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Central met Young Muslims in the
league competition at Currie's Foun-
tain and were defeated by seven wic-
kets. In their first innings Central
collected 63 runs and in the second they
did better and had 101 runs. Muslims
scored 112 in their first innings and
37 for 5 wickets in their second.
In the Asmal's Cup competition
Lamet beat Young Bharat and thus
won the cup. The scores were—Lamet,
107; Young Bharat, 50. Greyville (69
runs) were beaten by Bharat, who had
75 runs for three wickets. Otto and
Sastri College were defeated by Bharat
and Orientals in the same competition.

A DENIAL

Miss H. Cowie, Secretary, Maritz-
burg Coloured Ladies' Hockey Associa-
tion, writes:
With reference to your article on
page 7 of your Leader issue of the
15th inst., my association wishes to
reiterate the statement made therein
as regards an intertown match between
the Durban Indian Women's Hockey
Association and the M.C.L.H.A.
No correspondence has passed be-
tween the two unions concerned.

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for April 18. Newsletters are being
made with the Benit and Coloured
organisations to co-operate to make
the show a success.
The annual meeting of the Durban
Indian Tennis Club will be held today
(Saturday), at Currie's Fountain at
2.30 p.m.
Competition for Yakob Bros.
trophy will be played for tomorrow
(Sunday), commencing at 8.30 a.m.
over 18 holes model. At 12.30 p.m.
committee meeting of the Durban Golf
Club will be held.

On Sunday last Ottomans met Miz-
lem for the Pillay's Cup final at Lady-
smith. The latter club was defeated.
Scores: Muslim, first innings, 36;
Ottomans, 42 for 2 wickets declared.
The South Coast District Indian
Football Association (Sunday League)
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(Sunday).

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INSULT AND SLUR TO INDIAN NATION

Recall High Commissioner as Protest

A committee meeting of the
Natal Indian Association, held on
Friday, the following resolution was
passed:
"The Natal Indian Association in-
vokes with grave apprehension
the statement of the Hon.
Minister of Interior before the
House on the question of alleged
Indian Penetration.
The Committee is satisfied that,
after having made an exhaustive
examination of the case for the
Natal Indian Association, the recent
Natal Indian Association, the allegations
made in what are regarded as Euro-
pean areas.
(1) having sabotaged the Lawrence
Committee, which, at the incep-
tion, through the instrumentality
of the Indian members on the
Committee, was able to disprove
the Indians from acquiring properties
in what are regarded as Euro-
pean areas.
(2) Neglect, amounting to utter
callousness, in refusing to make
available from its own un-
alienated lands, sites with view
and full civic amenities for
acquisition by Indians,
and avers that these two failures

M.P. SAYS "COOLIES" T.I.C. Protest

REFERENCE to Indians as 'coolies'
in Parliament last week has
evoked a protest from the Transvaal
Indian Congress, Congress, in a tele-
gram to the Speaker (with copies to
the Prime Minister and the Minister of
the Interior) states:—
"The Transvaal Indian Congress re-
corded strong protest at the Member
for Fortburg's reference to Indians as
Coolies.
"We have previously decried the
Government's attention to the indigni-
ty felt by the Indian community at
the use of this offensive and insulting
term. The word offends the uncom-
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Association Makes Its Case

ATTENTION, Mr. LAWRENCE: THE RIGHT TO BE HEARD

"Your Refusal Leaves No Alternative But to Refrain"

YOUR refusal to extend the scope of the Terms of Reference has left our Association with no alternative but to refrain from giving evidence before the Broome Commission, because we felt very strongly that the inquiry just concluded raised fundamental issues, which are inextricably bound up with the question of alleged Indian penetration that it would be unjust and unfair to ignore them as a basis of conclusions which may be arrived at by the Commission. Being precluded from giving evidence regarding the reasons for "penetration," the Association's representatives, after making its protest, withdrew from the Commission. Notwithstanding this the Association has claimed to exercise "a constitutional right to bring to your notice our submission of the case."

Analysing the case of the Durban City Council, which had listed 291 acquisitions by Indians from October 1, 1940, to December 31, 1942, and a further 42 acquisitions up to February 28, 1943, in all 333 acquisitions, the Association asserts that 47 sub-divisions, which are parts of transactions, the "penetration" list and demarcation, the Association contends that "the seven areas were 291 acres, which were to house 24,351 Indians. The area of the Old Borough of Durban is 8,274 acres, and allowing one-third for open spaces and unalienated Municipal lands, there remain 5,516 acres. Dedicating the 291 acres which the Council has arbitrarily allocated to Indians, we arrive at 5,312 acres. The whole of this area is claimed by the Council and supported by the previous Commission as being predominantly European as at 1st January, 1927, and this area was to house 70,710 Europeans (1940 census).

A CAREFUL ANALYSIS

IN our memorandum (states the Association) presented to the Commission, we dealt very exhaustively with the reasons that have actuated our people in acquiring properties in Durban. We have said that the seven areas in the Council's Map cover 291 acres and the Council cannot expect the growing Indian population of the Old Borough, which is 25 per cent. of

great facility of money as a result of the war, and we again reiterate that trade and landed properties are the two sources of investment, which are open to Indians. The restrictions on imports, the continued inability on the part of tradesmen and merchants to recover their stores to the limit of their power of the average Indian and the easy means of obtaining finance at a low rate of interest are all additional factors which have contributed to the acquisition of landed properties by Indians in recent times.

We submit that no ground has been advanced by the Council against acquisition by Indians of properties listed in our schedules 1 and 2, because these are the areas into which there must inevitably flow Indian expansion from the seven areas. The Council cannot deny the fact that the acquisition of property in these areas is a necessary condition to meet the housing requirements of a large majority of the Indian population of the Old Borough of Durban.

There are 77 transactions appearing in Schedule 4. All these properties are portions of Block AL of the Town Lands of Durban. Almost all the plots are decent sized and some that are situated in the avenue are "view" sites. We desire to recall the fact that our representatives on the Lawrence Committee dissuaded many of our people from acquiring properties in what are regarded as predominantly European areas in the hope that the Durban City Council would allocate to its unalienated lands sites commanding views. And, moreover, housing is necessary for a class amongst our people that approximates the middle class amongst Europeans.

STARVED OF HOUSING

The Council failed in its duty to our people, who starved of housing accommodation and who with an urge to live decently and in conformity with western standards of life, had no alternative but to purchase the dwellings in Block AL. It must be mentioned that with the exception of a few dwellings in Block AL are old-fashioned with no modern appointments and can by no means be compared with the dwellings in the more fashionable localities like Mornington, Glenwood, the upper Berea, Durban North, Westville, etc. European residents in the Old Borough of Durban have consequently moved from a locality which has become out of date to a fashionable locality. We say that the Europeans in selling their properties in Block AL were urged by two considerations, viz.:

- (a) They were due to the sudden inflation of price in properties, receiving more money than the properties were actually worth.
- (b) They would be in a position to purchase dwellings in more fashionable centres.

The fact that many of the Indians who purchased properties in Block AL have had to spend hundreds of pounds in improving and modernising the dwellings is sufficient evidence to show that most of the properties were old-fashioned.

In Schedule 5 there are shown 15 transactions. These are date which are occupied solely by Europeans. All these date have been purchased by Indians as investments.

In paragraph 5 of its report, the Commission states that only 150 were occupied. This represents less than 50 per cent. Further the 291 acquisitions as a whole it would be safe to assume that occupancy by Indians cannot be more than 55 per cent. at an outside estimate.

We disregard the graphs that have been put in by the Durban City Council and marked Annexures CL, CH, CI and D. In the first place we are opposed to the method of substantiating

graphs in an inquiry such as the present and in the second place the graphs without indicating the corresponding purchases by Europeans cannot give true perspective of the picture.

On page 3, paragraph 2, the Commission states that the Commission has no difficulty in accepting the fact that the average over the years 1927 to 1939. The Council little helps in the world passed through one of the worst depression since the war and the property acquisition during the depression period must naturally be low.

We have already pointed out as to the facility of money since 1940 due to several reasons we have given, and is, therefore, needless for us to dwell on the Council's case in regard to the sharp acceleration of Indian acquisitions.

It should be borne in mind that the conditions have always given rise to abnormalities. The acceleration of acquisition of landed properties by Europeans in the present property market by what European sellers, on the one hand, is aimed to profit themselves considerably, and a distinct advantage of acquiring properties in more fashionable or select areas, and on the other hand, Indian purchasers desired to secure properties for investment in the first place and for occupation in the second place.

There is no denying the fact that the Indian community placed its hope in the Lawrence Commission, and was ostensibly created to engage and in the bigger task of meeting the housing needs of and providing employment for the growing Indian population of Durban, with its concomitant urge to conform to western standards of living. The Indian representatives on the Lawrence Committee pledged themselves to do all they could in the provision of housing needs of our people. We make the point that the working of the Lawrence Commission was brought to a standstill by the deliberate attitude of the Council, who refused to consider the reasonable needs of our community.

We have on record several cases of Indians who were content to wait for suitable sites were made available to them (see minutes of proceedings of the Lawrence Committee). The working of the Lawrence Commission, and the attempt by the Durban Council to appropriate the Riverside area, entered in the minds of our people a feeling of better disappointment in the attitude of the Durban Council, whose duty it was as trustees for all sections of its population to meet the needs of Indians as it did to Europeans.

The persistent failure amounting to refusal by the Durban City Council to provide housing and sites available to its large Indian population has become axiomatic, and it may be stated that this was also one of the reasons which actuated Indians to secure their own properties.

By Europeans in the occupancy of fixed property in the occupancy of business, the cry of "penetration" presents a strange phenomenon which defies explanation in the Indian buyer escapes any reaction, but in the extent, however, the Indian is in charge of "penetration" in which the general body of Europeans join in denouncing the Indian and in raising an agitation against him.

We have given reasons for the acquisition of properties by Indians from 30th September, 1940, to 28th February, 1943. We also claim that more of the reasons set out in our memorandum (see page 3).

THE SABOTEURS

the memorandum the Association calls its association as members of the Lawrence Committee, with the Council directed towards the improvement of Indian housing, but it is to be declared that the "Durban Council not only failed to provide a site for Indian acquisitions, but refused to continue with the Lawrence Committee unless they were with statutory powers." This, it is contended, forms the ground to the present cry of "sabotage."

The Commission states: "In conformity with your (Mr. Lawrence) wishes as manifested by the Reference there was honest and many cases successful attempt to part of the representatives of the Association on the Lawrence Committee to dissuade Indians from purchasing properties in what are regarded as predominantly European areas. This is borne out by the expression of opinion found in the following paragraph, which was passed by the Lawrence Committee on April 18, 1940: 'That this Committee places on its appreciation of the assistance rendered by the Indian representatives of the Commission in investigating and reporting on the matter submitted to this Committee from time to time.'"

It is in its memorandum submitted by the Lawrence Committee to the previous Broome Commission that the following significant passage appears: "Since the inauguration of the Lawrence Committee the number of properties which have been laid before the Council has steadily diminished."

We now come to the point where, notwithstanding our letter of December 22, 1941, to the Town Clerk the agitation against alleged Indian "penetration" instigated by the Durban City Council and other European interested parties reached an intensive pitch resulting in your arrival at Durban in May, 1942, and meeting members of the Lawrence Committee at Durban City Hall on May 21, 1942. At this meeting you sought ways and means to strengthen the Lawrence Committee.

The Indian representatives, however, accepting what it learnt from the Press, at this interview we learn that a Map was presented to you to show the extent of alleged Indian penetration, the accuracy or otherwise of which those of the address to the Committee was brought to a standstill by the deliberate attitude of the Council, who refused to consider the reasonable needs of our community.

Association's Case

(Continued from Page Two.)

Report apply to acquisitions by Indians as the subject of the present inquiry.

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The acceptance by Indians of western standards of living results partly from the Cape Town Agreement and the consequent increased demand of separate dwellings apart from the ancestral huts.

The entry of Indian families as a result of the Cape Town Agreement and the consequent increased demand for dwellings.

people into predominantly European localities, they had every right to ask that areas be set aside which they can occupy. They should not leave the Indian community in the lurch. What had struck him was that this report, while turning down the specific sites which had been under review, made no alternative offer. It did seem to him, prima facie, that this fact did disclose a case for the Indian community.

After this conference the Association's representatives on the Lawrence Committee expected that the City Council would have taken serious note of the remarks made by you, and that it would as a result propose to make available sites for Indian acquisition and housing. To our regret the Council did not move an inch, but on the contrary attempted to appropriate the one choice area that the Indian community possessed in the Alder Area, namely the Riverside Area, owing to the very strong opposition by the Association the expropriation scheme of this area was abandoned by the Council.

On December 22, 1941, the Indian representatives on the Lawrence Committee sent a letter to the Town Clerk and it will be observed in that letter that mention is made of the fact that since November 7, 1940, to the date of the letter in question only two meetings of the Lawrence Committee were held. The failure on the part of the Town Clerk to call these meetings regularly constituted in our firm opinion an attempt to sabotage the Lawrence Committee, much to the detriment of the Indian community.

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the question of Indian Housing was interwoven with the question of alleged Indian penetration, and notwithstanding this the Council has done nothing in this regard nor has the Council taken the Association Representatives into its confidence.

The Press statement issued by you on May 25, 1942, contained the following passage:

"He emphasised, however, that he did not visualise the Lawrence Committee confining its activities to this question. Alleged Indian penetration, and he urged the City Council's representatives to give proper attention to such question as housing and the provision of civic amenities in Indian areas. All three of these questions were in his opinion inseparably linked together."

The object of your visit to Durban on this occasion was to press the Lawrence Committee to continue its functions for another year before you were able to consider legislation to prevent alleged Indian penetration. The Indian representatives on the Lawrence Committee were at all times prepared and willing to carry out as far as it was in their power to do so the terms of reference of the Lawrence Committee, but the Durban City Council not only failed to provide suitable sites for Indian acquisition, but also refused to continue with the Lawrence Committee unless they were invested with Statutory powers.

On the question of Statutory powers being given to the Lawrence Committee the observations of the Natal Indian Association are continued in its letter to the Secretary of the Lawrence Committee.

Nothing was heard from the City Council since July 13, 1942. It was towards the end of December, 1942, the City Council in one of its periodic sessions held a deputation before you supported by some of the Executive Members of the Natal Provincial Council and several members of Parliament. Of this deputation and the nature of the representations made to you the Indian community knows nothing excepting what it learnt from the Press. At this interview we learn that a Map was presented to you to show the extent of alleged Indian penetration, the accuracy or otherwise of which those

was no one on behalf of the Indian community to challenge or dispute. The result of that deputation was the appointment of the present Judicial Commission.

MR. CHOUDREE COMMENTS

COMMENTING upon the resolution (see page one) of the Natal Indian Association, Mr. Ashwin Choudree, the mover of the resolution, interviewed, stated:

"The Union Cabinet's contemplated pegging Bill, apart from the humiliation it inflicts upon the Indians in this country, is a direct affront to the Government of India and the Indian Nation; more particularly at this juncture, when the whole civilised world has ranged itself together in a life and death struggle against Fascist tyranny and oppression."

"Indians in South Africa cannot but regard the threat of the Minister of Interior, Mr. H. G. Lawrence, as anything but the negation of those very things for which the United Nations are waging this titanic struggle."

"If the contemplated pegging Bill receives the sanction of law then the Union Government will have repudiated the principles of the Atlantic Charter to which it professes to subscribe; this against Indians a bitter country in the British Commonwealth of Nations which is also playing no mean part in the Allied war effort."

"Sir Shafa'at Ahmad Khan is held in high esteem by the Indian people of this country and the request of the Association is to be contained in no other light than that the presence of the High Commissioner's office in South Africa is incompatible with the dignity of the Indian nation if the contemplated Bill were to become law."

"In the eyes of the world South Africa must be judged, not by what it professes, but by what it does. No other act could bring the position more clearly into focus before the world than the revocation of the High Commissioner from South Africa; nor can the resentment of the Indian nation be more fittingly expressed."

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Mainly About People

A telegram was received from Sheffield at Mr. Darwood Saleh Mall, son of Mr. A. Mall, of Messrs. Mall (Priv.), Ltd., well-known engineering firm, of Washbank, passed his doctor's examination successfully last week. Dr. D. S. Mall, M.B., C.H.B., took his medicine at Sheffield and will return to South Africa immediately the war terminates. He intends taking the tropical disease course. Dr. D. S. Mall is an ex-student of Asiatic College and Fort Hare College. He is Washbank's first Indian doctor.

The engagement has been announced, on March 29, between Miss Freda Charles, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Percival Charles, of Durban, sister of Bertie Hector Charles, to Johnny Oobryan, second son of Mrs. and the late Mr. R. Oobrial, brother of Tommy Oobrial, of 72 Centre Street, Overport.

The engagement of Miss Ameena Cassim Goolam, of Bulwer, to Mr. A. H. Kathrada, of Durban, was announced on Wednesday, March 17.

Mrs. J. Magnioli and Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Dayal, who have now returned after their holidays in the Transvaal, wish to thank all friends, including those in Natal, with whom they stayed, for their kindness and hospitality.

Mr. S. A. Bhabha, of Carolina, wishes to thank all friends in Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, East London and Durban for the kind hospitality extended to him during his stay at these places.

Mr. J. Naiaasen Naudoo, of Durban, returned last Sunday morning after having spent three weeks' holiday at Grahamstown and Port Elizabeth.

WEDDING NEWS IN
BRIEF

The wedding took place at Inzogo of Yusuf Bhegee, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ebrahim Bhegee, of Maloniemi, and Hava Hibi, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mahomed Ismail Ameen, of Inzogo, a popular businessman of Northern Districts.

to the health of the bride and toasts
to the health of the bride and the
program were proposed. The speak-
ers were—Mr. R. S. Khan (Mamoo),
Molvi Ahmed Sabat, J. Z. Khan, D.
C. Motaia, G. H. Desai, all of Gleason,
and Mr. E. A. Ameen, of Warchbank.
R. Gungappasad—R. Goolabi Devi

The marriage of Mr. R. Gungappaiah, president of the Hindu Youth Organisation, and the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Ramphul, of Verulam, to R. Govindar Derai, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Ramasaroop (R. D. Fisher), of the Housing Scheme, Bicknell Road, Springfield, was solemnized according to Vedic Rites before a large gathering at the bride's residence on Sunday.

Newcastle wedding.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. B. Wrayburn, of Fairlieach, Newcastle, was the scene of a pretty wedding on March 7, when their eldest daughter, Miss Edwina Devi, was married to Alexander (Baldoun), second son of Mr. and Mrs. William Baldwin, of Newcastle Colliery, Newcastle.

The animal was fully decorated with flowers and coloured papers. After the reading, Mr. B. Davidson spoke in English and Mr. A. M. Ephraim in English—the one the bride and bridesroom, the other the groom and best man.

Natural decorations were used, and the feast was very good. The bride and bridesroom wore white dresses and the groom and best man wore dark suits.

"I saw the bride and bridesroom feeding the birds."

"The bride and bridesroom were very happy."

A fine day.

Over 500 guests from all parts of the state attended the wedding at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Branderhage Rd. Darben North, where their daughter, Miss Laryspathy Decker, is married to Mr. R. Ratschbaum today, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Rasmussen Pandey, of Thornville, on Sunday morning, March 20. Both families are well known in the province.

**POPULAR WEDDING
IN MARITZBURG**
Maritzburg had a

Marriage had one of its
weddings on Sunday last
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Messrs. Logan Brown and
of Mr. Vasuthasan Mulla
married to Miss Mariam
est daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. K.
Gajah Naidu of London.
A large and costly ceremony
was arranged.

After the nuptial ceremony the room was filled with congratulatory letters and telegrams of congratulations were read.

Amongst the speakers who delivered their congratulations to the happy couple were Mr. & R. Naidoo (Durban), Mr. & Mrs. M. Maharaj (Durban) and Mr. & Mrs. S. Maharaj (Durban).

MOODLEY-PILLAY

A wedding which was attended by a large number of guests, including a fair number of Europeans and Americans, was solemnized at the residence of Mrs. Maduray Mosley, Monday, on Sunday last. The wedding parties were Mr. George W. (Woodley), youngest son of Mr. W. the late Mr. Maduray Mosley, and Miss Radhambal Pillay, daughter of Mr. R. Pillay, late of Larisburg.

The pencil was fashionably decorated with a variety of balloons, crepe paper and palms, being the work of the young women of the Durban branch of the P. Y. C. C. Mr. H. A. J. Durban, officiated. Innumerable songs were sung, and the evening was conducted by Messrs. V. N. N. and company and the English and Indian bands. The programme included Andrew's Jazz Serenaders.

Many telegrams and letters of congratulations were read by Mr. J. H. J. Durban. The president of the newly-formed Hindu Women's Society, Miss K. Margaret Mundy, and others, delivered speeches of welcome.

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TALK OF THE BAZAAR

BY "THE FAQIR"

With Commissioner, whose reports at the moment are of the great majority of the same, is heading for trouble. This trouble is in the shape of which he recognises for The Natal Indian.

No one will see you," and the was in the tail. "If the quote here, then the cap sits. Although my informant objects to these inclined to think they serve a purpose.

HOLIDAYING?

Our politicians are giving the people a lot to think over. Cape deputations have gone to Natal and the Indian community is beginning to think that their leaders are hatching a plot to spend the summer quite possible because they will not have been able to go to Cape Town a long time ago. It seems it will be a long time before any of the Congress or the association have a certain sum either monthly or annu-

It have felt that that official
an unnecessary drain on
resources. He would like
to prove otherwise by joining
the government of South Africa.
The government of India
has been asked to comment on the Asiatic
Board and appears to be
slow to challenge Minister
Laloo. We wonder the
getting even.

THE
BERTIES

...community before their pockets. **SLACKS OR TROUSERS?**

"Austerity" writes:—

Speaking on austerity clothing every individual person in wartime would like to bring this to the public notice: Why is it that we men wear trousers of an 18-inch bottom whereas women wear slacks of 24-inch bottoms?

placed. In the trunk one sits
be pleasant, least upstairs—
one's colour. The non-European

the city, the non-European women were not allowed to wear "Burban." He has, however, been against the picturesque costume to him to be "the emblem of liberty." My correspondent told me she was shocked at what she saw on the screen after I had been out of 1/2. A tag was flashed: "The women in this hall are looking for a fall." Another said: "If I believe at home, stay there, continue women will leave wear dresses and wrappers. I hope slacks will be banned. If these women do not take a step to such clothing as slacks will have to put on dresses and wrappers and women's suits."

...itible? Me?



The seventh annual meeting of
Dinotown and Suburban Indian Scho-
lars Association was held at

"No—yes. Not to-day. When
 I see the need of a little
 "opening up" inside—I take
 of Patrons. Next day the
 she has gone. Bowels are free.
 No business.
 "You mistake me the jolly old boy
 I see here. Six years ago, I'm to
 the chairman of the board, the tonic
 "Patrons advised me to
 "or Time is really good to me.
 "or I am a "pottering about,"
 "my daily routine. Figures,
 "of the national clearing in
 "of the Spring—puts Spring into
 "the summer season."



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ALL WELCOME.

IN MEMORIAM

EBENEZER.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Arpotham Ebenezer, who passed away on 11th April, 1942.

Not today, but every day, In silence we remember.

Inserted by her loving husband and family, 4 Madras Road, Maritzburg.

EBENEZER.—In loving memory of our mother who was called to rest 11th April, 1942.

Gone is the face we loved so dear, Silent the voice we loved to hear. Life is eternal, love will remain.

Ever remembered by her son, Andrew; her daughters, Catherine, and grandson, Jayson, Maritzburg.

EBENEZER.—In fondest and loving remembrance of my darling mother, Arpotham, and mother-in-law and granny who was taken to rest on 11th April, 1942.

Ever remembered by her daughter, Alice; son-in-law, Richard; and grandson, Ronny. Inserted by Alice, Widdowbank, Eastern Transvaal.

THANKS NOTICES

R. H. Lalka Brothers and Family, Maritzburg, extend their heartfelt thanks to all friends, relatives and public bodies for their messages of sympathy and floral tributes sent in their recent and sudden bereavement.

Mr. V. C. Jork and family wish to thank all friends and relatives for their beautiful floral tributes and expressions of sympathy sent to them in their recent and sudden bereavement.

AN INVITATION

RAJAH—DAVID.—The marriage of Gamba, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. David, of Fynlandia, to Willie (of Umbango Rocks Hotel), eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Rajah, of Mayville, will take place at 23 Talara Avenue, off Wiggins Road, Mayville, on Sunday, April 11, 1943, at 10 a.m. Every one welcome.

THE LEADER

The Newspaper for the Quarter Million Indians of South Africa

SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 1943.

The Stalking Horse

THE report of the Broome Commission is before us. What does it tell us that we do not know? Indians have time and again admitted an increase in acquisitions of property. The Durban Corporation and the Dominions M.P.'s who have not ceased to treat Indians as inferiors and as a despised people, and who officially and unofficially have emulated Hitler in his treatment of the Jews, are no doubt rejoicing at their triumph. They have insinuated themselves once more into the good graces of the Durban public, by raising the penetration problem, which is, as the Natal Witness says, a problem demanding social strategy, to a heresy hunt. Their parliamentary seats are safer for their democratic motives. Their political popularity is revived. But they have done much of which they are unconscious, and at which they should be ashamed. They have made a stalking horse of the Indian. They have stigmatised him as unworthy of a share in democratic freedom. They have spurned him and they would now cast him out their presence as an alien coloured intruder. It is all very fine and noble, the work of a civilised and just people, the work of British Commonwealth, who pay lip service to ideals and spit upon them in practice. They are proud of themselves, no doubt, when, in reality, as many Englishmen know and recognise, they have done the cause of British institutions and democratic ideals an immeasurable disservice.

It is after all very easy, as Hitler has shown, to take advantage of the political impotence of the Indian, the passions in which to stoke the real facts. The Indians have never said there was no penetration. They have said that penetration is inevitable as a result of the despotic neglect of a community that owns four million pounds of Durban property, that pays rates and taxes, only a small percentage of which is spent on Indians, who, as a Prime Minister of the old colony of Natal declared, were once "the saviours of the colony." For what are the facts? Where, for example, is the Indian to go when Europeans penetrate into areas like Durban North and Westville, which were Indian areas in the old days? Where does he go when the Durban populace reaches one and a half million and the Indian area for its own development? For let there be no mistake on the score, there has been penetration and it is not the Indian who is the enemy of the Indian. It is the European who is the enemy of the Indian.

Now, if the Durban Dominions get their way, retrospective legislation will stamp the Indian in an economic and political straitjacket. Whether they will get their way depends entirely upon the integrity of the Prime Minister and his Government, whether the Prime Minister will stop to levels of racial and un-democratic discrimination which would stand for all time as the betrayal of his spoken thoughts on democratic ideals. The Indians, before, are approaching one of those great crises which overtake all nations and all races. They have not within them-

selves the power to decide what they will take. The power rests with the dominant group. And this dominant group does not care for the whole of the Commonwealth. It will help to make of the Indian relations. It will calm or stir the racial passions of half a continent. It will materially influence the country's place in the Commonwealth, and it will determine for a long time come the status of the Indian in Africa.

The time has arrived for Indians over the South African and the Indian status in this country. Mr. R. B. Dasing, Minister who refused to be rushed into being a party to the Asiatic clamour that is sweeping K. and no doubt it was his refusal to let the Cape Town Asiatic have still another investigation of this debacle some good may be done. The total number of Indians must stick to their line of abrogation. They must continue to demand citizen rights. They must press for democratic representation. They must insist upon a status that gives them decent housing opportunities and right to progress. No less will be the right accorded or assumed to men and all areas in every decade made by world leaders. It is in every declaration of the rights of man, Indian status in South Africa become a test case of South African democracy. In the next few years, the Prime Minister, in his Parliament, must decide whether democratic values in this nation. During that time Indians will be called upon to do the greatest restraint coupled with single-minded firmness. Indians must not be at once. They must not allow themselves to be intimidated by a minimum demands, a charter of rights, for presentation, when time comes, to anybody the least bent upon to investigate the situation.

NEW KINDERGARTEN SCHOOL

Indian children under six years of age now a kindergarten school to go to Maritzburg, writes The Leader correspondent. This school was opened on Monday week at the U.H. Hall. The school has commenced a roll of 40 infants and is under charge of Mr. M. A. Moodley, Miss M. Moodley as assistant.

Messrs. G. S. Maharaj, A. F. Mahab, P. N. R. Naidu, H. B. Bosh, Sarawan, Devanand, are members of the school committee.

It is learnt that the school members are each contributing towards paying the salaries of the teaching staff.

The school has been named the V. Dharma Sabha Kindergarten School. Mr. A. T. Moodley has been appointed manager.

MUSLIM CONFERENCE

A Muslim conference will be held April 25 in Durban. Representatives of educational, social and religious institutions and also other prominent individuals will be present.

It is aimed to coordinate the activities of all bodies working for the betterment of Muslims, and to create a "Raidat Maal Fund." All the interested are requested to contribute further particulars to the Muslim Council (Provisional Committee), 31 Victoria Street, Durban.

INDIAN BROADCAST

A special Ramaswami Ramani (of Lord Ramani) programme of Hindustani songs and music will be broadcast from the Durban station on Sunday at 9.30 a.m. The programme will be presented by Messrs. Harry Jankipoo and Bob Nankar (Jankipoo & Nankar, 31 Victoria Street, Durban).

Varsity Authorities Responsible for Segregation

PORTING at the annual meeting of the Natal University College (non-European) held on last Saturday, the joint Messrs. G. K. Maharaj and Messrs. G. K. Maharaj, stated in their annual report that with the increase of the number of students the Varsity authorities were initially formed. The Varsity authorities were more truly representative of the students than the Varsity authorities were. With the large number of students that have registered, the need for a building was greater. Actually there was no need for a separate building, but we should be accepted by the Varsity authorities at Howard College. The Varsity authorities were more truly representative of the students than the Varsity authorities were. With the large number of students that have registered, the need for a building was greater. Actually there was no need for a separate building, but we should be accepted by the Varsity authorities at Howard College.

ANNUAL RAG

The annual rag had come to stay. Last year non-European students took an active part not only in the procession, but also in raising funds. The non-European students prepared two floats, one of which was "Don't waste manpower, arm the non-European." The entire sum of £143, which had been raised, was distributed among non-European charities.

As a result of a visit to the Varsity Barracks and an accidental visit to the Seamen's Depot Hospital the necessity for a Research Group was felt. This group had done valuable work during the year, especially in regard to Indian women in transit in Durban.

The union had also taken up the matter of the Varsity colours, which the non-European students are not allowed to wear, with the S.R.C., which referred them to the Athletic Union. The union has applied for affiliation with the latter and if accepted students will have access to the colours.

The Students' Union also gave evidence before the Education Inquiry Commission.

"We are proud to state that last year for the first time an Indian lecturer, Mr. S. C. Coppan, was appointed to the Natal University College. He lectured in Education. This year another non-European, Mr. M. Minkulu, is lecturing in Sociology."

"We have been informed from a fairly reliable source that the Natal Indian Association at Maritzburg are making representations to the university authorities asking them to consider the opening of non-European classes in Maritzburg."

The union has collected almost £200 towards the Lenn Fund this year. Mr. N. G. Chetty was elected chairman for 1943 and Messrs. G. K. Maharaj and S. G. Moodley secretaries.

(Continued in column Four.)

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THE Union Government's Railways and Harbours Department pays its Indian employees a commensurate wage of £2 13s. 6d. per month, plus a small gratuity. This amount is raised by six monthly and long service increments of 5/- and 6/- respectively until the maximum of £4 7s. 6d. (in five years) is reached. It leaves them in its barracks in Durban. Here there are only two bathrooms for a population of over a thousand persons. In most cases bathing is done at night in the open air and in the kitchens during the day. Under these conditions the Government expect Indians to live in accordance with Western standards. Further they are breaking all the laws that they have themselves made in regard to wage regulations. The fixed pay for the month while the Government pays £2 13s. 6d. to an Indian.

S.A.R. & H. Indian Employees' Union to the Minister of Railways, Mr. George Smith, the union's secretary, has left Durban to interview the Minister in Cape Town.

"THE salary scale given above applies to all labourers, and a very great majority of the Indian workers are labourers" (observes the memorandum).

In the Greyville lock area alone out of the 57 workers 45 are labourers. In the Mechanical Department in Durban all workers are ranked as labourers. In the Harbour Shop in Durban, with the exception of a few clerks and sorters, a great number of the Indian workers are labourers. All labourers receive the same maximum wage of £4 7s. 6d. per month. There are workers with as many as 20 to 30 years of service to their credit, who are still receiving nothing more than £4 7s. 6d. per month.

The union feels that amounts varying from £2 13s. 6d. to £4 7s. 6d. per month are inadequate for a worker to feed, clothe and, in many cases, even house his wife and children. The result is that today workers are on the verge of starvation. They are undernourished, underclothed and easy victims to diseases. One has just to visit the Railway Barracks in Durban to gain an idea of the condition of the workers and their families.

The union fails to understand why the Administration, which was able to make a surplus revenue of over £2,000,000 during the current financial year, fails to pay its Indian employees decent living wages. The matter of low wages paid to non-European workers by the Administration was raised by Mrs. Ballinger in Parliament this year. The Minister in a speech in Parliament, subsequently, stated that something would have to be done to uplift the lower paid workers. The union feels that this will have to be done immediately.

The union wishes to draw your attention to the fact that workers are terribly disgruntled and disaffected with the wages paid to them at present. Workers in almost every trade and industry today are given higher rates of pay. The Indian workers of the Administration are the lowest paid in this country.

The union asks that all Indian labourers be paid a commensurate salary of £5 per month.

Describing the conditions of the Railway Barracks the memorandum states:

"There are only two bathrooms for a population of over a thousand persons at the Barracks (Durban). In most cases bathing is done at night in the open air and in the kitchens during the day."

There is a wide, open drain running right across the Barracks. In this drain water remains stagnant for days, thus providing a breeding ground for mosquitoes and flies.

The barracks premises are communal, insanitary, most unhygienic and great distances away from the living quarters.

There is no playground for children. We have to play in the streets. The spaces between the blocks of buildings are not cemented. After rains, water settles in pools, and in these men, women and children have to wade for days.

There are no gutters to the buildings.

Restriction on Indians

THE Broome report was tabled in the House of Assembly on Monday. It revealed that between October 1, 1940, and February 28, 1943, the number of sites acquired by Indians in predominantly European areas of the Old Borough of Durban was 326 (purchase price £601,305 and rateable value £229,000).

The Minister of the Interior, Mr. H. G. Lawrence, said in the Assembly that he will ask before April 10, "to introduce a Bill to make further provision with regard to restrictions upon trading by Indians in the province of Natal."

Transvaal and the occupation by them of land in that province, and to impose restrictions with regard to the acquisition and occupation of land in the province of Natal.

The "pending" position will be for three years. In the meantime a commission is to be appointed to examine the position further.

The treasurer of the Maritzburg Muslim and Islamic School Trust acknowledges, with thanks, a donation of £25 from Mr. I. C. Dada and a further sum of £5 in memory of his late father, Mr. M. C. Dada.

(Continued from Column One.)

S.R.C. REPORT

Mr. G. K. Maharaj, the non-European representative on the S.R.C., stated that the question of the revision of the grant of land adjacent to Sastri College for an Indian Technical Institution was taken up by the S.R.C., which agreed to pursue the matter with the authorities, recommending that the land be granted.

The S.R.C. had also taken up the case of the students who had been suspended from Fort Hare, both with the Fort Hare Society and the Minister of Education. The latter felt that it was a domestic matter.

The S.R.C. gave evidence before the Indian Education Commission and insisted that whatever form of an institution was decided upon it should form part of the N.T.C.

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THANKS NOTICES

Amal K. Mook and family, of Lady-
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APPRECIATION

The officers and members of the
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THE LEADER

The New-paper for the Quarter
Million Indians of South Africa

SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 1943.

Pegging Democracy

ONCE more in his history in this country the Indian is menaced with an anti-racial legislation calculated to prevent him from expanding into areas which are called "predominantly European." This time the Government has "pegged" the position, and to this end the Minister of the Interior has read his Bill in Parliament. The Indian in South Africa, at no time, has had any clear passage of time when he was not menaced by some anti-racial law or another. He has had to be ever vigilant, but despite this he has had to stand by helplessly and see his meagre rights dwindle, one by one, until he now finds it irksome to live anywhere in this country. Durban, a city where he has his roots, for it was here that the first Indian immigrants landed, has decided, through the votelessness of a few purblind race-prejudiced politicians, to stem the expansion of its Indian population. Throughout Natal, where there has been comparative freedom for the Indian as regards the purchase of property the Government has now introduced restrictions.

All over the world, at every battle-front men of all nationalities have and are defending democracy. South African soldiers are doing the same, but the politicians on the Home Front are betraying those very ideals for which thousands and thousands of people have already laid down their lives. The cry for the preservation of democracy becomes hollow mockery when the Indian in South Africa is faced with oppressive legislation. By pegging penetration the Government of this country has betrayed the very foundations on which the Prime Minister and other great champions for freedom and liberty, justice and equity, have wished to build the post-war world.

At every meeting these days General Smuts talks of wiping the Nazi tyranny and its theory of race superiority off the face of the earth, but it seems paradoxical that while his words paint a beautiful and much-needed picture the actions of his Government are Fascist in the extreme. All the Indian has asked for is the right to live decently, but he has been denied this at every turn. Deprived of the franchise he finds himself helpless before the onslaught of any racial legislation. He is not heard in the Parliament of the country and the fight becomes unequal. The oppressor has all the cards in his hands, and the oppressed becomes the victim of much democracy.

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False to the Ideals for Which They Were Fighting

—Mrs. Mabel Palmer

TACKLING further the question of the new anti-Asiatic Bill, pegging penetration, the Natal Indian Congress held a mass meeting at the Avalon Theatre on the eve of the second reading of the Bill. Speakers strongly condemned the move of the Government and criticised it for introducing it at this critical juncture in the world's history when at least it could only alienate the sympathy of one section of the population.

Speaking at the meeting the chairman, Mr. M. A. Motale, declared: "We thought our troubles were at an end after the Round Table Conference of 1926 which ended with the Cape Town Agreement and the withdrawal of Dr. Malan's Area Commission Bill. But today we are faced with the prospect of losing the last remnant of freedom which we possess, the right to acquire and occupy land. It is ironic at this juncture that the Government of this country should attempt to humiliate us and indirectly the Indian Empire by further restrictive legislation which savours of Nazism in its worst form. . . . This is being done by the Government which claims to be the trustee of the voiceless section of the population. . . .

"The appointment of the two Income Commissions was itself an insult to a law-abiding community. They presupposed that the Indian community was guilty and made them appear as offenders in the eyes of the Europeans. It would have been more fitting if a commission had been appointed to inquire whether the Durban Corporation had kept the pledges made in 1922 to provide suitable and sufficient land for Indians with full amenities or carried out the recommendations of the

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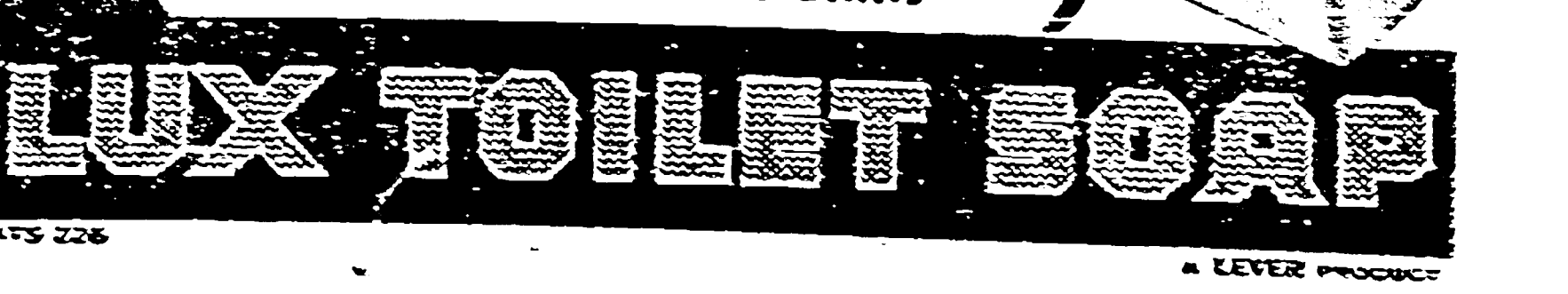
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Mainly About People

Mr. S. M. Lakhi and family, of Bloemfontein, spent a week in Durban. They were the guests of Mrs. L. S. Bhoda, of Mansfield Road.

Messrs. Jaffer Tawakoli and Hussein Nakree, of the entourage of H.H. the Shah of Iran, spent a week in Durban recently. They stayed at Peter's Lounge.

Mr. Teddy Padayachee, of Pretoria, is spending his holidays in Durban.

Mr. De Moller, of Limbe, Nyasaland, was a recent visitor to Durban. He stayed at Peter's Lounge.

The marriage took place last week of Miss Sowbhavathi Thiruvayalal, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Moolnar, of Wellesdorp, Union Road, to Mr. M. R. Dharmam, second son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Govender, of New Germany.

Mr. Geo. Morgan, of the staff of Peter's Lounge, is spending a fortnight's holiday with his parents at Doornkop.

Mr. R. Sohoni, aeronautical engineer (civil), of Bombay, recently spent a few days in Durban and is en route to the United States, where he will continue with studies in aerodynamics.

Mr. G. Dhanoo, of the firm of Dhanoo Fruitovers (Pty.) Ltd., Durban, is making a five weeks' tour of the Union. With him are Messrs. Vital Lalla and Magan Jivan, of Ladysmith. They will include Cape Town and Port Elizabeth in their itinerary.

The marriage of Mr. Cassim Amol, son of Mr. Amol Sahib, of Waverham, to Miss Arosha Warsa Ali, of Ladysmith, took place on Sunday at the Madressa. Amongst those who congratulated the wedding pair were Messrs. E. M. Mahab, Ismail Mohammed and Ibrahim Ameen.

Mr. G. M. Vanker, manager of the Silver Shoe Store, and Mr. Ismail Omar are in Johannesburg on a holiday.

A LADYSMITH WEDDING

The marriage of Mr. F. Parasuraman Govender, son of Mrs. Ellappa Govender, of Ladysmith, with Miss Janak Krammal, daughter of Mr. R. V. Moodley, of Glenwood, took place at the Silver Shoe Store, Ladysmith, recently.

A large gathering attended the wedding. Messrs. M. S. Achary, M. Govender and S. N. Pillay congratulated the couple, wishing them every happiness for the future.

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TALK OF THE BAZAAR

BY "THE FAQIR"

I with Minister Harry Lawrence reading his "message" in Parliament things are getting uncomfortable for the Indian Durban. I have just heard from an unreliable source that Mr. Churchill is in Durban with penetration, but on the matter of who shall and who shall not be in the Empire of which they are trying to withdraw all the soldiers attached to the 8th Division. At this rate they may be Mr. Churchill to return to the lands the Empire has given him with the help of the soldiers and then begin fighting all over again. Let's it just those staunch supporters of the

led to believe that they might be a couple of society ladies. But when the lights came on my friend nearly collapsed. His grandmother would have been ashamed to be seen in the dress of his "society ladies." It's quite possible, he says, they were teachers.

CO-OPERATION?
The other morning a leading member of the Nationalist Bloc rang up a leading member of the Natal Indian Congress to inquire what was wrong with the Natal Indian Association's telephone. It's quite possible that the way is being paved for the Indian United Front which Dr. Dadoo is advocating.

DRAMA
The Durban Indian Drama League, of which my readers have heard through this column, is at last ready to meet the public. This Saturday afternoon at 3.30 it will stage three short plays in the Sastri College Hall. They have been produced by Messrs. C. R. Warriner and H. S. Miller, of Sastri College, both of whom need no introduction to the Indian community. They have many successful plays to their credit. The plays are "Brief Candle" (historical), "In the Zone" (drama), and "The Purple Bedroom" (comedy). As the plays are good and the cause to which the funds will be given (N.C.C. non-European Students' Library), don't miss a pleasant afternoon.

The men are training very hard for the non-European sports meeting to be held at Currie's Fountain tomorrow (Sunday). Hurdles, Coloured and Indians are participating.

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The secretary of the Nizamia Muslim Society, with which is amalgamated the Madressa Talimul Islam, appeal to all Muslims and well wishers of this society for funds to build the new Madressa. The Madressa will be under the Principalship of Janab Maulana M. Haniff Afrake and the languages taught in the Madressa are Arabic, Urdu and Persian.

The treasurers wish to acknowledge with thanks the following donations towards the building fund: Messrs. Shaik Ismail, £30; A. D. Bhayak, £5 (second instalment); Dan, £15; A. R. Shar, £15 (second instalment).

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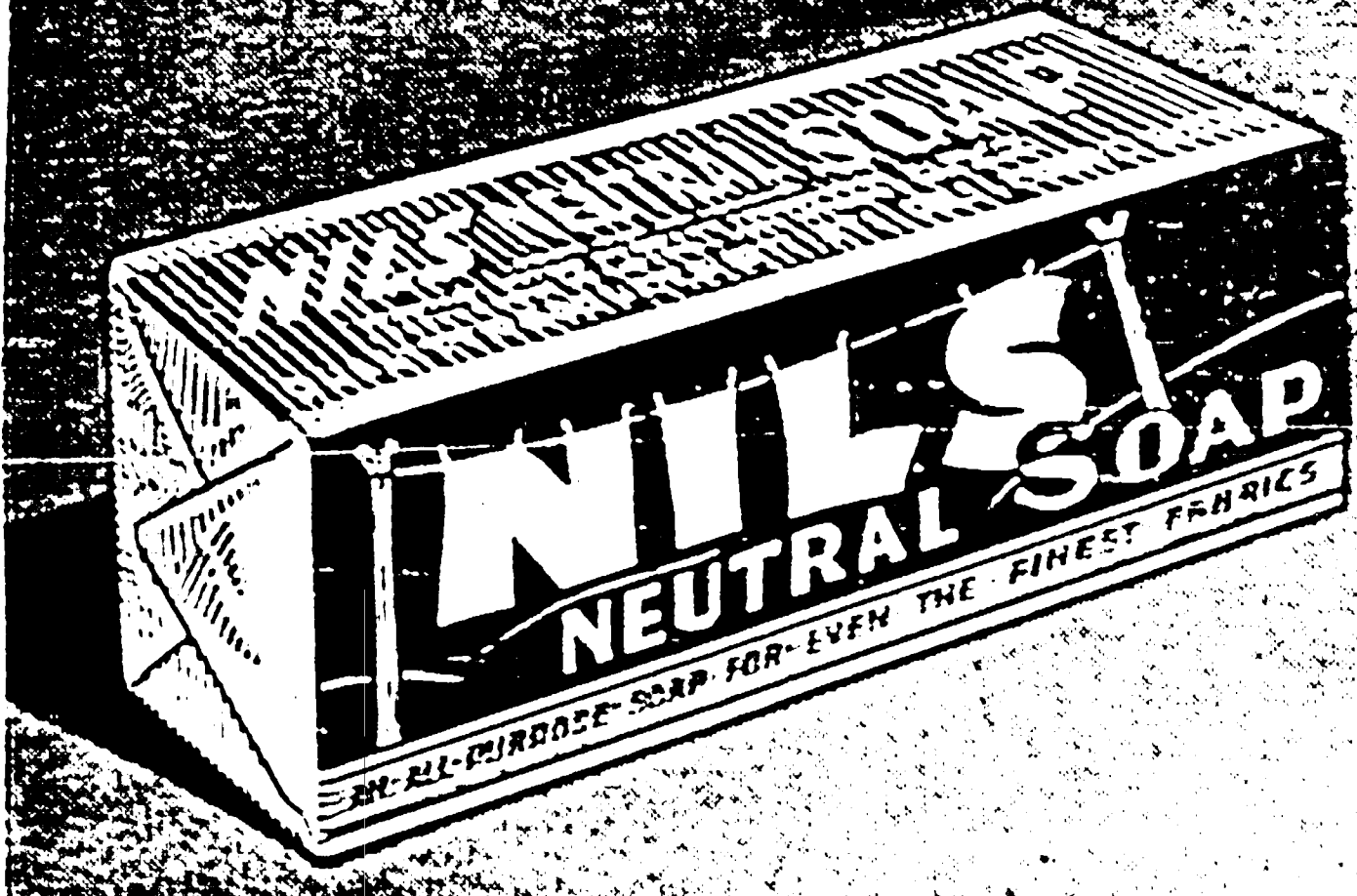
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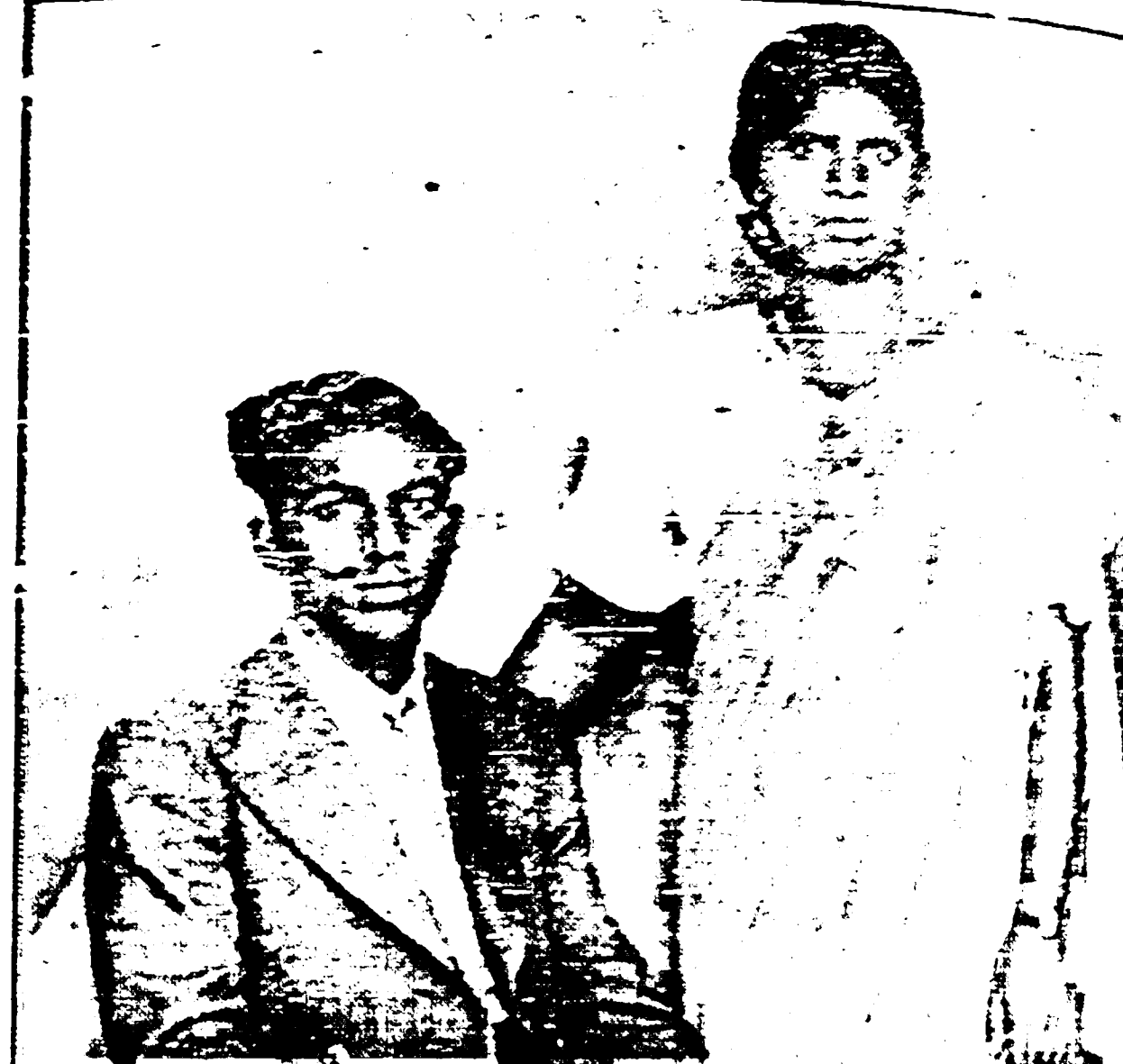
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A GREYTOWN MARRIAGE



Vethasum Marugan (Tommy), fifth son of Mr. and Mrs. Marugan, of Greytown, and Miss Allamollamal (Marie), youngest daughter of Mrs. and the late Nathaniel, of Maritzburg, who were married on March 20.

There was a large number of both Europeans and Indians present at Mr. Marugan's residence. The party was fashionably decorated by Mr. Harry Singh, of Greytown, Krishna's Orchestra and the Gay Singers Band, both of Pietermaritzburg, were responsible for the musical programme.

After the nuptial ceremony, Mr. Parnes, of Pietermaritzburg, speaking in Tamil, blessed the wedded couple.

Mainly About People

Mr. V. S. Chetty, a teacher on the staff of the Hindu School, Salisbury, and formerly of Dundee, Natal, has been notified by the Chief Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance, Overseas Brigade, of the confirmation of his appointment as superintendent of the St. John Ambulance Division, Salisbury, with effect from January 1. He is the first and only Indian officer to achieve this rank in Southern Africa, including Rhodesia.

Miss M. Vethanages Naidoo, of Maritzburg, has returned home after a week's holiday spent with her sister, Mrs. C. R. Naidoo, of Durban.

Mr. S. Bhawan, junior, of Dundee, an excellent of Sastri College, has passed the recent matriculation examination and is now teaching at the Dundee Government-aided Indian School.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bhawan, of Chelmsford, spent a week at Campden. They were the guests of Mrs. R. R. Sarupen, of Campden.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Maharaaj and Mr. A. M. Meola, all of Dundee, will be spending their Easter holidays in Durban.

Mr. S. Maharaaj, Durban, left on Monday for Johannesburg, where he will stay with Messrs. P. S. Jassi and Lalla Govan for about a fortnight.

Under the auspices of the Glencoe Hindu Panchayat Sabha the Ramnath festival was celebrated before a large gathering. After the Ramnath festival was celebrated before a large gathering. After the Ramnath festival was celebrated before a large gathering. After the Ramnath festival was celebrated before a large gathering.

The competition for Ramnath's Cup will be played on Sunday (April 25) over 5 holes. Play will commence at 8.30 a.m.

TALK OF THE BAZAAR

BY "THE FAQIR"

People will renew their faith in the annual gathering at the bazaar, for the fact cannot be too strongly borne in mind that on the success or the failure of these rising enterprises depends the advancement of the colony or its certain and rapid decline. Experimental cultivation has abundantly demonstrated that the issue depends solely on a constant supply of labour.

A "MIKE" DIFFICULTY
Certain people insist that every young man should speak the vernacular on all occasions. At a meeting held recently one of those departed from his policy and commenced addressing the gathering in English. Unfortunately he happened to have a mike before him. And this time thoughts would not flow freely, as he kept repeating certain ideas. As for his fluency and language he began by saying "monstrous gathering," then went on to "blessing to humanity in disguise," though how that section of humanity which went in disguise could have blessings was beyond comprehension, and ended with nearly murdering the language with other choice and mixed phrases.

MASTERS ADVANCE — STUDENTS SUFFER
News has appeared in our columns regarding staff changes at Sastri College; many leaving for the purpose of taking up post-graduate studies. It is certainly a commendable move, but it seems, from a letter by a student, that these changes are not without certain drawbacks. He writes:

I, as a student of Sastri College, know how can I fail to know, the great difficulties which the principal, teachers and the students are experiencing from constant changes. If our learned friends had the desire to do their Master's Degree they ought to have had decided at some earlier stage so that they would not create inconveniences to the staff and students by enrolling and seeking leave in such a short period.

While I feel that teachers and others ought to obtain their Masters Degrees, to do good not only to themselves, but to the community as a whole, it is nothing but right for them to consider the position of the poor students who are hampered in their studies by the numerous changes of the Subject Masters.

A fire occurred at C. P. Naidu's cafe, next to the R.V.M.A. Hall, lower end of Church Street, Maritzburg, last week, but was discovered early and with the help of the Fire Brigade soon put out. The only damage done was to the fish and chips machine. The machine has now been put in order and is functioning again supplying late comers with chops, fish and chips.

M. Rajith, M. G. Parash, Daya Nana, S. Parash, R. Jagannath, H. Ramaswar, Misses M. Marjorie, Sankarika Maharaaj, all of Durban, have left for Johannesburg. They will be the guests of Messrs. Master Bros. During their stay they will give musical entertainment at various places in the Transvaal.

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INDIAN POLICY

(Continued from Page Four.)

try. It is right that we should open our doors to these wretched refugees of Sastri College. But it happens also that these refugees have more rights in this country than have the Indians. Is it surprising that many people demand that Johannesburg should rid itself of the Jews? The most objectionable feature of the debate on Indian affairs and of the anti-Asian feeling in this country is that it is accompanied by lip service to the ideals of democracy. By all means let us segregate the Indians and the natives, but do not let us do it in the name of freedom and liberty and British justice!

Muslim Conference

A conference of Natal Muslims has been scheduled to meet in Durban on Sunday, April 25, for the purpose of establishing an organisation to be called The Natal Muslim Council. The broad objects of this council will be to undertake and perform social, religious, economic and cultural works for the entire Muslim community of Natal. Great deal of interest will be shown in the proceedings of the conference. Delegates will be attending from all parts of Natal.

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PEGGING BILL NO SEGREGATION

—J. H. Basson

The Commissioner for Immigration
and Asiatic Affairs, Mr. J. H.
Basson, in acknowledging the resolu-
tions which were passed at the Natal
Congress meeting in Durban on
May 1, writes to the Congress:
Gentlemen, I have the honour to
acknowledge the receipt of your cir-
cular of the 14th April con-
taining the resolutions passed at a meet-
ing of the Natal Indian Congress on
May 1. It is quite clear
that the person who drafted the resolu-
tions did not previously seem the provi-
sion of the Bill dealing with the res-
olution of occupation of land in Natal.
It is not a vestige of evidence in
its provisions which can justify
any one to conclude that segregation
is a single provision, in those
provisions which are Indian
provisions, which apply to a Euro-
pean. There is nothing in a European
which is applicable to a Natal
Indian in these matters. For Indians
in the Government's favour
to perpetuate actions which the
State can do. No one
can say what the ultimate solu-
tion is going to be and any talk of
segregation and requirements of rights
is a red herring across the

"The Hon. the Minister of the In-
terior has made the position very clear
in the House. The Bill is not directed
at any one class. It is directed at the position
as it exists. That position has been
'frozen' or 'pegged' and that in its
effect is applied against European and
Indian alike.
"It would be most regrettable if
under a misapprehension the Indians
of Natal received an impression that
the Bill went beyond its stated terms.
I feel it is my duty to request you
and your Congress to publish the full
text of the provisions of the Bill to
your followers and to refrain from say-
ing anything or doing anything which
may hinder or prevent an ultimate
equitable solution of the question of
the relationship between the community
and Indian sections of the community
in Natal.
"To attain the desired end it is
necessary to remain calm so that in an
atmosphere of mutual goodwill, under-
standing and co-operation a solution
based on equity, else it will be no solu-
tion at all, can be found. In view
of the situation which is already about
it will require statesmanship on the
part of the Indian leaders to achieve
that calm. But I have confidence in
those leaders and feel justified in
assuming that the required achieve-
ment is not beyond their ability.
"I must ask you to take stock of

"HE MAY BE MUZZLED"

IF the "Black Bill" will go through
Sir Shafat Ahmad Khan, the
High Commissioner for India, will re-
turn to India. Thus hinted Mr. S.
Rustamjee, who had returned from
Cape Town and from the remarks that
he had made seem to "have had it
from the horse's mouth," speaking at
the City Hall meeting on Sunday.
"I am not privileged to tell you,"
said Mr. Rustamjee, "but if the Black
Bill goes through you can expect that
Sir Shafat Ahmad Khan as a Pun-
jabi, and the Punjab are maintaining
the fighting traditions in the war,
to maintain that tradition, and when
the time comes Sir Shafat will not
be found wanting.
"He today may be muzzled. He
cannot speak to you as an Indian to an
Indian. No one has more zeal for the
motherland than he has in his Punjabi
bosom. If it is so desired that he is
to go, I trust that Rustamjee and
S.A.I.C.A. will be courageous enough to
take back to this country what Sir
Shafat says in Bombay."

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