood at 51 was without a single boundary hit. Keen fielding kept the runs down. Tea was taken with the score 53 for one wicket.

On the resumption Durban bowlers claimed two quick wickets. Sooboo was bowled by Timol after he had spent an uncomfortable over against Kisten, and S. Ramdeen was run out when the scoreboard read 61. D. E. Asmal joined G. M. C. Asmal who was scoring very slowly.

For a while the two stemmed the rot that threatened, but G. M. C. Asmal was finally out when he skied a ball from Davidson and was caught by Goolam Mahomed, standing behind the wicketkeeper. Asmal had played cautiously and slowly and spent 2½ hours over his 34. Davidson was bowling splendidly and kept the batsmen guessing. From the Garden end Goolam Mahomed had D. Asmal and M. S. Khan all at sea with his slower ones. Davidson had his next success when Timol whipped the bails off with M. S. Khan out of his crease. A. Meyer fell a victim to Davidson and Northern Districts were nine wickets down for 85.

The 16-year-old cricketer D. M. Asmal rattled up a breezy 10, including a four—the second of the day—before he was caught behind the wickets off Davidson, to give the latter the sixth wicket of the day.

Northern Districts were all out at 3.39 p.m. for 93. Davidson's analysis was 22 overs, 3 maidens, 39 runs, 6 wickets.

With about 30 minutes left for play C. R. Naidoo and A. I. Timol went in to open the Durban innings. A. Ally, the Northern Districts fast bowler, claimed Naidoo's wicket when Davad, fielding in the slips, took a brilliant catch off the fifth ball. With the next ball Ally clean bowled Jimmy Jack and Durban had lost two wickets in the first over for no runs. Goolam Mahomed did not stay long with Timol and was out to M. S. Khan before he had opened his score. Stumps were drawn with the score at seven for three wickets.

On Sunday, Davidson, Jack and Timol took the score to 22 before the former was out for five. Three runs later A. I. Timol followed him for a not splayed 17. Randaree and Desai and the two settled down to retrieve the game for Durban. Batting steadily the pair reached the bowlers' score and Desai his individual half-century. He was run out when he seemed set for a big score. The pair had added 52 runs.

With the score at 122 Randaree caught Randaree off his own bowling. Randaree's 42 included 6 fours. Cassimjia joined M. C. Reddy and the two indulged in big hitting. Randaree took a one handed overhead catch to dismiss Cassimjia for 24. Reddy and Kisten delighted the crowd with hard hitting and the former hit his first six of the match off Sooboo against the crowd. Reddy was out for a hard-hit 23.

Davidson then entered his third wicket when he bowled Kisten. Stumps were drawn for Durban's first innings with the score 183 for nine.

Asmal and Naidoo put up 53 for the first wicket in Northern District's second innings a determined effort. Naidoo was out for 34 to Randaree just before the scoreboard read 100. Asmal was out a little later when he was caught behind for 42 runs by Goolam Mahomed off Davidson. Wickets fell at regular intervals. Randaree off Kisten for 0. Randaree off Kisten for 0. Off the remaining batsmen Meyer managed to put on a brave 29 before the side was out for 197.

Durban knocked up 15 for nine runs for two wickets in the half-hour set for them to win by eight wickets and five runs on the fourth innings.

Scores:

Northern Districts first innings: C. R. Naidoo c Davad b Ally 31, G. M. C. Asmal c Davad b Davidson 34, D. E. Asmal b Davidson 42, A. Meyer b Davidson 0, M. S. Khan c and b Davidson 5, A. Randaree b Davidson 0, M. Kisten lbw b Timol 0, M. C. Reddy c Davad b Davidson 23, S. Sooboo not out 0, A. Ally c Jack b Davidson 2. Total 197.

Durban first innings: J. Davidson c Meyer b Ally 5, A. Randaree b Ally 0, M. Kisten lbw b Ally 0, M. C. Reddy c Davad b Ally 23, A. Timol c Meyer b Sooboo 17, S. Ramdeen run out 0, D. E. Asmal c and b Sooboo 5, J. Jack c and b Sooboo 1, M. Desai not out 52, M. S. Khan run out 0, Extras 24. Total 183.

Northern Districts second innings: C. R. Naidoo c Davidson b Timol 34, G. M. C. Asmal c Davidson b Randaree 42, D. E. Asmal c Davidson b Jack 1, M. Meyer c Jack b Timol 29, M. S. Khan c Timol b Davidson 0, A. Randaree c Davidson b Timol 0, M. Kisten lbw b Timol 0, M. C. Reddy c Davad b Randaree 23, S. Sooboo not out 0, A. Ally c Jack b Timol 0. Total 197.

Durban, second innings: 15 for 2 wickets.

A NATAL TEAM?

The following is a "Natalite" cricketing column in the Natal Mercury:

Should a Natal team be sent to participate in the South African tournament at Johannesburg next December? D. E. Asmal, captain of the Durban team; G. M. C. Asmal, C. R. Naidoo, M. Meyer, W. D. Narrandes (Northern Districts), H. Cassimjia, C. H. Desai, M. Kisten, M. C. Reddy, S. Ramdeen (Durban), Ted Chetty, Harry Naraidoo, S. Rooke, G. Bennett and G. Pooshed (Maritzburg), Manager, Mr. H. E. Nagle.

WEEKEND CRICKET AT VOLKSRUST

Gelvan and Wardbank combined beat to Volksrust by an innings and 41 runs last weekend at Volksrust, the following players represented Wardbank and Gelvan: Ebrahim E. Ameen, E. S. Mall, Y. S. Mall, M. Mall, Yusuf M. Khan, G. Desai, Moosa Kajee, F. Backus, I. Kajee, Nathoo M. Mall.

The combined side proved no match for the Volksrust side, who were superior in batting, bowling and also fielding.

SYDENHAM UNITED

The first annual meeting of the Sydenham United Football Club was held at the Lawrence Road Government-Aided School, Escombene Road, Sydenham, when the following officials were elected for the ensuing season:

Patrons, Messrs. J. S. Roopnarian, N. Gungaa and R. Regnath; president, Mr. R. Seshidhu (re-elected); secretary, J. Ramburan (re-elected); vice-presidents, Messrs. Essa Hassam, R. Gungaa, L. Koomoo, G. Moodley, S. Mungath, A. C. Ayob, R. Rajoo, R. Manoosh, S. Rapaul, Joe Soodyall, R. Rajoo, J. Ramputhar, J. Huber, R. K. Chetty, M. Cassim, M. Lutchman, G. R. Daniels, Dawood, A. S. Gaas, R. Pillay, and S. Harrysunker; treasurer, Mr. S. Gopaul (re-elected); committee, Messrs. J. George, manager, Mr. Harry B. Meghram, captain, P. Ramgum, vice-captain, P. Thungavelu, ground stewards, Messrs. S. Roopnarian and S. Moonarch; committee, Messrs. R. Seshidhu, J. Ramputhar, S. Harrysunker, M. Carrim, Bertie, H. Meghram, S. Gopaul, S. George, H. Ismail and S. Roopnarian.

Natal College beat Young Centrals in an Annual Cup fixture.

OTTOMAN TO VISIT CAPETOWN

The Durban Ottoman C.C. is sending a cricket team to Cape Town as the encouraging of Mr. M. C. Ismail and will leave next Tuesday.

The team will be the guest of the Ottoman C.C. of Cape Town, and will stay there for about twelve days.

There are five matches arranged against the following clubs: Wanderers, Vineyards, Indian Union, Pirates and Ottoman C.C.

The side that will be on tour will consist of the following players: Timol, E. I. Timol, G. H. Desai, G. Kasi, A. Majam, A. Rasool, Franklin Vahed, A. Rasool, B. Timol, G. M. Ballim, M. I. Bagus, M. Mall, W. M. Timol, Osman Bux, L. S. Cassimjee, Chota Rawat, A. Ismail and E. A. Sattie.

Re Shell Cup Final

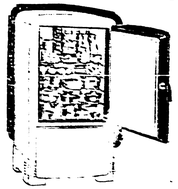
I would like to endorse the same words expressed by Mr. T. Ibramoney in your paper of February 21, concerning the treatment meted out by the South Coast District Indian Cricket Union to the Isipingo Indian Cricket Club.

The procedure adopted by the officials of the S.C.D.I.C. in granting the match to the C.S.O.B.C.C. was really unfair in the eyes of the cricketing world, because the I.I.C.C. gave the association a written request eight days before the date fixed for the said day of play, and I think every sportsman would like to see fair play as far as sport is concerned.

In conclusion, I think the match should be fixed for a further date and may the better team win.

G. H. Esop,
Secretary.

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SCHOOL MANAGERS

They May be Prosecuted

...gers of aided-schools may be ...ed under the War Measures ... failing to pay the cost of ...llowance to teachers in aided-... according to a statement made ... N.T.U.

...ly last the Natal Teachers' ...approached the managers on ...tion, and in August last the ...ent introduced a cost of ...llowance for all employees. ...he regulations a minimum of ...d to be paid. The managers ... pay this allowance to their ... and in January they were ...minded of the fact that they ...e legal employers of teachers ...d-schools.

...e meantime the Minister of ... was approached by the Natal ...'s Union to give a ruling on ...ation of aided-school teachers ...rd to the War Measures Act. ... informed through the Depart... Labour that all teachers in ...hools in the magisterial areas ... and Maritzburg come under ...gulations which make it neces... employers to grant a cost of ...llowance to their employees.

... the intention of the Natal ...'s Union, the secretary of the ..., Mr. I. C. Meer told The Leader ...ovate managers under the power ... to them if no immediate at... was made by them to grant a ... living allowance to teachers. ...Natal Education Department, in ... to the Union, has made itself ...that it will not indemnify man... from any award that may be to ...ed-school teachers under a Con... Board set up in terms of ...dustrial Conciliation Act of

COMMISSIONER'S VISIT TO DURBAN

Arriving Tomorrow

... Shafa'at Ahmad Khan, ... Commissioner for ... will be making a short ... of a week in Durban. He ... tomorrow (Sunday) at ... p.m.

MATERNITY CLINIC FOR STANGER

Mr. E. M. Mulla and Mr. Ramportal's Donations

In response to an invitation from Pastor du Plessis and members of the Apostolic Faith Mission International Sanctuary, a great and enthusiastic crowd, representing all sections of the community, gathered on the occasion of the laying of a corner stone of a maternity clinic at Stanger.

The ceremony was opened with prayer from the Rev. Mr. Martin (Anglican church) after which Pastor du Plessis called upon Mr. E. M. Mulla, in his capacity as chairman of the Stanger branch of the Natal Indian Association, to give an address.

Mr. Mulla was very glad to be favoured with an opportunity to express (church) after which Pastor du Plessis and his councillors for the splendid work they are doing amongst the poor and indigent of this district. He regretted the fact that so few of the more wealthy section of the Indian community were present. It was his experience that in work of this nature it was always either the church or else a committee formed from the poor, driven to desperation, who would give the lead, and hardly ever the wealthy man who could use both his means and his influence to much better advantage.

Mr. Suyman stated that it is fitting that this conspicuous milestone to the end of so much good should be erected by the church. The need for an institution of this nature has long been felt in this district. In tracing the history of the Apostolic Faith Mission in South Africa he stated that, although its Indian missionary activities were extended to this district only ten years ago, the membership already numbered 300, who were today aiding the other churches and institutions here in the performance of so much good for the welfare of the soul and the elevation of human suffering.

Mr. Suyman dwelt upon the great importance and place of the mother in the family and the nation, and the great necessity for guarding her health. He therefore strongly commended the work of those who have laboured so hard to establish this maternity clinic in the interests of the preservation of life and the dissemination of knowledge which will result also in the more general application of hygienic rules in the nursing of children.

He was authorised to state that the services of this clinic would be available not only to members of the mission, but also those of every section of the community, irrespective of colour, race or belief, in need of its services.

At this juncture the stone was solemnly laid, and once again a prayer of thanksgiving ascended to God.

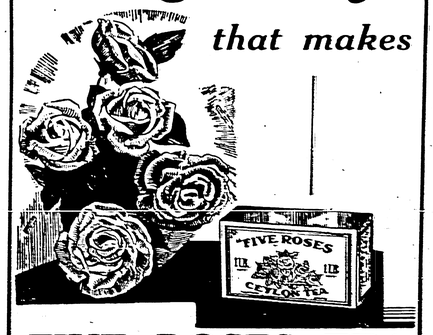
Mr. Ramportal, now called upon to speak, said that he counted it a great privilege to do so. He was so touched and inspired by the words of Mr. Suyman, that he had decided at the completion of the clinic building, to furnish one ward at his own expense, and he trusted that many of his friends would do the same.

Pastor du Plessis thanked all present for their kindly interest. He said that Mr. Suyman has the habit of claiming to be "father of the district," and he expressed his thanks to him for proving in this practical way that he was a "dutiful father. He thanked Mr. Ramportal for his chivalrous offer, and also mentioned that Mr. Mulla had made a similar offer privately. The directors, he felt sure, would be happy to name these wards "Ramportal's ward" and "Mulla's ward."

The need for work of this nature was so pressing that the mission launched out on its own in an endeavour to render assistance, even if only in a small way, to suffering mothers and ailing babies. The financial burden was so far shouldered by the Indian section of the mission. Although therefore the clinic was being erected primarily for the use of Indians, yet to live up to the doctrine of Christ it would be impossible for them to refuse others who were in distress. It is therefore not erected exclusively for the Indian community.

He commented on the good work done by Sister Grundy during the past year, and felt very happy that she had been appointed by the executive council of the mission as the matron of this institution.

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