MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE

Persadhe To Dr. and Mrs. D. Persadh, a daughter, on September 25 at the Clarke Nursing Home Durban.

Gangen, on September 16th at 12 Andrews Road, Durban, to Naraimadoo and Ramsahoo, a baby boy. Both well.

Naidoo: A Sonny daughter on the 16th September, 1945, to Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Naidoo (Bodley), of Erasmusdam, Stanger.

A.F.M. Maternity Home and Clinic, Stanger.

Mr. J. Nadasen Naidoo, of Grahamstown returned home on Tuesday the Johannesburg after spending three weeks holiday in Durban.

Mr. Victor Nair (Dude McNair) manager of the Cloth Now Yorker left for the Transvaal on a short visit as on

Mr. Ramsdar H Master partner in the firm of Messrs. Master Bros. of Kerk street Johannesburg will be leaving for India shortly on a short holiday.

RECEPTION FOR HAFEZS

The annual function of honouring all the Hafezs who performed Taraweeh prayers in the Grey Street Mosque during the month of Ramadan took place at Queen Victoria Hall, on September 7. The proceedings started at 8.30 p.m. when the Hafezs were driven to Gardiner Memorial Hall in a motor car. The procession was headed by Gardiner Memorial Band. After refreshments were served to all the Hafezs, a musical programme was rendered by the Gardiner Memorial Band. Among those who were present were Mr. H. Bapoo, of Dur



Dr. Sivaningum (Sylvester), youngest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Perumal and grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ratnamalay Perumal, of Alpine Road, Overport, Durban, who celebrated his 21st birthday on September 7.

WEDDING IN ST. AIDAN'S HALL

On Sunday, September 2nd, the marriage took place at St. Aidan's Hall, Durban, of Sagathavan (Sylvester), second son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Ramasamy of Tongaat, and brother of Mr. A. Vadivelloo Street, of 9 Gillatt Road, Durban, to Thangam Ruby, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Thangam, of Kenilworth, and sister of Mr. Ganesh Thangam, of Clan, Albert Falls.

Mr. A. Vadivelloo, the bride's brother-in-law, gave away the bride. The wedding was solemnized by the Rev. Father Hinds, the Gardiner orchestra was in attendance. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ramasamy, Mr. and Mrs. Ganesh, Mr. and Mrs. Vadivelloo, Mr. and Mrs. Simmons Hotel, and Mr. Harold

In sport he was conspicuous in his efforts to succeed in the sports of Durban, being a member of many and eventually built in and out of the Durban Rugby. Was the bigger side of sport, tolerance and sportsmanship were under-rated and another. It cannot be said that he was a man of many words. His life was the outward expression of his character. Indians have been conspicuous by the number of cultural organisations inaugurated by him. It is a tribute to his unselfishness and interest that these organisations are active and are doing splendid work today. He has conferred a new dignity to schools where are always found the name of Sastri. It is to the credit of the Indian community that the funerals and all the ceremonies connected with



Education Department for some time, undertook large power in arranging an appointment in Southern Rhodesia where he was awarded for some time and was popular.

He made a change in life a few months ago and set up business in his home town, Durban, and was the secretary of the International Football Association, Natal Province, Rhodesia, the quarterback in every game he played. He was also a member of the Durban Indian Child Welfare Society, the Committee has been able to purchase from the Durban Indian Food Committee, 35 bags of rice and a very small sum of money. This will result in a big saving on the Committee's purchase bill.

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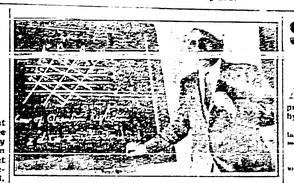
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LAST MEETING OF INDIAN CONGRESS "OLD GUARD"

THE Natal Indian Congress Committee, as at present constituted and under the leadership of Messrs. Kajee and Pather and other older men, met on Sunday—probably for the last time—to deal with business of the Indian community. It is possible that the Committee might meet before October 21 to consider the report of the joint secretaries on their stewardship for the period September, 1943, to September, 1945.

The Committee met at the Albert Cinema and was in session from 11.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. without a break. There was a solemnity about the proceedings which seemed to indicate the passing of one order of things and the dawn of a new one ushered in. Except for the debate on the question of the venue of the general meeting, when a few country delegates made fiery speeches, there seemed to be no wish on the part of any Committee member to indulge in speechmaking.

In the course of the debate, Mr. P. R. Pather, who together with Mr. A. I. Kajee had harmonised out unity in 1943, declared that he would not stand for election on October 21. Mr. Kajee said that he, too, would not stand for election, while Mr. Cadiray said that he would not be in this country even if the people wanted him. He had made all arrangements to leave for India by the end of the year. He was not going to influence any one to stand out. Our views have been told over and over again that the elections will be conducted. Perhaps we may be able to do good. It is more than us, then the Congress will benefit, but if you come back, then we will be willing to help," he said. On the other hand, in sharp contrast to the refusal of the leaders to stand for election was an out spoken declaration by Mr. V. Mees, representative of the Durban Branch of the Communist Party, that he declared that he would fight tooth and nail and in the result, the Northern Districts (about nine of them) would break away from



MR. C. V. RAMAN, the distinguished Indian physicist, to whom 16 selected African diamonds in their natural state have been presented by a South Africa company for scientific investigations, says a Sapa message. When the investigations are finished the diamonds will become a permanent exhibit in the science museum which is being established at Bangalore under the auspices of the Indian Academy of Sciences. Sir C. V. Raman is conducting experiments on the structure of diamonds.

Venue of Meeting

As was expected the Last meeting decided to leave the venue of the annual meeting changed from the City Hall to Curry's Fountain. The argument was advanced that there would not be enough room in the City Hall to hold the meeting. Its capacity was about 1,000, while Curry's could seat about 12,000 of which 2,000 had been reserved for ladies and gentlemen respectively.

Opening the debate Mr. Pather read a letter from Mr. A. Christopher, representing Dr. Cader Nasker. Dr. Goonam, Mr. Docrat, asking that the meeting should be held at a place other than the City Hall. The letter stated that as no change was contemplated by October 7 legal proceedings would be instituted.

Mr. Kajee explained that it had been decided to hold the meeting at the City Hall because there would be some form of control there. An open arena would not be convenient.

With the exception of a little difficulty would be overcome by calling in the assistance of the annual meeting to change the venue if so desired.

Mr. Pather also opposed the holding of the meeting in the City Hall. He said that the Hall could not accommodate all the members. It would be the officials to anticipate how many would turn up at the meeting. It was for them to examine figures and allow for the non-members.

"If the officials are not going to entertain the idea of the meeting being held in the City Hall, I move that the meeting be held in Curry's Fountain."

Same Form of Control

Mr. Pather said that the annual meeting should be held in a central place where there would be room for everyone and where control could be exercised. It was for the Congress to decide whether the meeting should be held in the City Hall or Curry's Fountain. The Leader offers,

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MR. KAJEE SINGH

Oriental Study Institute Plan in England

AN Indian Institute for the purpose of furthering interest in Oriental studies and promoting a common feeling of Indian culture and common interests has been sponsored in England by a number of university personalities among them Sir Reval Indian Society and the East Indian Association.

The inaugural meeting was given a Leader's reception by Mr. K. Hamaya Singh, of Mauritius, who is following his studies in England.

Mr. Singh said that the Institute would probably be run on the lines of the school of Oriental studies and should be, it has been suggested, part of a University.

At a very large meeting in London of Indian students and artists attended the need for such an organisation.

Another attempt to spread Indian culture was the Tagore Institute, sponsored by the Countess Bridge Waffle.

The object was to promote Tagore's work. Among the supporters were more than 75 leaders of British thought and culture, including such men as H. G. Wells, Bertrand Russell, F. V. Eliot and Hamza, the Natal cricketer, was Indian cricket

"Mine's a Gin" On N. Coast

THERE is a spot on the North Coast, where, at one time, the liquor was raised. But today it is one

CONNECTION WITH INDIA

"That it would be to the advantage of the Indian community in South Africa to secure its pride in all connection to India," is the text of the motion which will be moved by Mrs. de L. Carlton at the meeting of the Maritzburg Indian Parliament next Wednesday evening.

The contentious nature of the motion should attract a large audience.

At the last meeting, Mrs. E. H. Pillai chairman of the National Council of Child Welfare, moved: "That the care of the child is of paramount national importance; on the care of the child there should be no colour bar, the

Council was doing for British subjects.

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S. NATAL WINS SAM CHINA CUP

A RECORD crowd of nearly 5,000 people saw Southern Natal again win the Sam China Cup Indian inter-provincial soccer tournament in Johannesburg on Monday by beating their time-old rivals by 3 goals to 1.

Following is an account of the last two days' play in the tournament:

SUNDAY

Northern Natal 2, Western Province 1.

Transvaal 9, Eastern Province 0.

Southern Natal 8, Cregeus 1.

On the penultimate day of play good soccer was seen. Northern Natal did not have it all their own way against Western Province. Transvaal had an easy time playing against Eastern Province. Southern Natal, in the morning, had enjoyed at the beginning of the game. Cregeus proved formidable opponents against Southern Natal during the first half, when the score was 1 1. They collapsed in the second half.

MONDAY (Final Day)

Northern Natal 2, Eastern Province 1.

Frontier 3, Griqualand 1.

Southern Natal 3, Transvaal 1.

In the Southern Natal-Transvaal game, play was even in the first half and when the interval arrived the score was 1 1. Raleigh Pillai registered for Natal in the second time and Somalingam got the third goal for Natal. Pappa scored Transvaal's only goal. Hamza, the Natal cricketer, was Indian

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NOTICE

The Annual General Meeting of the Natal Indian Congress will be held at the City Hall, Durban, on Sunday, 21st October, 1945, at 10 a.m.

AGENDA.

(1) Adoption of Secretaries' report.
(2) Adoption of Financial statement.
(4) Amendment to Constitution, if any.
(5) Election of officials.

Rule No. 17 provides no member shall be entitled to participate at the Annual General Meeting unless he pays a fee of 1/-.

Every member shall produce such fee his Membership Card and Participation Fee Receipt to gain admittance to the City Hall.

Enrolment of members at the Natal Indian Congress at 56 Grey Street, Durban, will close at 5 p.m. on Saturday, the 13th October, 1945, at 5 p.m.

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DOMESTIC NOTICES

APPRECIATION

Mrs. P. Sooper, of 3 Agnes Road, Durban, sincerely thanks all friends and relatives for the kind hospitality extended to her and her sisters during their visit to the Transvaal and Northern Natal.

Mr. Parshotambhai Bida, partner of the well-known Johannesburg firm of "The Jumna Bazaar," who had gone to Natal Indian on a visit to his sister partners, Mr. Bhanabhai Bida, have returned to Phoenix in connection on the 15th inst. after spending a week-end holidays in Durban. Mr. Bida thanks all friends and relatives for their kind hospitality and assistance of Durban, Verulam, Tongaat, Stanger, Umzinto, Isipingo, Sydney and Canada. He was taken round by the many friends and relatives of Durban and acquaintances of Phoenix and Verulam and Tongaat and he was cordially entertained him during his visit.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1945.

The Expropriation Ordinance

THE Durban Private Ordinance dealing with the question of expropriation has been assented to by the Governor-General-in-Council and published in the Natal Provincial Gazette. This Ordinance gives the Durban City Council power to expropriate land for the purpose of replanning or Borough lay-out or re-development, or lots to individual persons for residential purposes. Before the Ordinance was passed the Durban City Council only had the power to expropriate land when it intended to build the houses itself and if it wanted to lease people out a different use the provisions of the Ordinance are such that the City Council is now in a position to remove Indians who only pay ground rent which they are settled. It has no more to go to the Central Government with adequate reasons for the expropriation. No Indian in Durban is secure today in his tenure of land. He can be uprooted without notice, his land cut up and sold to another man and he can be left landless and homeless but no money or any value to him while the Peggin Act is in operation.

It will be recalled that the statements and determined efforts of the Durban City Council to expropriate Indian owned land at Riverside were to extend beyond it did not have those very powers which it feels it has. All that then the Council had to obtain the permission of the Minister of the Interior before it could embark on expropriation on the pretext of laying out a housing scheme and that they did not do.

Today the Council is free to expropriate the land at Riverside to plan the whole place and sell it to European owners but we are glad to see the Department Indians it is to be sold to Europeans. We know that they cannot do it at the moment when the Peggin Act has many years to run and we are sure that the Indian can purchase property and Government has not declared it and it is only the rich owners or speculators who are affected by the Ordinance. The average middle-class Indian who hopes to own a home of his own, even though he may not cannot do so today because the price is out of his reach.

It is easy to imagine and foretell now that the City Council will do with these new and wider powers given it. It can begin a process of decentralising areas which it feels should be the select preserve of Europeans. The powers which it has now can be used to segregate the Indian people; they can be easily applied to those areas where the Council feels they want Indians. It can expropriate Indian owned land simply for the purpose and willing it to Europeans and then gradually reduce the amount of land held by Indians and a landless community, of course, is politically and economically impotent and harmless. It can be trusted in any manner whatever any time that it might be able to demand and to grant any rights and privileges.

All these years while the power was vested in the Minister the Indians felt comparatively safe because at all times the Central Government has been a powerful factor in the Province without the anti-Indian sentiment which prevails in the Province and the Provincial Council. The Indians have always expected and have had a better deal from the Central Government than from the Provincial Council or the Municipality. The Ordinance has yet to come for the approval of the Durban Municipality and the three representatives Indians here that birth in the appointment of the Council. Now the Indian people have no one to look to but themselves and the Provincial Government as they will not be represented and research being made for these elsewhere.

Unrepentant

WE had for years apologised to the Indians for our sins of omission and ourselves repentant. Like most Indians we have been in favour of communism being brought into our public affairs. We stand for Indian solidarity, but if we don't do that we are in time bound to disaster. We are a community. We are sure that Mr. Doctor would not have an obscure Mother Russia but Mother India. We have never quarrelled with Mr. Doctor, we are his heart's content, provided he chooses to answer us. We are not public meeting of Indians, or even a deputation of Indians, to ask us to do this. But we don't think that City Council elections, the Opposition by Indians, the Communist, was only exercising a Communistic candidate, and trying to introduce communism.

In the furtherance of the Indian cause every Indian elected to a civic body in the country, and in fact, it will have a representation on the position of Indians as a whole. The examples of Indians sitting in the civic bodies are the Opposition, Port Elizabeth or East London, will always be quoted to us as the views of unrepresentative representation being extended to Indians, whether in Durban, or in Johannesburg. Every effort is plain as the plainest, and we are sincere in our Indians, should have no difficulty in discerning this.

JINNAH, PROPHET OF PAKISTAN

HINDUS regard him with hostility and dislike with distaste and cold fury, not to the measure Moslem minority he is not merely president of the All-India Moslem League, but the prophet of Pakistan and a doughty champion of Islam. During the Viceroy's conference, which ensured responsibility for the future of the Indian Conference, which ensured responsibility for the future of the Indian Conference, Mahomed Ali Jinnah will be roundly blamed for the Moslem League's failure to come to terms on the question of representation, says a "Calcutta" article.

He is used to criticism, this tall, ally in relating Moslem ambitions and aspirations, and service Bombay to the Indian attention, but his opponents would no more think of ignoring his personal integrity than they would of challenging his undoubted rôle as a leader and an intellectual.

Our Readers Speak

COOPERATION

Mr. D. LAZARUS writes:

I HAVE the indulgence of a little space your namely that I may express my opinion on the present Congress. Being the first that Indians have ever had the opportunity to be represented in the Union Parliament, there are in large numbers, who are anxious to assume responsibility for the good, in the service of the country, and to this end heading Congress and support well for the future. The Natal Congress, to divide the Indian community appears to be responsible for the present state of affairs. The Natal Congress's policy of extremism, which was in accordance with the views of any government. May I suggest to Indians that they should refrain from any criticism in the settlement of the Indian question, and should try. Their demand for adult suffrage is a reasonable one, and the equality with our rulers, is right, but at present, while we are in a state of unrest, and unsettled conditions, it is a dangerous step to take. The Natal Indian Congress's insistence on the fact that they do not wish to be associated with the Indian Congress, is a step in the right direction, but I feel that every Indian should support another body to the Natal Indian Congress, and not to do anything which are not in the interests of the people in general. I submit that every Indian should support the Natal Indian Congress, and that their views, provisional basis, as regards the Indian Congress, and

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Durban Scouts And Guides Hold Rally

THE Durban and District Local Peace Annual Demonstration held at the usual early afternoon on Sunday at the Race Course, Pietermaritzburg.

A marshalled parade in the Estcourt and the Boy Scouts by 10 a.m. Guides, Cubs, Rangers and Dr. L. Godfrey stated that these standards of proficiency was increasingly good and that of the Brownie unit particularly high. He also stated that they were very pleased to see that the Rangers had shown that they were very keen on the Peace Movement and on the Peace Demonstration and on the Peace Movement. He therefore required those who taught the Brownies to see that the standard of work was certainly a credit to the Movement. He was certain that such diligence and keenness will be of great service to the community at large and to the medical profession in particular, he said.

The following message was received from the High Commissioner of India, Mr. Pandemkar: "I regret that pressure of urgent work will prevent me from being present at your annual rally. I send sincerely my best wishes on the great work of the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides and congratulations to the cause of world peace. The Scout and Guide movement has taken its place in South Africa and has a rightful place in South Africa than the brotherhood of the Boy Scout ideal of international comradeship and goodwill.

"In the great work I feel that Scout Associations as specially instrumental in having as patrons such men as Field Marshal Smuts and Mr. H. A. Hawkes, who have proved their devotion to the ideal of the Scouter for the Boy's Scout movement and only wish that I could be present to see the great work done."

Many of the competitions of the local scheme Lord Baden Powell would have been very much pleased to see. Mr. Hawkes, who has been a great friend of the Scout movement, was the chief guest and presented the cups and shields to the winners of the various competitions. Another feature of the day was the presentation of the Queen's Scout Badge to Patrol Leader Peter Wright and Patrol Leader Ronald Wilson.

Last season Patrol Leader Wright was a Tenderfoot Scout, while Patrol Leader Wilson was a Second Class Scout. Both boys were keen Rangers. Their troops were congratulated on the fine work they had done in training these boys.

The following were the winners:—

Tenderfoot Scouts: 1st, Patrol Leader Wright, 1st Durban Troop; 2nd, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop; 3rd, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop.

Second Class Scouts: 1st, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop; 2nd, Patrol Leader Wright, 1st Durban Troop; 3rd, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop.

First Class Scouts: 1st, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop; 2nd, Patrol Leader Wright, 1st Durban Troop; 3rd, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop.

Guides: 1st, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop; 2nd, Patrol Leader Wright, 1st Durban Troop; 3rd, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop.

Rangers: 1st, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop; 2nd, Patrol Leader Wright, 1st Durban Troop; 3rd, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop.

Cubs: 1st, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop; 2nd, Patrol Leader Wright, 1st Durban Troop; 3rd, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop.

Brownies: 1st, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop; 2nd, Patrol Leader Wright, 1st Durban Troop; 3rd, Patrol Leader Wilson, 1st Durban Troop.

SPORTS AT ST. AIDAN'S

The ninth annual sports of the St. Aidan's Boys' School were held on Saturday afternoon. Over 200 of the schoolchildren of the afternoon was the Headmaster, Mr. Hawkes, and the Headmistress of South House, Miss Hawkes, and the Headmistress of North House, Miss Hawkes, and the Headmistress of the Junior House, Miss Hawkes, and the Headmistress of the Senior

WEDDING IN MARITZBURG

The marriage of Mr Charles Pillay, motor mechanic, son of Mr and Mrs. P. R. Pillay, of Pietermaritzburg, and Miss Lena Balkaran, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Balkaran, of Cantlets, Natal, took place at St. Paul's Indian Church, Maritzburg, on Monday last. The Rt. Rev. Bishop Ferguson-Davie, D.D., conducted the ceremony.

The bride was given away in marriage by her father. She wore a white satin [illegible]



which ended in a long train. With her bridal veil she wore a coronet and had a white [illegible]

The bridesmaid was Miss C. Naidoo and the groom was the only best man. The bridesmaids wore blue [illegible] and carried bouquets of pink [illegible]

After the ceremony a reception was held in the St. Paul's School Hall, where a large number of guests from all parts of Natal were present.

The couple were the recipients of numerous presents.

Mr. A. R. Lucas and Company, Advocates, Durban, announce the dissolution of partnership as from September 30, 1945. Mr. A. R. Lucas will continue to practise at 2nd Floor, Natal Bank Chambers, Durban, and Mr. A. Lucas will practise at 1st Floor, Natal Bank Chambers, Durban.

Mr. T. Subbaran, of Westville has been appointed on the staff of the Local Health Commission, Warwick Road.

MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE



Mr. Adam Parbhoo, who is proceeding to England shortly, has been appointed captain of Natal Passengers, in connection with the Australian tour of it, he has the record of being the youngest and the only South African to be the Cricket Captain of the University High School Cricket XI at Aligarh, for after has represented Natal in the last South African Cricket tournament.



Mr. and Mrs. Bodalathly Nagagaru, Mayville, Durban, who laid the foundation stone of the Cato Manor Vernacular Society's School, on September 7, between 6.55 and 7.30 p.m. The school will be erected near the Kennedy Housing Scheme, Cato Manor. (The picture was inadvertently omitted from the report published last week.)



Rev. son of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Stanley, at Clare Estate, Durban, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. H. Kassa, at Mayville, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Dobbs, at Clare Estate, who celebrated his second birthday on September 24th.



Mr. S. OSMAN

last at the residence of Mr. Ca[illegible] Boodeeagh, Durban.

The couple were the recipients of many gifts, and congratulatory [illegible] The guests were entertained to a concert by Mr. S. B. Naidoo and Party and Mr. T. Harry throughout the night.



PARAVACHY NAIDOO

A delightful and well attended wedding took place on Sunday, September 9, at the Sarvamelikee Institute Hall, Rudolph Street, Port Elizabeth, when Kuchamall, the youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ramprasad Naidoo, of Uitenhage, was married to Kanchaiby, youngest son of Mrs. and the late Setty Padayachy, of Pretoria. The ceremony was performed according to Hindu rites by Mr. R. A. M. Pillay.

A WEDDING IN DURBAN

The marriage took place at the St. Aidan's Hall, Durban, of Sugathavan (Selvam), second son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Ramasamy, of Tongaat, and nephew of Mr. A. Vellamuthoo of Durban, to Thavagie (Babe), youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Thavarajan, of Maritzburg, and sister of Mr. Subramoney Thavagan, of Clan, Albert Falls.

Mr. K. Subramoney welcomed the guests. The wedding was solemnised according to Tamilian rites, and the Madras Orchestra was in attendance.

Among those who were present were Mr. and Mrs. Evanlord, Mr. Dhoon Mr. and Mrs. Lazar's Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hotel, and Mr George Pierce.

CONGRESS DEPUTATION

THE Minister of the Interior, Senator C. P. Clarkson, received a deputation from the Natal Indian Congress at the Union Buildings on Wednesday and heard representations about Congress's opposition to certain provisions of the Natal Housing Ordinance.

The members of the deputation were Messrs A. I. Kajee, P. R. Pather, A. H. Mooza, A. S. Kajee, M. A. Ballim and Revasamy.

General Smuts will meet a number of Natal delegates on October 12 to discuss the Natal Indian question.

DEWALI DONATIONS

Vedic Dharmsabh Cheer Committee gratefully acknowledged the following donations received during Dewali week: Already acknowledged, £92 19s.; Dewali Week, Sunil Store, £5; Mr. Naidu, £2; Frank Pendose Dealer, £1; Mr. Ramlall, £1; Mr. John Bell & Co., £10 10s.; Mr. Bodasingh, £1; Mr. Ramlall, £1; Mr. Bhawan Dewali to all Mr. H. M. Kanjibhai & Co., £5; Mr. S. P. Naidoo, £10 10s.; Mr. Ramlall, £1; Mr. Ramlall, £1; Mr. Bombay Hotel, £10; Mr. Ramlall, £1; Mr. Lakhmidhar Jesingh Bhoga, £5; Mr. Lakhmidhar Jesingh, £5; Mr. Ramlall, £1; Mr. Ramlall, £1; Mr. A. P. Pillay, £5; Mr. Ramlall, £1; Mr. Ramlall, £1; total £192 4s.

"VICTORY" BANQUET BY DAFFODILS

There was a large gathering of friends and players at the Victory Banquet given by the Daffodils, at which a banquet was provided in the Reformed Football Club, at Merebank.

The Daffodils Football Club, a B Division team in the Durban League, was formed in the Natal Indian Cricket Union, and Mr. Manly, congratulatory speeches were given at the banquet.

A ROSSBURGH WEDDING

A large and representative [illegible] was present at the marriage of Mr. Shaikh Osman, the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Ismail Lall Mahomed, of Rossburgh, and Miss Zainab, daughter of Mrs. and the late Abdulkhar Ally, which took place on the evening of [illegible]

CELEBRATION OF KRISHNA'S BIRTHDAY

The celebration of Krishna Ashtami the birthday of Lord Krishna, was held at the Sanatan Dharm Temple, Grantham Mahadeo Gosai in the absence of the President of the Temple, Mr. Ramlall Maharaj, on Thursday, 30th August, 1945. Mr. S. Reighaul, Preacher of the Sabha, welcomed the audience and expressed his pleasure in seeing them present to participate in the festival.

Mr. S. Sanjeevi, of Durban in two episodes of the Sabha, who was the guest speaker spoke on the significance of Lord Krishna's Birthday. Other speakers were Messrs. S. Reighaul, Ramjuman and Pandith P. D. Maharaj.

The celebration was officiated by Pandith Deonarith Thawaire and duly assisted by Messrs. S. J. Maharaj and N. D. Joshua Maharaj.

Mr. S. Reighaul's children (Jayashree and Sivaji) rendered a duet song and Mr. Sanjeevi rendered a solo song. In conclusion Mr. S. Reighaul proceeded to Hindu rites by the participants and sweetmeat was served to those present.

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COMMUNIST BID TO COMBAT ILLEGAL RICE TRAFFICKING

Check-up on Dealers

THE Communist Party, Durban District Committee, is planning an intensive campaign to crush black-marketeering and profiteering in rice and mealie-meal in Durban. It is preparing a list of dealers who say that they have no rice in their possession and later, when the rice comes back to the market, attempts will be made to check up the sources of the supplies.

The Communist Party hopes in this way to restrict black-market activities to some measure.

At a Communist Party meeting held on the Red Square, Durban, on Sunday it was stated that when retailers were approached they declared that the wholesalers were at fault. When the Rice Control Board was approached it failed to supply the Communist Party with a list of names of wholesalers who had control rice quotas.

It was alleged that about [illegible] of rice had disappeared from storerooms and backyards of wholesalers, and that at the opposite end that this rice would be [illegible] to the blackmarket.

Raigopal Naidoo, of Umbogo, was married to Kanchaiby, youngest son of Mrs. and the late Setty Padayachy, of Pretoria. The ceremony was performed according to Hindu rites by Mr. R. A. M. Pillay.

Public distribution depots were the only way in which the consuming of the raw supplies could be checked and prevented from going on to the black-market. Recent reports by controllers had proved that even at the time when the shortage was most acute food had been hoarded by some unscrupulous traders.

The concealed piles of rice were [illegible] to be put under proper supervision by the Food Controller, and that at the opposite end that this rice would be [illegible] to the blackmarket.

Mr. C. Ponen declared that the position was an urgent one. The people had suffered greatly during the war because of the [illegible] food, but now there was no reason for them to undergo further suffering.

GOVERNMENT HAD FAILED

The Government had been called upon by various organisations to curtail black-marketing and profiteering by establishing public distribution depots from which rice and other important food commodities could be sold to the people at controlled prices. The Government, however, had failed in the control and administration of food and supplies were being hoarded while the people starved.

DEWALI GREETINGS



[illegible] send your Dewali greetings, which will appear in the Dewali issue, must forward their [illegible] the following are specimens:

[illegible] and Mrs. [illegible] Durban, extend best wishes to Shree Diwali to all friends and friends.

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To all relatives and friends, Best wishes for Diwali from [illegible] and family, 28 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg.

Readers may phrase their greetings in their own words. The cost is 2s. per insertion. Blocks are available at 1s. each. Greetings must be received before the Tuesday preceding the Leader edition of November.

"Indians He Will Invite"

—Gen. Smuts

GENERAL SMUTS did not receive a deputation from the Indian Congress yesterday as had been arranged. In the course of a telegram to the N.I.C. during the week he states he has declared the interview until after the elections when he will then decide on the Indians he will invite to interview him.

In spite of a Congress deputation as in the last case.

The full text of the wire is: "Members present Indian Congress Committee. Owing to intensely [illegible] are not seeking resolutions. Prime Minister has decided not to grant interview fixed with them for Friday 12 until after Congress elections. He will then decide on the Indians he will invite to interview him."

Indian Broadcast

On Sunday next, commencing at 9.15 a.m., the 5th Ed. Chandler Orchestra, assisted by Ammoolan (Harry) will broadcast a programme of Indian music from the Durban studios during the Indian session.

CELEBRATION OF GANDHI'S 77th BIRTHDAY

Calls to the listeners of the W. E. Durban Library and Picture Reading Room, Durban, on the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi was celebrated at the Durban Town Hall, Durban, on Thursday, October 4. The hall was packed to capacity.

The Rev. J. J. Thomas presided and was supported by Councillor [illegible] Mr. Rowland and other [illegible] Mr. Rowland, in his opening remarks, said that Gandhi was a great man and a great leader. He was a man who [illegible] for the people. He was a man who [illegible] for the people. He was a man who [illegible] for the people

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NOTICE

The Annual General Meeting of the Natal Indian Congress will be held at the City Hall, Durban, on Sunday, 21st October, 1945, at 10 a.m.

AGENDA.

(1) Minutes of Inaugural Meeting.
(2) Adoption of Secretarial Report.
(3) Adoption of Financial Statement.
(4) Amendment to Constitution, if any.
(5) Election of Officials.

Rule No. 17 provides no member shall be entitled to participate at the Annual General Meeting unless he pays a fee of 1/-. Every member shall produce both his Membership Card and Participation Fee Receipt to gain admission to the Chamber of the Natal Indian Congress, 163 Grey Street, Durban, will open at 5 p.m. on Saturday, the 13th October, 1945, at 5 p.m.

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Transvaal Indian Congress

CANCELLATION of BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING

The Executive Committee has unanimously resolved to cancel the Biennial General Meeting which was to be held on 21st October, 1945, at the Gandhi Hall.

The reason of cancellation being that sufficient time was not allowed in terms of Clause 16 of the Constitution.

A WORKING Committee Meeting will be held on the 21st October, 1945, to decide the date and place for the Biennial General Meeting

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AN INVITATION

Mr. and Mrs. K. Perumal Govender,
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DOMESTIC NOTICES

IN MEMORIAM

Late Mr. CAMAS ALYAR

Alyar: In affectionate memory of our dear grandson, son and brother, Camas, who passed away on 9th October, 1945.

Memory of treasure,
No one can steal.
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We can say loud,
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We also love you,
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Ever remembered by parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and brothers, A. Alyar, Maritzburg.

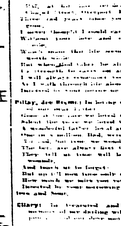
Pillay: Joe Seamus is having memory of our dear Husband and our dear Father, who passed away peacefully on the 10th October, 1944.



Our memories are sweet,
Though he sleeps alone,
Still in our hearts he lives,
And there he will remain.

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Pillay: Joe Seamus is having memory of our dear Husband and our dear Father, who passed away peacefully on the 10th October, 1944.



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Deputation to the Premier

THE proposed interview which the Congress was to have had with the Prime Minister has been deferred, but on the constructive document to have been placed by Congress in regard to the repeal of the Pegging Act and the round table conference between the Union and India there was nothing controversial.

The Premier, not one Indian who is clothed with the act of Parliament, but the whole of the Pegging Act and a re-enactment of sound basic principles with the least possible delay. Congress was represented by Dr. G. M. Naicker and Messrs. Jacobs and Dadoo; Indians in the Province of India and South Africa and the Indian people of the world will be interested in the solution of the Indian problem here in South Africa. All the Indian people will accept nothing less than the repeal of the Pegging Act or its supply by effluxion of time and they will accept nothing less than the restoration of the status quo ante the Pegging Act.

The community, too, is at one with the suggestion contained in the unanimous report of the Broome Commission, India, which has watch I the interests of her children in this country for so many years and has helped to the weathering of so many storms which threatened to submerge the Indian people in this country must have a say in any talks finally determining the status of the Indian people here, because all things point to the fact that the council and the

The Congress deputation, which included the Rev. A. W. G. Champion, also had a discussion with the Minister of Interior, but nothing final was possible in view of the absence of Mr. Lawrence.

Allegations that the Natal Housing Draft Ordinance is ultra vires, that in passing the Indian areas the Provincial Council would be usurping the authority of the Government, and that Indians would be subjected to conditions discriminating to their self-respect and detrimental to their basic mental rights, were contained in the memorandum presented to Senator Clarkson by the deputation from the Natal Indian Congress.

In support of the view that the Ordinance would be ultra vires, the memorandum quotes counsel's opinion, which was to the effect that the powers of the proposed Natal Housing Board is dealt in and expropriate land have not been provided for in any Statute.

The Ordinance was simply an enactment forced by the Provincial Council in which Indians would be nominated under the circumstances and had no power to act independently.

The situation being serious and of paramount importance to Indians of the country the directs of Natal and to others who do not subscribe to the methods and ideologies of the A.S.C., it is imperative that ...ds at branches and others could assemble and seriously consider the situation and the future of the Indian community.

I ... a meeting of leading members ... branches in North ... including Glencoe, ... representatives from ... Durban, a meeting to be held ... on October 14 at 10 ... Consider the situation and ... decisive measures.

It is very grateful if you ... arrange for representation ... your branch to attend."

CONGRESS MEETING IN TRANSVAAL POSTPONED

... and Indian Congress ... its bi-annual meet- ... was to have been held ... 14. The action has ... by the Executive Com- ... owing to the ... outbreak of the ... were not published. A ... Committee will meet on ... 21 to decide the date and ... on the next Congress meet-

... against the shuttering ... Indians in connection with ... commissioner to ... passport, organised by Indian ...

Our Readers Speak

BLACK OUTLOOK

... LYZER in the history of the ... States in this country has ... outlook been as gloomy and black ... The ordinances now before the country will relegate the Indian home or business, it will be enforced segregation. It is a position far worse than the Pegging Act. Do the ... and the ... and appreciate the full implications of this new legislation.

I see very little ... for Indians ... Natal Provincial Council ... Ordinance ... Indians ... Natal ... Indians ... Natal ... Indians ... Natal

INDIAN SOCCER TEAM MAY VISIT S. A.

IF proposed negotiations succeed, South African soccer fans will see Indian bare-foot footballers in action against South African playing fields next season.

Some leading figures in the soccer world are favouring the possibility of inviting a representative All-India side to visit this country next year. The proposed tour is not only to enable the Indian players to meet and play against South African teams before the end of the next soccer season.

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'Very Proud' Of S. Natal's Victory

MR. S. MOODLEY, manager of the Southern Natal team in the Coca Cola tourney, told "The Leader" that he was very proud of the success gained by a Natal team which won the Coca Cola trophy for the first time in the Transvaal.

Northern Natal's 21 goals against their opponent's 2, might be a record for the tournament, he said.

Mr. Moodley added that both new Natal's win was largely due to the fact that the players had responded very well to preparation, practice and teamwork. "I sincerely feel that the standard of our game has reached a very high level. Such tournaments will contribute much towards improving our play, removing old weaknesses and making new friends," he said. "Transvaal played the game as it should be played and took their defeat in a very sporting manner."

NATAL INDIAN TENNIS OFFICIALS

The following officials of the Natal Indian Lawn Tennis Association were elected at the annual meeting:

Patrons, Alfred Dawad, B. S. Singh, M. A. C. Mahomed, A. I. Kajee, Dr. A. M. Moosa, traditional patrons; Messrs. M. A. C. Mahomed (residential), A. I. Kajee (Stanger), Dr. A. M. Moosa, J. B. Jagwanth, S. S. Singh, H. Mahomed, H. E. Asvat, V. Seegar Rao, A. M. Cassim, T. M. Pillay, M. W. Mahomed, H. P. Patel and E. H. Ismail.

Hon. president, H. Mahomed; hon. treasurer, H. I. Mahomed; hon. secretary, H. E. Moodley; hon. auditor, H. P. Patel.

The year under review was a very successful one. All the competitions were successfully carried out and the following were the winners:—Inter-provincial competitions: Singles, A. Ebrahim; doubles, A. Ebrahim and Shield; Moosajee; A. Ebrahim; men; Pietermaritzburg Young Moosa Trophy, H. Bryant; Moosa Trophy, Natal Indian Championships, A. Ebrahim; Alfred Dawad Shield, S. Pillay; H. Bryant; Natal Indian Championships, A. Ebrahim; Natal Indian Championships, Singles, P. B. Mahomed (open Song); Natal Indian Championships, H. Bryant; Natal Indian Championships, Singles, P. B. Mahomed (open Song); Natal Indian Championships, A. Ebrahim; Natal Indian Championships, Singles, P. B. Mahomed (open Song); Natal Indian Championships, H. Bryant and P. Tailor (mixed); Natal Indian Championships, H. Bryant; Natal Indian Championships, H. Bryant and P. Tailor (mixed); Natal Indian Championships, H. Bryant and P. Tailor (mixed); Natal Indian Championships, H. Bryant and P. Tailor (mixed);

MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE



Mr. Ahamed Amod, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Amod of 28 Bank Street, Maritzburg, has left this week on a tour to the Transvaal and Cape.

Magbagh: To Mr and Mrs. H. J. Magbagh a baby girl on 10th. Both well. Thanks to sister and nurse Mother, Home and to the doctor.

Mr. S. Ramjah Naidoo, son of Mr and Mrs. A. R. Naidoo, of Milnerton has returned home after a three and a half years' tour of India.

The engagement has been announced of Miss Khatija Asmal, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Asmal, of Durban, to Mr. Ahamed I. Mother, of

Dr. N. B. Dawjee has left on a short visit to Johannesburg. Mrs. Dawadarjee and child are staying with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Naidoo, of Maritzburg.

Mr. G. Anamthalinghum Ramgasamy (George), assistant instructor of the Port Elizabeth Amateur Weight Lifting Club, who visited Johannesburg and Durban, left Durban for Port Elizabeth via Kimberley on Sunday last.



Saungitha Pillay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Marcham Pillay, of Mafeking, who will celebrate her first birthday on Thursday, the 18th October, 1945. She is the grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nadasa Pillay, 63 Chetlah Road, Durban North.

Mr. M. John and his son Gnanam, and Mr. Johnny Naidoo, secretary of the Natal Indian Cricket Association, have returned home from Johannesburg, where they attended the Natal China soccer tourney. They also paid a short visit to Kimberley.

Messrs. H. Mahomed and H. Ismail, of Durban, have returned home from Johannesburg after attending the Natal China tourney.

Mr. Mohamed Hoosen Chapoti, of Mayville, who was a patient at King Edward's has now been discharged.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Kalideen and Sally Jones, of Durban North, accompanied by their two sons, Palle and Chandra Kalideen are spending the Transvaal last Sunday after a fortnight's holiday. They were the guests of Mr. D. Pandaiee, the secretary of the S.A.I.C. Transvaal, and Mr. Randall Moodley, of Pretoria.

Lad Bahiyad Singh Sidhu Bahadur, commanding the 1st Patiala Rajpramukh Sikh Infantry, has been promoted to the rank of a brigadier. He is the third Indian holding this rank and the first officer from the Indian State Forces.



Photo: National Studio.
Thanasitchee Ithiker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ithiker of Maritzburg, who celebrated her 21st birthday on October 1st.



Vishnampool, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. R. Moonamun and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Jack H. Keatheson Cah, of 84 Bellair Road, Mayville, who will celebrate his first birthday on October 16th.—Photo. by Goros.

Mrs. Chan and children, of Durban, are spending their holidays with Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Ellaya, of Dundee.

Tongaat Hindu Association

The Tongaat Hindu Sanatanan Bodhai Andhra Association held its annual meeting at the Association Hall, Tongaat, on Sunday, September

The Association announced with regret the death of Mr. C. C. Naidoo. The Association was also responsible for the celebrations of religious festivities. Under the chairmanship of Mr. C. C. Naidoo, the Association now conducts many classes, under the tutorship of Mr. S. P. Reddy, of Durban.

The Treasurer's financial statement showed a credit balance of £56.

The following were elected office bearers: Chairman, Mr. C. C. Naidoo; Vice-chairman, Messrs. S. T. Naidoo, R. H. Naidoo, P. E. Naidoo; vice-presidents: Messrs. M. P. Naidoo, H. C. Naidoo, P. S. Naidoo, S. M. Naidoo, S. Naidoo; hon. secretary, C. Sookraj Naidoo and hon. assistant secretary, Mr. S. M. Naidoo; treasurer, Mr. H. E. Naidoo; committee members: Messrs. C. S. Pather, P. M. Naidoo, M. M. Naidoo, S. H. Pillay, C. Subramanie, H. Naidoo, S. Naidoo, S. Naidoo, S. Naidoo, S. Naidoo, P. S. Naidoo, H. Lingaiah, G. Naidoo.

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Kensburgh Muslims

The Muslim Cricket Club, of Kensburgh, at its first annual general meeting, elected the following officials: Patrons, Messrs. Hajee I. G. Hassan, Hajee A. K. Khalik, Ismail, M. Limalia; vice-presidents, Messrs. A. G. Khan, " G. M. Limalia, " Mohamed, Cassim Limia, J. C. Dawjee and Dr. J. Asvat; president, Mr. M. Kader; hon. secretary, Mr. I. E. Kajee; hon. treasurer, Mr. A. H. Omar; hon. auditor, Mr. A. Mahomed Cassim; hon. fixture manager, Mr. C. H. Kalmia.

Northern Transvaal Indian Cricket Union

At the ninth annual general meeting of the following were elected: Mr. J. Naidoo, vice-president; Mr. S. Naidoo, secretary; Mr. M. Pillay, assistant secretary; Mr. S. Singh, treasurer; Mr. Ismail, auditor; Mr. Ramasamy, publicity officer; Mr. C. M. Patel, assistant publicity officer; Messrs. S. Pather, D. Reddy, P. Naidoo, V. Govender, A. H. Ellemdin, G. Manjee, V. Moodley.

Stars Cricket Club

Stars Cricket Club, Port Elizabeth, have elected the following officials: Patrons, Messrs. Hassan Ahmed Ismail, president; Mr. S. Ismail, hon. secretary; Mr. Hassan Ismail, assistant hon. secretary; Mr. Ismail, hon. treasurer; Mr. I. Ismail, hon. auditor; Messrs. Ismail and D. A. Ismail, hon. publicity officers; Messrs. Ismail, M. Ismail and D. A. Ismail, hon. auditors; Messrs. Ismail, Ismail, C. Ismail, A. Ismail, Mr. I. E. Shaikh, committee members; Mr. I. Ismail, captain; Mr. A. Ismail, vice-captain.



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THE CONGRESS OLD GUARD GOES— "WE MAY BE SEEN AGAIN"

J.W. Godfrey's Cautioning Words

BIDDING farewell to the Congress Committee, Mr. J. W. Godfrey, president of the N.I.C., said that he and his colleagues were not running away, but, like the British had often done, were withdrawing according to plan. This did not mean that they would die or fade out, but that at some later stage in the history of the community they would show up again. "We may be seen again," he said.

Mr. Godfrey pointed out that whoever would succeed them should bear in mind that the Indian community was a most unfortunate one; the greatest difficulty would be to get all the sections together. It was already evident that a large number of people would break away, and it was absolutely impossible for the retiring leaders to stop them. They were acting on their own.

"Our salvation against the European people lies in a united front," he declared.

The time had gone by when the European made egocentric and ignorant agitation against the Indian throughout the whole length and breadth of the Province of Natal the Europeans were daily united against the Indians and were standing shoulder to shoulder to get the Indian out of the country. They were determined to segregate the Indians and despite the fact that we constantly were divided. This we have felt that the policy of Congress who not satisfied with a large section of the Indian community felt that the time of the Congress was ripe — enough. We have felt that we could, less that evidently, as we have failed to see we have failed to hand over the reins to a more good luck be with them may you be able to do better future for every in this country.

Up in Arms

Mr. Godfrey said that immediately the new officials showed that they were lacking in leadership it was possible that the people would be up in arms against them.

He congratulated the A.S.C. members for whipping up the Indian people. It was due to this that they were able to take charge of affairs. It was true that the Congress officials had failed to do, but this did not mean that it could not be done again.

Congress, Mr. Godfrey concluded, had earned for itself a name in world affairs. Every one of the Congress was should take charge in order throw her in a manner worthy of this position. It was a fight to the finish with prestige.

I appeal to those who will take charge now not to keep and maintain last minute and make a better future for every

Thorough Overhaul

The time had come, said Mr. Godfrey, for a thorough overhaul of the organisation of the Natal Indian Congress. Indian political organisation in Natal was in a chaotic state and the Natal Indian Congress, which had left behind it a heavy

Where the trouble existed in Congress there was no secret. The trouble was in the Executive and not amongst the rank and file. The Executive had become overburdened with work and had left behind it a heavy

In taking leave of the Congress Mr. Godfrey thanked all those members who had been associated with him, and also those members who had resigned from the Congress. He said he had left behind him many friends.

Messrs. Congress work was unremunerated, the committee members would be glad to see the Congress function on a popular scale. Congress had the right to be represented in the Union Parliament, and it was their duty that they should be represented. Mr. Naidoo said Dr. Naicker had told him that they had accepted all the agreement because they did not want it to be reported that there had been trouble at an Indian meeting. The difference was a small one.

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DR. J. W. GODFREY (left) and MR. A. I. KAJEE (above)

two of the foremost members of the anti-pyramid Congress "Old Guard," who have now resigned from the Committee. An article outlining Mr. Kajee's views on the succession of the A.S.C. to power in Congress is published on Page Four.

Interdict May Nullify Congress Decisions

A POSSIBLE attempt to obtain an interdict setting aside all decisions and elections taken at the annual general meeting of the Natal Indian Congress is foreshadowed in legal advice taken by two members of the Committee, Mr. C. M. Anglia and Mr. I. M. Dhooma.

A letter threatening this legal action has been read by A.S.C. leaders from a Durban solicitor.

The letter, addressed to Dr. Yusuf Naicker, Messrs. M. D. Naidoo, A. I. Meer, M. Hajah, M. Pirath and Debi Singh, says:

"We (Messrs. Messrs. C. M. Anglia and I. M. Dhooma, both of Durban, have instructed me to communicate with you with regard to a meeting of the Committee of the Natal Indian Congress, held at the Albert Church, Albert Street, Durban, on Wednesday, October 14.

"My clients instruct me that at the meeting resignations were tendered and accepted from certain members of the committee who had been responsible in establishing Congress.

Scientific Approach

"And indeed that their state of affairs should go on. The time had come for a complete approach to Indian politics.

Although at the moment there were two permanent officials and no permanent employees, there were considerable funds available for the purpose of paying the salaries of the officials. Mr. Naidoo had told Dr. Naicker that he did not want it to be reported that there had been trouble at an Indian meeting. The difference was a small one.

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This is the Anti-Segregation Council Calling—

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CONGRESS ELECTIONS

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A.S.C. TAKES OVER

On Sunday, 14th October, at a Committee Meeting the old Officials of the Natal Indian Congress resigned and members of the Anti-Segregation Council were elected to fill the vacancies until the Annual General Meeting on 21st October. But the fact that A.S.C. men are now in office is no reason why the A.S.C. supporter should not turn up at the Currie's Fountain on Sunday, 21st.

Elections will take place there and every A.S.C. supporter should be there to support the list of candidates put forward by the A.S.C.

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7. Abolition of all anti-Indian legislation.
8. The removal of the colour bar from all spheres of life.
9. A policy of no compromise on the part of the Natal and the South African Indian Congress.
10. Implementation by the Natal and the South African Indian Congress of the Non-European Unity Resolution endorsed by the South African Indian Congress in 1943.

THE ANTI-SEGREGATION COUNCIL is pledged to reorganise Congress and to reconstitute it on a sound basis. Such a constitution must give to the ordinary member as much authority as is possible.

IT IS FUNDAMENTAL THAT THIS CONSTITUTION SHOULD PROVIDE FOR A TRUE REFLECTION OF POPULAR OPINION IN THE WORKING COMMITTEE.

The draft of the Kajee-Pather group fails to do this. It further fails to provide the general membership with any remedy should the officials or Working Committee fail to carry out their duties or to convene a Federal Assembly.

The new constitution must provide for all contingencies. It must be a peoples constitution.

The Anti-Segregation Council reaffirms its pledge to draw up this constitution. We further pledge ourselves to submit such a constitution to a special General Meeting within three months of the electorate. Within six months a Provincial Conference will be held and new officials chosen by delegates from all parts of Natal.

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OBITUARIES

WADANATH DOMUN

The death occurred on Sunday, October 7, of Sr. Anthony Domun, Domun Smith, of Mr. Wadanath Domun, a foreman of the Durban Corporation Parks Department. Mr. Domun was one of the pioneers of the Natal Indian Telugu Association, and was elected Vice-President of the Association at the Annual General Meeting held on January 1, 1939. He was also a member of the Provident Fund Committee, and a member of the Natal Indian Welfare Society and the Natal Indian Club. He visited India in 1937 with the N.A. football team.

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On Natal Indian and Tamil Hour from Durban on Saturday, October 6, Mr. Anthony Domun, Domun Smith, of Mr. Wadanath Domun, a foreman of the Durban Corporation Parks Department, was elected Vice-President of the Association at the Annual General Meeting held on January 1, 1939. He was also a member of the Provident Fund Committee, and a member of the Natal Indian Welfare Society and the Natal Indian Club. He visited India in 1937 with the N.A. football team.

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MR. DAVID PETERS

The sudden death occurred at St. Aubyn's Nursing Home, Durban, on Saturday, October 6, of Mr. David Peters, at the age of 50. Mr. Peters, a well-known and popular figure in the Indian community, was a prominent member of the Natal Indian Congress and the Natal Indian Teachers' Society.

Mr. Peters was born in Durban and received his education at the Sastri College. He was a teacher by profession and was attached to the Sastri College staff for many years. He was also a member of the Durban Municipal Library Committee.

Mr. Peters is survived by his widow, Mrs. Kamala Peters, and family.

The funeral took place on Tuesday, October 9, at the Mount Moriah Cemetery, and was largely attended by Indian and European friends of the deceased.

EMPRESS INDIAN SOCIAL CLUB

The Empress Indian Social Club held its second annual general meeting on Sunday, October 14.

The Secretary in his report said that the membership of the Club had increased considerably by the Durban Indian Hockey League, which is affiliated to the Club. The League entered a team in the Second Division of the Durban Hockey Association competition. The following officials were elected for the ensuing year: Patron, Mr. A. Peter; President, Mr. E. Peter; Vice-Presidents, Messrs. A. Peter, M. Peter, Mrs. Peter, Mrs. Peter, Mrs

Natal Indian Congress

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NOTICE

The Annual General Meeting of the Natal Indian Congress will be held at the Durban Fountain Sports Ground, Durban, on Sunday, the 28th October, 1945, at 10 a.m.

AGENDA.

(1) Minutes of Inaugural Meeting.
(2) Adoption of Secretarial Report.
(3) Adoption of Financial Statement.
(4) Amendment to Constitution, if any.
(5) Election of Officials.

Rule No. 12 provides no member shall be entitled to participate at the Annual General Meeting unless he pays a fee of 5/-.

Every member shall produce with his/her Membership Card and Participation Fee Receipt to gain admission to the Curries Fountain Indian Sports Ground.

Enrolment of members of the Natal Indian Congress at 156 Commercial Road, Durban, will stop at 5 p.m. on Saturday, the 13th October, 1945, at 5 p.m.

P. R. PATHER
A. H. MOOSA
Joint Hon. Secretaries.

P.O. Box 10 Durban.

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Deepavali Celebration

Under the auspices of the Port Shepstone Indian Social Club, Port Shepstone, Hindu Vidya Prachharini Sabha, Hanuman Temple, Port Shepstone, and the Hindu Sanatan Dharma Pongati Sabha, we are having a Deepavali Dance at the Residence of Port Shepstone and district.

A Grand Programme has been arranged for all visitors and music by Mr. Dick's own six-piece band. The dance will be held on NOVEMBER 3rd, 1945, at the Raven's Rest Sports Ground, Marburton, commencing at 7 p.m. sharp.

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Port Shepstone Deepavali Dance Committee.

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Indo-European Joint Council of Pietermaritzburg

A GENERAL MEETING

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Tuesday, Oct. 23, 1945, at 7.30 p.m.

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when the following matters will be discussed:

MR. J. D. SCOTT has kindly consented to give a TALK illustrated by a CINEMA FILM on the important subject of SOIL EROSION.

(with special reference to its incidence in South Africa).

The meeting is open to the Public and the Committee hope that as many members of the Council as possible will come and bring their friends, who themselves may become members on payment of the Annual Subscription of 2/6.

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SHREE SANATHAN DHARMA SABHA
(NATAL)

THE 6th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Sabha will be held at the DURBAN HINDU TEMPLE (Samiaroo Hall) on SUNDAY, the 28th OCTOBER, 1945, commencing at 1.30 p.m.

All followers of the Sanathan Dharma are earnestly requested to attend.

Agenda: (1) Minutes, (2) Correspondence, (3) Presidential Speech, (4) Secretarial Report, (5) Election of new Trustees, (6) Election of Office-Bearers, (7) Any other business.

I. Maniser, H. H. Maharaj,
Hon. Secretaries.

Saraswathie Poojai Celebration

The above Celebration will be held at Mr. K. M. Naidoo's (Fort School, 28th Andreth Road, Cane Manor, on Octo. 21, 1945, commencing at 10 a.m.

to avoid disturbance to those who are interested, it will be commenced at the back of Mr. K. M. Naidoo's (Fort Residence), to avoid small gatherings there.

We cordially invite you, your wife and your friends to join us on this occasion, as we are doing for our children.

H. K. NAIDOO (Fort),
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(Teacher, of Tongaat).

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DOMESTIC NOTICES

ANNIVERSARY NOTICE

The marriage of Mr. the late Mr. and Mrs. ... of No. ... Road, Durban, to Miss ..., daughter of the late Mr. ... and Mrs. ... of Durban, took place at the S.T.S.A. Hall, Keate Street, Durban, on Saturday, October 21, 1944, between the hours of 10.30 a.m. and 12.30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. ... are grateful to all friends who sent congratulations and cards and will ask relatives and friends to accept this as a personal invitation.

IN MEMORIAM

Nathan In treasured memory of our beloved husband and Dear Sisterkan Nadoo, who left us with an aching void on this day, 1944.



Your last beloved name so long learnt,
That loved your most sweetest,
That loved you and never will,
Forget you, Daddy dear.
Sad today, but ever dear
In silence we remember
Nathan, Daughters, Mum, Dad, Sisters, Brothers.

Nadoo: In fond memory of our darling daughter and sister, Thayi, who fell asleep on 21th October, 1944.

With tears we watched you suffer,
With hearts we heard you cry,
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not keep you nigh.
We watched you to the last breath,
Sad.

Sadly missed never would be kind hearted heart, more broken than we are by your departure.

Inserted by Mum, Dad, Govind, Rama Krishna and Thanu.

Nadoo: In treasured memory of our beloved husband and Dear Sisterkan called to rest on October 21 1944.



This day brings to memory,
Of one dear and sweet to me,
Who left us with a heart full of pain,
And those who loved her feel
Her loss.
Inserted by Husband, Children and Cousins.

Nadoo: In ever loving memory of our darling sister, Thayari, who fell asleep on 21th October, 1944.

How life a heart-full memory,
Of one we loved so dear,
Always remembered by Grandma,
Uncle and Aunt.

THANKS NOTICE.

The family of the late Nanard Reddy wish to thank all relatives and friends for their many kind expressions and floral tributes sent in their bereavement.

MARITZBURG INDIAN PARLIAMENT FORTNIGHTLY MEETING

H.T.W.A. LIBRARY
Wednesday, Oct. 24, 7.30 p.m.
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Furniture Trade Unions Confer

THE first annual ...
Conference of Trade Unions in the Furniture Trade in South Africa was held on Sunday, 21st October, at the Trades Hall, Durban. There were present delegates from the following unions:—

Natal Furniture Workers' Industrial Union, Durban; Natal Coast Furniture Workers' Industrial Union, Durban; Natal Furniture Workers' Industrial Union, Pietermaritzburg; Transvaal Furniture Workers' Industrial Union, Johannesburg; Cape Town Furniture Workers' Industrial Union, Cape Town; Port Elizabeth Furniture Workers' Industrial Union, Port Elizabeth; Natal Coast Furniture Workers' Industrial Union, Durban North; Bloemfontein Furniture Workers' Industrial Union, Bloemfontein.

Brothers and sisters from all parts of South Africa took part in the discussions which were of a most encouraging nature. Comrades from the Natal Furniture Workers' Industrial Union were Mr. H. M. Kooverjee, Mr. R. Bulbeer, Mr. M. S. Moosa and Mr. C. Jadoo.

The principal discussions centered around the following topics: Organisation for the Furniture Industry; Agreements; Wages and the cost of living; Annual leave proposals for the Furniture Industry; Increased holidays; Minimum wages for the lowest paid workers; and the question of a national minimum wage.

Other matters dealt with included food and the action taken by the Durban Council against the market racketeers. A strong protest was being lodged with the Minister of Labour in connection with the alleged maladministration of the Industrial Conciliation Act. This Act, which is causing considerable delays in the granting of benefits to essential and vital areas, is long overdue, and took place on the recognition of African Trade unions, the extension of systems being that these unions should be allowed to register and supporting the A.T.U. Trades and Labour Council's efforts to get the Industrial Conciliation Act amended to provide for this.

The Co-ordinating Council of Conference passed a strong resolution deploring attempts by employers to divide the workers and condemning and opposing any movement that may interfere with the rights of the consumer trade unions in all its forms. Delegates left for their respective centres on Monday.

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MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE





The betrothal took place on Saturday last in the presence of a large and representative gathering at the Merebank Tamil School Hall, Beach Road, Merebank, of Krupanathie Grace, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Haram Naiken, of Oxford Road, Merebank, to Ruthnamma Isaac, sixth son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Coomsamy Govender, of Dayal Road, Wentworth. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. A. J. Chonnoo.

Classes Started

THE Associations for the Promotion of the Education of Non-European Girls and Women has commenced occupational classes in knitting and sewing for poorer girls at the Magazine Barracks, and also in typewriting for a group of women.

This information is contained in the report of the secretary, Mr. M. H. Naidoo, for the annual meeting of the Association. It was felt the secretary said, that the work at the Barracks could merit a great need and should be developed. An appeal for teachers had met with some response and further classes in handiwork were being arranged. A library was being formed.

The committee had recently come into contact with trade union leaders on factory employing women with the intention of introducing cultural classes amongst them.

Mrs. M. Palmer was elected chairman, Mr. M. H. Naidoo secretary with the following executive: Mrs. H. Jathon, F. P. English, Mrs. Harker, Miss Lawler, Mrs. F. H. Cuthbert and Mr. Butler (the Mayoress of Durban is patron, and one of the Association's objects is to secure Non-European representation on the Durban City Council).

Hookmoney Ruby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. Dillie, of Cato Street, Durham, and eldest grandaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank



Hookmoney, of Karse Grove, Pinetown, Durham, who celebrated her first birthday on October 19.

A Saturday Dinner celebration in honour of the Jubilee of Lenasia was held at the Durban Indian Women's Association and the Durban Indian Girls' Club on Saturday, 13th October, at the D.I.W.A. Hall, commencing at 6.30 p.m. Mrs. Pragie Jadoo presided. Speakers from both these bodies and other visitors

AN INVITATION

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Pather, of 12 Clarence Road, Durban, request the pleasure of the company of all friends and relatives on the occasion of the betrothal of THILLAIRAYCHENGALL, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Pather.

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Sunday, 21st October, 1945, at the residence of Dr. J. P. Pather, 167 Sydney Road, Clairwood. Ceremony between 2 and 3 p.m. Kindly accept this intimation.

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Mr. N. N. Charles Naidoo of 240 Long street, Capetown, left Durban on Sunday night by train on his return to his home.

Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Johnny, of Durban, are spending their vacation with Mr. Johnny's sister, Mrs. P. S. Chetty, of Maraisburg.

Mr. G. S. Naidoo, secretary of the Empress Indian Social Club, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Pillay, of Ladysmith, for a fortnight in November. He will be accompanied up on one occasion.

Mr. P. R. Vandayar, of Port Elizabeth, who is on holiday, left Johannesburg last week for Durban, where he is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Pathayachee.

Mr. I. Reed, of Mayville, has returned home after spending a weekend in Carolina with Mr. I. H. Khanemohamed.

JOINT ORCHESTRAS

A meeting convened by Mr. S. V. Pillay, and Mr. Sooful Rajah was held at Maraisburg on Sunday and when representatives of bands of the locations and Musical Clubs of the City were present.

It was decided to form the Pietermaritzburg and Districts Indian Consolidated Committee, comprising two representatives of each Club, and a general or cultural body.

It was also decided that concert parties on local and outside stations in Tamil, Hindi, Telugu, Gujerati and Urdu be held in Maraisburg during Easter 1946.

The following officials were elected, Chairman, Mr. S. V. Pillay, vice-chairman, Mr. E. N. Pillay, secretary, Mr. Sooful Rajah, treasurer, Mr. Warne Pillay.



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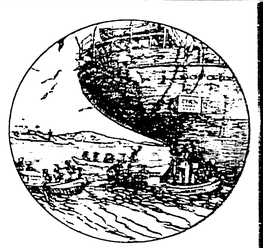
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MEETING OF 7,000 VOTES LEFT-WING INTO LEADERSHIP

MORE than **7,000 people** voted the Left-wing into office in the Natal Indian Congress at the Congress elections held at Currie's Fountain in Durban last Sunday.

Speaking after the election, Dr. G. M. Naicker, President said that the Anti-Segregation Council candidates had been elected because the Kajee-Pather leadership had become outdated. The people required a more virile system. "If at the end of our term you feel we have let you down, then you can throw us out. We will not hide behind any constitution."

"We have given birth to a new era in Indian politics. It symbolises also the rise of the interests of the common man in world politics," declared Mr. Gov. Singh, the Chairman of the Committee. "We have pledged to fight tooth and nail, but we do not promise you the results immediately possibly not even in your lifetime," he added.

Resolutions Adopted

At the Congress general meeting the following resolutions were passed:

1. DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS.

The annual general meeting of the Natal Indian Congress in Union Conference assembled, declares that the time has arrived when full democratic rights should be granted to the people of South African Indians, Indian officials and delegations, and calls upon the Congress to organise mass and constitutional campaigns to secure for the Indian people of South Africa full democratic rights.

Further this meeting authorises the Executive Committee of the Congress to adopt every possible measure to achieve this end, including the boycott of Indian goods and the non-collaboration with the Government in the prosecution of the War.

2. ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE.

In view of the urgency of the situation this meeting urges the Government to give immediate consideration to the calling of a Round Table Conference of representatives of the Indian people of the Union, the Government of the Natal, Cape and Transvaal Provinces, and the Imperial Government to find a suitable solution of the problem.

3. RACIAL CO-OPERATION.

This meeting urges the officials and members of Congress to use their influence in relation to Natal, the resolution adopted by the Transvaal Indian Congress at the Special Session held in Johannesburg on December 31st, 1944, and ratified by the Annual Session held in Durban on April 8th, 1945, be accepted for this Congress as the basis of co-operation between the Indian community of Natal and the Non-European organisations as the Executive Committee of the Natal Indian Congress and all affiliated bodies may be empowered to enter into such co-operation with the Non-European organisations as they may deem necessary for the purpose of promoting the welfare and advancement of the Non-European people.

4. CONGRESS CONSTITUTION.

This meeting regrets that the Natal Indian Congress has not been able to give effect to the resolution passed by the Natal and thereby to bring about the unification of the Indian people in Natal, and therefore urges that a special general meeting be called before the end of December 1945 to consider the following amendments to the Constitution:

(a) That the Natal Indian Congress be constituted on a democratic basis.

(b) That the Executive Committee be elected by the Annual General Meeting.

(c) That the Executive Committee be empowered to co-opt not more than two members.

(d) That the Executive Committee be empowered to form Provincial Committees.

(e) That the Executive Committee be empowered to form Local Committees.

(f) That the Executive Committee be empowered to form Women's Sections.

(g) That the Executive Committee be empowered to form Youth Sections.

(h) That the Executive Committee be empowered to form Labour Sections.

(i) That the Executive Committee be empowered to form Trade Union Sections.

(j) That the Executive Committee be empowered to form Students' Sections.

(k) That the Executive Committee be empowered to form Professional Sections.

(l) That the Executive Committee be empowered to form Business Sections.

(m) That the Executive Committee be empowered to form Ward Committees.

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(o) That the Executive Committee be empowered to form Hawkers' Sections.

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(v) That the Executive Committee be empowered to form Girl Guides Sections.

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(NATAL)

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The Task Ahead

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One of the immediate things which Congress can and should do is to set up a permanent office with a capable organiser and staff. All those years Congress has been unwisely attached to the individuality of officials, by time has come when the Indian people created an independent Congress office where all records, files and information can be available at a moment's notice, for it is this way can the community be assured of a united front with the same.

The time has come when the backboned methods of the past must go. This is no new thing. Attention has been drawn attention to the need of permanent staff and office time and again. We did it when the Indian Representation was constituted and we have referred to it again and again in these columns, but nothing has been done. Now, the present High Commissioner, has been referred to the question. It is in the interests of the Indian community and above all it is to the advantage of the people who will take over the reins in the future. It is the duty of every Indian, if he can afford, to contribute towards the maintenance of the Congress office. It is the duty of every Indian to see that he has revealed to go by it. He does not know whether the Congress office is open or not. It must be realised. The personnel of the Congress will retain the working practices of the Indian interests if they are elected, failing a permanent character to Congress.

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Brigadier Crofton said: "I first emphasise the non-political character of our constitution, which states that the main purpose of the Joint Council is 'to encourage the idea of the common welfare of all races in the country, to investigate the conditions which this may be realised and upon this basis to promote co-operation between Europeans and Europeans.'

"I suggest that at this time, when we are all endeavouring to settle down again to the blessings of peace, it is especially important that the public spirited members of all communities in the country should exert their most efforts to eliminate every possible cause of friction from amongst them.

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Subjects Dealt With

A summary of the subjects which the Joint Council Committee has dealt with is as follows:—

Housing: Natives (or in some cases Europeans) living on Department of Labour.

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Provision of communal feeding for Indian workers employed in connection with the Social Welfare Department: Indians in Maritzburg: this insight.

Provision of Indian Nurses for the Non-Europeans at the Municipal Native Hospital (Durban Council). Nothing can be done in this matter, as the Administration attended meetings

of the Road Transportation Board. Action has been taken.

(6) Differentiation between rates of old age pensions drawn by Indian and other communities. Representations made to the proper authorities, who are investigating the matter.

(7) Condition existing around the Beach Street housing area and lack of recreational facilities there. Representations made to the Durban Council, who are dealing finally in the matter. Nothing can be done in this matter, as the Durban Council is dealing with the Durban Corporation between the Durban Corporation and the Durban Corporation.

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MR. A. I. KAJEE, who in spite of his resignation from office in the Natal Indian Congress, retains his high place in the S.A. Indian Congress and his close identity with the cause of the Indian community in Natal, will report from time to time for "The Leader" on the activities of the new Congress leader-ship. His first article is published below.

THE annual general meeting of the Natal Indian Congress passed off without any incident. Everybody will be glad about that, for it was, among other things, experienced at Mayville last year. The new Executive Committee is now constituted.

But apart from that, the meeting demonstrated the way in which the Anti-segregation Council wholly despite assertions to the contrary, is identified with Congress, intends to organise Congress on its lines, and to use Congress machinery for its own purposes and the campaign it has embarked upon. Mr. Chetty, who has been appointed Secretary of the Anti-Council, is without doubt the most capable man on the list and is certainly the most energetic. He is the man who, more than anyone else, is pinning his faith on the Anti-Segregation Council. Mr. Chetty is also the man who, more than anyone else, is responsible for the present state of affairs in Congress. Last-minute changes had to be made, and where they are changes of no moment whatsoever as Chairman of Committees, it suggests that the Anti-Segregation Council is the real representative of the Indian community. In fact, that to call a meeting of Congress is to call a meeting of the Anti-Segregation Council. Congress leaders, refused office with the Anti-Segregation Council, have been relegated to the background. Congress has been reduced to a position where the Anti-Segregation Council is pointed as Chairman of Committees, Anti-minute changes had to be made, and where they are changes of no moment whatsoever as Chairman of Committees, it suggests that the Anti-Segregation Council is the real representative of the Indian community. In fact, that to call a meeting of Congress is to call a meeting of the Anti-Segregation Council

Indo-European Tennis Match

UNDER the patronage of the Mayor and the Mayoress of Durban, a friendly tennis match between Indians and Europeans will be played at the Castle Court, Mayville, Durban, on Sunday, November 18. The nett proceeds will be equally divided between the "Salute to Britain" and Friends of the Sick Association Funds.

This is the first occasion in the history of Indian tennis in this country that such an event will take place. The European team will consist of the following leading players, E. C. Kirby, J. J. Haldane, Peter Dr. Beer and Nelarmani, while N. N. Maharaj, the South African champion, D. Latter, H. Deodarsh, Yusuf Lang with M. I. Yusuf as reserve will form out for the Indians. There will also be an exhibition match by the Europeans.



Mr. Rathnagan Pillay, who was entertained to dinner by the Queen's Football Club (of which he is a member) at Cantrell Lounge, Mr. Pillay represented Southern Natal in the recent Inter China Cup Tennis meet, and several Southern Natal players will take part in the first match against Transvaal.

ESSENDENE ROAD SCHOOL

THE storerooms to be of the school building now in progress at the Essendene Road Government Aided Indian School, Addington, a section of this school has been already constructed by members of the community to whom the Mayor, Mr. Rathnagan Pillay, who was entertained in dinner by the Queen's Football Club (of which he is a member) at Cantrell Lounge, Mr. Pillay represented Southern Natal in the recent Inter China Cup Tennis meet, and several Southern Natal players will take part in the first match against Transvaal.



Essendene School building now in the course of re-erection.

roofs and members of the second section of the Essendene Road Aided Indian School, are further behind schedule. Although the work has been started for the completion section of the building and is nearly half way through, unfavourable further rain of money to meet the expenses of the building project.

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Mr. Joseph Chetty, Mr. Abraham Moonsamy and Mr. Sandy Govindsamy (members of the Building Committee), Mr. Mahadeo Singh, Mr. Mahadeo Singh, Mr. Mahadeo Singh,

MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE



Nadakumar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Singh, of Livingston Road, Durban, who celebrates her second birthday tomorrow.



A VIOLINIST'S SUCCESS

Miss A. SAVATHREE CHETTY, of the Kalamazoo Orchestra, and pupil of Mr. A. Govindasamy Pillay, is the only lady violin soloist of the Kalamazoo Musical Competitions held at Durban recently. Miss was awarded a trophy.

Mr. A. Govindasamy Pillay, of the Kalamazoo Orchestra, at the above competitions was awarded a Certificate of Merit for a Band Piece.

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The Kalamazoo Orchestra was awarded a Certificate of Merit for a Band Piece.



Ramanathie (Goodie), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Persadh, of 4 Victor Hamelin, Carlisle Street, Durban (formerly of Howard's), and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raghoonanan, of Wentworth, who celebrates her first birthday on 12th October, 1945.

MEETING OF CATO MANOR SCHOOL OLD BOYS

The annual general meeting of the Cato Manor School Old Boys' Association was held in the Cato Manor School premises on Mr. Saleem Cassim presided.

Mr. Nicholas, the principal of the school, appealed to the members to help the school in any manner possible so as to enable the boys to participate in the various functions, debates and other subjects arranged from time to time.

The meeting requested the incoming officials to find ways and means of presenting to its name a Shield to the Cato Manor School for the children's sports, and also to present a Shield for the elementary pupils proceeding to the secondary school.

The following were elected office bearers for the year: Patron, Mr. H. Ramasher; chairman, Mr. V. P. Valli Pillay; vice-chairman, Mr. R. V. Pillay; vice-president, Messrs. H. Ramasher, V. P. Valli Pillay, R. V. Pillay, Singh, J. A. Cassim, Ismail, Ismail, A. M. Cassim; secretary, Mr. P. Chetty; assistant secretary, Mr. H. E. Ismail; committee, Messrs. M. H. Peters, A. H. Ramasher, H. Franck and P. V. John.

At a Press interview on Washington Mr. Gopinath Bennur, the Government of India representative at the recent Montreal International Air Council, said that their lack of living room in Montreal necessitated the construction of British type houses. Their stay was only temporary and the development of India's post-war air services showed that in the future the country will have a well-trained number of technical personnel to enable her air lines to be all Indian.

Congregation balances about recorded a profit of over £200 collected during their stay in terms of concerts and other functions. Mr. Gopinath Bennur and the Rabbis thus the substantial capital of £4,000.

WOMAN'S SOCIAL SERVICE

THE 25th annual meeting of the Women's Indian Women's Association was held in the Rutherford Main School, on Monday. A large gathering of women and girls were present, as well as the Indian Women's Red Cross Detachment No. 85.

Mrs. Gabriel Zachariah presided, in her presidential speech she said that thanks were due to Lady Kalavati Singh for having formed this body not only in Verulam, but also in the towns surrounding it.

Mrs. D. Saunders, in addressing the meeting, said "I am very proud indeed to see that this society formed only a year ago is still in existence in Maritzburg and is 12 years old today. The valuable work being done by the society is really admirable. I wish them great success in the forthcoming year."

The secretary, Mrs. S. Jagmohan, in submitting the annual report, referred to the fund drive the society had made in adopting it to the Red Cross.

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Patrons, Lady Kanwar Sir Maharaj Singh, Mrs. H. E. Hall, Mrs. Gabriel Zachariah.

Mrs. T. Ramchetty; hon. secretary, Mrs. S. Jagmohan; treasurer, Mrs. Maharaj.

Committee members: Mesdames H. Maharaj, S. E. Naidoo, D. Brandon, F. Reitzel, V. Naidoo, I. Phillips, E. Timothy, S. J. Pillay, A. Moodley, Frank, Peters, Mrs. Shaw, Pather, M. E. Moodley, F. M. Pillay, Mrs. Ismail, Mrs. Ramchetty, Mrs. Jagmohan.

Representatives were appointed: Mrs. Gabriel Zachariah and Mrs. A. Jagmohan; alternative Miss T. Veeramany.

POPULAR WEDDING

The H.R.H.A. Hall, Maritzburg, was the scene of a popular wedding last Saturday, the contracting parties being Lyangasar, younger son of Mr. and the late Mr Chennah Moodley, Maritzburg, and Thilavathie, youngest daughter of the Late Mr. and Mrs. Swaminathan Naidoo, Newcastle.

The marriage ceremony was performed by Mr. S. Pandey in a tastefully decorated pandal, after which congratulations were conveyed by Messrs. Ramsamy, Naidoo, Pillay, Singh and Maritzburg Club president. A reception and dinner followed.

After cutting the bridal cake, the bride was presented with a gift of cheque, among others, by the Maritzburg Club. Over 200 guests were entertained to a sumptuous repast.

The bridal couple were the recipients of many gifts from all parts of the country.

The bridegroom is the youngest son of Mr. C. S. Moodley and the late

The bride is a Newcastle girl and is the youngest sister of Secretary Naidoo Bros. Mr. E. S. Pillay acted as M.C.

At present arrangements are being made for the T.B. children at the Addington Hospital to have a Christmas treat, especially to the cheque to receive from the Lady Linlithgow Fund, which will help to conduct the treat successfully.

Mrs. Gabriel Zachariah, Mrs. T. Ramchetty, Mrs. S. Jagmohan, Mrs. R. Jagmohan, Treasurer, Mrs. Maharaj.

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MOUNT PARTRIDGE SABHA

At the annual meeting of the Mount Partridge Vedic Dharm Sabha, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Patron, Pandit Thakur, M. G. Bajnel, B. P. Singh; trustees, H. Piyaree, M. Ghanpath, D. Seebaluk; president, Mr. P. Seebaluk (re-elected); vice-president, G. Ramdeen, A. Sookhoo, M. Ramlochan (re-elected); secretary, R. Ramlochan (re-elected); treasurers, R. Ramlochan (re-elected); auditors, M. Lachhman (re-elected); sabha manager, Sis Saroon.

During the Sabha's existence of two years it has grown in membership and finance and has been favoured with the building scheme.

Donations in kind and cash would be gratefully acknowledged. The

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DEPUTATION TO MEET SMUTS

New Congress Leaders Step Into High-Level Politics

THE Prime Minister, General Smuts, will receive a deputation from the Natal Indian Congress on November 9 in Pretoria at 2.30 p.m. at his office.

The Congress Committee meeting on Sunday decided to accept the invitation of the Premier and the following, plus one representative each from the North Coast, the South Coast, the Midlands and Northern Natal, will form the deputation: Dr. C. M. Naicker, Messrs. Geo. Singh, M. D. Naidoo, I. M. Bawa and B. A. Maharaj.

The members of the Indian Congress deputation which will wait upon Smuts will on that day be the three chief shelters [illegible] members of the deputation.

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DR. G. SINGH: Began life [illegible] teacher, had an outstand[illegible] career at school and [illegible] Fort Hare and entered [illegible] profession. Was [illegible] to Swaziland [illegible] Native College to [illegible] well known in the world [illegible] explained the [illegible] against the All-India [illegible] team, and is now an [illegible] in the football world. [illegible] business in 1938 [illegible] with his studies and [illegible] as an attorney some [illegible] Was also one of [illegible] from the Natal Indian [illegible] for extremist views [illegible] with the other [illegible] others, the Nationalist [illegible]

I. M. BAWA: A keen [illegible] farmer, had a business [illegible] career when [illegible] Indian Association [illegible] several years. He [illegible] Hindu Women's Society [illegible] of the Natal Indian [illegible] Congress, and [illegible] a short option [illegible] the colleagues of Dr. [illegible] He was appointed [illegible] a few years ago [illegible] he became a member of the new [illegible] formed one of the [illegible] leaders of the Congress [illegible] the Pretoria [illegible] the Opposition [illegible] to petition Smuts [illegible] in his capacity as chairman [illegible] of those who appeared [illegible] Supreme Court [illegible] case, [illegible] to look after [illegible] Was elected [illegible] Congress [illegible]

M. D. NAIDOO: Came [illegible] Durban [illegible] Was associated with the Anti-Segregation Council and was one of the leaders of the Opposition in the Congress. Is now Chairman of Committee.

MOHANLAL PAREKH: A Durban business man who has some [illegible] politics for the first time.

B. A. MAHARAJ: [illegible]

EASING RICE POSITION

OFFICIALS of the Natal Indian Congress interviewed the Durban Food Controller to suggest measures for easing the rice position in Natal.

Proposals were put forward for the remunerative of surplus rice while maintaining the present level of consumption.

As a result of discussions on the Black-marketing at rice, it is expected that steps will be taken to stop the black market and ensure a fairer distribution to the poorer members of the community.

Congress appeals for public assistance by reporting any irregularities to the Secretary, Box 2200 or 3 Bedsaragh's Buildings, Victoria Street, Durban, or phone 27633.

Special Deepavali Broadcast

A special Deepavali programme [illegible] Durban Station [illegible] Pillay, [illegible] Singh, [illegible] Pillay, [illegible] Mr. [illegible] will provide [illegible]

"Sense of Responsibility" CONGRESS COMMITTEE HAS FIRST MEETING

THE new Congress Committee held its first meeting at the M. K. Gandhi Library Hall on Sunday, when it had discussions lasting for more than three hours on formal matters. Among the more important business dealt with was the deputation to see the Prime Minister and the election of the Executive Committee.

EXTENDING a welcome to the Committee Mr. Geo. Singh, the Chairman of the Committee, said that he hoped and trusted that all deliberations would be characterised by a sense of responsibility.

The Indian community was facing a number of difficulties. On the one side was the Government, while on the other the Committee itself was being criticised on the ground that it was composed of young and inexperienced men. The duty was to meet this criticism and to work hard.

"I appeal to you," Mr. Singh said, "to be responsible so that I cannot be cast out but [illegible] lown run on democratic lines, and that Bruce's would remain loyal to the present body.

"I would like, however, to appeal to you to limit yourselves exclusively to purely Indian questions. First and foremost you should attend to Indian affairs and not indulge in extraneous matters."

Reporting on the deputation which went to Pretoria, Mr. M. D. Naidoo said that the deputation had been able to see only one of the Ministers, who was sympathetic. The meeting decided to ask the spokesmen of the deputation Mr. A. I. Kajee for a written report.

Executive Elected

The following were elected to the Executive: Mr. G. Pemen, Mr. K. P. Pather, Dr. C. M. Naicker, Mr. G. Singh, Mr. H. Bhana, Mr. I. M. Bawa, Mr. S. R. Pather, Mr. M. D. Naidoo, Mr. A. I. Kajee, Mr. A. M. Moosa, Mr. B. A. Maharaj, Mr. Ismail Meer, Mr. Ismail Ebrahim, Mr. Yusuf Dadoo, Mr. Ahmed Cassim, Mr. Ahmed Bhamjee, Dr. Naicker and Mr. Govan Mbeki.

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Mr. [illegible] Natal Indian [illegible] Congress [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Treasurer [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Mr.