BALGOWAN CRICKET RESULT

A friendly game of cricket was played at Balgowan last Sunday, when the Crown's Indian XI of Balgowan were defeated by the local European School Prefects by 33 runs on the first innings.

The scores were as follows:—

School Prefects, first innings: 143 runs (Draper 81 and Dawson 28 being the chief scorers; Philip 6 for 31, Minor 4 for 42).

Crown's Indian XI, first innings: 110 runs (Minor 41, Ramoudh 26, James 13, Philip 10 and Maniram 9 being the chief scorers; McClung 6 for 7, Draper 3 for 30, Stubbings 1 for 25).

MAYVILLE CRICKET RESULT

Cricket at Mayville opened on Sunday last when Clares met Manors. The result was a win for the Clares by nine wickets.

Scores: Manors' first innings, 31; Clares' first innings, 61; Manors' second innings, 29. (C. Balgobind, 5 for 17; Sam Naidoo, 4 for 12.) Clares' second innings, 51 for 1.

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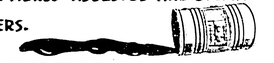

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The eighth annual five-a-side football tournament for Dr. Rees' trophy was completed last Sunday on the Umbogintwini ground, which was kindly placed at the disposal of the workers by African Explosives and Industries, Ltd. There was a record entry of 46 teams. This was the largest since the inception. Marino won and Warnerdome came runners-up.

Mr. O. N. McLeod, the patron of the club, made the presentation to the winners. Dr. E. C. Rees, who is at present the factory manager at the Somerset factory, donates a trophy annually for competition, to whom the club and the Indian community are very grateful.

DURBAN SPORT

Cricket: The "A" division matches were continued last Saturday. Sparks and Central beat Kismet and Ottoman respectively on the first innings, whilst the Muslims collected full points from the Stars. The Kismet innings badly and were 45 for 6 wickets; the tail-enders played well and the innings closed for 120. Going in to bat for the second time Sparks scored 30 for 6 wickets at the close of play. Sparks' first innings score was 155 runs.

Central carried their previous week's score from 89 for 6 to 95 runs all out. Ottoman fared badly, the whole side was out for 41 runs, thus giving the Central a first innings victory.

The Muslims continued their innings and closed at 120 runs, and in their second try stars collected 73 runs, leaving the Muslims to score 7 runs for double innings' win; this the Muslims did for the loss of one wicket.

The "B" division matches were played on Sunday and will be continued on December 6, in the main ground the newly-affiliated Young Bharat met Bharat and going in to bat scored 25 (R. Nana, 10). Bharat scored a handsome 85 for 5 wickets and declared (S. M. Patel, 53 retired; and K. S. Patel, 23). In their second innings Young Bharat fared better and closed their innings for 63 (R. Desilalh, 10; B. Vanmali, 11). This necessitated Bharat to bat again, and they scored the necessary runs for the loss of two wickets.

Batting first Ismet scored 36 against the Orientals (I. A. Timol, 21); the Orientals replied with 89 for 7 wickets (Ally, 41, and Akoojee, 18 not out). This will be a good match to witness, as both sides are equally balanced.

On the No. 2 ground Sastri College met Young Central, Central going in to bat scored 75 (M. Vemblie, 21; H. Hall took 5 wickets for 13 runs). Sastri College had no difficulty in passing the score. This was done at the loss of 5 wickets with a total of 125 (A. Bissimillah, 29; H. Lazarus, 25; and Ayob, 24).

In their second innings Young Central closed at 11 for 3 wickets. The newly-affiliated Otto met their more experienced opponents, Greyville, and suffered a double innings defeat. Otto got 49 and 50 in their first and second innings, respectively; whereas Greyville declared with the loss of 5 wickets for 167 runs.

Golf: A greensome competition was played last Sunday and following are the detail scores: O. H. Buckus and H. Singh, 97 net; S. R. Singh and M. H. Misra, 67½; D. E. Ally and K. S. Frank, 69½; J. M. Pillay and B. Saywarian, 71½; G. R. Buckus and H. B. Omer, 72; A. M. Cooper and S. E. Parker, 73; A. M. Bux and S. A. Emmanully, 75; T. M. Naicker and K. G. Naidoo, 75; R. Naidoo and V. V. Naicker, 75; E. H. Ally and A. Magid, 78; J. Nathan and G. H. Sheikh, 77.

Tennis: The annual general meeting of the Natal Indian Lawn Tennis Association was held on Sunday last and after the usual business such as secretary's report and treasurer's balance sheet, which showed a credit balance of £26.

At the conclusion of the meeting the officials and members were entertained to tea by Mr. A. E. Shaikh, the president, when the presentation of trophies took place.

The following persons were elected as officials for the ensuing season: Patrons, Messrs. Eajee E. M. Paruk, Alfred David and Dr. E. M. Sodat; president, Mr. A. E. Shaikh; vice-presidents, Messrs. R. O. Jithoo, V. M. Pillay, R. P. Sewpersad, R. Jithoo, C. C. Govender, R. Mahabeer, R. Ramalingam, D. Ramkuran, S. Mahadeen, M. I. Omarjee, E. H. Ismail; hon. secretary, J. N. Naidoo; hon. treasurer, J. S. Jagganath; hon. record clerk, S. R. Govender; hon. auditor, R. P. Sood; members of the executive committee, Messrs. A. E. Shaikh, J. N. Naidoo, J. S. Jagganath, S. R. Govender and R. Jithoo.

Messrs. D. Sookrayan, N. Maistry, and V. Maistry returned from Johannesburg.

SOCCER AT MOOI RIVER

A five-a-side tournament was held at Athlone Park football ground, Mooi River, under the auspices of the Mooi River Springboks Indian Football Club, for B. P. Goopamy's flowing trophy, on Sunday last.

Teams from Estcourt, Mooi River, Greytown, Merrivale and Nottingham Road participated. The final was played between Lalla's five (Estcourt) and Lakhi's (Greytown) before a large number of spectators.

Lalla's five ran out winners by four goals.

Mr. A. C. Whitehead, deputy chairman, local town board, presented the trophy to the winning captain, Lewis Vindien, and a miniature trophy to the runners-up. The match was refereed by Mr. Peter McAlister.

Messrs. Peter M. Singh, M. Moodley, A. S. Moodley, A. S. James, M. Hanif and D. Allwodeen were the organisers of the day's sport.

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SHOCKING CONDITIONS FOR INDIAN SEAMEN

HUNDREDS of Indian seamen, members of the merchant navy, whose hazardous task is to bring to South Africa and to the other members of United Nations not only war materials but also foodstuffs and other articles of life across U-boat infested seas, are regarded as "fair game" in Durban, on which they are to work, there is the greatest difficulty in finding suitable quarters. They are herded like cattle in certain places, and such of the worst possible kind. It is not that their employers do not pay. The subsistence allowance of 10s. per man is made, but many of those who undertake to feed them see that they themselves get the maximum return for the minimum outlay." In addition, the placing of these men at certain quarters gets a commission to some agent who gets a "cut" from the "contractor" who feeds seamen.

Investigations made at Capetown by members of the Communist Party, who published their findings to the Collector of Customs, Shipping Master, the City Health Department and the Defence Liaison Committee, reveal some shocking conditions. In one case they report that 20 men occupied four rooms.

APPROXIMATE sizes of rooms (according to the report): 12 x 7 x high; one broken window, one door; five men; 9 x 7 x 10ft. 6in. high, window, one door, three men; 8in. x 12 x 10ft. 6in. high, one window, one door, six men; 9ft. 6in. x 10ft. 6in. high, one window, one door, six men.

SLEEPING ACCOMMODATION

These men are forced to sleep on dirty, unswept and unwashed floor, in close proximity to each other, and no beds. A few have their own blankets, in most cases the walls still damp from paint and in one room oil paint. In the first room, where five men are living, the door has to be opened immediately on to the road leads directly to the street. No provision is made for dressing and undressing or the storage of clothes but the seamen bring belonging to the themselves. The odour and stench emanating from the overcrowded rooms, the wet paint, the dirty and filthy condition of the building, is almost unbearable.

In order to get to the first floor, where three rooms are situated, one has to climb a dangerously steep ash pit, dusty, badly lit and rickety stairs.

There are no facilities for eating or cooking food, and consequently people are forced to eat in the same place where they sleep and live. A further degeneration in conditions is caused by the decayed food left around on the floor, as well as by the inadequate provision for the dirty clothes.

CONVENIENCES

For these 20 people one dirty, disused and insanitary lavatory is provided, with a bucket system, and no water seat, all badly kept in the yard. Next to this is a rusty bath with cold-water tap attached. All have heaped under a broken iron stand are surrounded by brick walls. One further washing tap is provided situated over a dirty, blocked insanitary gulley. You can imagine the men inhabiting the first named vault down a dangerous stairs, proceed into a filthy overcrowded yard and have the doubtful pleasure of making use of those hopelessly inadequate facilities.

FOOD

The men informed us that they were told that food would be provided for them, but these insanitary conditions the following are the meals that they are provided with:

Morning: One egg each, one slice of bread, one cup of tea (with condensed milk).

Midday: One slice of bread with a little butter, one cup of tea.

Supper: Rice, with a sprinkling of meat.

No fresh milk is provided. One pound of butter, two tins of condensed milk and two pounds of sugar must last these men one week.

For these living conditions and for these inadequate meals the contractor is paid at the rate of 7s. 6d. per day per man. You will realise that the total monthly rent for these 20 men is approximately £225 for a building which is probably not worth more than £7 or £8 per month in rent.

No. 2. Case in Capetown: 47 men occupying a "hall." This was previously a storing shed. There were three broken windows.

SLEEPING ACCOMMODATION

Much the same conditions as that described above exist here except that all had mattresses placed on the floor. The floor had large cracks in some places.

Some of them had any pillowcases or bed sheets. No seating or recreation facilities were provided.

CONVENIENCES

For these 47 men there was only one lavatory, the stench of which spread throughout the hall. There was only one water tap, and the men complained that under these conditions they could not have enough washing facilities. The place was infested with flies and we had hardly threw a few minutes before we ourselves were covered by this plague-bearing vermin.

FOOD

Food differed very slightly from the one we have just described:

Morning: 2 eggs, 1 cup of tea (condensed milk), one slice of bread.

Midday: Tea and bread.

Supper: Rice with meat.

There was only one light in the "hall" and there was no light whatsoever in the lavatory. As the lavatory was situated in the backyard these men had to go in groups of four or five in the dark for fear of being attacked.

No. 3 Case.

There were 41 people housed in these premises in very much similar conditions. The only difference was that the walls were more well kept. A rough idea of the living conditions of these people could be gauged from the fact that six men were compelled to occupy a room approximately 8 x 10 x 10ft. The bedding facilities were worse than the other two places described. About 20 per cent. of these men had no "beds," mattresses or blankets. We will not repeat what we have said before in describing the food and other conditions.

Those responsible for the memorandum included Messrs. Harry Snitcher, Cassim Jadwat and Rex Chase, secretary of the Communist Party.

The deputation was assured that the board and lodging of these men would not be left to individual contractors as this had not been justified by its results. In future non-Europeans, officers and noncommissioned officers, would have at their disposal the use of clubs and other service institutions.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Englishman Finds Colour Bar

INDIAN sweetmeats evidently are made more palatable by being called American candy. This is the experience of a young Englishman, who was born in India, and is now resident in Durban. He is himself very fond of halwa, jellaby and the variety of methay and always has some in his office. He usually offers them to his European visitors, who enjoy it until told that they are Indian sweetmeats. Those then seem to lose flavour and no more is wanted.

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At a meeting held recently it has been decided to hold the sixth annual sports gala of the Nottingham Road Indian School (which is under the management of the Nottingham Road Moslim Society) on December 12. On the occasion of this sports gala prizes will be awarded to all the children participating in the sports.

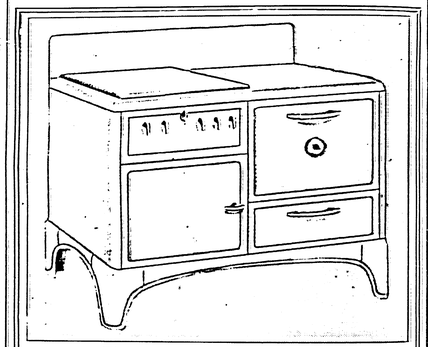
Free milk has been supplied daily to the children by the secretary, Mr. C. H. Mia, and Shaikh Osman, of Nottingham Road. At this school children of both sections of the Indian community are being taught Muslim and Hindu.

MANY GUESTS AT CITY WEDDING

A very pretty wedding was solemnised at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Samuel (Imperial Laundry), 35 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg, on Sunday last. The contracting parties being Mr. Sabbriel, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Samuel and Miss Silachee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Vengasamy Maistry, of 252 Umgeni Road, Durban.

A large number of guests, including many Europeans, were present to witness the ceremony, which was performed by Pundit Nayana Raj.

The Gay Swingsters Band provided English music, whilst the band of the Arya Samaj, Plessislaer, was responsible for the Indian programme.



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Mr. Kantilal P. Desai, a director of Messrs. Gandhi & Co., underwent a minor operation during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. A. Vawda, and Miss Gattoo, of Newcastle, are on a visit to Johannesburg. They are staying at the Carlton Hotel, where friends could get in touch with them.

Pte. Charles D. Abrahams, of the Indian and Malay Corps, who is a brother of Mrs. Willie Ernest, of Johannesburg, is a prisoner of war in Italy. He was taken at the fall of Tobruk.

A farewell reception was given to Mr. H. M. Cassim, of Mafeking, on Friday last at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Sheik Hoosen, of Dannhauser, and on Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. Mohamed Ebrahim, also of Dannhauser, and also at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Sheik Hasthan.

Mr. H. M. Cassim, who was away from Dannhauser for the last 22 years came to Dannhauser to attend his second son's (Abdool Karrim Cassim) wedding at Pomeroy. There were many prominent people of the district present at the reception, including Messrs. Sheik Abdool, Kader Hoosen, Appasamy, Sheik Hoosen, Sheik Mansoolan Kader, R. Loganathan, R. Ethan, and many others.

Miss K. Goordeen, of Dannhauser, has been appointed on the staff of the Dannhauser Government-aided Indian School.

Mrs. Ramsamy Pillay, and her aunt, Mrs. Reddy, of Port Elizabeth, are on a visit to Durban.

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City Hall Reception Follows Hindu Marriage

LAST Sunday the marriage of Jay Bairaj, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Maghraj, to Premila, second daughter of Mrs. Ravikrisson Ramlin and the late Ravikrisson Ramlin took place.

The marriage ceremony was solemnised at the bride's residence, Silver Palm Road, in the presence of a large and representative gathering of the Hindu community. The officiating priest was Mr. R. B. Maharaj, of Maritzburg.

Prior to the ceremony the Arya Samgeeth Mundal Band entertained the guests with songs and music.

At luncheon Jay Martin's Band provided the gathering with light music.

Altogether the pandal, a pretty and picturesque sight, with the chanting of marriage mantras, interspersed with a variety of music, formed a pleasant and impressive scene.

In the afternoon the parents of the groom and bride held a reception in the supper-room, in City Hall. The function was the second of its kind given by Mr. B. A. Maghraj, the former one being in honour of their daughter's marriage. There was a large and representative gathering of all sections of the Indian and European communities.

WELL-KNOWN FAMILIES

Mr. Ashwin Choudree, who acted as M.C. for the occasion, proposed the toast of the bride and groom. He paid tribute to the contracting parties, stating that it gave everyone immense pleasure to witness this marriage, which had brought closer the bonds of friendship that had prevailed between these two well-known families.

Mr. Narahpee Rustomjee expressed his sincerest wish for the happy future of the bride and groom. He said that the large and important gathering bore testimony to the popularity of the groom and bride and their parents. "Many functions like this held after the marriage ceremony was over was much needed in the Indian community, as it gave an opportunity for both Europ-an and Indian to meet in a happy atmosphere in a spirit of goodwill and harmony," he added. "Such occasions contain seeds of mutual cooperation of the various races in this country."

Mr. G. K. Maghraj, proposing the toast of the parents, sounded the most humorous note of the afternoon. He said he had known the groom for a long time, and had on many occasions listened to long and lengthy speeches on the disadvantages of marriage. To-day the lie had been given to these statements. Humorously, he added that the groom happened to be his elder brother.

Mr. V. Lawrence congratulated the couple on their happy union and paid tribute to them as well as to the parents of the groom. The groom was a committee member of the Natal Indian Congress, his brother a secretary and his father a vice-president. Such a unique position did this family hold in the Indian community.

Captain Percy Fowle, in an eloquent speech, paid a tribute to the qualities of Mr. B. A. Maghraj, stating that Mr. Maghraj had known him for the last 40 years. He said that his father had been known to Mr. Maghraj for the last 50 years. He said that his career was an outstanding one. He was a man of great character and integrity, and as such was held in high esteem by all those who had the pleasure to have come in contact with him. Out of this glorious tree had flowered such wonderful fruit. It was the proudest day in the life of this grand old man.

"In a small way," said Captain Fowle, "I have played my part in the fostering of better relations in this country. I was a party to the gates crashing of one of the strongest trade-unions in this country, thus opening up to the Indian community an avenue into one of the important professions in the country."

Mr. A. S. Kajee complimented the couple on their marriage and added his tribute to the parents.

MR. AND MRS. JAY MAGHRAJH.

AN INVITATION

MR. V. CHINNA IYALOO CHETTY, of 48 Clara Place, Briardene, and MR. AND MRS. G. MOONSAMY GOVENDER, of 32 Baasar Road, Springfield, request the pleasure of the company of ALL FRIENDS at the marriage of CHINNAPPAH (L. C. Chetty), only son of Mr. and the late Mrs. V. Chinna Iyaloo Chetty, to SARGOONAMAL, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Moonsamy Govender, on Sunday, the 6th December, 1942, at the Shri Vaithinatha Eswarer Temple, Umgeni Road, Durban. Nuptial ceremony from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
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Thanks Notices

Mr. and Mrs. Sarabjit Deval, of 29 Fabian Avenue, Sydenham, sincerely thank relatives and friends for the kind expressions of sympathy and also for the beautiful floral tributes sent in their recent bereavement.

APPRECIATION

Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Samuel, of Imperial Laundry, 35 Church Street, Maritzburg, wish to thank all friends and relatives for the kind wishes, valuable gifts and messages received on the occasion of the marriage of their son, Sonbiel, on Sunday last.

LIBERAL STUDY GROUP

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AT
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AN OBJECT LESSON

DECEMBER is the month of public examinations. Thousands of Indian boys and girls will be offering themselves, in the course of the next few days as candidates for these examinations. In Durban alone the number exceeds that of all the rest of Natal put together. Year after year these children hope to find a better life through higher education, but year by year one question raises its ugly head to damn many promising careers—What about the means? To the European child this question raises no obstacles, for, provided he has the intelligence, a number of bursaries are made available to him out of public funds by the municipality. The Indian child however, has no such advantage. The only concession the Durban municipality makes to him is a meagre grant to the technical classes. This negligible sum despite the fact that the Indian pays a considerable sum annually towards the municipal coffers. The common fund—some of which is utilised towards education—to which Indians and Europeans alike contribute is used only for bursaries for Europeans, the Indian getting no return. Not that we are [illegible] the European child being helped, but we feel that the Indian child should be equally assisted.

To the shame of Durban, the municipality of East London has put by some money on its estimates to enable deserving and necessitous Indian and coloured children to obtain a course of secondary education (for our ways and means fact read). If East London, with its limited number of Indian ratepayers, has the courage to extend a helping hand to that section of its people, then it is ever so much more the duty of Durban, which has the largest concentration of Indian people in the country, to establish, out of municipal funds, as it does for the Europeans, bursaries for the Indian. The Natal Education Department, too, grants thousands of bursaries yearly to European children. The Indian children enjoy no similar benefit, except see a few each. May we not ask the municipality of Durban and the Natal Education Department also to consider the Indian child a little more fairly and a little more generously in its educational scheme of things?

Our Readers Speak

"Indivisibility of the Indian Nation"

—*S. L. SINGH*

May I reply to the comments in your last issue by a writer under the nom-de-plume of "Just an Indian" in which he greatly deplores my activities in connection with the hoisting of the Hindu flag and the Renaissance campaign. I am not defending the actions of the other two persons mentioned, as they are quite capable of looking after themselves, and my comments shall only be applicable to myself. I should have greatly appreciated "Just an Indian" to have written under his own name as a reformer, but since he fights shy of coming out into the open, I will leave the matter to his conscience.

The reawakening of consciousness in a community described as disgusting reveals a lack of foresight as the educating of a community on the greatness of their civilisation, culture and religion, cannot by any stretch of imagination be dubbed by the term used.

The question of my political opinions does not come into the picture, as I have always stood in the best interest of our people as a whole and have acted according to the dictates of my conscience without bias.

Religion plays an important part in the lives of most people, but perhaps your writer's views differ from mine, he not believing in religious teachings for guidance. It cannot be termed "mischievous" if one tries to instil into his co-religionists the fervour and zeal appropriate with highest religious ideals. If religion is preached as religion for the benefit and uplift without any fanaticism, there can be no mischief done, the churches, mosques and temples preach the doctrines without any apparent harm. If it is unjust and wicked to disseminate one's religious beliefs, then I plead guilty.

It cannot be said that I have preached communalism for the division of Indians into watertight compartments, but have stood for the indivisibility of the Indian nation, and those who have followed the fortunes of the Hindu community will readily agree that the need for reawakening is imperative, and that active propaganda to bring about the desired reforms absolutely necessary. It seems incredible that "Just an Indian" has only found fault with things since the launching of a Hindu campaign, as many instances of communalism preached by other sections seem to have escaped his energetic attentions.

Your writer is not fully conversant with the correct position appertaining to the protests made by European sympathisers in connection with the allocation of lands below the Botanic Gardens for an Indian Technical College, and as a foundation member of the Institute I cannot enlighten him as the matter is sub judice.

In connection with the detention cells at Overport, credit should be given to the Natal Daily News for the exposure of conditions. The Aryan Benevolent Home, whose secretary I have been for over 21 years, has housed many temporary cases on the instructions of the Durban magistrate or Department of Social Welfare.

I feel that my past and present records in the best interests of the community can bear scrutiny, and as a sportsman have always tried to play the game as the [illegible] have played, and if the bankruptcy of my mental powers belonging to a bankrupt political organisation (the coup writer has led me astray, I can only check-it the hope that he with his fertile and salient brain will guide the destinies of our people in the right direction.

One must appreciate the fact that the bankrupt political bodies allowed to have in the past starved off many a disaster to the community, but your writer and those of his ilk should now be ready to carry the burdens and remedy matters.

It has not been my practice to rush into print, but since my name has been mentioned I feel that clarification was needed, as I am a firm believer in peace and goodwill amongst all sections of our community, each respecting the other, and fighting common causes as one entity.

S. L. SINGH.

A £100 CHALLENGE

I was one of those many hundreds present at the Hindu Renaissance campaign, and take my hat off to the Hindu Youth Organisation for doing so and hoisting the Hindu flag with a swastika which no Hindu institution in South Africa has done. The meeting was conducted in the most admirable manner and was free totally free from any attack or criticism of any section of the Hindus or other religions or nationalities, and I can boldly say and challenge any of my friends that it was one of the finest meetings ever held by the Indians in Natal. It is a pity that your correspondent may not have been present at the meeting.

I would challenge your correspondent if he is prepared to accept a challenge for £100 that the campaign is neither a Maha Sabha campaign, nor is it led by Mr. L. Singh. It is purely of the Hindu Youth Organisation.

G. M. PARBHOO.

P.O. Umzinto.

"CONGRESS DOES NOT EXIST"

Mr. R. Muthukrishna, it seems to me, challenges my right to take part with a reply to the open letter addressed by him to the High Commissioner and published in The Leader. He ought to know that an open letter by anyone, published through the medium of the Press, is an invitation to any member of the public to criticise or support any matters contained therein. If he had addressed his letter personally to the High Commissioner for India the latter would have dealt with it in his own way, but Mr. Muthukrishna, having come into the open Press, cannot appeal to stamp the argument, as he did, that a third party has no right to butt in.

I appreciate the expression of his sentiment as to my being his kinsman, and it is for this reason that I adopted a more dignified tone in my reply to his open letter. But in a field of battle the idea of kinsmanship disappears. (See Gita.)

Mr. Muthukrishna accuses me of adopting a possessive tone as a type of example of my party's attitude. Although I deny it, I prefer the Curzonian "I" to his colleague's Hitlerite methods. (Read and digest record of amalgamation proceedings from April to October, 1939.)

In regard to what I said of our events that led to amalgamation of the old Congress and the Colonial Born and Settlers' Indian Association, I am glad that Mr. Muthukrishna made his excuse by leaving it to the present "Congress" officials to clarify, refute or deny.

Lastly, let me say this: the "Congress" is not a separate body. Its existence is the result of a break away from the amalgamated body, and it cannot sustain the argument that it is a separate body. The fact, so far as I am concerned, is that "Congress" does not exist.

S. R. NAIDOO.

ASSOCIATION DISCUSSES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

More Information Wanted for Full Dress Debate

THE question of the appointment of the Indian members, whose names had appeared in the Press, to the Asiatic Advisory Committee, was discussed at a meeting of the committee of the Natal Indian Association on Sunday. Speakers urged the importance of a full-dress debate on the subject. So far, apart from the information published in the Press, no more news was available. Members, who might be appointed, were also urged to consult the committee.

FOLLOWING up the Press announcement Mr. Mahomed Parak asked if he might know whether the appointments of the representatives of the Natal Indian Association were made in their individual capacity or as officials of the association.

Mr. P. R. Singh said: I agree that this matter must be fully considered by the committee when the official information was available. In the meantime (asking Mr. P. R. Pather and Mr. A. Christopher whose names have been mentioned in connection with the appointments) will you, if you are appointed, consult the committee?

Mr. M. John added it was possible that the High Commissioner for India was collaborating with the Government in these appointments. A congress nominee, Mr. A. I. Kajee, was also mentioned.

Mr. M. Parak: If the High Commissioner is to be recognised by the association he cannot be allowed to collaborate with other bodies. We should send a letter to the High Commissioner if the congress representation had his approval. Mr. Kajee's nomination appeared to be recommended by the High Commissioner.

Mr. S. L. Singh asked that if the present dinner given by the High Commissioner at Pretoria, to which representatives of the association and of other organisations in the Transvaal, was not a preamble to the appointment of the Advisory Board.

Mr. P. R. Pather said it was a goodwill dinner and was a reconciliation of the social functions started during the time of Mr. Sastri. This dinner had no other significance.

Mr. S. L. Singh: The designations of the Indians appointed were so absolutely correct—and in the case of one of them when he was made to appear as an official of a South African organisation and not of the Natal body of which he is a member and which is officially not recognised—that he might use the term subtle, "it is either due to the subtlety of the High Commissioner or the subtlety of the Congress or of the Association in connection with the designations used.

Mr. P. R. Pather: The Association has made no nominations.

Mr. A. E. Shaikh: Well, the officials whose names have been mentioned have made no denial or explanation in connection with the appointments.

Mr. A. Christopher: The newspapers had used the term "understood."

Mr. S. L. Singh: The statement appeared so correct that he was inclined to regard it as a semi-official statement.

Mr. Christopher: The Minister can make any appointments he may like.

Mr. P. Lallo (Maritzburg): It is probable that the members have been appointed in their individual capacity.

Mr. Shaikh: I am surprised if we are not to discuss this matter.

Mr. Christopher, concluding the debate, said that whoever had put their names on the proposed board had done it very clearly. But this matter might be discussed when they had more information. The secretary was asked, in the meantime, to get in touch with the Department of the Commissioner for Asiatic Affairs and also the High Commissioner for India's office for the necessary details.

SOUTH AFRICAN AN INDIAN BROADCASTER

Mr. Shafee Quawaal, the well-known South African singer, who toured the country last year, broadcast an excellent programme of songs from

MR. SHAFEE QUAWAAL

the Bombay Broadcasting Station on November 28.

Mr. Shafee, who was on the air during three sessions on that date, has been permanently engaged by the All-India Broadcasting Corporation. South African listeners will now be able to listen in to this popular singer regularly.

Free Distribution of Rice

CROWDS thronged the Firemen's tennis court in Commercial Road, Durban, on Thursday morning, when Mr. A. M. Lockhat, of Messrs. Lockhat Bros. & Co., Ltd., made a free distribution of rice. Some 25,000 lbs. of rice were distributed to thousands of persons, irrespective of race. Europeans benefited as did the Indian and the other non-Europeans. Parcels of 5 lbs. of rice were given to each person.

The huge crowd was directed by Mr. S. A. Seamer, the firemaster.

"WOMEN'S RIGHTFUL PLACE"

"The time has arrived when women must organise and take a rightful place in the social activities of our land," said Mrs. Goolam Ismail at a meeting of ladies' workers held in Maritzburg last week.

Although this meeting was convened by the W.V.M.A. for the purpose of seeking the co-operation of women in the forthcoming bazaar, the women felt that there was a need for a women's association. The Hindu Tamil Women's Association was then formed and elections took place.

MAYOR TO SEE MINISTER—WHO PAYS THE FARE?

Indian Money to be Used Against Indian?

THE Mayor of Durban, Mr. R. Ellis Brown, with other councillors and officials of the Durban Municipality are leaving for Pretoria this weekend to interview the Minister of the Interior, Mr. Lawrence, on alleged Indian penetration. They are to take maps with them illustrating the extent of that penetration. The question has been put in Indian circles who is paying their fare and expenses. Could they take public money from the municipal exchequer, if that is what they are doing, to use it against a certain section of the ratepayers? The legal position, The Leader learns, is being closely examined.

Their attitude in going to the Minister was surprising, said Mr. J. W. Godfrey, joint secretary of the Natal Indian Association. The ex parte statement that they were bound to make at the interview would no doubt be accepted by the Minister with a great deal of hesitation, as he must know the true facts. Could they be relying upon plans, facts and figures, which before the Broome Commission did not prove penetration?

FRANCHISE AND ADVISORY BOARDS

PROCEEDING, Mr. Godfrey said that any question of statutory powers being given to any advisory board required a great deal of thought and consideration before one could either accept or reject it as the consequences were bound to be serious and far-reaching.

"Personally I am of the opinion," he went on, "that if the Indian is given franchise on the same basis as any other citizen qualified for same there will be no need for any advisory boards, and perhaps a great deal of difficulty may be straightened out in the future.

"The Indian is a permanent citizen and there is no just or adequate reason why he should be treated any differently from any other citizen."

ANTI-T.B. CHILDREN'S FUND

The Durban firm of Lever Bros., Ltd., set the ball rolling with a donation of £5 5s. to the anti-T.B. children's fund organised by the Indian Educational Union's Welfare Committee. In a letter to the secretaries they state that they appreciate the objects of the fund in providing comforts and edibles to children suffering from incurable diseases and wish the scheme every success.

Each week the members of the welfare committee visit the local hospitals and in addition to providing the children with edibles present each child with a few pence in cash. The children look forward to these visits with eager anticipation.

INDIAN HISTORICAL RESEARCH

New rules have been made to enable bona fide research students in India, including university professors and readers and certified post-graduate scholars, to inspect and copy without any restriction from all documents from the earliest times down to 1830, in the custody of the Imperial Record Department of the Government of India.

The Kismet Social Centre, Johannesburg, has arranged the following lectures during December: Mr. I. I. Hazaree will speak on "Pakistan" on December 13, and Mr. S. M. Nana on "Present and Future Problems of Indians in S.A." on December 20.

Obituary

THE LATE N. C. MOODLEY (COOPA)

Mr. N. C. Moodley, aged 29, a popular player of the Springbokha Indian Football Club and well known in sporting circles, passed away on November 29.

A memorial service takes place at his residence, Natal Estates, Mount Edgecombe, on Friday night, December 4, and will be continued on Saturday.

Owing to Government restriction on paper, it is hoped that this notice will suffice and all friends, relatives and sympathisers will kindly attend the ceremony.

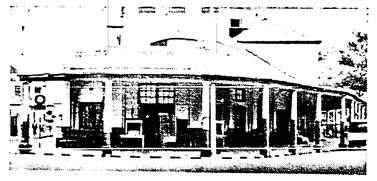
Inserted by members and officials, Springbokha Indian Football Club, Mount Edgecombe, Natal.

MRS. T. DEYAL

The death occurred of Tapasari (Mrs. Deyal), mother of Mr. Sarabjit Deyal (cartage contractor), after a brief period of illness, at the age of 51 at her residence, 59 Fabian avenue, Sydenham, on November 13.

She was born in Gagho Phur, India, and served indenture in Natal in 1896. After the expiry of her indenture she interested herself in dairy farming at Springfield. She became a widow in 1915. Although she was uneducated she encouraged her sons to establish a carriers' business, which is now registered as Deyal's Cartage Contractor. Her remains were cremated at the Umgeni Hindu Crematorium. She leaves behind her three sons and four daughters and other members of her family to mourn their loss.

Among those who sent floral tributes were: M. T. Naidoo, Bagwandas Kalidas and family, R. Sookdeo Singh, Jaldhoy and Sorabjee Rustomjee, Springfield Sporting Club, R. Ramkisson, L. Dobha, L. Mahabeer Bros., K. Bhoda and S. G. Maharaj, Durban Indian Lifesaving Club, K. Ouklith, Mr. M. Domun, M. Doukran, Mrs. Jugroop and son-in-law, granddaughter and son-in-law, and many without cards.



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MRS. RAMRIKA SINGH

After a prolonged illness patiently borne, Mrs. Ramrika Singh, eldest daughter of Mr. Gunpath Singh, passed away, leaving the Singh families of Manifata, Tongaat, to mourn the sad event.

She died on Friday, November 27. The funeral took place on Saturday amidst a large gathering of friends and relatives.

MR. RUTHNUM PILLAY

The death of Mr. Ruthnum Pillay, nephew of Mr. Thangamuthu Pillay of Durban, took place after a short illness. The deceased was a well-known sportsman, being widely known as "Ratty" in sporting circles. He played for many years for the Sydenham Football Club and gained the distinction of being the finest left-half in Durban. In the year 1921 he was selected to tour India with a soccer team. Up to the time of his illness he was employed at the Royal Hotel, Durban, where he saw 20 years of service.

His remains were interred at the Mountain Rise Cemetery where a large gathering was present from all parts of Natal. He leaves his wife and five children to mourn their loss.

The following were among the list of wreaths: Manager and staff, Royal Hotel, Durban; Mariemuthu Govender, Durban; Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Chetty, Durban; Indian staff, Royal Hotel, Durban; Royal Hotel Indian Football Club, Durban; K. R. Pillay and Bros., Durban; Mr. R. K. M. Naicker, Durban; Mr. S. Pillay and family; Mr. V. Manickum Pillay and family; Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Moodley; Mr. P. T. Pillay and family; Mr. and Mrs. R. George, Maritzburg; Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Chetty, Durban.

MARITZBURG DEBATES

At the last three weekly sittings of the Maritzburg Muslim Youth Debating Society the following subjects were discussed:—

Mr. Shaikh Ahmed Mukuddum gave a lecture in Urdu on "Salaam in Islam."

Mr. S. M. Rehman lectured on the "Knowledge of the World."

Mr. A. H. Rawat, president of the society, moved, "That the time has not matured for the South African Indians to demand Dominion status."

Mr. R. M. Moorgas, secretary, Aryan Benevolent Society, Maritzburg, writes:

In your report of the Maritzburg women's meeting appearing in the last issue, in the third paragraph it is stated, "Mainly through the efforts of the Indian Women's Association a free dispensary under the Khan's Trust was opened at the Aryan Benevolent Home." This should read "through the efforts of the Aryan Benevolent Society, etc."

THE LOT OF THE CANE WORKER

The Tinley Manor School was the scene of a debate when the members of the home team met the members of the Chaka's Kraal and District Social Club in an interdistrict contest.

The visitors, led by Mr. J. P. Lutchmansingh and supported by Messrs. P. B. Moodley, J. Misra and S. Dwarika, moved that "The position of the Indian labourers in the sugar industry is not secure."

They gave examples where entire African labour was substituting Indian labour, due to certain increments in wages. Statistics were shown how the Indian labour had decreased ever since 1924, and how this decrease, in turn, effected the security of these labourers.

The opposition was led by Mr. J. A. Naidoo, and was supported by Messrs. Harry Moodley, C. Dawood and D. C. Subban.

They contended that the position of the Indian labourer was secure, because of the fact that Indians, as born agriculturists, were brought out to this country to substitute for the then unreliable native labour. Ever since they have proved to be reliable and efficient in their service, and it was those qualities that were responsible for making the position secure.

Further points showed that the influence of the trade union movement brought about further security in that there was an increment in the pay, better living conditions, and less hours of work. Had there been no sense of security there would have been no improvement.

The contest finally ended in a draw.

RAMAYAN SABHA

At the annual meeting of the Shree Ramayan Sabha, Overport, held at the Sabha's hall, the following officials were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mr. S. Brijbaal; life vice presidents, Messrs. R. Loganberthy and R. Sahadeo Shah; vice-president, Mr. M. K. Singh; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. Gopaul Rampersad; trustees, Messrs. A. J. Koobair and M. K. Singh; committees, Messrs. J. C. Singh, A. J. Koobair, C. Seethahal, R. Ramdin, S. Brijpath and R. Rampersad.

A meeting to form a Glenroe Islamic Debating Society was held at the Glenroe Madressa Hall. It was organised by Mr. A. K. C. Peer, who acted as the pro tem secretary. Mr. Hajee Ebrahim Dawa was in the chair. Following officials were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mr. S. I. Ameen; vice-president, Mr. A. K. C. Peer; hon. secretary, Mr. A. Z. Khan; treasurer, Mr. C. M. Docrat; auditor, Mr. E. Timol; committee members, Mr. D. C. Motala, Mr. Chota Moola and Mr. Cassim Bhigee.

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TALK OF THE BAZAAR

BY "THE FAQIR"

DIED and went upstairs or to some such place where dead people generally go to. St. Peter was not ready to receive me, saying that I was too early for the appointment and so I just hung around—this reminded me strongly of my reporting days. I met old Napoleon there and a number of others who were still waiting to get past wily St. Peter.

I noticed, not without amusement, the surprisingly small number of white people at the Golden Gates. Curiosity prompted me to wander about and see if I could find out where all the dead white people went to. It was not long before I found a huge circle of them standing in front of what seemed a tremendously high wall. It was strange that none of them said "Voetsaak Oodle." They all seemed listless and had a hangdog look about them. On inquiry I found I was standing in front of the Gates of Hell. Just then Satan poked his face out of a peephole and told me to move on, at the same time pointing to a notice which had escaped my eyes. There was that notice still haunting me, "Europeans Only." Before I could read what was written below it I found an irate caretaker shaking me and pointing at something. I had fallen asleep on a park seat labelled—well, is it necessary for me to elaborate?

FROM ONE POLITICIAN TO ANOTHER

Some time back I remarked that Governments had a queer habit of crossing my path. Now I have come across one more. It has been reposing in my back pocket for some time. Tired of you know the one that's in Golden City telling all and sundry where how unsafe the world is—is the celebrated author. It is a simple little affair, telling the public all about the Sanyasis—the one that is in India and, being still politically minded, minding the India office of the N.I.C. The heading of the document is just too good to be left out of this paragraph: "An Open Letter to Swami Bhawani Dayal—His Professions and Performances Revealed by Sorabjee Rustomjee." Why "revealed," I don't know. I am waiting for something like the following to appear now, "An Open Letter to Sorabjee Rustomjee—His Professions and Performances Revealed by Abdullah Ismail Kajee." We can have quite a number of interesting revelations if our politicians are paired off like this. Collected in book form the revelations would, I am positive, make a best seller, because everybody else wants to know about everybody else's business.

TEACHER'S SALARY SCANDAL

For a long time now I have been of opinion that the managers of the aided schools, backed up or down by the Natal Education Department (a body in whose affairs the Indians have no say), have consciously and deliberately denied the aided-school teacher a living wage. £5 was the ceiling for every 45 out of 100. Now I have discovered something that constitutes a first-class salary scandal. One organisation runs a vernacular school at Newcastle. There are about sixty children attending. The classes range from infant to Standard IV. School hours are from 2—5 every afternoon from Monday to Friday. Two Saturday mornings are thrown in each month. A young woman has been employed to teach. Three years ago her salary was 25/- per month (no, there is no typographical error). Three years ago she applied for an increase. A few months ago she got her increase—the great sum of 2/6. Now she earns 1/7/6, and then the parents grumble because no one is willing to take up vernacular teaching.

BURSARIES

The action of the Municipality of East London brings to mind the question of bursaries. Early in the year I commented on the sad state of affairs as far as bursaries for brilliant and deserving students were concerned but the Indian just didn't seem to savvy. Even now, as many youngsters are writing their examination, they know that next year they will have to give it up. The City Council has failed miserably as far as Indian students are concerned. The Education Department is no better, for it offers only two loan bursaries annually. Now what have the Indian people themselves done—just as much as the City Council, I am afraid. It is a crying shame that it has occurred to none of our people, who can do a lot—and I can name those people off my fingertips—to do anything. If anybody is keen on setting up a bursary he or she can have all the information as to how to go about it—gratis, free and all for nothing from the Faqir. So if you feel like it drop me a line.

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A story is told of a Natal politician who was explaining to an Indian that he was an intruder into a white man's country. "Yes," said the Indian, "may I ask where you were born, sir?" "Me?" said the politician, "why, I was born in Liverpool." "I was born in Ispingo," replied the Indian.—Mrs. Mabel Palmer in The Trek.

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PROMOTIONS IN THE THEATRE WORLD

Mr. Haffejee, from Avalon, Goes to Athlone

A pleasant function took place at the Avalon Theatre prior to the departure of Mr. A. G. Haffejee, who has been promoted Manager of the Athlone Theatre, Athlone, Cape Town, which was opened this week.

Mr. Haffejee, who had joined the

MR. PEETZ, MR. HAFFEJEE, MR. MAHARAJ

staff of the Avalon at the time of its commencement some three years ago, received his training under Mr. O. Peetz, the manager, and now organising manager of the company.

References were made to these facts at the party held in honour of Mr. Haffejee, Mr. Peetz, who made the presentation, on behalf of the Avalon staff, in wishing Mr. Haffejee all the best in his managerial sphere of activities, referred to the loyalty Mr. Haffejee had always shown not only to himself but to the interests of the Avalon.

He also announced the confirmation of the appointment of Mr. J. Maharajh as Manager of the Avalon.

SUNDAY'S BROADCAST

The musical feature of the Indian broadcasting programme for Sunday next will be Urdu songs and music, given by Mr. Abdul Rahman (Harry) and party.

The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Clairwood Hindu Temple (Laxmi-Narayan) will be held at its premises, 24 Sirdar Road, Clairwood, on Sunday afternoon (December 13).

Mrs. G. R. Maharaj, of Glenroe, has returned after spending two months with Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Singh, of Mayville, Durban.

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DURBAN SPORT

CRICKET: Again the "A" division cricket was washed out by rain last Saturday. Play was possible on Sunday when the "B" division had a full day's fixture. Young Bharat, playing against Greyville, scored 44 runs. Greyville replied with [illegible] in their second innings. Young Bharat managed to score another 44, thus Greyville won by 35 runs on double innings.

Ismet, in their first innings against Bharat, collected only 13 runs, and when Bharat closed their innings they had a lead of 60 runs; in their second try Ismet batted well, having scored 121 runs. This left Bharat to score 56 runs for a double innings victory; this they did with no difficulty.

The Sastri College side closed their innings at 125; Otto replied with 55. In their innings College declared for two wickets for 57 runs. Otto avoided a double innings defeat and at close of play the total was 41 for four wickets.

WEEKEND FIXTURES

"A" Division League.
(December 5)

Main: Ottoman v. Kismet.
No. 1: Young Muslims v. Central.
No. 3: Stars v. Sparks.

"B" Division League.
(Sunday, December 6)

Young Central v. Sastri College.
Ismet v. Orientals.

Advertisements of sports meetings, such as free-a-side, etc., are charged for at the rate of 1/- per inch single column.

GOLF: Competition for late Peter Lazarus' Trophy will take place this week-end at Currie's Fountain over 18 holes medal play. At 12.15 p.m. a committee meeting of the Durban Indian Golf Club will be held.

PRESENTATION: On Saturday last a presentation was made to Mr. S. N. Moodley by the Durban Indian Sports Ground Association, when Mr. S. L. Singh presided. Messrs. S. L. Singh, C. N. M. Khan, M. S. Badat, A. I. Timol, R. L. Boolhun and others spoke of the good work done by Mr. Moodley, who suitably replied.

Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Moodley and family left for Port Elizabeth last Monday for health reasons, and will be away for a long while.

STANGER TEAM BEATS BANTUS

The Stanger United C.C. commenced their cricket season on Sunday last with a friendly cricket match against a representative Bantu team playing as Dunlop C.C. at Durban.

Batting first the Bantus scored 24. In reply Stanger could only muster 62 runs. Playing determinedly in the second innings in trying to force a double innings victory the bowlers were in devastating form and the Bantus were in a bad position with 3 wickets down for 3. They were all out for 25. Left with an hour and a quarter in which to get the 56 runs needed Stanger found themselves in a comfortable position and knocked off the required runs for the loss of 4 wickets.

The team to represent Stanger United against Kismet C.C. at Sastri College tomorrow will be selected from:- J. Chengian (capt.), E. V. Mahomed, D. E. Moolla, K. P. Padayachee, G. R. Bux, Jeewan, V. G. Augustine, E. A. Kolia, K. V. Naidoo, Chota Omarjee, Kader Bux, S. H. Bayat, K. B. Bolasing, S. M. Naicker.

TED CHETTY SCORES A CENTURY

In their second match for the season Young Natalians C.C. defeated M.I.C.C. on the first innings.

The score being Young Natalians 137 for 5 declared, M.I.C.C. 55 in the 1st innings. In the follow-on M.I.C.C. scored 30 for 2 when stumps were drawn.

Although this was the first match of the season in which he played Ted Chetty scored his century very comfortably.

CON-AMORE SOCIAL CLUB

At a meeting held recently of the Con-Amore Social Club the following were elected office-bearers for the ensuing year: Patrons, Messrs. S. R. Hansraj, I. D. Bayat, and A. I. Bayat; president, Mr. Ismail Seedat; secretary and treasurer, Mr. S. Osman; vice-presidents, Messrs. J. Gangat, S. Mahomed, E. M. Hansraj, M. Vincent, M. C. Jasat, P. Naidoo, E. Trusk, E. D. Bayat, I. T. Mahomed, J. Francis, S. Ahmed, M. Kadodia, A. A. Kader, A. Ameer and A. R. Amir.

The match between United and Young Star at Maritzburg resulted in a double innings victory for the United.

At a meeting of the Royal Tennis Club the following were elected for the ensuing year: Patrons, Messrs. Babas E. Parak, B. Chetty and I. Shaik; president, Mr. Mahomed Essop Patel; vice-presidents, Mr. M. E. Bux; secretary, Mr. Ebrahim Hoosen; assistant secretary, Mr. E. T. Dass; captain, Mr. Lall Busson; vice-captain, Mr. M. E. G. Patel; treasurer, Mr. Ismail M. Badat.

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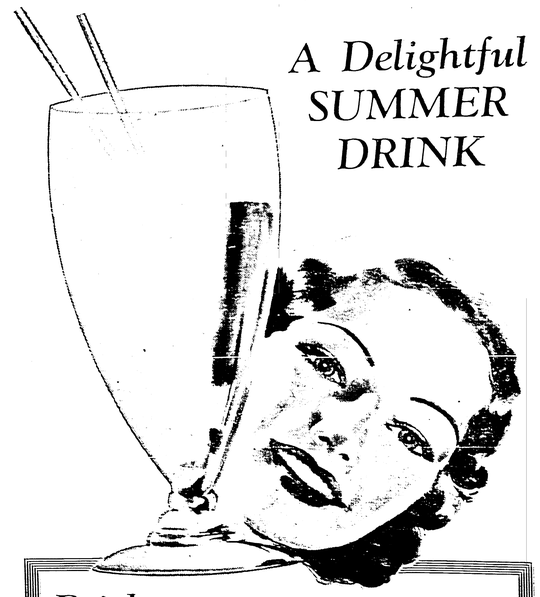

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MUNICIPAL DEPUTATION TO MINISTER

Indian Ratepayers' Money to Indict the Indian

"THE high-handed action on the part of the City Council is the direct result of the denial of the franchise to the Indian community," declared Mr. Hans Maghraji, secretary of the Natal Indian Congress, when commenting on the question raised by The Leader last week that the members of the Durban City Council who had proceeded on a deputation to Pretoria to interview the Minister of the Interior on "penetration," were using money contributed by Indian ratepayers to the borough funds, as travelling expenses and so forth, to attack the Indians. The Leader called for a legal examination of the position. Mr. Maghraji has sent in a cheque for £5 5s. to the editor to pay for "opinion."

Mr. P. R. Pather, secretary of the Natal Indian Association, was equally vehement in his condemnation of the action of the City Council in using Indian money against the Indian. "I think," he said, "it is morally wrong, even if there is a legal loophole, for the Council to spend money which belongs to the European and Indian ratepayers for the purpose of indicting the Indian community."

"It is very improper and questionable in spending the ratepayers' money in pitting one section of the community against another," said Mr. J. W. Godfrey to The Leader.

MONEY SENT TO OBTAIN LEGAL OPINION

"FEEL that it is time that the Indian community should challenge the right of the City Council to take money out of borough funds for the purpose of trying to obtain legislation to benefit one section of the community at the expense of another. I have grave doubts if this expenditure is intra vires of the power of the City Council. I am prepared to subscribe immediately a sum of £5 5s. to start a fund to test, if necessary, the legality of the Council's action in the highest court of the land.

"It is bad enough when one finds the Indian community paying equally with the European the same rate of interest as far as rates and taxes are concerned and deriving hardly 60 per cent of the amenities which the European ratepayers receive, such as beaches, which is open to the white bobs of Durban but denied to the Indian, and when the Indians' money is to be used for the purpose of further exploiting him then I consider this is the last straw.

"These departmental officials of this borough are so smug as to be blind to what is happening in the world today like the ostrich with its head buried deep in the sand and refuse to acknowledge the fact that tremendous changes are now taking place. And for the Indian, while he is silent today not to embarrass the war effort, is certainly not going to take it lying down when the war is over.

NO FRANCHISE

"This high-handed action on the part of the City Council is the direct result of the denial of the franchise to the Indian community. If the Indian is given back the franchise, which they at one time had, one can say without doubt that the City Council would be more amenable to reason and a sense of justice. Its policy of signalling out the Indian every time it wants to whip any section of the community into racialism will only stop once the Indian has got the franchise."

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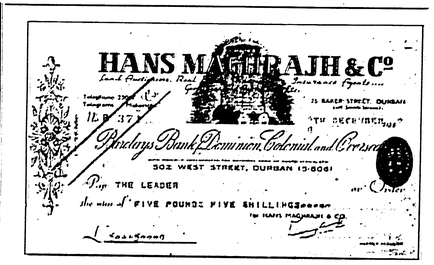

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Obituaries

MR. S. RAJPAUL

The death occurred in Durban of Mr. S. Rajpaul, the well-known estate agent. He was better known to the whole sporting circles of the Union as a good sportsman. He occupied an important position in the administration of Indian sports particularly tennis. His death came very suddenly, dying from a stroke in the early hours of Monday morning.

At the funeral, which took place on the same day at the Cato Manor Crematorium, there was a representative gathering consisting of all sections of the community.

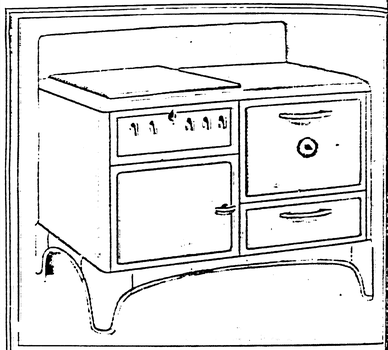
MRS. SUCHITT MAHARAJ

Mrs. Suchitt Maharaj passed away in Durban last week. She was ailing for some time. She will be missed in her circle of relatives and friends.

MR. HARRY RAJKUMAR

Death came with tragic swiftness a young man of great ability, Mr. Harry Rajkumar, who was on the teaching staff of the Port Shepstone Government Indian School. He was St. Aidan's Hospital on Tuesday. He was ailing for the last six months and collapsed soon after writing his B.A. examination.

The first junior certificate examination for Indian children in Natal was held at the Ezakeni Estate, Ladysmith, last week. Twelve children sat for the examination.



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About People

Leonard Christopher, younger son of Mr. O. J. Christopher, Durban, and a nephew of Mr. [illegible] Christopher, of Durban, who has been lecturing in England after visiting, is shortly to return to this country.

E. H. Ismail, of Durban, who visited Johannesburg, has now returned.

R. Bitaboy, the principal of the Indian School, Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, has left Salisbury for Durban to spend the school's summer vacation with his mother and sisters.

R. Appasamy, teacher of the Greytown Indian School, has arrived in Durban. He will be spending the summer vacation with his parents and relatives at Verulam.

B. C. Maharaj, of the staff of the Lime Stores (Natal), Ltd., Durban, has been notified of his transfer to Pretoria in the services of the same firm.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Mahadev [illegible] of 11 William St., Maritzburg, on the birth this week. The birth took place at the residence of Mrs. [illegible]'s mother, Mrs. Dobabee.

A meeting dealing with malnutrition and matters affecting the Indian community, will be held in the Gandhi Library Hall today (Saturday) at 2.30 o'clock. Among the speakers will be Miss E. Best, the Union Health Department official, who is carrying out health investigations among Indian school children, and Dr. Cobbans.

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DOBIES NEAR STRIKE

Due to Dismissal of Members

MANY people would have been without clean linen on Monday morning had a threatened strike taken place last Friday, writes The Leader's Maritzburg correspondent.

Members of the Maritzburg Laundry and Cleaners and Dyers Workers' Union threatened to go on strike because two of their members employed at a city laundry had been dismissed from work because they spoke whilst working. The union argued that members should be given a first warning before drastic action such as was taken was contemplated, and further they contended that all workers spoke whilst working.

Through the intervention of Mr. Norman, the industrial inspector, and due to the unanimous support of the Local Trades and Labour Council the two employees were reinstated and the strike was therefore called off.

RANJI'S NEPHEW IN DURBAN

Rajkumar Himitsinghji, of Jamnagar (seated), who is a brother of the ruler of that State, was in Durban recently. He is a nephew of the late Prince Ranjitsinghji, the famous cricketer, and an elder brother of Duleepsinghji, who has also achieved fame in the world of cricket. The photo shows him with prominent Indians of Durban who are subjects of Jamnagar. From left to right: Messrs. Hajee Abdool K. N. M. Ebrahim (Chamber & Pretoria), A. K. Hoosen, Essa Hassim, and Tayob Sarsar.

AN INVITATION

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Master Perumal Appasamy and Mr. M. Murugappa Reddy, of Verulam, have written the N.E.C. examination. Mr. Murugappa Reddy has attained distinctions in arithmetic in both the P.C.C. and N.E.C. examinations.

TRY BRINJAL FRITTERS

EGG-PLANT (brinjal) fritters: 2 eggs, 4 oz. flour, salt, 1 tablespoon melted ghee or butter, milk to mix, salt, red chillie powder (optional), 4 large brinjals.

Beat the egg yolks, add salt and chillie powder to taste, the melted ghee and lastly the well-sifted flour. Gradually pour in enough milk to form a thick batter and stand in a cool place for at least 1 hour, preferably 2–3 hours. Parboil the brinjals and slice them fairly thickly lengthwise. Just before frying beat the egg whites stiffly and fold into the batter. Dip the brinjal slices in the batter and fry a golden brown. Arrange on a dish and on each layer of fritters sprinkle melted ghee flavoured with a little lime juice, salt and pepper.

Peas and Onions en Casserole

Two level cups green peas, 10 small onions, 2 tablespoons ghee or butter, ½ cup crumbs, salt and pepper to taste.

Peel the onions and cook for 10 minutes in boiling salted water. Grease a piedish and put in the onions, peas and ghee, pepper and salt all mixed well together. Cover and bake for 20 minutes, then sprinkle the crumbs tossed in melted ghee, and bake until the top is brown.

A Sweet: Chocolate Nut Fudge

One lb. granulated sugar, ½ pint milk, 2 oz. cocoa, 1 oz. butter, 1 teaspoonful almond essence, 1 tablespoonful chopped nuts.

Use a little of the milk to mix the cocoa to a smooth, thin paste and put the rest in a pan with the sugar. When the sugar has dissolved stir in the cocoa and boil together about a quarter of an hour, stirring so that it does not burn. Then let a drop fall from the spoon into a bowl of cold water, and if it forms a soft ball in the water the fudge is cooked. Take the pan off the fire, stir in the almond essence, the butter and the chopped nuts, and turn into a greased dish. Mark into squares and leave to set.

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Taxation with Damnation

ONCE again the haunting refrain of Indian penetration has been taken up in Durban. The Indians' right to expand and live where they choose is being pursued with a zeal and fanaticism ominously indicative of Jewish persecution under the Hitler regime. The Indian must not expand. He must live in the ghettoes set aside for him, but his nature revolts. The laws cannot stop him but by devious channels the white man pursues the illusion that he is a superior being and the Indian, therefore, cannot live next to him—a belief as illusive as Hitler's in himself as the supreme dictator of the world.

While men of all nations, the Indians foremost, strive, paying a bitter price, to usher in the "brave new world," a few in Durban are still bent on clearing the South African Indian a place under their sun. The Indian may fight and die to secure that place in mankind but he may not live to occupy it. His war efforts are lauded to the skies: he is told "what a jolly good fellow" he is, but when it comes to the Biblical injunction of "love thy neighbour" all the high-sounding

Our Readers Speak

"N.I.A. and N.I.C. have sure brought to a sorry pass"

I am afraid "Just an Indian" is right: the N.I.A. and the N.I.C. have brought us to a sorry pass. And it seems that they would continue to do so. To complete their tragic picture they've gone and joined the Asiatic Advisory Committee unconditionally. According to The Leader this committee "will advise the Government on all matters affecting the Indians, including the purchase of properties by Indians in predominantly European areas." So that this committee is going to replace the Lawrence Committee. And everybody knows what good the Lawrence Committee did for the Indians. I know of one case in which the Indian representative on the Lawrence Committee induced an Indian to sell away his property situated in a predominantly European area. Then visited the poor owner, persuaded him that he had done the wrong thing by buying the property in question, told him that he had been "defrauded" and that he should resell his property as soon as possible. They drafted a letter themselves; in fact, I had been written out before-hand, and asked the owner to sign on the dotted line. The letter they submitted to the Lawrence Committee. And the property was sold in a few months' time. This was the work of the N.I.A. on the Lawrence Committee. The Asiatic Advisory Committee is also out to keep the Coolie in his place. No more! And it has the wholehearted and unqualified support of the N.I.A. and the N.I.C.

In the meantime a delegation from the Durban City Council has left for Pretoria to ask the Minister for Interior "that any committee appointed to deal with Indian penetration be given legal powers to deal with the problem." Apparently the City Council has in mind the Asiatic Committee already mentioned by Mr. Lawrence. The Indian representatives on this committee, the minority and indirectly, are going to legislate against their own people.

You suggested a little while ago, Mr. Editor, that we should petition in regard to the proposed Botanic Gardens. The proposed Indian Technical College is a splendid lead. We, the N.I.A. nor the N.I.C. have taken that lead. Why? Because both dead. All is not lost, however. Mr. Hofmeyr is coming to Durban in December 11, and we can still draw up a petition and lead a deputation to him. We can still draw up a petition as a counter to the City Council's deputation to Pretoria.

Come, the N.I.A. and the N.I.C. Where are you?

You know, Mr. Editor, the trouble with the N.I.A. is a "[illegible]"

COMMUNIST PARTY'S RE[illegible]

R. Lutchman wishes to know the steps the Communist Party has taken to explain the events in Russia promised at the meeting at the Gaiety. It is strange that after what has been done that such a question should even be asked. But to avoid any misunderstanding that the latter may have created we are replying to it.

Immediately after the Anti-War meeting a meeting of the Communist Party was held at Pietermaritzburg [illegible] when an attempt was made to get City Hall for a meeting at the end of August. The application for the City Hall was refused.

It was then decided to [illegible] question of India at the Current Affairs rally and to speak on the Second Front at Durban, one of the leading halls in South Africa, to speak on the Second Front, estimated that about 7,000 people attended this rally. [illegible] was one of the biggest meetings in the history of Durban. [illegible] the best possible occasion for the Communists chosen. In the advertising of the meeting great prominence was given to the demand for India's independence. [illegible] in the 15,000 leaflets in English [illegible] were issued and on the boards in different parts of the town. [illegible] slogan "Free India to Fight Fascism" was prominently displayed.

Similar leaflets were also used to advertise meetings at Pietermaritzburg, Dundee, and Ladysmith.

Dr. Dadoo also spoke.

At the meeting of the Communist Party last Sunday at the City Hall included in the resolution was the question of India.

Furthermore the Communist Party issued 10,000 copies of its pamphlet "India—the Facts," which was sold in all parts of South Africa. The pamphlet was sold at the nominal price of 1d. It was issued at a loss as apart from the cost of publication there were other expenses such as advertising, agents' commission, postage, etc.

The cost of organising the meeting and publishing the pamphlet is the excess of the money received at the Avalon and other meetings.

R. F. ABRAHAM

NAHAYAN SAHIB

I read with much interest the article published in The Leader of December 3 regarding the annual meeting and election of officials of the Shree Ramayan Sabha.

I regret that the election was held on the day and published in the paper a week afterwards. It may be an error of the writer in the report. I may mention that I was the presiding chairman and I think I may be able to correct the error. The vice-president elected was Mr. J. Chatterbhuj and not Mr. M. K. Singh, and Mr. P. Sewsahai as stated to be elected as committee is also incorrect.

R. SAHADEO

PRE-MEDICAL FACILITIES FOR INDIANS

Provision Should be Made at Durban

THE Education Committee, consisting of Dr. F. D. Hugo (chairman), Professor R. F. A. Hoernle and Mr. R. A. Banks, which recently had inquired into the present facilities and future policy for higher education for Indians in Natal, had now presented its reports (extracts of which were published in a previous issue). It also stresses the necessity for provisions being made for the first-year pre-medical sciences for Indians at Durban.

"This would do much," it reports, "to ease the strain at this college on medical training throughout the country."

THE war, the report states, has made of proceeding to medicine shall not be precluded.

(c) That if and when a proper Indian university college is founded with a fully-developed science faculty, this building shall be taken over by the Indian technical college.

Your committee recommends the acceptance of these conditions.

CONTROL OF PRE-MEDICAL COURSE

The next important question considered was that of the control of these 4 first-year science courses. There are two alternatives: Either (a) housed as these classes will be in closest proximity to the new technical college, the authorities of that institution might be asked to undertake the responsibility; or (b) the Natal University College might be asked to undertake it in addition to continuing the present part-time classes.

If (a) is adopted, the students will be external students of the University of South Africa. Under (b) they will, like the part-time students, enjoy some of the privileges of internal students of the Natal University College. The Indian witnesses preferred the latter alternative. Perhaps the point is not of great importance here; only one year of student-life is involved, and such students as are accepted by either the University of Cape Town or the University of the Witwatersrand for the second year, provided they are then able to satisfy certain requirements. Non-European students who may fail to gain entrance into the Witwatersrand and Cape Town Universities after the first year course have only to go to Fort Hare accommodation is also overtaxed and an influx of Indian students above 15 per cent. of the total student body is not desired, as this would tend to destroy the predominantly Native and Christian character of the institution.

Your committee is it is obvious that the establishment of training in the pre-medical sciences for Indians at Durban will provide an alternative to the South African Native College. This is not only in itself desirable but may prove even to be necessary.

POSSIBLE ENROLMENT IN PRE-MEDICAL COURSE

There are this year 17 Indian students, including one woman, taking the pre-medical course at the South African Native College. Most of these come from Natal, and it may be assumed that all or nearly all of these Natal medicals would have paid themselves of the pre-medical course in Durban, had it been available. It seems safe to count on an average of not less than 20 to 25 candidates for these pre-medical courses in future years.

[illegible] these facts and considerations, your committee recommends the acceptance of Mr. Sullivan's offer of £12,500, which, however, is subject to the following conditions stipulated by him:

(a) That the science block shall be built from the technical college fund for which he has offered a donation of £12,500 (although he envisages that two buildings should share this site and may, indeed, be used by, say, a block for administration and other purposes);

(b) That the science building shall be available for such instruction in sciences as may be required by the technical college, and that non-European students desiring first-year courses without any intention

SIR SHAFA'AT'S "SINGULAR APPROACH"

"We shall refrain from Censure" says Natal Witness

"IT is not true to say that the Indian community as a whole is satisfied that the present is not the time for the granting of political representation. The reverse is the case," wrote The Natal Witness, in its editorial columns, this week, when commenting on the statement made by the High Commissioner for India, Sir Shafa'at Ahmad Khan, at Johannesburg, who said that the South African Indians were willing to defer the demand for citizenship rights until after the war. "It is a well-tried truth," says The Witness, "that words must fit occasions and we shall refrain from censure of the High Commissioner's singular approach to the political representations of those he represents."

SPEAKING at a function held in honour of the Administrator of the Transvaal, the Indian High Commissioner, Sir Shafa'at Ahmad Khan, remarked on the devotion of the South African Indians to the cause of South Africa, writes The Natal Witness.

The Indian community, he maintained, was well organised and was anxious to attain the full rights of citizenship. The demand for this, he suggested, could not be put forward during the present struggle, and in appreciation of this fact Indians were prepared to wait until after the war. It is a well tried truth that words must fit occasions, and we shall refrain from censure of the High Commissioner's singular approach to the political representation of those he represents. However fitting to a luncheon in which he presumably acted as host it simply is not true to say that the Indian community as a whole is satisfied that the present is not the time for the granting of political representation. The reverse is the case. The majority of Indians are persuaded that if during the war, when many of their fellows are serving in the South African forces and when the Indian army proper has covered itself in glory on every battle-front on which it has been engaged, there is to be no gesture towards fuller citizenship, then there is little likelihood of the mind of the European being in more magnanimous mood when the war is over. Even now, when the spirit of democracy is abroad, the official and unofficial European attitude is adamantly opposed to the progressive citizenship of Indians.

The official mind was best admitted and described by Colonel Reitz when addressing the Native Representative Council. He spoke of the importance of doing nothing to alienate public goodwill and of the necessity of carrying the public along the right path. In other words, Colonel Reitz acknowledged the inability of the Government to move faster than the public; and the same acknowledgment would undoubtedly apply to the Indians. It is remarkable how as occasions arise members of the Government evince the absence of statecraft by throwing the responsibility upon public inertia. In this case, it is true, it is not only public inertia but social antagonism which is set against the principle of citizenship for Indians. Europeans as a whole are not prepared to grant, now or after the war, the rights or any vital part of the rights which they enjoy themselves. Indeed, recent events in Natal leave the impression that far from consigning democratic

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Greet Your Friends Through "The Leader"

The Leader offers its readers the opportunity of greeting their friends through its columns at the rate of 2/6 for 20 words. Greetings will be published under an attractive head in the issue of December 26. Copy must reach our offices not later than December 21.

The following is an example:

Naidoo, Mr. and Mrs. J. C., 44 May Street, Durban, wish friends and relatives a Happy Christmas and peace in the New Year.

RATEPAYERS FORM BODY AT CATO MANOR

A meeting of the residents of Cato Manor to form a ratepayers' association was held at the Booth Road Indian School. After it was duly constituted the following officials were elected: Chairman, Mr. K. M. Govender; hon. secretary, Mr. R. P. Naicker; assistant hon. secretary, Mr. Dick Naicker; hon. treasurer, Mr. T. Singh; vice-presidents, Messrs. R. M. Chetty, R. Moorath, M. N. Govender, C. Munsamy, V. M. Reddy, Shaikh Abdool, V. K. Naidoo, T. E. Pillay, Sam Singh, T. K. Nayagger and A. K. R. Pillay.

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Holiday Publication Dates

Owing to the Christmas holidays the publication of The Leader will be advanced by two days. Copies will be obtainable on December 23 and 24. There will be no paper on January 2.

SPRINGS MUSLIM LEAGUE

The meeting of the Springs Muslim League took place at the Teladiya's, springs, when Maulana Moulvi Husaudinsaheb presided.

The constitution, which was read and explained by Mr. Allimiasaheb Chouglulay, was unanimously agreed to and confirmed, and thereafter the election was proceeded with and resulted as under:—

Patron, Quaide-e-Azam the Hon. Mohamedali Jinnah; chairman, Mr. Haji Yousuf Moosa Matwadia; vice-chairmen, Messrs. Ibrahim Abdulla Uday, Fakir Ibrahim Matwadia; secretary, Allimiasaheb Chouglulay; assistant secretary, Dostmohamed Khan; treasurer, Mohamed Abid; auditor, Hassan Seedat.

Executive committee: Messrs. Mohamed Abid, Fakir Matwadia, Haji Yousuf M. Matwadia, Haji Moosa Matwadia, Hassan Moosa Lalor, Kazisaheb, Ahmed Teladiya, Yousuf Ryat, Saley Akooji Loomat, Ismail Akooji Loomat, Hassan Hajat, Ibrahim Akoodie, Yousuf Asvat, Mohamed Ibrahim Loomat, Fakir Lorgat, Mohamed Omar Dawray, Shamshudeen Chouglulay, Mohamed M. Patel, Mohamed Dogan, Moosa Yousuf Maya, Moosa M. Akhalwaya, Hassan Jassat, Hassan Seedat, Yousuf S. Hayat, Mohamed M. Laher, Hassan Laher (Nigel).

HOUSING CONFERENCE

The housing conference, under the auspices of the Durban Expropriation Joint Council of Action, will be held in the Durban City Hall on January 16—19 next.

This conference will discuss the problems and difficulties that have created and tend to perpetuate the evil of slums, and will attempt to formulate a solution in so far as this is possible under present-day conditions, that the people most affected will find economic and adequate. The main function of the conference, however, will be to bring into being a permanent organisation — a "citizens' housing league—that will attack these conditions wherever they are manifest and work towards their elimination.

CHILD WELFARE NURSE AT TONGAAT

Miss Le Roux, a Child Welfare nurse of Johannesburg, who was the guest of the Tongaat and Districts Indian Child Welfare Society, delivered an interesting lecture at the Tongaat Boys' School.

Miss Le Roux, in the course of her lecture, dealt with the various important activities connected with child welfare, and dealt with the importance of the establishment of a clinic in the district.

Mr. G. Hardman presided and Mr. R. Sanders, the joint secretary, moved a vote of thanks.

Who Foots the Bill?

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"The City Council," said Mr. P. R. Pather, secretary of the Natal Indian Association, "represents both European and Indian ratepayers, and the latter by no means represents an infinitesimal part. I think it is morally wrong, if there is a legal loophole, for the Council to spend money which belongs to the European and Indian ratepayers for the purposes of inflicting the Indian community.

"The Minister of the Interior, Mr. Lawrence, in asking for the resignation of the Lawrence Committee, endeavoured to find a via media, but the Council, which thinks that it has to consider European public opinion only, disregarded the request of the Minister. The Council cannot have it both ways. If it does not give good cause for Indians to live up to the western standard it can't blame the Indian community for purchasing property in a locality which can by no means be said to be a 100 per cent. European residential area.

"I don't know what the maps the officials of the Council took over to the Minister reflected, but I can say this much, that in giving the figures of acquisitions by Indians the Council has become an adept in manipulating figures of alleged penetration including those properties purchased from Europeans in predominantly Indian areas or in contiguous areas. This fact was abundantly proved by the association's representatives when they met the Minister of the Interior some months ago at Durban at a meeting of the full Lawrence Committee.

IRONICAL POSITION

"The City Council has spent a considerable amount of public money in taking a formidable deputation, which included the Administrator and two members of the Provincial Executive, to Pretoria. The amount spent in train fares, hotel expenses and other incidentals must come from the coffers of the Durban Corporation. It is ironical that a portion of the money contributed by the Indian ratepayers should be utilised to attack them. This brings to the forefront the absence of the franchise.

"This method of using Indian ratepayers' money against them will always go on until we have some say in the administration of the Council. This is a matter I think that the Indian community should take up in right earnest."

Mr. J. W. Godfrey said when going the City Council deputation might have asked the officials of the Natal Indian Association, who could have given a different interpretation of the maps, very different from what the Council was giving to it.

"It is very improper and questionable in spending the ratepayers' money in putting one section of the community against another."

Sir Shafi'at's Approach

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rights before racial interest, the Government intends to use the public money as penetration as an excuse for withholding social reforms apart from political ones. This may be good and successful politics, but it is not democracy, and if only a certain willingness were shown on both sides successful politics and not democracy there would be little complaint even against Indians, who, for the most part, have a very nice sense of realism in these things. The exception of Indians is a reaction to the European's objection not only to calling a spade a spade but to his facility for clothing moral perfidies and undemocratic practices in democratic phraseology.

TALK OF THE BAZAAR

BY "THE FAQIR"

A NEW racket in which there is plenty of money has come into existence, namely, spiritism. Credulous and gullible people have fallen unconscious victims to it.

Within the radius of half a mile about six people are plying a very handsome and paying trade. People afflicted with ills and imaginary injuries and lovelorn swains consult the so-called trance mediums for relief and help.

The medium advises the consultant to return with the usual black loyal, peacock, camphor, lime, betel leaves, and other appurtenances and articles associated with magical rites. On the return of the consultant with these articles both proceed to a temple. What a glorious name—temple. It in all cases consists of a room built with a few poles to which has been nailed some second-hand iron and in which there stand terrifying pictures and images of gods and demons. After burning camphor the so-called medium utters some meaningless jargon which the credulous victim imagines is prayer in the priestly tongue and then swaying backwards and forwards for some minutes pretends to go off into a trance. In a feigned voice the medium mutters that he is now possessed of some god and proceeds to relate to the consultant that he is afflicted with all the ills of the world and that he is being harmed by enemies through magic and that if he wants to overcome all these he must act according to what is told. The poor fool says "Yes." After which the medium comes out of his trance and then tells that if he is given a sum of, say, £2 he will drive evil spirits away from the residence of the consultant and give him a charm which will avert sickness, danger and calamity. In the atmosphere of camphor smoke, pictures and chanting, the victim produces the required amount and receives in return some ashes and lime, which he is asked to take home with the following instructions. The ashes are to be buried and the lime carried on the person.

The victim proceeds home in high spirits and with complete faith in the information given and acts accordingly. Alas in vain. Sickness, which was supposed to have been driven away, is aggravated and death occurs of a relative all because of lack of medical attention.

The victim is left a sadder and wiser man, whilst the so-called trance medium proceeds to enjoy the black fowl for supper, together with the coconut; the cash is spent on liquor, most probably cane spirit undiluted.

POOR HELPS POOR

A hopeless Indian cripple who had lost the use of both legs and could only move about by dragging himself along the ground with the use of both hands was slowly and painfully making his way along the pavement in the heart of the city one afternoon this week after 5 p.m.

An Indian woman belonging to the poorest class who had been hawking and was returning home after gaining a few hard-earned pence, observed this pitiable sight. Stopping she pulled out a small oil tobacco bag and, drawing from it a threepenny bit, handed it over to the cripple with the accompaniment of blessings and then went on her way with a happy smile.

A few yards further along came a well-dressed merchant walking home, an unaccustomed thing for him to do. The cripple's cry for alms was returned with the retort "Nay Hai." This reply to the appeal lent an obvious lie to the fact that a bulge could be observed in the pocket of his coat where the day's takings were kept.

THIS QUEER WORLD

It's a queer kind of world this: when Britain locks up old Gandhi and the entire United Nations' Press, with the exception of one or two American papers, starts justifying the action, his mortal enemy, Jan Smuts, says—mind you, right under the shadow of Whitehall—that he is not a bad fellow at all; in fact, he's one of the greatest men in the world. Now who dares blame the Faqir, who, believed by such amazing capitulations and somersaults, gets sick now and then. Reasoning the same way in which Jannie has done, it would seem that all the good and great men of the world are behind prison bars and the bad ones outside.

SOME SOME

Some Indian women are pretty; some are teachers.

INDIAN TEACHERS' SALARY

New Scales Discussed at Joint Meeting

A joint meeting at the invitation of the Natal Indian Teachers' Society of the Natal Teachers' Union and the Natal Indian Teachers' Society was held at Sastri College on Saturday last.

The subject of discussion was the proposed salary offer to aided school teachers which will place aided school teachers on the same salary basis as the Government school teachers.

The officials of the Natal Indian Teachers' Society felt that if the union accepted the proposed offer, if it did not promise anything better than what the Government teachers were receiving at present by way of salaries it would mar the prospects of the Government school teachers as far as salary scales were concerned. The meeting was of the opinion that the new scale should not be accepted by the Natal Teachers' Union.

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The musical programme in connection with next Sunday's broadcast from the Durban station will be in charge of the Patni Social Club's Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. M. Reegab. The programme will be in Gujerati.

Owing to unforeseen circumstances Mr. Abdul Rahman and party were unable to broadcast last Sunday. Mr. S. D. Papa and party filled the breach. They rendered a programme of Urdu songs.

DRAMA TO AID SCHOOL FUNDS

The Pietermaritzburg Arya Samaj, Maritzburg, is staging "Shrimate Khanjari," a modern Hindi drama, at the V.D.S. Hall, Maritzburg, on Sunday, December 13, commencing at 1.30 p.m. The proceeds are being devoted to the erection of a Hindi school at Pietermaritzburg.

The Samaj will also stage this drama in the Transvaal. There will be shows at Johannesburg on December 26; Pretoria, December 28; Boxrand, December 30; Germiston, December 31. It is hoped that they will be well supported.

DURBAN SPORT

Cricket: The "A" Division clubs were again disappointed as there was no play possible on Saturday owing to the previous day's rain. In the "B" division there were two matches continued from the previous week. Young Central carried their score from 11 runs for three wickets to 54 all out; this gave Sastri College a win by an innings and 15 runs. Orientals closed their innings at 105 and in their second innings Ismet scored 71 runs, leaving their opponents to compile 57 runs for a double innings victory. This they failed to do as the side was out for 31 runs.

Golf: The result of the competition for the Peter Lazarus Cup was played over the weekend, the winner, S. A. Emanmally, played a good game and won quite easily; detail scores as follows:

S. A. Emanmally, 62 nett; S. E. Parker, 67; C. M. Muthee, 67; O. H. Burkes, 69; J. Nathan, 70; A. M. Cooper, 70; F. Marrian, 71; H. S. Singh, 72; M. Bhaw, 73; J. M. Pillay, 73; A. P. Moonsamy, 73; A. M. Bux, 75; H. H. Omar, 81; A. H. Essop, 85; V. V. Naicker, 36; 7 no returns.

Tennis: Owing to the death of Mr. S. Rajpaul, the president of the South African Indian Lawn Tennis Association, the special and annual meetings of the association, which were to be held tomorrow (Sunday) have been postponed indefinitely.

Hockey: The Durban Indian Women's Hockey Association has arranged for a social to take place on December 26. Members of the association are still practising hard and they should show some degree of excellence when the season opens next year.

DURBAN FIXTURES
December 12 and 19
"B" Division
Otto v. Ismet (main).
Sastri College v. Young Bharat (No. 2).
Greyville v. Orientals (No. 1).
Bharat v. Young Central (No. 3).
December 15th
"A" Division
Young Muslims v. Ottoman (main).
Kismet v. Stars (No. 1).
Sparks v. Central (No. 3).

Advertisements of sports meetings, such as five-a-side, etc., are charged for at the rate of 4/- per inch single column.

LADYSMITH SPORT RESULTS

CRICKET

On Sunday last Railways met Ladysmith in a league fixture at Ladysmith, the latter winning by 75 runs on the single innings.

Railways, batting first, scored 99 in 160 minutes (S. Ramdeen 35, R. Harripersad 17, W. D. Narrandes and C. R. Moodley 10 each, R. E. Govinder five for 17, G. C. Govinder four for 23 and S. Mungroo one for 14).

Ladysmith scored 172 in 135 minutes. With six wickets in hand the opponents' score was passed. (R. R. Frank 52, S. Mungroo 32, G. C. Govinder 28, P. M. Govinder 23 not out and A. H. Khan 12; S. Ramdeen four for 42, R. Kalfie three for 28, R. Jackdaw two for 26 and A. Narrandes one for 35.).

WEEKEND LEAGUE COMPETITION

Sunday, 9.30 a.m., Ottomans v. Dundee United.

SIEGETOWN TENNIS OFFICIALS

The following officials were elected at the annual meeting of the Siegetown Tennis Club held at Ladysmith: President, Mr. B. Jungkalsabur; hon. secretary, Mr. T. Kuga; hon. treasurer, Mr. M. V. Naidoo; captain, Mr. C. Rugnakar.

IMPERIAL FORCES XI TO PLAY INDIANS

Two friendly cricket matches have been set down between Durban Indians and Imperial Forces on Wednesday, December 15, at Currie's Fountain, Durban, commencing at 10.30 a.m. The Imperials will turn out with several notable English players for their sides and good cricket for the day is expected.

MARITZBURG CRICKET

Orientals met United for the league final at Maritzburg on Sunday last. United having won the toss put in the Orientals to bat.

Orientals scored 168 for five wickets declared (A. H. I. Rawat, 55; Y. S. Cassimjee, 14; I. S. Cassimjee, 45 not out; and G. H. A. Bayat, 46. Frances, 4 for 70 runs).

United 1st innings, 41 runs all out. (A. A. Solomon, 5 for 16; A. I. Rawat, 3 for 11; and I. S. Cassimjee 3 for 23.)

United 2nd innings, 27 runs all out. (B. Frances, 10; I. S. Cassimjee, 6 for 13; A. I. Rawat, 4 for 14.)

Thus Orientals defeated United by an innings and 94 runs. By Orientals gaining five points from United they have won the league championship this season.

Schools defeated Stars in the league competition by 35 runs on the first innings. A feature of the game was the bowling of G. H. A. Cassimjee, who took eight wickets for 34 runs.

A SEAVIEW SOCIETY ELECTIONS

At the annual meeting of the Thirunana Sumbathar Society the following were elected officials: Patrons, Messrs. S. Chetty, V. Reddy, S. C. George, R. S. Naidu, K. Samuels; president, Mr. Swami Rannee; vice-president, Mr. D. S. Moodley; hon. secretary, S. Doorasamy Naidoo; assistant secretary, Mr. C. Chinasamy; hon. treasurer, Mr. G. K. Nair; committee, Messrs. A. M. Moodley, N. P. Moodley, N. Packree, S. N. Pillay, K. S. Moodley, M. K. Chetty, M. P. Govender, H. Moonsamy and P. K. Dass; hon. auditor, P. K. Dass.

ST. AIDAN'S YOUNG MEN'S CLUB

21st Anniversary Celebrated

An unusually large number of people responded to the invitations of the St. Aidan's Young Men's Club to a social on last Saturday evening in honour of the club's twenty-first anniversary.

Mr. S. S. Pillay, the president, in welcoming the guests, said that he had the proud privilege of having been with the club since the inception 21 years ago.

Mr. A. D. Lazarus, M.A., an ex-president of the club, stated that other clubs might open up in opposition, but the stamina that the St. Aidan's had would outrun any new club.

Mr. J. M. Francis stated that one of the noteworthy works of the club of late was that of distributing groceries and vegetables to 100 poor homes in the district during the Deepavali festival.

The president presented an address to the ex-secretary, Mr. J. Nadasen Naidoo, in appreciation of the nine years' work as secretary and treasurer of the club. Mr. J. N. Naidoo, in thanking the club for the address, said that he felt proud indeed, not because he was presented with an address, but because he had helped the club in attaining the twenty-first year. The club had been a lighthouse to many a youth who had to go through a stormy life, and youths joining the club would develop themselves physically, morally and educationally, he said.

One of the attractive items arranged for the evening was a play entitled "Death Trap," which was produced and presented by a member of the club. Excellent English music was provided by a group of Merchant Navy Men from India, whilst Ivanamurthi's orchestra rendered Tamil music.

RAND INDIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATION

Mr. Hoosen Jajbhay Elected President

The annual election meeting of the Johannesburg Indian Sports Association took place in the Gandhi Hall on Tuesday last. The meeting was fully representative. The meeting should have taken place three years ago, but was held back for some reasons or other.

There was a keen interest in the elections. Mr. Hoosen Jajbhay was elected president by an overwhelming majority. Other election results were as follows: Patron, His Worship the Mayor of Johannesburg; hon. secretary, Mr. Bob Pavadi; hon. treasurer, Mr. S. Singuram; trustees, Mr. Hoosen Jajbhay and Mr. B. Pyadi in place of Dr. W. Godfrey and Mr. D. M. Narsoo, respectively.

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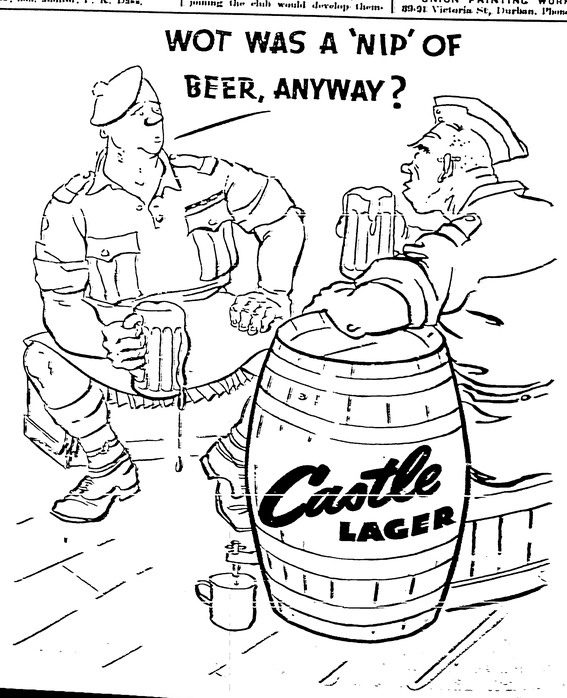

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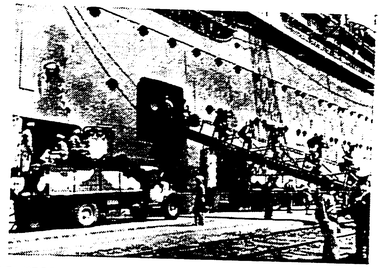

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A programme of special Christmas music and Tamil songs and lyrics will be provided by the choir of the Bethesda Temple from the Durban Broadcasting Studio on Sunday at 9.30 a.m.

Good Out of Evil

THE Government of India's plans to initiate a drive to cultivate vegetables and fruit as a complement to the Grow More Food Campaign should bring joy to the heart of every doctor and dietician, says a commentator.

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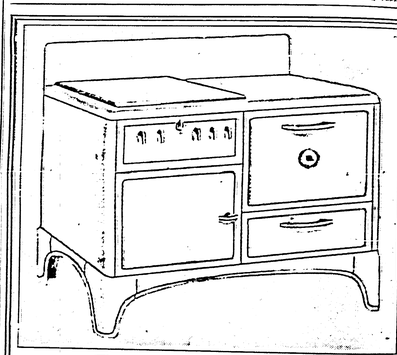
It is highly necessary that an early date arrangements should be made for the calling of a conference of all the Indian political bodies for the specific purpose of reuniting us.

R. RUGHBIR.



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About People

Dr. and Mrs. Ivan Godfrey have arrived in Durban. Dr. Godfrey is the eldest son of Mr. J. W. Godfrey, the well-known Indian solicitor.

Mr. Ragoonath Singh and family, of Ladysmith, who visited Richmond last week, have now returned home.

Mr. D. Rankey, of Johannesburg, was in Durban on a business visit, while the return trip during the week.

Sawood Ebrahim Khan and Abdool Cader Hajee are on a short visit to Nottingham Road.

Ahmed M. Parak is now in Maritzburg where he will spend the summer vacation with his parents.

Mrs. Govender and Miss Manoramanie Govender, formerly of Newcastle, now of Durban, are spending their holidays with Mrs. Govender's parents at Newcastle.

Mrs. A. Rowley and children, of Newcastle, are spending their holidays in Maritzburg with Mrs. Rowley's parents.

Mrs. M. C. Naidoo, of Maritzburg, and her two sons, Jagatheesan and Dummugum, will spend the Christmas holidays at East London. They will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Perry.

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RYAN—SIGAMONEY WEDDING

The marriage of Miss Caroline Selina Tommy Ryan to Paul Sigamoney was solemnised at the St. Theresa's Church, Mayville, Durban, on Saturday last by the Rev. Father Hugo.

The bride, who looked charming in her pearly white and exquisite attire, was given away by her uncle, Mr. C. D. Boulton. The bridesmaid was Miss Ruby Boulton and the best man Mr. Edward Ryan.

At the reception a large and beautiful wedding cake was cut by the happy couple after which congratulatory speeches were delivered by Messrs. B. Reuben, C. E. George, Fredie Gengan, Charles M. Pillay, and the Rev. Chesmon. The bridegroom suitably replied. Mr. Michael Daniels officiated as master of ceremonies.

DR. M. ISMAIL (right), present part-time medical officer for Indians, has been recommended for full-time appointment. She in private life is the wife of Mr. Shaik Abdulla (left), Durban.

Indian Women's Club Has a Successful Year

The third annual meeting of the Women's Indian Club was held at the Dartnell Crescent Indian Girls' School, Mrs. R. Bodasingh presided.

In her report the secretary stated that a great deal of work had been accomplished by members during the year, which was a very successful one.

The club was indebted to the many visitors who had addressed the club during the year, thus widening the interest and increasing the knowledge of members.

She mentioned the visit of members of the Depot hospital when cigarettes, etc., had been taken to the survivors of the ships sunk off the East African coast.

The club was responsible for a stall at the National Council of Women's fete last year, when the sum of £32 was raised for the Indian Gifts and Comforts Fund.

The treasurer's report reflected that the income during the year had exceeded expenditure by the sum of £7 5s. 10d. The club's assets had increased to the sum of £21 1s. 5d.

The following officials were elected for the ensuing year: Organizer, Mrs. Mellhenny; president, Mrs. Fakkee Esoojee; vice-presidents, Mrs. N. P. Pessik, Mrs. R. Reddiar, Mrs. E. K. Naidoo; hon. joint-secretaries, Miss E. G. Naidoo, Mrs. E. Kalidevi; hon. treasurers, Mrs. S. L. Singh, Miss S. Singh; committee members, Mrs. G. Christopher, Mrs. George, Mrs. A. P. Singh.

As a mark of gratitude of the club to Mrs. Joseph, the first organiser of the club, a party was held and a suitable presentation made for the valuable services she had rendered to the club.

Mrs. Joseph, who is now on active service, will return to the club at the end of the war.

MRS. ABDOOL VAHAB KAJEE

The death occurred of Mrs. Abdool Vahab Kajee at her residence in Durban North on Sunday last. Her funeral took place on the same day. She took ill suddenly and died with tragic swiftness after a few hours. She leaves behind a husband, Mr. A. V. Kajee, who is the youngest brother of Mr. A. S. Kajee, a son and a large number of relatives to mourn their loss. The sympathy of all friends is extended to the bereaved

Some Popular Recipes

POTATOES AND BEANS FOR RICE

Potatoes just now are cheap and plentiful and the following preparation is worth trying:

Six medium-sized potatoes, 1 cup grated cheese, 1 cup fresh or canned tomato puree, 1 cup of milk, 2 ozs. butter, 1 teaspoon sugar, 1 pinch chilli powder, salt to taste.

Method: Rub a little butter over the skins of the potatoes to prevent cracking, then bake in medium oven until tender. Cut small portions off each top, and scoop out the insides, mash this with the rest of the ingredients and beat until fluffy. Replace stuffing in skins, sprinkle with cheese and brown in hot oven.

A RICE SUBSTITUTE

Instead of rice try beans.

Dry bean stew—1 lb. ribs of mutton, not too lean; put into stewpan on stove with a small onion sliced thinly. Brown slightly; then add a pint of water and 2 small cups dry beans previously soaked. Stew till tender, season with salt and chilli.

A USEFUL HINT

When kitchen tea towels begin to hole or wear thin take two or even three of them and place them one on top of the other, being careful to put good parts of one over worn parts of another. Then machine-stitch them all round the edges, as well as around any holes to prevent anything catching in the rents and making them worse. A good thick towel is the result which has excellent drying qualities and will out-wear several single worn cloths.

BLOOD PRESSURE HIGH ?

HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE is actually not what it is called—it is really high resistance by the arteries to the pumping of the heart. Nothing can put a new set of arteries into a person whose blood pressure is higher than it should be because the arteries have hardened. That is obvious but every elderly person has a right to know what his or her best course is (a) to lessen danger, (b) to increase comfort and (c) to prolong life.

As a general rule the Simple Life is the best medicine. Small meals, reasonable exercise, light work, adequate interest, freedom from worry, no exposure to wet, plenty of sleep, not too much alcohol, tobacco or excitement, never getting angry, and keeping the bowels and kidneys active.

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The subjects Committee will meet on Saturday.

Revision of Rules and Election on Sunday.

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To the Muslim community the officials and members of the Nizamia Muslim Society wish all Muslims a happy and prosperous Eid-ul-Azha.

Thanks Notices

Mrs. S. Rajpaul and family wish to thank all friends and relatives for their kind messages of sympathy and floral tributes in their recent sad bereavement.

APPRECIATION

Mr. and Mrs. Gopiah Naidoo, of 34 Dundrum Grove, Mayville, Durban, wish to thank all relatives and friends for having responded to their invitation to the marriage of their eldest son, C. C. Naidoo (Gopal).

SUNDAY SERVICES

Under the auspices of the
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Will be held every Sunday at 4 a.m. Prayers, Havan, 9 a.m. Lectures by Pundit R. R. Maharaj. All welcome.

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OBITUARY

THE LATE V. NANASEE NAIDOO
(Age 25)

The annual ceremony of the late V. Nanasee Naidoo (formerly of Durban), second son of K. Venkanah Naidoo, only brother of V. Appleamy Naidoo,

who passed away on 16th February, 1942, at St. Aidan Hospital, Durban, will take place at our residence, New Guelderland Sugar Factory, on Saturday, December 26, 1942. Sympathisers, relatives and friends are kindly re-

THE LEADER

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1942.

Another Inquiry

THE Government have appointed Mr. Justice Broome to inquire once again into Indian "penetration." They were urged to take this step on representations made by the Mayor of Durban and his associates against the recent purchases of properties by Indians. The number of purchases was stated to be 200, and they were said to have been made after the publication of the last Broome Report.

In the course of an exhaustive inquiry, the Broome Commission, with Mr. Justice Broome as chairman, Mr. A. E. Charter and Mr. Nimrod Smit as members found that both in the cases of acquisition with occupation and in the acquisitions without occupation, one or more of the following reasons were present:

(1) The lack of housing and civic amenities in predominantly Indian areas;
(2) The increase in the Indian population;
(3) The improved standard of living of Indians resulting partly from the Cape Town Agreement and the consequent increased demand for dwellings separate from trading premises;
(4) The acceptance by Indians of Western standards of living resulting partly from the Cape Town Agreement, and the consequent increased demand for separate dwellings apart from the ancestral home;
(5) The attitude of Indian families as a result of the Cape Town Agreement and the consequent increased demand for dwellings;
(6) The attitude by Indians to "demonstrate equality" with Europeans or to make "gestures of defiance" against segregation.

"We have tried to place these factors in what we regard as their order of importance. It is obvious, however, that many of them overlap and mutually react. For instance, but for the lack of housing and civic amenities in predominantly Indian areas the increase of population would not of itself have resulted in the penetration of predominantly European areas. The same is to some extent true of the improved standard of living, the acceptance of Western standards and the entry of families in relation to the lack of housing and civic amenities. At the same time it must not be forgotten that there had been a considerable Indian infiltration in predominantly European areas long before 1936. The improved standard of living of those Indians, their acceptance of Western standards and the entry of their families would have caused further penetration quite apart from the lack of housing and amenities in the predominantly Indian areas.

"We have now set out what are in our opinion the reasons for the penetration which we find to have taken place. But before we leave the subject we desire to repeat that we do not for the part of Indians to live amongst Europeans. Where they have penetrated in European areas they have been actuated by the desire to make money, or by the desire to live in areas that are more attractive to them than those other than the presence of Europeans there."

We do not believe that the situation has changed to any great extent from On the other hand, the municipality the culprit. It has done nothing to meet the housing requirements of Indians. It has opposed every move to create any "zones other" for non-European occupation. It has never stopped shouting about "segregation" as a panacea."

The Whole City Council is avowedly anti-Indian; it cannot help itself when every councillor owes his seat to the support of one section of the community. There are men both in the council and outside of it—the Pietermaritzburg Townsfolk—who see to it that any anti-Indian temper is maintained. Where they have created the fear of it having its reactions once more has been panicky buying. To find a way to rationalise this matter is to extend the franchise to the Indians; when these problems will be solved in the council chambers and not as matters for an annual inquiry, as we now face in the Broome Report.

Our Readers Speak

"POLITICIAN AND REFORMER" "JUST AN INDIAN" REPLIES

So it's the Hindu in you, Mr. S. L. Singh, and "the question of your political opinions does not come into the picture." So you are really conducting a religious revival after the manner of an evangelist, and your "Hindu Renaissance Campaign" is really a Hindu reformation. Well and good. But don't you think it is best left to your priests and temples to preach your religion, admittedly "without any apparent harm"? Indeed, Mr. S. L. Singh, why reduce the "greatness of a community's civilisation, culture and religion" to the level of the washerboy, even though it is something to shout about? Why go out of your way and give us religion with fanaticism? To indulge in a lot of emotional bombast and to hoist the swastika is little short of fanatical.

I agree with Mr. S. L. Singh that one's religion and one's politics ought not to be confused. But that is precisely what he has done. Mr. S. L. Singh strikes me as one of those rare souls who is a politician and a great religious reformer at the same time. I hope Mr. S. L. Singh the spiritualist does not get the better of Mr. S. L. Singh the politician. Mr. S. L. Singh the Hindu does not get the better of Mr. S. L. Singh the Indian! This Religionationalist is confusing. At any rate, Mr. Editor, I hope Mr. S. L. Singh will tread warily on a path that is full of danger and mischief and for his displeasure.

I still remain

JUST AN INDIAN.

N.I.C.—A REPRESENTATIVE BODY

It is surprising to see Mr. S. R. Naidoo's attempt in vain to justify his extraordinary intrusion in replying to an open letter addressed to a high Government personage. I have never in my life seen such a thing happen and Mr. Naidoo has created an unenviable record. A letter is a letter whether open or closed? It is meant for the person addressed to.

Relying upon the Gita, Mr. Naidoo wants to see kinsman fighting kinsman, Indian fighting Indian, and, in other words, dirty linen being washed in public. Has this principle made him hurt in to wash the linen but his principle is wrong.

To him the Natal Congress does not exist, but there are unfortunate people to whom neither the sun nor the moon exists and for them we feel pity and compassionate.

I had spent ample patience and time in studying the records and propaganda literature of the N.I.C. and I was and am convinced that the N.I.C. does exist and is indeed the only representative body of the Indians.

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Colour Bar in the Building Industry

THE secretary of the non-European Building Workers' Industrial Union, Natal, Mr. B. Polly, writes:

In a recent report the Controller of Buildings in Pretoria stated that there was no unemployment in Pretoria because of war work and semi-government public projects. He stated that the latest return indicated that the position was not very serious. The whole statement is concerned only with white labour and not the Indian artisan at all. Colour bar in the building industry is playing an important part on Government jobs because while Indian artisans are available in Durban by the hundred they are not given jobs. The Controller of Man Power has agreed to transfer European artisans from Johannesburg on defence works in Durban. I recently learnt that European workers were not prepared to work alongside Indians, but the Industrial Council in Durban, comprising only of Europeans, still make by-laws as to how to tax the Indian by levies to meet the office expenses.

Indians can only work on Government works, that is, if they prove that they are Coloureds (father European and the mother's race unspecified). But pure Indians are not recognised.

In the garment industry in Durban European girls are allowed to discuss their own affairs in one union irrespective of colour or creed, but in the building trade Indian and European males should not mix. I wonder if this is fair play and just?

The Festival of Sacrifice

THE Festival of Sacrifice—Eidul-Duha will be celebrated by Muslims throughout this country, today (Saturday).

The celebration emphasises the ideal of sacrifice. "Your God is the One, to Him therefore surrender," says the Quran. An outward manifestation of the festival is the slaughtering of thousands of goats today and the meat will be distributed to the poor and needy.

Explaining the significances of the festival to the readers of The Leader the Young Men's Muslim Association says:

The revealed Book of Islam, which is also the last book of God, deals with the subject of sacrifice. It says: "By no means can their (animal of sacrifice) flesh reach unto God, neither their blood, but pity on your part reacheth Him." (22:38.)

It is your righteousness and piety which reach Him, and "the blood and flesh" are not acceptable to God. It is a lesson of piety and righteousness which is imparted to us through the sacrifice of these dumb animals. It is through their surrender to us that we learn the lesson of "surrendering to God," and its utility.

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it as in some ancient religion, namely, that of appeasing an offended deity or serving as an atonement for sin. In Islam it signifies the sacrifice of the sacrificer himself and becomes thus an outward symbol of his readiness to lay down his life and to sacrifice all his interests and desires in the cause of truth. The animal that is sacrificed really stands for the animal in man so that the outward sacrifice of the animal reminds man of the necessity for the sacrifice of the animal within him. And on one day, and one particular moment on that day, is chosen so that all Muslims' hearts from one end of the world to the other may pulsate with one idea at a particular moment, and thus lead to the development of the idea of self-sacrifice in the community as a whole."

INADEQUACY OF BED PROVISION FOR T.B.

The following resolution was passed unanimously at the last meeting of the Working Committee of the Friends of the Sick Association:

"This meeting regards with grave concern the increasingly large number of deaths from T.B. at the sufferers' homes. The work of our association is seriously handicapped by the inadequacy of bed provision for Indian T.B. cases.

"Cases that are curable are kept so long on the waiting lists for hospitals that by the time they are available it is often too late. Further, owing to the fact that home isolation is in all but a few cases impracticable the disease spreads in the community.

"Much needless suffering could be alleviated by the provision of adequate bed accommodation."

Copies of the resolution were sent to the Minister of Public Health; the Acting Professor of Indian Immigrants; Secretary of Public Health; High Commissioner for India; Municipal Health Department; Provincial Secretary; Commissioner of Asiatic Affairs; Secretary of Natal Anti-T.B. Association.

ANOTHER INQUIRY

The Government have decided to appoint Mr. Justice Broome, a Judicial Commissioner, to inquire into allegations of Indian penetration at Durban.

When a Natal deputation made representations to the Minister of the Interior, Mr. H. G. Lawrence, recently, it was alleged that more than 200 cases of Indian penetration had taken place at Durban since the Broome Commission sat.

Mr. Justice Broome will now investigate the position and make a full report to the Government. The inquiry will probably begin next February.

The office of the assistant secretary to the High Commissioner for India in the Union of South Africa, which has recently been opened at Durban, is located in Rooms Nos. 1114-1115 on the 11th Floor of the Colonial Mutual Life Building, 328-330 West Street.

INDIANS VIEWED AS CRIMINALS

Working of the Immigration Laws

INDIANS, whether men or women, moving from one province of the Union to another, are regarded by the Immigration Department with all the suspicion which one views a criminal. This was a statement made by a well-known Indian doctor this week to a Leader representative. He said that Indians who are unable to travel because of illness come to him for medical certificates because they had out-stayed the period allowed in the visiting permit and they were being harassed by the Immigration authorities.

The Indian is the only section of the community who is not allowed to travel except with a temporary visiting permit from the one province, the place of his domicile, to another province.

To the Indian the Union of S.A. is a union in name only. A Natal Indian must provide himself with a passport if he wants to go to the Transvaal or any other province of the Union on a visit. Here he can acquire no domicile. His visit is limited to a period of six weeks; he might have the period extended for another six weeks. After this he or she is made to pack up and leave immediately.

WORK FOR HIGH COMMISSIONER

THE doctor recalled several cases when Indians were made to suffer from the severity of the Immigration laws. One case he gave of an elderly woman from Port Elizabeth who had a married daughter in Durban. She was ill and would have liked to have stayed here a little longer but she was compelled to leave by the authorities. She was a person of means and would have been no charge on public charity. The doctor could see no valid reason why this woman was made to leave. The doctor could see no valid reason why this woman was made to leave.

Other cases, he said, were of Natal-born women who had married men domiciled in the Transvaal. When they came to visit their parents here the authorities saw to it that they were not allowed to stay, even though they were born in this province, longer than the period provided in their "passport." Representations made for any extension of stay were invariably refused. One of the few causes the officials would accept for extension such purposes was that the person was ill and unfit to travel.

"I have also had cases of young men who might have gone to a dry climate, such as of the Transvaal, for reasons of health. There they might have been able to fill in their time working, but the authorities would never allow such visits.

"It might be said," declared the doctor, "that the officials must but carry out the law and it was for the legislators to give relief. Surely such immigration laws should by now have become obsolete.

"I commend this matter to the High Commissioner for India for his consideration and for the necessary action. Here he might do something which would not only benefit his people, but would justify the huge expenditure of £10,000 a year that India has to provide to keep this office going."

COMMUNAL SEX SEGREGATION AT A CINEMA

Mr. N. Keshwar, Dundee, writes:

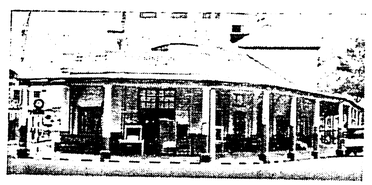
"It is barely two months that Sir Shafaat Khan made a stirring appeal in the Northern Districts for unity among all Indian peoples. He has hardly turned his back when what do we find? Racial segregation amongst the Indians themselves. For the third time in succession Indian pictures have been shown in a Northern Districts' theatre where a certain portion of the theatre was set aside for the sole use of the Muslim women; meanwhile the Muslim menfolk were allowed to mingle with the other sections of the Hindu community which included Hindu womenfolk.

"May I ask—are the Muslim women superior to our Hindu womenfolk? Apparently our womenfolk are considered outcastes. I understand the Purdah system, but surely women can mix with women. This is segregation. Segregation which we are supposed to be fighting tooth and nail.

"Enormous sums of money have been collected amongst the Indians and is being spent to eradicate segregation. By the looks of things our worthy Indian leaders have absolutely wasted their precious time and energy in trying to stamp out segregation.

"It pains me to think that the Muslims, the self-styled progressive class of Indians, should take a lead in sowing the seeds of discord. Last, but certainly not least, I appeal to my Hindu friends who have any sense of responsibility to their own class to boycott places where such segregation exists and boycott till this sort of segregation ends.

"I definitely do not think that I am asking too much for a boycott; and boycott we must, until such time that the Muslims are prepared to do their share for unity. I say emphatically we can have unity and still have our different forms of worship; and what is more it can be done."



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Sidelights On India

CHECK ON CYCLE THEFTS

In order to check increasing cases of cycle theft in Allahabad, a special police squad has been formed under a special scheme formulated by Mr. N. Aga, the city's District superintendent of Police. All cycle dealers and repairers have been required to keep registers of all cycles in their possession, including the ones brought to them for repairs, together with names and addresses of those who bring the cycles to them. Any cycles brought to them which bear no frame numbers will have to be reported to the nearest police station.

MIDNIGHT CLOSING

CAFES and public places of entertainment in Ceylon will in future not be permitted to remain open after midnight till 6 a.m., except under a special permit issued by the police. A new order under the Defence Regulations stipulating the hours of public entertainments has been gazetted. The premises affected by the order are those used for the purpose of any entertainment, dance, exhibition, performance, amusement, game, sport, cafe, restaurant canteen refreshment room or bar to which members of the public are admitted.

WEDDING AT WARDHA

THE marriage of Dr. Mohamed Yunus M.B.B.S. and Miss Sher Khan Kazi, M.B.B.S. was performed just before Mr. Gandhi's internment, at the late Jamnalal Bajaj's guest house in Wardha, in the presence of Gandhiji and Mrs. Gandhi, Acharya Narendra Deo and other inmates of the local Ashram.

Mrs. Gandhi and Gandhiji garlanded the couple with handspun yarn, and made a present of a silver embroidered perfume cup and a khaddar sari. The "Nikah" ceremony was performed according to Islamic rites, and Gandhiji affixed his signature in Urdu in the marriage register as one of the witnesses.

Gandhiji personally supervised the arrangements and looked to the guests' comfort. He jokingly remarked to the Orient Press correspondent: "I am proud of being father to the bride, and wish them a happy life. It is also my earnest desire that I may yet have frequent opportunities to celebrate such marriages."

CALCUTTA RACING

IN consultation with the military authorities, the Government of Bengal have decided to permit racing in Calcutta during the coming cold weather.

Government, however, desire to make it clear that they cannot accept any special responsibility or make any special arrangements for the protection of racegoers against aerial attacks. states a communique issued today. Further, Government will not hesitate to withdraw their permission should the situation appear to justify such action.

Holiday Publication Dates

Owing to the Christmas holidays the publication of The Leader will be advanced by two days. Copies will be obtainable on December 23 and 24. There will be no paper on January 2.

Greet Your Friends Through "The Leader"

The Leader offers its readers the opportunity of greeting their friends through its columns at the rate of 2/6 for 20 words. Greetings will be published under an attractive head in the issue of December 26. Copy must reach our offices not later than December 21.

The following is an example:

Naidoo, Mr and Mrs. J. C., 44 May Street, Durban, wish friends and relatives a Happy Christmas and peace in the New Year.

BOXING AT MILITARY CAMP

An interunit amateur boxing was staged at the Ladysmith Military Camp for the entertainment of non-European soldiers, under the supervision of Lieut.-Wessels, Lieut. Wessels and W.O.2 Seaman Chetty.

Boxers from the Cape Corps and the Indian Battalion (V) were matched in bouts in the various classes.

The bouts were keenly contested and the boxers of the Indian Battalion (V) achieved a remarkably high standard and distinguished themselves as capable boxers by winning five of the eight bouts.

FORECAST OF MARITZBURG CRICKET TEAM

I. ... Cassimjee (captain), V. S. Cassimjee, A. H. I. Rawat, A. I. Rawat, A. Sedayao, Harry Narain, Ted Cheetty, Sudhen Reddy, ... Reddy, N. K. Naidoo, K. Mathoo, ... Tawar.

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UNION PRINTING WORKS,

TEACHERS' SALARIES

Mr. A. M. Lazarus, hon. assistant secretary, Natal Indian Teachers' Society, writes:

"Last week's issue of your widely read paper contained a news item concerning a joint meeting of the executives of the Natal Teachers' Union and my society held on the 5th inst.

"In order to correct any wrong impression that the article might have given the public I have to point out that the Natal Teachers' Union was invited to hold a joint meeting with my society not because my society feared that the prospects of its members would be marred if the teachers in aided schools accepted the salaries now in operation in Government Indian schools.

"My society realises that all Indian teachers, whether Government or aided, live in the same economic structure, do the same work, and have the same needs, and therefore holds that there should be no great disparity in the demands of the two groups for better salaries. It was with a view to arriving at some degree of approximation in our demands that the joint meeting of the 5th was held.

"My society is of the opinion that the salaries now being received by Government school teachers are no adequate remuneration for the services of a teacher. Government or aided, and at the joint meeting urged the members of the executive of the union to take this important fact into consideration when an offer of improved salaries is made to them by the authorities."

The treasurer, Mr. A. K. I. Bhyat, of the Maritzburg and District Muslim Service League, has sent a cheque for £25 5s. being money collected for the Muslim National Fund to Mr. A. S. Kajee, of Durban.

The S.A. Red Cross Volunteer Aid Corps (Ambulance Division), Durban Unit 5/1, will hold the distribution of certificates at the Gandhi Library today (Saturday), at 3 p.m.

IN MEMORIAM

In treasured memory of our beloved wife and mother, Grace Hicks, who passed on to glory on December 20, 1941.

"To sad but true, we wonder why
The best are always first to die.
Life is Eternal, love will remain
In God's own time we'll meet again.

Sadly missed by your ...

TALK OF THE BAZAAR

BY "THE FAQIR"

PRESENTS FOR TEACHERS

A bazaarwallah from Pretoria writes of the practice among certain teachers to accept gifts from pupils. "The giving of presents to the staff at almost every term ending is continuous," he writes. "The teachers fall an easy prey to all home the teachers favour those children of wealthy parents who are in a position to afford these gifts. Things in the school have been getting worse. Some teachers fine a child every time he talks or is absent or for some such reason. The teacher accumulates this money and has a party in the class on the last day of the school term. I know of one case when the class funds had accumulated to £14. The teacher asked the class to make a quiz for him with this amount. He got something expensive instead. Well, he asks, when will this stop? The matter is simple if this bazaarwallah can say this on oath and is prepared to substantiate everything he says. Let the whole truth, and nothing but the truth" and send on the document to the Education Department. This should do the trick.

QUALIFICATIONS

The same bazaarwallah writes on the qualifications moral, educational and so on that are required in the appointments of commissioners of oaths. If I should print what he says the editor might find himself appearing in court.

A BAG OF TRICKS

I have had news from Karshani, the magician, who is having a busy season fooling and mystifying the large audiences, including Europeans, who come to see his acts in the various theatres of Johannesburg and the Reef. He has a new bag of tricks, including several new illusions. The most amazing new illusions are the "Demon of Doom" — an Oriental mystery, in which three 15-inch spikes are driven through his assistant's neck and arms, plus Karshani's escape from chains, barrels, canvas bag, hands tied and a locked trunk.

"Where do the rabbits go" is another one, and "The vanishing time." Karshani's production of solid articles from a small glass box. These are real food for thought.

At the moment Karshani is the fortnite stage star in all nonEuropean theatres in Johannesburg.

One day I might try some tricks, too? I would try to make some of our political "stars" disappear. I will begin with A.C., then follow up with the, then P.R., the chosen one for the Advisory committee. Of course it won't end there. I have still more names up my sleeve, but in the meantime I will keep Sorabjee.

THE TRUANT PROBLEM

The problem of the truant and the indifferent pupil, writes E. Thomas, principal in the Greyville School Magazine, has ever given cause for grave concern. "During the year efforts had been made for a closer cooperation with parents in this connection and I trust the position will improve with the Fun palaces, billiard rooms, dropes and the beach provide ample portunities for truants to while away s at a stretch." Add to this two more days when teachers closed school for Diwali.

"THE DOCTOR"

I read the quotation in The Career on "My Work: The Doctor." The moral is obvious. "So you will fall the burden of making South Africa a country in which anyone can live. But, if you love your work and want to do the best you can for your country, do not stay in the towns. Go out in the country, to the small dorps and the villages, to the farmers and the bywoners, to the natives and the people of the countryside. There you will find your richest rewards. They will not be in money, for you will make only a reasonably good living. But you will bring health and happiness to people who, heaven help us, have been neglected by most of us of the present generation, for we choose to stay in the towns. You will find the fullest satisfaction possible if you go out into the highways and byways, far from the crowded city areas. You will find there friendship and solidity that will repay you a thousand times for your choice. You will never be rich, but you will have the satisfaction of knowing that you will serve your fellow men and enjoy their respect." Did I hear that Stanger, Verulam, Umzinto, Port Shepstone needed an Indian doctor?

DUNDEE MUSLIM SOCIETY

A meeting of the Dundee Muslim Society was held in the Mosque sample room on Sunday. The members responded well. Mr. A. M. Patel presided. A few amendments were made in the new constitution.

Mr. A. I. Limbada, a student from Fort Hare, was gladly welcomed to the meeting. Mr. M. S. Motala stressed the need for a debating society and asked Mr. A. I. Limbada who, he said, had experience in debates, to kindly assist them in forming a debating society. Mr. A. I. Limbada promised to so. At the next meeting Mr. A. I. Limbada will lecture on "Indian youth must be educated."

Refreshments were served by Mr. Y. G. Meer. At the next meeting Mr. I. Pandor promised to provide refreshments.

CONCERT IN AID OF SICK FUND

A variety concert was held at the Avalon Theatre under the auspices of the Friends of the Sick Association. The concert was arranged and organised by the Umgeni Area Care Committee, a newly formed branch of the above association. Total takings, £66; expenses, £12 15s. 6d.; proceeds, £53 6s. 6d.

The entire net proceeds of the show was handed in to the treasurer of the Friends of the Sick Association as a contribution from the Umgeni Area Care Committee towards the T.B. funds.

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Well-Known Sportsman's Death

THE late Mr. S. Rajpaul passed away peacefully on Sunday night, December 7, at his late residence at the age of 42 years, and his remains were cremated at the Cato Manor Cemetery, where there was a large and representative gathering of prominent people.

His activities were varied and many. He held many important official positions in various institutions. He was regarded as a live-wire to whichever organisation he subscribed his name. His enthusiasm and arduous efforts have contributed much in the enhancing and furthering the objects of these societies.

As a social worker he was ever ready to sacrifice his time and energy. Prior to his demise he carried on as an estate agent in which sphere he earned his status and popularity of a thorough gentleman.

It was mainly through his instrumentality that the Indian tennis associations both in the Transvaal and in Natal were founded. At the time of his death he held the position of the president of the South African Indian Tennis Union after having been its honorary secretary for a number of

MR. S. RAJPAUL

years. He was also the president of the Maxville District Indian Football Association as well as of the Maxville District Indian Sports Grounds Association. His influence coupled with his interest in the field of sports was such that in the Cape Province he was privileged to declare open a tennis association which in due course became affiliated as a constituent unit to the South African Indian Tennis Union. He was a keen footballer, tennis player and cricketer.

He was the life vice-president of the Natal Indian Tennis Association, South African Indian Tennis Association and of the Moonlighters Tennis and Football Clubs. Also a trustee of the Maxville District Indian Sports Ground Association.

He is survived by his widow and three children.

As a testimony of the appreciation in which he was held was clearly indicated by the following messages of sympathy and list of floral wreaths:

Telegrams—Natal: Nancy, Fred and Dad, of Maritzburg; N. Pillay, of Ladysmith; O. Christopher, of Newcastle; Ramwathar, of Pongo; Kreshja; Singh Kallie; Kalleburan; directors, Adams Ltd., of Ladysmith; Dr. Pathal; G. M. Vawda; Natal Indian Football Association, of Newcastle; Justin Peters; Phillip Peter, of Mayfaburg; Naidoo (interpreter); David, of Dundee; and Kissoon, of Umzinto.

Johannesburg: Saunders and family; South African Indian Cricket Union; Thambi and family; the Rev. Sigamoney; Lawton; Naidoo Bros.; Cassim; Fredericks and family; Essop Jajbhay; Himshi Khan; Transvaal Indian Lawn Tennis Association; Johannesburg Indian Sports Association; Osman Hassim; Osman; A. M. Khamissa; Ebrahim Hassim; Willie-Ernest; Mrs. Kabalhana; Transvaal Indian Football Association, Cape Town; Isaac; Papah David; Western Province Indian Tennis Association; officials and members; Moonlighters Tennis Club; officials and members; Defiance Tennis Club; Anthony Johns.

The following is the list of wreaths: Mr. and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Pillay and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kuppu and family, Mr. and Mrs. Govender and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Pillay and family, Mr. and Mrs. Govender and family, Mr. and Mrs. Govender and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank and family, Maxville District Indian Sports Grounds Football Club, Executive and players, D. Baijnath, Mr. A. Peters and family, Mr. and Mrs. Govender and family, president, officials and members, Cassim Chowdree and family, his dear brothers and sisters, Mrs. Ramsamy and family, Mr. and Mrs. Govender and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ramsamy and Bros., Mr. Ramsamy and family, Nantindi Bros., A. C. Ayob and family, Lutchman & Co., S. Broadhurst and family, Mrs. M. Lee-Warner and family, officials and members, Natal Indian Lawn Tennis Association, Institute of Natal Indian Estate Agents, Babool and family, officials and members, Maxville District Indian Football Association, Mr. and Mrs. F. Ford, Mr. Cassim, Ramsay and family, Mr. and Mrs. Reddy, Babool and family, Mr. and Mrs. K. Samuels, Mr. and Mrs. Sathoo Soodyall, Bros. and family, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Daniel and family, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Singh, Mr. and Mrs. M K. Naidoo, K. Ramkreesnor and Bros., Mr. and Mrs. Raghbar and family, B. Baijnath and families, Raghbar and Sons, Messrs. S. Nolan and Ramsarop, Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Pillay and family, R. Ramprasadh and family, A. Camroodeen Bros. and family, Mr. L. Ganas and family, R. Sahib and family, Mr. and Mrs. K. Seedamburg, B. Jack Bros., Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Soni, Mr. and Mrs. R. Ramlall and family, Hans Maghrah and Co., Mr. and Mrs. Jugnath, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Lall and family, Jugdaw Ramdhar and family, Saxon Printing Works, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Roopnarian and family, D. Deonarain Bros., Messrs. Prasen Bros., J. Sewnarker and family, Harry Singh, G. Ramnathan and Sons, officials and members of Spes Bona Tennis Club, his beloved wife and children, Messrs. G. Nathoy Bros., G. Gobardhan and family, officials and members, Sydenham District Indian Sportsmen's Association, R. Sirpaul and family, Harry Sunker, Mr. V. K. Naicker and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Naidoo, Messrs. A. B. and R. A. Chetty, Sr. and Mrs. S. Bhujay Bros., Mrs. S. Lalchan and Sons, Ramcharan Bros., A. Jabaar, R. Beattie and family, Mr. and Mrs. Moodley, Mohan Bros., officials and members, Durban and District European Taxi Owners' Association, R. Ramdhani and family, Britannia Tailors, J. W. Godfrey and Staff, Mr. and Mrs. Satye Dev, Mr. Rajnath and family, P. R. Pather Bros., Mr. and Mrs. Seebran and family, Mr. and Mrs. Shaik Ahmed and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. Reginath and family, officials and members, Wentworth United F.C., R. Staff, Kuppoon Bros., Mr. and Mrs. Mahabeer and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul David and family, Messrs. Abdool Ganey and Sons, officials and members, Mayville District Indian Sports Ground Association, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Govt. Sewe and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. Bros., Mr. and Mrs. Parvadey Naidoo, officials and members, South Coast District Indian Football Association, George Singh and Co., R. Rajcoomar and family, S. Doyal Bros., R. Kuthbiman and family, Ramrai Bros. and family, M. and H. Moosa, Mrs. Jessery and Sons, and many others.

LADYSMITH CRICKET

On Sunday last Dundee United met Ottomans in the league fixture; the latter won by 92 runs on the single innings.

Ottomans batted first and collected 155. At one stage the score was 120 for three wickets, but the batsmen collapsed against the good bowling of Christy. C. H. Arnold, 67; E. L. Chapey, 31; A. E. Bolshaw, 14; and C. H. Shaik, 15. Bowling: M. H. Christy, 6 for 45; Cassim Essay, 2 for 38.

Dundee United then succumbed to Mr. Fowler's 27; M. H. Christy, 10; Bowling: C. H. Shaik, 2 for 9; E. A. Shaik, 4 for 11; M. Fakirjee, 3 for 16; and C. Rawlown, 1 for 23.

Weekend fixture league competition: 9.30 a.m.: Ottomans v. Ladysmith.

THE LEADER EVERY SATURDAY

RAND BANTU TENNIS CHAMPION

Beaten in Singles by Indian Schoolboy

Tennis enthusiasts were provided with a thrill at Durban last Sunday when Stanley Sekikane the Transvaal open champion, and C. B. Xorile, Transvaal open champion, and C. B. Xorile, Transvaal champion for Africans, in the Rand men's annual championships of Johannesburg, played a series of matches arranged by the Natal Indian Lawn Tennis Association with Natal's leading players.

In the first singles match between Sekikane and I. Reamdan, the Transvaal champion had an easy victory over the Natalian. Although Reamdan had a lead in the first set of 4 0 he eventually lost to the Transvaaler, the result being 6 1, 1 and 6 2.

In the second singles between Xorile and D. Lutchman the spectators saw the Natal schoolboy beat the conqueror of H. Jadhan in three straight sets. The match ended 6 3, 6 4, and 6 3.

Lutchman, still at college, played a fine game. The conqueror of Jadhav seemed to have found a tougher opposition in the secondboy.

In the afternoon the doubles match was played between the Transvaal pair and S. S. Maharaj and E. Ganey. After some fine exhibition of tennis in both pairs the match ended in favour of the Rand players by 3 6, 6 4, 6 3.

Before the commencement of the matches in the morning those present observed a few minutes' silence in memory of the late Mr. S. Rajpaul, the founder of tennis in Natal. In lunch Mr. P. B. Singh, a life vice-president, and Mr. N. L. Naicker paid tribute to his memory.

Mr. Perry Pillay, of Johannesburg said that not only Natal had lost a good sportsman in Mr. Rajpaul but although Transvaal had many rivals men it was the late Mr. Rajpaul whilst in Johannesburg paid a visit some years back, banished the Transvaal Indian Tennis Association.

A BILLIARD CLUB

The fourth annual meeting of St. Anthony's Billiard Club, Mariannhill, took place on Sunday last at St. Anthony's Church.

The following officials were elected for the year 1943: Patron, Mgr. Kithon, A. Frank, F. Martens, B. Peter, lar, M. Sebastian, E. F. Peters, president, the Rev. Father L. Gabriel, O.M.I.; vice-chairman, Mr. M. A. David; vice-presidents, Messrs. V. Arlethasamy, J. Raman, S. J. Ramsing, S. F. Peters, J. Anthony, T. Manickum, J. S. David, and Dr. R. E. J. Peters, Committee, Messrs. Messrs. N. Asay; J. J. Andrew, N. Goniah, J. Marrian, B. David, L. Thompson.

Executive members: Dr. M. R. Peters, Messrs. S. J. Ramsing, L. Thompson; hon. treasurer, the Rev. Father L. Gabriel; captain, Mr. S. David; vice-captain, Mr. F. Martens; competition committee, Messrs. T. David, Noel Asay, S. J. Ramsing, Martin, Joseph Peters, S. J. Ramsing.

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Scene at the Woking Mosque in England during the Eid-ul-Azha celebrations. Similar happy scenes were enacted throughout the Muslim world last Saturday on the occasion of Eid-ul-Duhr. In Durban the celebration kept to traditional form.

Mr. Jinnah's Birthday Celebrations

Mr. Mohammed Ali Jinnah's 66th birthday will be celebrated, under the aegis of the M. A. Jinnah Birthday Celebration Committee, at the Avalon Theatre, Durban, on Sunday, December 27, at 2.30 p.m. The public is welcomed.

JOOSUB WARD FOUNDATION STONE

The laying of the foundation stone of the Indian Ward (sponsored by Messrs. M. H. Joosub and Sons, Pietermaritzburg), of the Middelhuur Hospital, will be performed by the High Commissioner for India, Sir Shafa'at Ahmad Khan, on Wednesday, January 6, at 3 p.m.

OVERSEA VISITORS IN DURBAN

Returning to India After Completion of Courses

Some thirty Indians on their way from England were in Durban this week. They were returning homewards after the completion of their courses in the British universities. Among them included: Lieut. A. E. Sundaresan, M.B., B.S. (Madras), Ph.D., M.R.C.P. (Edinburgh), I. M. S. and Mrs. Sundaresan and child, Mr. Moolah G. Philip, B.Sc. (Hons.), B.Sc. (Eng.), A.C.G.I., etc., Mr. Vaikunth V. Mehta, B.Sc. (Hons.), B.Sc. Tech. (Manc.), A.M.C.T., Dr. S. A. Trivedi, M.Sc. (Hons.), Ph.D. (Manc.), A.Inst.P., Mr. G. N. Banerjee, B.Sc. (Cal.), B.Sc. (Eng.), Manchester, Mr. P. R. Dishpande, B.Sc. (Hons.), Eng. (London), Mr. S. I. Haque, B.Sc., A.M.I.Mech.E. (Wolverton), Mr. R. L. Vohra, B.A. (Hons.), B.Sc., A.M.I.Mech.E. (London), B.Sc., Eng. (London), Mr. A. B. Advani, B.A. (Hons.), N.F.S. (London), Mr. M. Narrasiavaram, B.A. (Oxon), Mr. R. C. Bammi, aeronautical engineer, A.R.C.O., and Mr. N. Yaitalingam, B.Sc. (London), Dr. M. A. Qureishi, B.A. (Hons.), Ph.D. (London), Mr. N. R. Ramoo, B.Sc., Eng. (Cal.), Mr. Sreenivasa, B.A. (Cal.), M.A. (London), Mr. V. Subhramanium, M.Sc. (London), Barrister-at-law, Mr. P. D. Rungasadhum, B.A., B.Sc. (Chicago), M. Rehman, B.Sc., Eng. (Newcastle).

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Your correspondent Mr. G. M. Parbhoo, has written under the title of "A £100 Challenge," in connection with the Hindu Renaissance Campaign and the hoisting of the Hindu flag organised by the Hindu Youth Organisation on November 15.

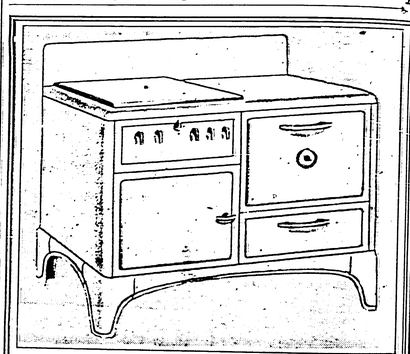
The challenge of Mr. G. M. Parbhoo has not been accepted by your correspondent "Just an Indian," who neither had the courage to reveal his name or to reply to the challenge, so, Mr. Editor, Mr. Parbhoo's £100 still lies idle, and I would suggest that the amount be donated to the newly Hindu Youth Organisation who are in need of funds to propagate their religion and do general reform works within the community and to carry on with the campaign which Mr. Parbhoo knows well since he was present at the gathering.

With all due respect to Mr. Parbhoo time is marching on—and the £100 still lying idle, so come on, Parbhoojee, send out a cheque to the Hindu Youth Organisation and there by express your sincerity that you really took off your hat to the Hindu youths.

DECISION.

Mrs. S. R. Naidoo, Dr. Deenadayalu and others have left for Kimberley for the holidays. They will be staying with Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Naidoo.

Pundit and Mrs. Jugmohan Singh, of Maritzburg, are spending the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. R. Bodasing and family at their farm in New Guelderland.



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...r. Appavoo, formerly of De Aar, ...s had qualified in medicine in Edin... ...s now returned to the Union. ... is the younger brother of Dr. ...son, of Port Elizabeth.

...r. and Mrs. D. Roopanand, of ...ers. D. Roopanand Bros., are now ... a visit to the Transvaal.

...Messrs. G. Sewpal and R. Sew... ...an, of Stanger, have left for ...hannesburg on Thursday last. They ...joying the trip by bicycle and ex... ...t to be away for a fortnight.

...r. C. Harriyan Xander, son of ...P. C. Xander, of Mansfield Road, ...ban, left this week for East London ...d Port Elizabeth, where he will ...nd the school holidays. He is a ...dent at the Lovedale College.

...r. and Mrs. D. Bramdaw and ...ily, and Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Singh ...e spent the Christmas holidays with ... and Mrs. H. Kissoon, of Umzinto.

...r. and Mrs. Ashwin Chowdree left ...s week for the North Coast for the ...ason. They will be the guests ...Mr. and Mrs. Harri Bodasing.

...r S. K. Naidoo, a teacher of ...nhauser Indian School, is spend... ...the summer vacation at Johannes...

...r. and Mrs. G. V. Naidoo and ...r daughter, of the "Lions' Lair," ...ell Road, Durban, will be spend... ...the Christmas holidays in Maritz... ...g with their family.

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TELEGRAMS of congratulations received from the different parts of the province were read out by Mr. Godfrey. Speaking in a light vein he said that he fulfilled most of the requirements that were required of a M.C. He recalled some of his recollections of the bride, who had told him that when she married she would not change her name. She would be still Sylvia and Seethal. He could not accept the position until he was let into the secret that the bridegroom, though not related, had the name Seethal.

"We want to wish her joy and luck in their married life. I want to congratulate the bridegroom on his choice. On your behalf I wish the bride and bridegroom long life, wealth and prosperity," he added.

Mr. A. I. Kajee said that the parents of the bride, both Mr. and Mrs. Seethal, had rendered great service to the community in the sphere of social child welfare and public work. Ever since Mr. Seethal had left the teaching profession he had been prominently associated with all our activities. "He is one amongst us with a sense of judgment." Both the bride and the bridegroom could do no better if they followed in the footsteps of Mr. and Mrs. Seethal.

On behalf of the Natal Indian Congress, Mr. V. Lawrence conveyed their sincere congratulations to the bride and bridegroom and to Mr. and Mrs. Seethal. "Mr. Seethal," he said, "is our friend and colleague . . . since the days of the N.I.C., treasurer of the Expropriation Committee, a past president and treasurer of the Natal Indian Teachers' Society, and on behalf of the president, Hajee E. M. Paruk, I garland him as a small token of our regard." He also presented a bouquet to the bride.

The garlanding of Mr. Seethal, remarked Mr. Godfrey, was acceptance of the fact that anything given to the husband was shared by the wife. (Laughter.) Mr. Seethal passed on the garland to his wife.

Mr. Sorabjee Rustomjee, after extending his own congratulations, said that short as the M.C. was, let the programme be equally short.

Other speakers were the Rev. W. Seidell, Mr. M. R. Pillay, Mr. P. Sundar, the best man, Mr. Dowley, and the bridegroom.

Mr. A. M. Ephraim, on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Seethal—his brother-in-law and sister—returned thanks.

The speeches were interspersed with songs rendered by Mr. P. R. Singh and party, and Miss Lalbhanoo.

THE WEDDING

The nuptials were celebrated in the presence of a very large circle of both Indian (of all denominations and religions) and European friends at St. Paul's Church, Durban, where the Rev. W. H. Seidell officiated.

The bride, who looked most charming in her wedding gown, was attended by her sister, Miss Cynthia Seethal, her cousin, Miss Phyllis Ephraim, four flower girls and a page. She carried a bouquet of white arum lilies and carnations.

The duties of groomsmen were carried out by Messrs. D. Dowley and B. Ramsamuj, cousin and brother of the groom respectively.

The engagement ceremony of Mr. Hassam Sacoor, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Sacoor Mahomed, a well-known Maritzburg businessman, to Miss Hajiani Bi-Bi, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Suleman, of "Bellair," River Road, Durban, took place on Sunday at the bride-to-be's residence. Amongst the guests included Messrs. I. V. M. Jooma, V. N. Mahomed, M. A. Mahomed, Ismail Latiff, J. Soomar, I. A. Mahomed, A. L. V. Mahomed, Jooma Moosa, A. K. Jeewa, A. G. Essa, H. T. Amod, Adam Habib, I. H. Amod, A. Osman and Ismail Sacoor.

Mr. S. Jugmohan (Tommy), of Springfield, on the staff of McNamee's, Durban, left on holiday for Capetown on Sunday. He will be the guest of Mr. R. E. Naicker, Mowbray.

THE SEETHAL WEDDING: THE PHOTO SHOWS THE BRIDE AND BRIDEGROOM WITH THEIR RETINUE

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The Year Under Review

WITHIN a week's time 1942 will have become a memory. No one, however, will be sorry at its passing—less the Indian in South Africa. While events of international importance, moving in epic and bewildering kaleidoscope, engaged the attention of the world the Indian community in South Africa, too, had its trials and tribulations, no less important because these changes finally and inevitably, obeying some inexorable law, culminate into wars of the type which the United Nations, at the moment, are striving to end. 1942 will live as an epic year in the stormy annals of the South African Indian, for while those in power in South Africa were engaged in stemming Fascist advance and destroying the horrendous doctrine of Adolf Hitler they, themselves, paradoxically, were blazing a trail of misery for the Indian and worshipping brazenly and unashamedly at the altar of a very thinly disguised National Socialism.

The year opened with the housing question still unsolved and the threat of their land being summarily acquired by the City Council hanging over the Indian people of Durban. In May the General Housing Board, which had met in January, released its recommendations regarding the Council's proposals. This was the signal for a widespread agitation by the Indian people and even by some decent minded Europeans against what is nothing but a thinly legalised spoliation of Indian homes. Later in the year the penetration cry, despite the assurance of a Government Commission on the subject, was taken up again and even now there has been nothing definite.

In the field of education the Indian people made a notable advance. As the result of Sir Shafat Ahmad Khan's proposal for a university college on Education Committee, specially constructed, recommended the erection of a Section of college instead, thus keeping in line with popular feeling. When the High Commissioner first made his statement on the subject of a university college the Durban City Council presented about six acres of land to the Indian to house the proposed educational establishment. Unfortunately a few weeks ago the Finance Committee of the Council rescinded the motion granting the land. This was chiefly due to the Petterson Petition cry of penetration. The matter still hangs in the balance.

In the field of social welfare, too, there has been an awakening. In the course of the year astounding revelations were made regarding the presence of malnutrition among Indian school children. This was due to the investigations of Miss F. English, who has not stopped at sensational but has with the help from different channels, attempted to remedy the position. Teachers in the aided schools and, at a later stage in the year, teachers in the Government schools put forward demands for better wages and conditions of work. Also for the first time in the history of South African Indians, Indian nursery men and women took part in the public life of the community as the result of the activities of the N.F.C. Indeed, these nursery men and nursery-maids found their way in this country ameliorated.

While the war loomed largely in the calculations of all liberty-loving individuals the Indian cannot help but look back on his own position. He need not despair altogether. His efforts in 1942 to hold on to the measure which he possesses should inspire him to greater effort next year.

Before the history of the year 1942 is closed the Indian community as a group was the arrest of Mr. Poonan Lal Maharaj on a charge of sedition. Mr. Maharaj has been in the forefront of the struggle for the Indian people and his arrest and detention for a period of nearly six months without trial, under Regulation 1 (bis) of the Emergency Regulations, has been a severe blow to the Indian community. Mr. Maharaj has been a tireless worker in the cause of

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Naik, Mr. K. P., 25 Mann Street, Durban, wishes all friends and relatives a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Naik (Jan), Mr. K. M., c/o Central Hotel, Durban, wishes all friends and relatives a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Naiker, Mr. S., wishes all friends and relatives a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

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Murgan, Mr. V., S.A. Slippers, Durban, wishes friends and relatives a Happy Christmas and peace in the New Year.

Naidoo, Miss M. Vetha, of 336 Berg Street, Maritzburg, wishes all friends and relatives a Happy Christmas and peace in the New Year.

Christopher, Mr. O. E. (President), and Mr. N. C. Naidoo (Hon. Secretary), of the Natal Indian Football Association, wish all supporters in Natal a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

James, Mr. and Mrs. N., and Son, of Malvern, wish their relatives and friends a Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

Sacoor Mahomed, Mr., Maritzburg, extends good wishes for Christmas and the coming year to all friends.

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Louise, Mr. and Mrs. F. and Family, of Tongaat, wish their friends a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

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Pillay, Mr. and Mrs. V. K., 54a Wilson Street, Dundee, wish friends and relatives a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

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Naidoo, Mr. and Mrs. V. P., of Park Rynie and Renishaw, wish friends and relatives a Happy Christmas and peace in the New Year.

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Mia, Mr. and Mrs. Ahmed, Dannhauser, wish their relatives and friends throughout the Union a Happy Eid and a Prosperous Future.

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Kadwa, Mr. S. I., Braemar, extends Seasonal Greetings to all friends.

Dharrie, Mr. R. T., wishes all friends and relatives a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Pte. Bobby J. Singh celebrated his 20th birthday up North. He received telegrams from relatives and friends.

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DURBAN SPORT

Cricket: Ideal weather prevailed last Sunday when the first round was played for the Natal Shield competition. Ottoman and Bharat secured double innings victories against Central and Young Central respectively, whereas the Young Muslims and Sparks got single innings wins over Kismet and Stars respectively.

Central won the toss and elected to bat against Ottoman and did not fare too well, as the whole side was out for a total of 75 runs; C. R. Naidoo 42 and Harry Naicker 11; Y. M. Mall five for 14 runs.

Ottoman managed to pass their score for the loss of six wickets and their innings closed at 122; E. I. Timol 42, J. Carr 17 and M. I. Shaikh 21; M. Saffeeden three for 30 and C. R. Naidoo three for 27.

On No. 1 ground Stars met Sparks and batting first only scored 73; G. N. Butler 13, H. Kazi 35 and Y. M. Timol 17; D. Jack six for 23. This total was passed by the Sparks at the loss of eight wickets. The Jack brothers are playing consistent cricket this season, Davidson scored 27 and Jimmy 33.

Except for G. Bhana, 45, and K. S. Patel, 11, Bharat batsmen failed and the side was out for 98 runs. Young Central did no better, they were out for 42 runs; M. Kasval 19. In their second innings Bharat scored only 82; S. M. Patel 11 and J. Kalyan 17; C. Joseph bowled very well and took seven wickets for 11 runs. Young Central required 93 runs to win but failed by 55 runs.

Muslims batted against Kismet and scored 137; M. I. Yusuf 34, G. Mahomed 27 and G. M. Asmal 26. Kismet managed to gather 66 runs; C. I. Omarjee 19, A. H. Cassidia 13 and M. Schroeder 17. In their second innings Muslims declared at 166 for seven wickets; M. I. Yusuf performed some fireworks, collecting 77 runs, which included five sixes and eight fours. Kismet fared better in their second innings and at close of play had 96 for five wickets; M. E. Jadwat 33, R. Haffejee 20 and Schroeder 23.

DECEMBER 25, NATAL SHIELD COMPETITION

Young Bharat v. Bharat,
Greyville v. Sastri College.
Otto v. Orientals.
Hours of play 9.30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The following players were selected to represent Durban in the Intertown match against Maritzburg to be played in Durban on January 1 and 2: V. Abrahams (captain), D. Jack, J. Jack (Sparks C.C.), A. I. Timol, E. I. Timol, Y. M. Mall, G. H. Dawjee (Ottoman C.C.), M. Saffeeden, M. Kisten Reddy (Central C.C.), P. Moosa (Greyville C.C.), A. H. Cassidia (Kismet C.C.); 12th man, A. S. Randaree (Kismet); manager, Mr. M. S. Badat.

Young Muslims C.C., of Durban, will tour the Cape Province during the holidays and will leave for Cape Town by the 6 p.m. train on December 25. They will be the guests of the Vineyard C.C. Mr. R. E. Haffejee is the manager.

Athletic Union: The annual meeting of the Durban Indian Athletic and Cycling Union was held last Sunday, and after the usual business the following were elected as officials for the ensuing year: Patrons, Messrs. K. Marrie, T. Raghubar and G. Ghuss; president, Mr. R. L. Bowllun; vice-presidents, Messrs. R. Perumal, K. Bawllun, R. Bipon, G. M. Nair, K. S. Paul, C. G. Pillay and G. K. Singh; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. H. Goodall; assistant secretary, Mr. P. K. Naidoo; hon. record clerk, Mr. R. Bowllun; hon. auditor, Mr. K. Rawchen.

NORTH COAST CRICKET UNION

Mayor Elected Patron

The following have been elected officials of the North Coast Indian Cricket Union: Patrons, The Mayor, Mr. R. Ellis Brown, Councillor Mrs. A. G. Maytom, Mr. A. Christopher; president, Mr. T. M. Naicker; vice-presidents, Messrs. S. K. Reddy, D. S. Chetty, A. D. Pillay, M. A. Moosdeen, G. Khan, J. Joggath, and C. E. Parekh; secretary and treasurer, Mr. S. K. Reddy; delegates to the Inter-district Cricket Union: Messrs. H. D. Pillay, D. S. Chetty, G. Khan, S. K. Reddy; nominee, Mr. S. K. Reddy; selection committee, Messrs. T. M. Naicker, S. K. Reddy, A. D. Pillay, D. S. Chetty and E. L. Rehare.

Clubs affiliated: Marigold, Queens, Verulam Temple, Umgeni Old Boys, and Verulam Muslims.

LEAGUE FIXTURES
(Umgeni Ground)

Saturday (25th): Verulam Muslims v. Verulam Temple.
Sunday (27th): Marigold v. Umgeni Old Boys.

FIVE-A-SIDE SOCCER AT AVOCA

Twelve teams participated in a tournament which was played at the Avoca school grounds. A beautiful trophy was presented by Mr. J. Seshiah.

Young Springbicks (captain, M. Gengan) beat Yanks (captain, R. Rajoonah) by three goals to one in the final match, which was refereed by Mr. M. I. Yusuf.

The tournament was conducted by Messrs. J. J. Hammond and I. J. Panday.

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS

and

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

to all its readers.

CRICKET AT LOUIS TRICHARDT

The Star Sporting (Cricket) Club, of Potchefstroom, met the Louis Trichardt Club on the latter's ground. Batting first Louis Trichardt were all out for 153, A. H. Sultan being the highest scorer with 45 runs. The most successful bowler was M. Gani, who took 4 wickets for 35 runs.

Replying, the Stars scored 110 runs, the chief scorer being A. E. Tayob (39 runs).

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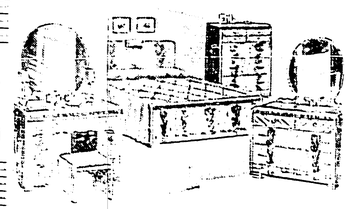

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THEIR SIGN YE SHALL KNOW THEM

ndus Want "The Badge of All Our Tribe"

DUS in this country are to have a badge or some other means of ntification to show their religious faith and are to be worn on special such as at Hindu holidays and social functions. As to what form the ge should take—suggestions were made of a particular type of cap, an ban," a strip of white material over the shoulder, and so forth—but ested and the matter was left to the new committee of the Hindu bha, which met in Durban last Saturday and Sunday for further ion.

S. SHWIN CHOUDREE, introducing the resolution on the of the ancient Hindu insignia, That this was no new in- but in this country the of the Hindus was conspicuous ence. The insignia adopted dha Sabha in India had a ficance for the Hindus. He symbolised the essential and l basis of Hindu life and and was an expression of ense of unity of the Hindus.

Be you Gujerati or Tamil or Hindustani there is one thing you have in common, and that is your common culture and your universality of outlook. Your Vedas, your epics, your Puranas and Shastras stand as a living monument of the common purpose of life as preached by your sages. In all fundamental aspects they are one. It overrides the bounds of your dialects, your rituals, and your customs, It is the greatest unifying factor in your lives, and I cannot but exhort you to instil in your hearts that unity of purpose, delve more deeply with a discerning eye into the many philosophies of your civilisation and create amidst you a sense of brotherhood that must finally find expression in your solidarity. The insignia is the expression of your unity, and I ask of every Hindu, if he cherishes the heritage of the ancients, if he respects the unrivalled traditions of his faith, to wear the insignia as often as possible, and let it be incumbent upon him to wear it on auspicious occasions, such as Deepavali and other Hindu festivals."

Mr. Hans Maghraji, in seconding the resolution, warmly supported the awakening of the Hindu culture. He said: "That treasure of wealth that Mother India has been contributing to the world for centuries is lying dormant in this country. Be proud of your sages, gain wisdom from their lore, and you will have done well. The insignia harmonises the great philosophies and religions of India and you should be proud of having the privilege of wearing it."

CAP NOR HOOD

— . . . If . . .

The non-European students of the Natal University College will, it is learned from reliable sources, refuse to graduate in presentia this year if the college authorities persist in discriminating between European and non-European at the graduation ceremony.

This year, it is expected, the largest number of non-Europeans so far will graduate from the Natal University College.

The ugly head of the colour bar was raised about two years ago by the N.U.C.

Non-European students were not allowed to write their examinations in the same room as the European students. At the end of last year the same policy was used. One case

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