Mainly About People

MAHARAJ–MAHARAJ WEDDING.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Maharaj, of Springvale, [illegible], was the scene of a gay and attractive wedding when their young[est] daughter, [illegible], was married to [illegible], eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Maharaj and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Ramnath [illegible], of Edendale, on Sunday, January 20, 1952.

Silver Wedding

SOMASUNDRAM — ABRAHAM. — On February 23, 1927, at St. Aidan's Church, Durban, by the Rev. [illegible] Hildred-Ware, assisted by the Rev. W. [illegible], Henry Vincent Lawrence to Rebecca Agnes. Present Address [illegible]

[illegible] Pooran, of Willowton, Pietermaritzburg, has been admitted to study medicine at the Wentworth Medical College, Durban. He was the only pupil of Woodlands Indian High School to succeed in the Matriculation Examination last year. (Inserted by [illegible].)

Wedding Invitation

Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Govender, of Gopaulsingh Road, Isipingo, and Mrs. [illegible] Govender, of 28 White Hall Place, Jacobs, Durban, extend a cordial invitation to all friends and relatives on the occasion of the marriage of [illegible] (M. G. Govender), second son of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible], to [illegible], only daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. [illegible] Govender, on Sunday, March 2, 1952, at the Isipingo Indian School Hall, Isipingo. Nuptial ceremony between 9 and 10.30 a.m. Bride's party will leave their residence at 7 a.m. on Sunday by bus. M.Cs., Messrs. R. Gopaulsingh and A. P. Chetty. Mr. M. N. Naidoo will officiate. Music by Young India Orchestra conducted by Mr. Henry Gengan, accompanied by Pillay's [illegible] Service. With compliments from the relatives of the bride and bridegroom.

MR. AND MRS. V. KANNIAH MAISTRY, who were married last month in Bangalore, India, will be returning to Durban shortly.

Coming of Age

DAN MOODLEY, fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Moodley, of 122 Milner Road, Jacobs, who celebrated his twenty-first birthday on February 10, 1952.

PRAKASH, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Singh, of 4 Burnwood Road, Sydenham, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. S. Hari Singh, of 125 Bailey Road, Red Hill, who celebrated his third birthday on February 18.

FIRST INDIAN WOMAN TO ADDRESS ROTAR

Speaking on the status of In[dian] women, Mrs. Esther K. [illegible] B.A., addressed the Durban [illegible] ary Club. She has joined the ranks of the few women who so far have spoken to the Du[rban] Rotarians, and she has been the first of her race to do so.

Although much has [illegible] achieved by the Indian wom[en in] the last twenty years, the rat[e of] progress, she said, had been s[low].

"There are still many disabil[ities] which Indian women have [yet to] overcome. Economic factors [have] been responsible for some of th[em], but Indians themselves are n[ow realis]ing the need for advancement [of] their womenfolk and so are g[iving] generously towards the establish[ment] of educational institutions [as] they have done in the past.

"We are on the eve of m[any] changes in this country. Here [in] South Africa in time our wom[en's] home and social life will have to [be] adjusted so as to give opportun[i]ties to women to develop their [own] personalities and capabilities. [The] attainment of economic indep[en]dence, which is as important [as] political independence, will [give] her to command more respect [as] an equal member of society."

THIS HAPPENED IN "DRY" BOMBA

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BOMBAY.—An addict here [was] arrested twice on the same day [for] being in possession of illicit liqu[or].

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"Meet the real S.A. Today" Exhibition Planned

LONDON MEETING DISCUSSES S.A. RACIALISM

LONDON.—A well-attended and enthusiastic meeting of South Africans was held here recently. The meeting was representative of all racial groups and included practically every shade of political opinion.

The meeting was alive to the responsibilities facing it, and as a first step, it was resolved to organise a comprehensive exhibition entitled "Meet the real South Africa today."

RECENT developments in South Africa were discussed and there was unanimous opposition to the oppressive policies being carried out by the Nationalists, [illegible] Colour Bar [illegible] that have been passed by the South African legislature and, to the alleged racial character [illegible].

All speakers who participated [illegible] a widespread campaign in [illegible] to state the truth regarding the intolerable economic and political conditions of the non-European people and the totalitarian character of the Nationalist Party Government.

There was full understanding of and complete sympathy with the [illegible] resistance movement of the non-European and democratic peoples of South Africa. It was clearly realised that the evidence available points to the very real danger of the Malan regime [illegible] out on a campaign of oppression of the non-Europeans. [illegible] the meeting was of a unanimous [illegible] and was alive to the responsibilities facing it.

EXHIBITION

As a first step, it was resolved to organise a comprehensive exhibition entitled, "Meet The Real South Africa Today."

A Planning Working Committee was set up in order to prepare plans in detail and obtain the material required. It is intended to launch the exhibition at the earliest possible moment in London and then to take it on tour in the British Isles.

Details were finalised at a further meeting on Sunday, March 2nd, when a permanent Committee was set up.

In the second place, plans are under consideration for the convening of a delegate conference of British organisations about the middle of April in order to introduce a publicity drive among the British people and to find out what contributions could be raised in London, towards the Million Shillings Fund.

Material suitable for the purposes of the exhibition is needed very much and every member is sparing no effort to obtain this as quickly as possible.

House of Commons' Warning Against Dangerous Nationalist Propaganda in South Africa

LONDON.—"The policy of Apartheid is casting a sinister shadow over Africa," the House of Commons was told on Monday night. The speaker was Mr. James Griffiths, the Colonial Secretary in the last Labour Government, who added: "I thought a long time before I said that, but it is time it was said."

HE was opening a debate on Central African federation, called for by the Opposition.

They had talked about this subject of closer political association with bated breath.

"I think the time has now come to speak more frankly," he said. "In conversations with representatives of all races in Central Africa most of them in private [illegible] urged on me the real necessity of bringing home to our own country the realisation of the [illegible] danger," he said.

The arose from two facts. One was that the position of [illegible] in the Rhodesias was changing. This was best illustrated by figures of immigration into Northern Rhodesia.

Officers of Northern Rhodesia [illegible] that since the war, [illegible] immigrants had come from South Africa for every 100 that came from Britain. Of course these were not all Afrikaners, nor were all Afrikaners Nationalists.

The officers, however, were concerned about the fact that if the trend continued the composition of the White population in Northern Rhodesia would change. The same trend, though not in the same degree was to be observed in Southern Rhodesia.

MORE DANGEROUS

There was something "even more important and more dangerous than that," Mr. Griffiths said. It was known to everyone that there had been growing for some time in Southern and Northern Rhodesia, well organised Nationalist propaganda.

The last manifestation of this [illegible] it so happened on the eve of the conference at Victoria Falls last September—was the formation in Southern Rhodesia of a political Party under

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U.N. ASSEMBLY DISCUSSES INDIAN ISSUE

U.N. Assembly discusses treatment of people of Indian origin in South Africa: Shown here at a meeting of the U.N. Ad Hoc Political Committee at which the question of treatment of people of Indian origin in South Africa was discussed, are, from left to right: Mr. Hossein Navab, Iran; Dr. Darmasetiawan, Indonesia, and Mr. B. K. Nehru, India.—(Picture [illegible].)

CITY HALL: NO DANGER OF FALLING BECAUSE OF AN INDIAN COUNCILLOR

(By Our Staff Reporter)

PIETERMARITZBURG. — The Natal, this also includes the Transvaal, municipal officials were treated to an unique experience this week when they saw an Indian councillor representing a Cape Municipality among the delegates at the annual meeting of the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants of South Africa, held in the Pietermaritzburg City Hall.

He was Councillor R. Singh, senior member of the Goodwood Municipal Council. His ward has almost the largest non-European population in the Cape.

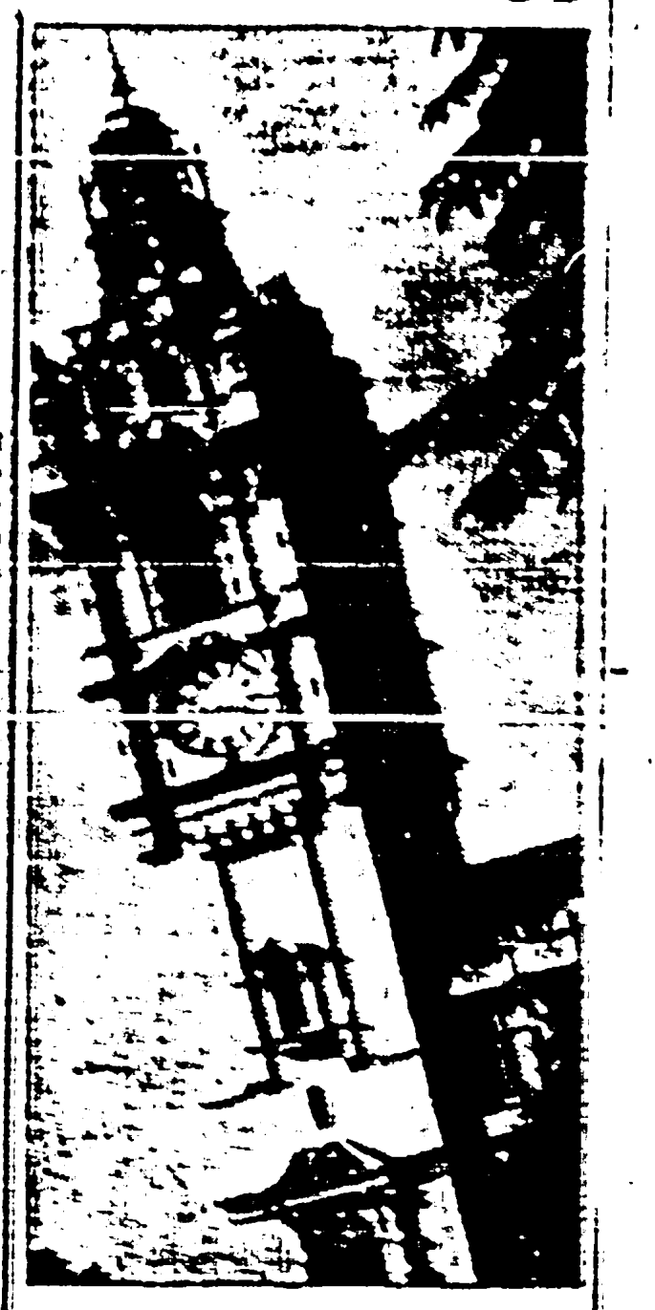
Councillor Singh is a Natal born Indian, who is now resident at Elsies River. He is serving a second term of office. If he remained in this province of his birth, he would not have been able to serve his fellow men as a City Councillor.

While Mr. Singh was in Maritzburg, he was even offered an introduction to the City's most exclusive Club, The Victoria—other institutions to offer hospitality were: free pass Municipal buses; admission to open air swimming baths, introductions to Maritzburg Bowling Club, Maritzburg Country Club, Maritzburg Golf Club, Mountain Rise Golf Club, [illegible] Club and the Midlands Club.

As a councillor, the country's colourbar set up almost melted away. It might be said for Mr. Singh that he had far too much pride and self respect to go to places that he might not find a spontaneous welcome. This recognition of the colour bar did not to mean that the Pietermaritzburg City Hall, the scene of the meeting, was in any danger of collapsing because in this all-White gathering a brown man was present.

Such a scene should become a commonplace in this multi-racial country, for it is necessary to its well being that representatives of all races should come together and thus contribute towards the common good.

Mr. Singh's presence at the gathering was regarded as a portent, according to non-European observers, of the shape of things to come. In any case they hoped



MARITZBURG CITY HALL—NOT FALLING

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TALK of the BAZAAR

WITH the scarcity of rice these days, "biryani" hardly appears on the menu at Indian weddings. The time-honoured "poorie" has come into its own. But this is not all. Banana leaves, too, are rapidly replacing plates, of course, not because of a shortage of crockery, but for reasons of hygiene, according to the wise-acres.

One might think that this combination of "poorie" and banana leaves was a feature of country weddings in days of yore. Whilst it was so, our fair City of Durban, with its inexhaustible supply of crockery, has witnessed this transformation in recent months.

I have heard many a guest at such weddings express satisfaction at the substitution of banana leaves for plates, both for hygienic and economic reasons — in these days of high cost of living (many of course may afford the cost of high living!), the cost of hiring plates and paying for breakages, loss, etc., may thus be eliminated.

TRANSFORMATION

AT one such wedding I noticed another curious transformation: While plates were substituted by banana leaves, school masters (principals in this case) took the places of the pupils—not studying, reading or writing, mind you! but eating "poorie" (and curry, of course), in banana leaves! The feeding was done in a school hall where the seats, desks, etc., are normally used by school children.

We are living in an age of rapid changes, and the adaptability of our people to their ever-changing environment is a remarkable feature of our progressive outlook on life. Simple living and high thinking, the Orientalists tell us, is the ideal way of life.

So, the humble "poorie," although placed on banana leaves, may be eaten with gusto. Its palatability depends on whether it is suitably prepared, "soft" and [illegible] served—for "the proof of the pudding is in the eating thereof"—and not on whether it is served on plates or banana leaves, nor on whether school masters (in their humility) eat on pupils' desks or on their own tables whence, with elbows resting in their typically professional pose, they exercise their pedagogic influence over their pupils during the hours of duty in the classroom.

Truly indeed, the schoolmasters, too, are practising the art of "simple living and high thinking." Example is better than precept is one of the proverbs I was taught at school. By setting the example themselves, as I so joyfully witnessed them do, our learned friends, the school masters, will surely succeed in inculcating this oriental idea in their minds.

Racing Selections

By "DIPLOMAT"

The following are my selections for the Greyville race meeting run on Saturday, March 8:

First race, 12.0, Owners' Plate, one mile:
1. ROYAL SOL.
2. CLEAN.
3. REGISTRATION.
4. FIRE KAY.

Second race, 12.35, Stewards' Plate (Colts and Geldings), five furlongs:
1. GUNSMOKE.
2. GALAKA.
3. RUSTLER.

Third race, 1.10, March Handicap (Third Division), 12 furlongs:
1. BLUE BLACK.
2. CARLOWRIE.
3. TRIPLE ROD.
4. BRIT'S ELECT.

Fourth race, 1.45, Flying Handicap (Third Division), seven furlongs:
1. CHOWDER.
2. DEMANDING.
3. MATISSE.
4. EVER RULER.

Fifth race, 2.25, Stewards' Plate (Fillies), five furlongs:
1. LADY PARAMOUNT.
2. STYLISH WAY.
3. AQUATINT.

Sixth race, 3.0, March Handicap (First Division), one mile:
1. CROWN PRINCE.
2. Simonides.
3. UMTAKARA.

Seventh race, 3.35, Flying Handicap (First Division), seven furlongs:
1. JET PILOT.
2. GOLD THRUST.
3. FORAGE CAP.

Eighth race, 4.10, Flying Handicap (Second Division), seven furlongs:
1. ULYSSES.
2. TRIGONOMETRY.
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Ninth race, 4.45, March Handicap (Second Division), 10 furlongs:
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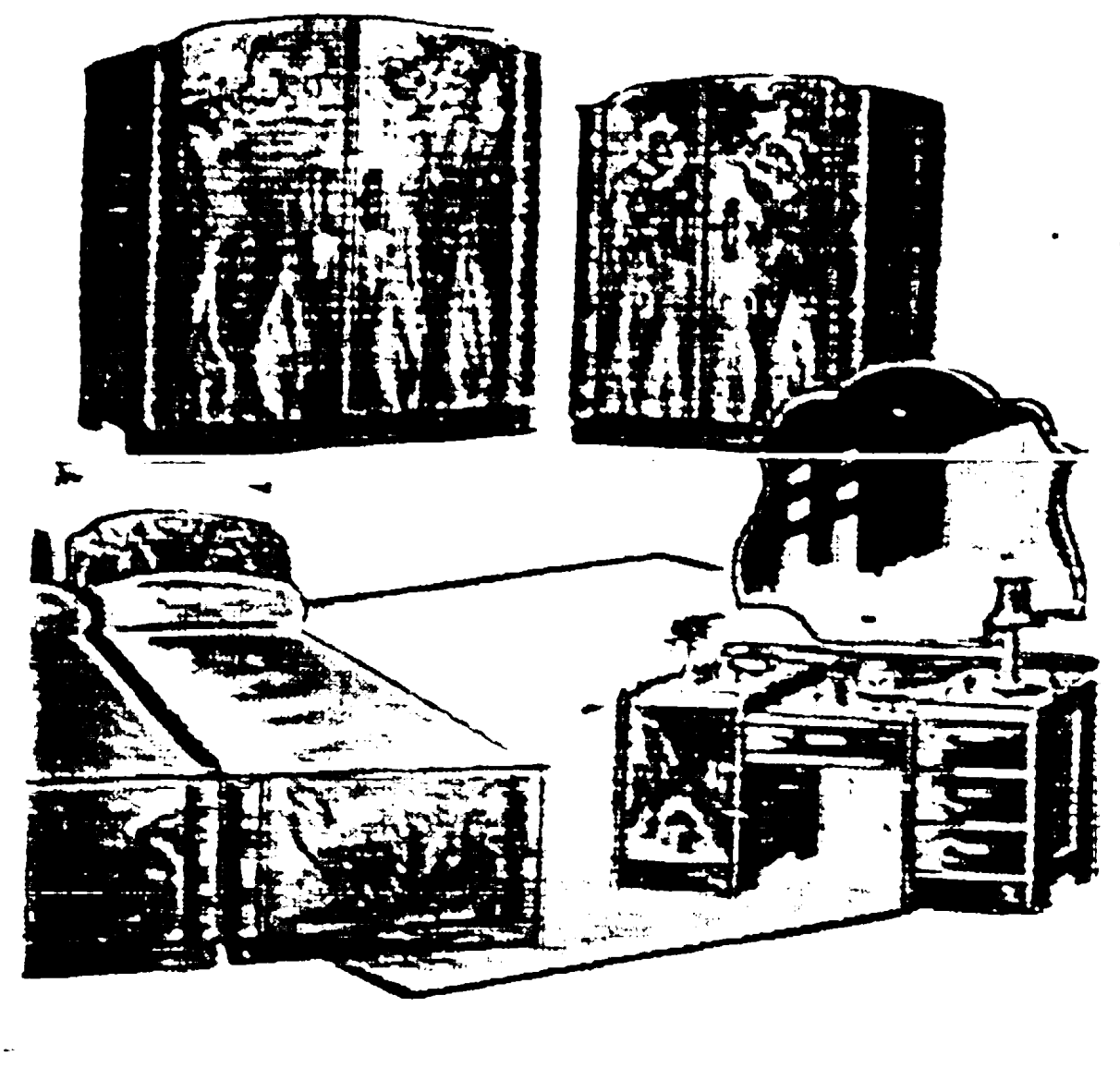

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OBITUARIES

MR. RAMDAYAL SINGH

The death occurred of Mr. Ramdayal Singh, at his late residence 172 Flower Road, Clairwood, on January 25, after a long illness, at the age of 62 years. During his life time, he was an enthusiastic and ardent worker in the sporting and educational fields. His remains were cremated at the Cato Manor crematorium. He leaves behind four sons, four daughters, grandchildren and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

MRS. MUNNIAMA MOODLEY

THE death occurred of Mrs. Munniama Moodley, beloved wife of Mr. Sampson Moodley, on February 11, 1952. Her remains were interred at the Mountain Rise Cemetery on the same day amidst a very large and representative gathering. There were many floral tributes, telegrams and letters of sympathy from far and wide.

The sixteenth day memorial ceremony which was held on Monday, February 25, was conducted by the Thirumalai and Pundit Pandey, and the Bermakary was sung by Mr. A. N. Marie Pillay. The ceremony was continued on the following day on the banks of the Duzi.

The late Mrs. Moodley leaves behind her sorrowing husband, only son Gamma, and daughters, Mrs. Punkum Naidoo, Mrs. Freddy Pillay and Miss [illegible], Baby and Louis, and several grandchildren and sisters, Mrs. [illegible] Chetty of Howick, Mr. Ranga Chetty, Mrs. Y. Moodley and brothers Pieters and Freddy Chetty, of Howick, and a wide circle of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

MR. E. G. DAVID

By S. R. NAIDOO

THE Maritzburg Indian community in particular, and of Natal generally, felt a deep shock at the news of the sudden death of Mr. E. G. David (E. Goolsherry). This occurred on February 27.

Although he was ailing for some time no one expected that the end would be so soon. Practically all his life he lived in Maritzburg. For over 40 years he was attached to the staff of Messrs. G. North & Sons, Ltd., Maritzburg, where he held a high position.

Although he received no high standard of education yet his experience and ability stood him in good stead and he was associated with all aspects of Indian public life, social, educational, religious and sports. His grasp of things and the desire to equip himself with knowledge and experience saw him holding a number of important positions.

In sports he rose to the highest position which the sporting section of our population could offer to him. He was president of the Maritzburg District Indian Football Association, Maritzburg District Indian Cricket Union, Natal Indian Cricket Union and Natal Indian Football Association, and discharged his duties to the satisfaction of all concerned.

He was the secretary of the Maritzburg Indian Sports Association and was later elected as its president. He was the president of Vedic Dharma Sabha, Maritzburg, a religious and educational institution and also an official of the Shri Vishnu Temple. He was an official of the old Natal Indian Congress and later of the Natal Indian Organisation and attended a number of conferences.

He also interested himself at the establishment of the Hindu Crematorium which was the first to be built in Maritzburg. He was the main spring of getting the Baljee and Maharaj Government-Aided Indian School at Raisethorpe, erected by benefactors, of which he was the [illegible].

One of his outstanding qualities was a will and determination to plan and execute public work which he undertook. It is also to be noted that difficulties in the way of his work brought out a firmer determination to overcome such difficulties and accomplish his task.

Such was the case when the Shri Vishnu Temple erected a school building and wanted recognition as a Government-Aided Indian School. He overcame much difficulties and obtained the recognition of the Department.

My association with him extends for over 25 years. His public spiritedness showed how talent can be brought out and utilised for the good of the public and he was an example of this.

He was always regarded as a poor man's friend and in the case of distress he put himself out to volunteer assistance. To me he will always be remembered as a striking example of what self-help and self-will can do. Though he has gone the consolation everyone would feel is that his life was not lived in vain and that he made an impression upon the life of our community which for a long time will never forget the invaluable services rendered by the late Mr. E. G. David (E. Goolsherry).

Let us show our gratitude to his memory for all that he has done to promote public causes. As with our community so it was with a large circle of Europeans who admired his good qualities.

High tribute to his sterling qualities was paid at the Mountain Rise Crematorium by Messrs. Runganta Maharaj, D. R. Valbee, R. L. Singh, R. Deokrum, Willie Ernest, Rev. J. Anthony, and Mr. Deane, manager of Messrs. G. North and Sons.

Dennis Ian Sherwood John, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben S. John, of 21 Lansdell Avenue, Durban, was called away to be an angel at the age of 8 years, at Cape Town, on February 11, 1952, while he was on holiday.

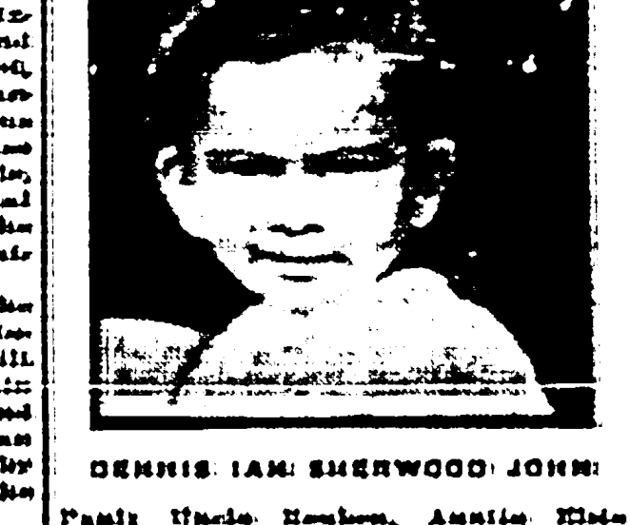
His little body was laid to rest at Stellawood on Saturday, February 16, in the presence of a very large gathering.

Pastor J. F. Rowlands of Bethesda Temple conducted the funeral service.

Wreaths were received from the following:

Heart-broken Mummy and Daddy; Beloved Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel John, and Mr. and Mrs. K. Y. John; Loving Uncles: "In affectionate remembrance of Chocolate Darling" from Pastor, Mother and Brother; Suzy, Doreen and Evelyne; Cousins David and Gabriel Koyappen; Uncle Ernie, Auntie Rebecca and Cousins; Uncle Joe, Auntie Girlie and Cousins; Uncle Ebby; Uncle Cyril, Auntie Grace, Christian and Andie; Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Robert and family; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barnabas and family.

Uncle Abel, Auntie Rachel and Cousins; Granny, Uncles Joseph and



DENNIS IAN SHERWOOD JOHN

Paul; Uncle Reuben, Auntie Elsie and Cousins Ella and Rosy; Uncle Andrew and Auntie Rachel; Uncle Stephen and Auntie Angie; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jack and family; Auntie Lydia and Cousins; Cousins Clary and Percy; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Peters; Mr. and Mrs. Tim Barnabas; Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Peters and family; Mr. and Mrs. N. Govender and family; Andrew and Catherine, Maritzburg; Ruda and Kay; Kanny Brothers, Cavendish.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Francis and family; Mr. and Mrs. Michael David and family; Mr. and Mrs. John Arbuan, Cape Town; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Cape Town; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Reddy; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lamerey, Rennie, Natalie, Rachel and Priscilla; Thommas Social Club; Mr. and Mrs. L. Somasundarum; Mr. and Mrs. Peniel Jacobs; Messrs. Bob Pine and Brothers; Phyllis Abrahams and family; Mr. and Mrs. R. Browndew and family; Mr. and Mrs. V. Thomas and family.

Miss Gibbons, Mrs. Pearl and the Pages, Federal Hotel; Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Kistner; Miss Enid Hammond; Mr. Ashwin Chowdree and Dr. Ampersad Singh; Mrs. Warner; Mrs. H. H. Rowlands; Mr. L. H. Johnstone; Mr. and Mrs. H. Hennery; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Naidu; Mr. and Mrs. Barbara; Mrs. Sebastian, Barberton; Uncle Vincent George; Auntie Sweetapparao; Uncle Stephen, Auntie Elaine and Cousins; Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Francis; Miss Gladys Jolley.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Naidoo and family; Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Kenneth and family; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth; Harold and S. Kanny; Uncles David, Jude, Christopher and Abel; Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Pillay; Reuben, Mary and the boys; Mrs. Flashman; Auntie Violet Jeevaratnam; Mrs. Anthony; and many others without cards.

[illegible] received from the following:

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Ram, Port Elizabeth; Miss Josephine Francis, Johannesburg; the Peters family, Johannesburg; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Maniannoney, Cape Town; Leonard Donald, Harold Naidoo; Robert Alexander, Cape Town; Vernon and Elsa, Maritzburg; George and Elizabeth, Maritzburg; Jerry, Phyllis and Wilfred; Molly, Maritzburg; Sarita, Andrew and Catherine, Maritzburg.

Cindy, Thelma and Joan, Johannesburg; Pillay, New Glasgow; Miss Hammond; Mrs. D. Sebastian and Naicker, Barberton; Mrs. Katie Francis and family, Johannesburg; Stella and Ellan, Cape Town; Jimmy and Mrs. Barberton; Nummy, Sylvia and Denny, Cape Town; Rupert and Mary, Cape Town; Rickman Chetty and family, East London; Joan Rasher and Adelaide Mathews, Barberton; and many other letters.

MR. CASSIM HAYDER

The death of Cassim Hayder (Cassi), usher of Albert Cinema, Durban, occurred at the King Edward VIII Hospital on February 25, after a prolonged illness, at the age of [illegible] years.

The late Cassim Hayder was a well-known social figure, especially in the angling circle and the theatre world. He was well respected by all who knew him. He was a very good-hearted person and of a genial disposition. He was one who was loved by all his contacts.

He leaves behind his mother, a brother, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their irreparable loss.

His remains were laid to rest at the King's Rest Cemetery the same afternoon in the midst of a large and representative gathering.

Many floral tributes and messages of sympathy were received.

MRS. M. M. NAIDOO

The death of Mrs. M. M. Naidoo, mother of Mr. M. G. Naidoo and Bros. (Service Station), Maritzburg, took place on Wednesday last after a sudden illness.

Mrs. Naidoo, who was of a quiet and homely disposition, was highly respected by her many friends and all those who had come in contact with her.

The very large gathering at the funeral bore testimony to her popularity and the esteem in which she was held by all sections of the community.

She leaves behind three sons and three daughters to mourn their loss.

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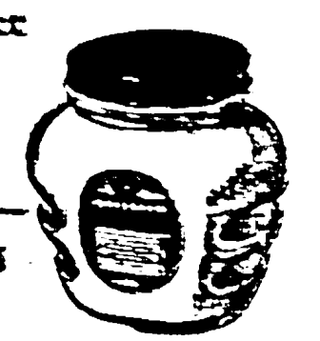

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MRS. LUTCHMEE MOODLEY

The untimely death occurred on February 28 of Lutchmee Moodley at the age of 19 years. She was the daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Muthoo Moodley, of Mariannhill.

Her remains were interred at the family cemetery, Mariannhill, in the presence of a large gathering of friends and relatives.

The deceased leaves behind her sorrowing mother, four brothers, two sisters, two sisters-in-law, many friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

Many floral tributes and messages of sympathy were received.

SERVICE

MR. KRISHNAN FREDDIE

The annual memorial service of the late Mr. Krishnan Freddie will be held on Sunday, March 9, 1952, at 9 a.m., at 25 Clayton Road, Sydenham, Durban. Friends and relatives are kindly invited to attend. Psalms will be sung by Mr. Mariemuthoo Pillay.

A DECLARATION

I was brought up a Catholic from a child but after I grew up, could not find the real peace and blessing that I was striving for, until I met Idrees Ally, of Maritzburg, who took me to the Nizamia Muslim Society. There I found the Priest Moulana Muhammad Hanief. I sincerely thank Moulana Muhammad Hanief for pointing out the true way of God.

I, MICHAEL EDWARD (64), son of GEORGE, of Basutoland, do hereby faithfully and solemnly declare of my own free will that I adopt ISLAM as my religion, that I worship One and Only Allah (God) alone; that I believe Muhammad to be His Messenger and Servant; that I respect equally all Prophets — Abraham, Moses, Jesus and others, and that I will live a Muslim life by the help of Allah.

La ilaha illAllah Muhammad-ur-RasoolAllah. (There is no God but Allah and Muhammad is His Messenger.)

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OUR READERS SPEAK

PUBLICATION OF FAILURE AT EXAMINATION RESENTED

By P. SOBRUK

HAVING waited for some sort of action from the Non-European Students' Representative Council in connection with the publication of the examination results of the University of Natal in your columns a little while ago, and having found that this body is finding it difficult to make much progress owing to various circumstances, I cannot placate my impatience any longer and must protest at the form of these results.

On behalf of a few friends who suffered the same fate as myself at the University last year, I must say that the publication of failure results is not only unconventional but thoroughly uncalled for and very insulting. [illegible]

[illegible]

UNITY WITHIN

"LOGIC"

NOW that the preliminaries for the unity of the oppressed non-Europeans are being staged, [illegible]

[illegible]

The very idea of a Non-European Unity Movement should have originated with the unity of our "political factions," who need no incentive to find flaws and burst upon each other, but here again, the very foundation is relegated to a thoughtless safe-keeping, and the architects are well ahead with a vague realisation of uniting other sections of the oppressed to the discord of our own people.

[illegible]

"THESE WILD PEOPLE"

By "GREEN ARCHER"

MAY I, through the kind permission of "The Leader," express my sentiments in support of the article [illegible]

[illegible]

FARES SHOULD BE PAID

By "FAIRPLAY"

IN his recent letter "A Guest" has written about the payment of car fares at weddings. [illegible]

BURSARIES AWARD

THE Natal Education Department announces that the following candidates have been awarded bursaries on the results of the Natal Junior Certificate, University Junior Certificate, Matriculation, and Std. VI examinations held in November and December, 1951.

Alencon Government-Aided Indian School: [illegible]

Arya Yuvak Sabha Government-Aided Indian School: [illegible]

Chatsworth Government-Aided Indian School: [illegible]

[illegible]

Sastri College: [illegible]

Sutherlands Government-Aided Indian School: [illegible]

Tongaat Indian High School: [illegible]

Umzinto Indian High School: [illegible]

Umbilo Road High School: [illegible]

Umgeni Government Indian School: [illegible]

Woodlands Indian High School: [illegible]

[illegible]

HINDU FESTIVAL CELEBRATED

[illegible]

GURU POOJA

[illegible]

AT MAIZETHORPE

[illegible]

CLAIRWOOD TENANTS

By N. C. FRANK

PLEASE may I, through the medium of your columns, suggest that Mr. P. R. Pather read my letter thoroughly and understand its contents before rushing to make a reply. [illegible]

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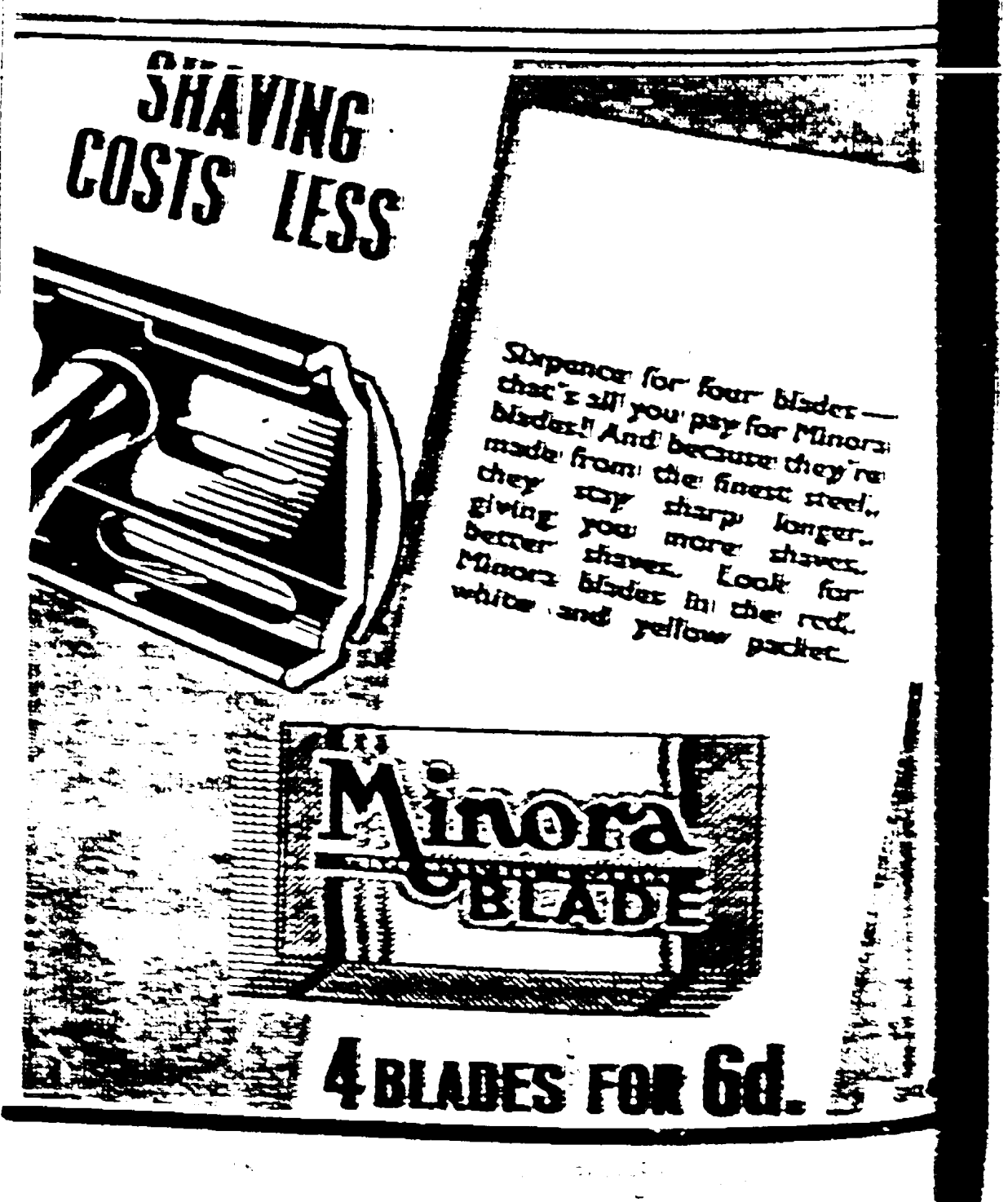

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EXPLOITATION OF JUVENILES IN STREET TRADING

enile Affairs Board," according to its chairman, Mr. J. Naidoo, "is seriously perturbed at the exploitation of juveniles street trading, and feels that until such times as education is made pulsory and satisfactory arrangements for school accommodation been completed, this problem will be accentuated as casual pation seems to have much attraction for the illiterate."

[illegible]

Lawler (Coloured Nurse and Social Worker).

At its meeting of August 25, 1951, it was decided to approach the Divisional Inspector with a view to obtaining the appointment of alternates for the four representatives who were acting without the assistance of such members. [illegible]

[illegible]

STREET TRADING BY JUVENILES

[illegible]

The girls fared better than the boys in that 22 were placed, mainly in textile factories, as desired by them.

[illegible] remained on the books of the Exchange at the end of 1951.

IN THE POSTAL SERVICES

As a result of representations made to the Post Master, Durban, the Board was assured by him that "it is the Government's policy to serve the various sections of the public by members of their own race where ever practicable. The postal area of Durban has been reviewed in this connection and the policy has been implemented to the fullest extent."

RETURNED FROM INDIA AND PAK

THE following were among the passengers who arrived in Durban from India and Pakistan by the British India vessel, "Karanja," on Thursday last:

NATAL: [illegible]

TRANSVAAL: [illegible]

CAPE PROVINCE: [illegible]

NATAL: [illegible]

TRANSVAAL: [illegible]

RAPID CHANGES IN THE LIFE OF INDIAN WOMEN

AN interesting address on "The Status of Indian Women" was given to the Durban Rotary Club last week by Mrs. Esther Naidoo, B.A. Mrs. Naidoo has spent many years studying, travelling and teaching in India and the United States of America.

After giving the background of the conditions of Indian women in India—the sati and the Hindu Joint Family System ruled by the mother, whose word was law concerning the entire management of the household, the care of the children, the supervision of servants and distribution of alms and charities—she referred to the changes made in the last twenty years.

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I'M SORRY SON. WE'LL SEE WHAT WE CAN DO AT CHRISTMAS
THAT'S ALL RIGHT, DAD!
NEXT DAY
POOR KID. I FEEL A BRUTE... BUT WE JUST HAVEN'T GOT THE MONEY
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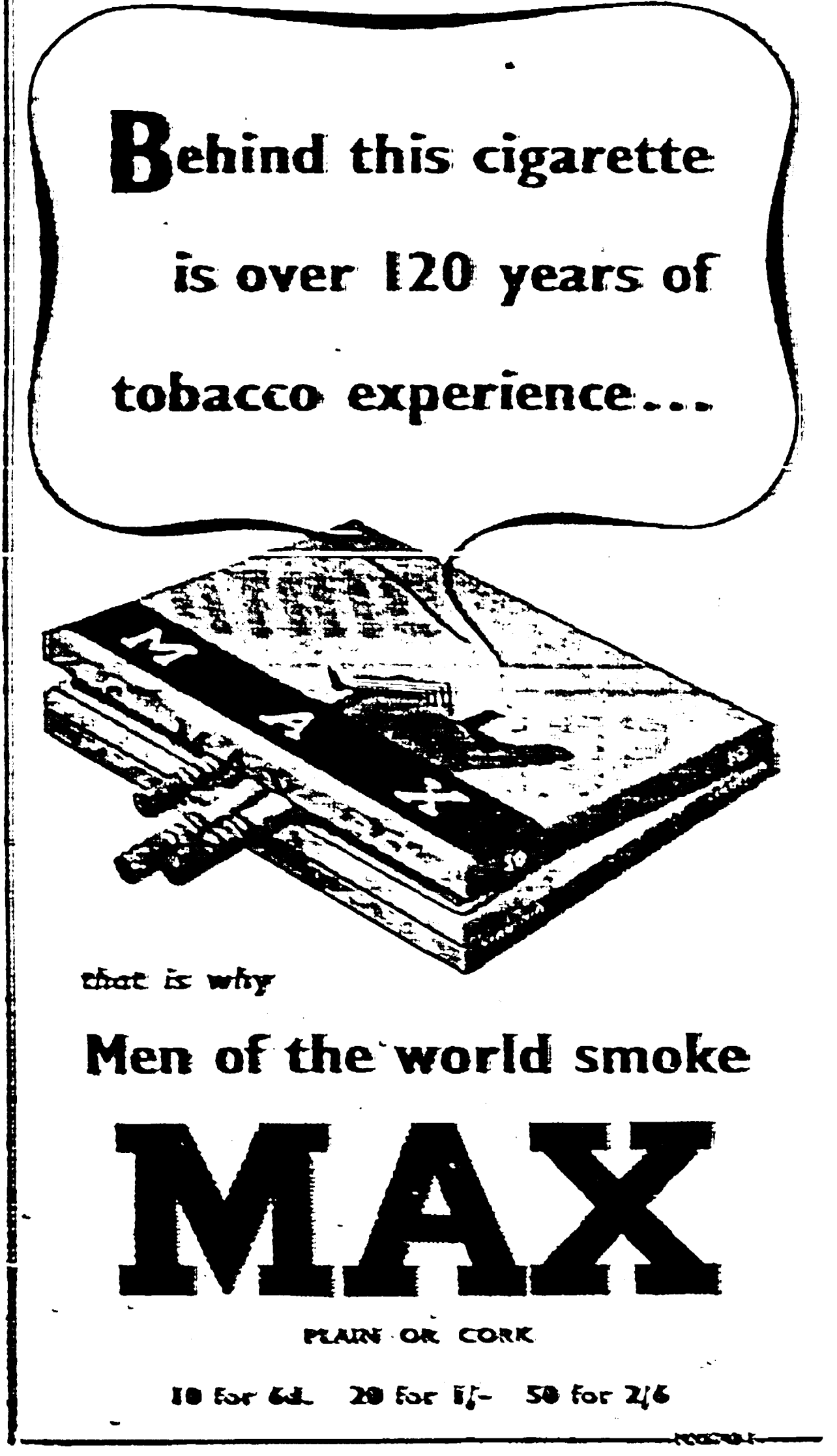

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In the meantime, subscribers, who desire the refund of their money, may get it returned, or on condition that in the event of publication they will re-issue their subscription cheque.

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Mr. M. G. Naidoo and Bros., of 486 Berg Street, Pietermaritzburg, wish to thank all relatives and friends for the beautiful floral tributes and kind messages of sympathy sent in their recent sad bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben S. John, of 21 Lansdell Avenue, Durban, wish to thank all relatives and friends for their expressions of love and sympathy and floral tributes in their recent bereavement.

PILLAY.—In ever loving memory of my beloved husband and our dear father, the late Mr. [illegible] Pillay (Frank), who passed away on March 2, 1950.

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Of one we all loved and will never forget;
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Late entries will not be accepted.

Entry Forms and full particulars of fees and Time-Tables may be obtained from the undersigned.

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Principal & Local Secretary.

U.N. Charity Rag, 1952

Application for Allocation

Applications are invited from organisations registered under the Welfare Organisations Act or organisations having the approval of the Registrar of Welfare Organisations.

Applications will not be considered unless accompanied by the latest Audited Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet. This and all other correspondence should be submitted in triplicate. Applications should reach the Secretary, S.R.C., P.O. Box 1525, Durban, not later than March 20th. No late applications can be considered.

IN MEMORIAM

RAMPATH.—In loving memory of Chandarpathee (Rachael) Rampath who sadly passed away on January 30, 1952, at Zaailaager, Estcourt.

My heart aches with sadness,
My eyes shed silent tears,
[illegible]

A loss mourned by [illegible], Cyril, Harry Bell, United Concern, [illegible].

KANDHAI.—In loving memory of my beloved husband and our dear dad, Kandhai, who passed away peacefully on March 12, 1951.

As this ends the first sad year,
A beautiful memory, dearer than gold,
Of our father whose worth never can be told;
Unselfish and kind,
[illegible]

Ever remembered by his wife and children, [illegible], Durban.

PILLAY.—In loving memory of our beloved mother and mother-in-law, Angamah Pillay, who left us on March 8, 1946.

A beautiful memory is all we have left,
Of one we loved and will never forget.

Always remembered by your son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Pillay, [illegible] Street, Pietermaritzburg.

ANGAMAH PILLAY.—In loving memory of our dear mother and grandmother who passed away on March 8, 1946 at Allerville.

Things have changed in many ways,
But one thing changeth never,
The memories of those happy days
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FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 1952

APRIL 6

THE decision made by the South African Indian Congress and the African National Congress to stage a demonstration of protest coinciding with the opening of the Van Riebeeck Tercentenary celebrations on April 6, will not be as effective as envisaged by the two organisations. Indian opinion is reluctant in carrying out a show of mass protest. The last demonstration of protest involving the Natal Indian Congress [illegible] having to maintain workers [illegible] daily, who as a result of the [illegible] [illegible] them their jobs. We do not think that workers having [illegible] learnt the lesson that employment was to be preferred to demonstrations would leave their work for the purpose of another protest against the Government's oppressive legislation against the non-Europeans of this country. The African National Congress is now being challenged by the Bantu National Congress, a newly formed Native organisation. It is common knowledge [illegible] what it owes its source of inspiration, and receives the backing that it does, it will have a great deal of influence in creating [illegible] among the African people.

This Bantu National Congress in its statement of policy as outlined by its founder, Mr. S. S. Bhengu, has endorsed the Government's programme of apartheid. He stated that only under that policy could the Bantu achieve self-sufficient and self-determination. He made the bold claim that his organisation had already had more than 20,000 members and was spreading over Natal and the Transvaal. It has the approval, said the founder, of the Minister (presumably of Native Affairs), [illegible] all over the country. With the Government's aid it would have a great deal of influence to drive in a wedge into African unity. It is the old game of divide and rule. Had it existed there, African opinion itself might have been able at some time or another, [illegible] in determining its own solidarity.

But the work of this new Bantu Congress does not end there. A fortnight ago, we published an anti-Indian circular, which was described by an African public worker, "as a piece of dirty, filthy and vilest form of racialism he had ever come across in his twenty years of political life."

We have published the circular in its entirety so that the Indian public would know what was being said against them by the Native Medical Council. [illegible] Mr. S. S. Bhengu, the same African speaker [illegible] quoted) described the circular [illegible] "White [illegible] through a Black face."

We have already seen the [illegible] form of anti-Indian propaganda being disseminated among the Africans. We wonder if the South African Indian Congress can [illegible] it. For one thing, it has not the resources to counteract it. The Indians have already been blamed for creating a good deal of racial agitation in the country. The Indians have also been blamed as being in the pay of Russian Communists. All sorts of charges have been made against them, [illegible] untrue, but the anti-Indian propagandists know the value of repeated falsehoods that dirt must stick sometime or other. We must ask ourselves the question whether we should fight our political battles as Indians or be entangled in the web of the [illegible] propaganda of Africans inspired by the Government. With the rift in the African rank we cannot see an united non-European front emerging on the day of April 6. The Government have already seen to it.

DURBAN INDIAN VISITS RUSSIA AND CHINA

"No Iron Curtain"

A MAN who claims to be the only South African to have been to the Soviet Union and the other new democracies, including New China since after World War II, without encountering much difficulty, has just returned. He is a Durban Indian, Mr. D. A. Seedat, who had been away from the Union for about seven months. He told "The Leader" that there was no such thing as the "Iron Curtain."

The message he had brought back with him was that wherever he went "the people expressed their solidarity with our struggle, and that they sincerely desired peace."

MR. SEEDAT, who is a representative of the Congress Youth League, left South Africa on July 4 last year to attend the third World Festival of Youth and Students for Peace organised by the World Federation of Democratic Youth and the International Union of Students, in Berlin.

Mr. Seedat was among the 50 South African youths who attended the Festival. The South African delegation consisted of Africans, Indians, Coloureds, Jews, Afrikaners and English-speaking youths.

Giving his impressions on the Festival, Mr. Seedat said: "Despite all the [illegible] placed by all the so-called democratic countries, over 25,000 youths from every part of the world, representing every shade of political and religious beliefs found their way to Berlin to express their solidarity against the threat of a third world war, and to demonstrate their deep desire for a lasting peace and for national independence.

"Wherever I went the people expressed their solidarity with our struggle, I found that the people sincerely desired peace and were actively engaged in campaigning for peace.

"After having seen for themselves the ravages of war in Germany, the youths of the entire world pledged themselves that they shall never be in a war again, and that they will do everything in their power to strengthen the peace movement in their respective countries in order to bring about a pact among the five great powers of the world—Britain, France, America, the Soviet Union and New China.

"In view of the growing support of the world-wide peace movement, the Berlin Festival was a great success and a blow to the American warmongers."

EXCHANGED VIEWS

Mr. Seedat said that delegates from different parts of the world exchanged views amongst themselves on all aspects of the struggle facing the people and particularly those in the colonial countries, who are faced with severe oppression and repression. The Festival created a better understanding between the peoples of the East and West and also between Black and White.

"To the Black delegates," said Mr. Seedat, "who were present, it showed to them that there were not alone in their struggle in the colonies and the broad masses of the people in the imperialist countries, which hold them under subjection today sympathise with them in their struggle against all forms of racial discrimination and foreign domination.

"When we told non-South Africans, both Black and White, the forms of racial discrimination under which we live, some of them found it difficult to believe or think that such a thing could exist in any part of the world today.

"Some of them were even ashamed that in the name of Western civilisation, people in South Africa could practise such evil race discrimination based simply because of a man's colour of skin. They [illegible] disgusted and sympathised with us in every form of struggle that we are carrying out in our country."

INVITED TO MOSCOW AND CHINA

Mr. Seedat said that amongst the foreign delegates many were invited by the new democracies, New China and the Soviet Union, to tour their country and see for themselves what progress they were making, and if there was any such a thing as the "Iron Curtain."

The majority of the delegates who were travelling to the different countries were non-Communists, and there was absolutely no restriction placed on those who were desirous of visiting these countries.

"After the Berlin Festival, I went to Sophia where, with the other delegates, we spent about three weeks touring the country. From there I went over to Bucharest, Budapest, [illegible] for a month, Moscow (I spent two weeks in the Soviet Union), I visited Vienna, Prague, Zurich, Paris (I was there when they were discussing the South African issue), I stayed in London for about three weeks after which I returned to South Africa."

Commenting on these countries, Mr. Seedat said: "In all these countries war brought destruction, but what is conspicuous is the rapid progress made in the new democracies, and particularly in China, despite the fact that there are no dollar loans available to these countries.

"There is a very marked change of spirit in their determination to live peacefully and industrialise their country as rapidly as possible. Of all these countries, the progress made in China, which was liberated completely from foreign domination over two years ago, socially, politically, economically and culturally has been phenomenal and is truly amazing."

Mr. Seedat believed that within a decade she would "be able to outstrip many of the so-called advanced Western countries." The Chinese people had now built "a real great wall of China in the unity of the 475 million people," and they fervently desired to live in peace with all her neighbouring countries.

China had impressed him a great deal, continued Mr. Seedat. It was indeed heartening to see the tremendous change that had taken place in that great country within the last few years. After many years of struggle and sacrifice against oppression, the people of China had attained democracy. There was certainly no hatred, he said, in the hearts of the Chinese people against the British, American and Japanese people. He wanted to warn those people who thought of an attempt to reconquer China today that they would be committing suicide.

"But equally, they are not afraid of the numerous threats being daily made. The Chinese people have no desire to covet an inch of land of any non-Chinese territory and nor will they allow an inch of their land to be possessed by any foreign powers. Further they are equally determined to free every inch of land at present ruled by non-Chinese."

Referring to the Korean question, he said that it was only after the bombing of the Chinese cities which are on the side of the Yalu River that they were compelled to mobilise volunteers to assist the Korean people.

"While in Moscow I observed that there were always delegates from foreign countries visiting and seeing for themselves what goes on behind the so-called 'Iron Curtain.' I was particularly struck by the absence of the war hysteria, which is so keenly felt in the Western countries. There is an absolute and genuine desire for peace," added Mr. Seedat.

Australian members of the team which visited the Soviet Union and New China with Mr. D. A. Seedat in Peking.

House Of Commons Warning

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the name of Democratic Party, "a name which deceives no one."

It was an Afrikaner Nationalist Party, and it was growing in influence.

"It is widely believed—I put it no higher than that—that Nationalist propaganda in the Rhodesias is subsidised from an unofficial organisation south of the Limpopo," he added.

"The result is that it is urged very strongly that, if this tendency is to be resisted, it is very essential indeed to ensure that there should be closer political association of these three territories."

Mr. Griffiths said the essence of the scheme produced by the London conference of officials was that there would be adequate safeguards for Africans—that there would be sufficient power over the Federal Government vested in the British Government and Parliament to protect Native interests.

Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland still bore the imprint of two great men of the Nineteenth Century—David Livingstone and Cecil Rhodes. Very often their influence conflicted. That was the problem—how to reconcile the empire builder and the liberator.

RACIAL SUPERIORITY

At Victoria Falls the Africans from the two Northern territories feared that if they federated the policy pursued towards the Native in Southern Rhodesia would be imposed on them also.

Once the policy of partnership was accepted, every doctrine and practice of racial superiority must go, he said. "I do not say it must go tonight, of course."

The Opposition was convinced that federation of the three territories in principle was desirable.

It was to be regretted that, at Victoria Falls, there was an "unfortunate reference" by the Southern Rhodesian Prime Minister, Sir Godfrey Huggins, that Africans were "swollen headed."

"What a stupid thing to say," Mr. Griffiths said.

MOSLEM'S COMMON DESTINY

Sapa-Reuter to "The Leader"

CAIRO.—Sir Zafrullah Khan, the Pakistan Foreign Minister, said here that the countries he had visited in his tour of the Middle East all agreed with Pakistan on "most essential points."

Sir Zafrullah had visited Turkey, Syria and the Lebanon.

"The consciousness of kinship and common destiny was strong enough through the Moslem world, but to survive present dangers we must now begin to translate our consciousness of spiritual and cultural oneness into terms of practical politics," he said.

"What is essential at this stage is the creation of an appropriate system of consultation in all matters which affect us as a whole."

YOUTH RALLY

DURBAN saw one of its biggest youth rallies at the Nicol Square to celebrate Colonial Youth Day on Thursday last, under the auspices of the Natal Indian Youth Congress.

Over two thousand people who were present, observed a pause for all those who fell in the struggle against colonialism and national independence both in South Africa and overseas.

A resolution called upon the "youth of all races of this land to give their full and active support to the campaign of defiance of unjust laws launched by the A.N.C. and the S.A.I.C."

The meeting was addressed by Mr. D. A. Seedat, who represented the Congress Youth League at the Berlin Festival and at the general Council meeting of the World Federation of Democratic Youths. Mr. Seedat said that wherever he went he found that the people sincerely desired peace and were actively campaigning for peace.

Other speakers were Mr. M. R. Yengwa and Miss Mkize.

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INDIA'S SUGAR PRODUCTION

From Our Own Correspondent

COIMBATORE: India's sugar yield was the lowest in the world, Dr. C. van Dillewijn, sugar cane expert of the Food and Agriculture Organisation (F.A.O.), said here. Her production averaged 1.5 to 3.0 tons per acre.

Hawaii and Java topped the list with eight tons of sugar per acre, and then came Peru, Egypt and a number of other countries and finally India, the expert declared.

At present there was a great gap between potential yielding capacity of canes and the actual results obtained in the country. This could be bridged by disseminating among growers the knowledge gained by the research stations and by applying improved methods of cultivation in the fields, Dr. Dillewijn said.

INDIAN DIAMOND INDUSTRY HIT

BOMBAY: The Indian Government's ban on the import of diamonds imposed on July 1, 1947, had adversely affected the indigenous diamond industry, Mr. M. M. Javeri, president of the Bombay Diamond Merchants' Association, said here. It had also encouraged the smuggling of diamonds into the country, he added.

"We have been forced to close the modern factories we had started for the cutting of rough diamonds. Had there been continuous import of rough diamonds, we would have been able to export to the dollar area and thus earn dollars," Mr. Javeri added.

Over 5,000 merchants, brokers and craftsmen had been thrown out of business, Mr. Javeri claimed.

BRITAIN'S AID TO COLOMBO PLAN COUNTRIES

Her Long Record Of Achievement

Dr Percival Spear

author of "India, Pakistan and the West"; formerly Head of the History Department, St. Stephen's College, Delhi, India. He is a Fellow of Selwyn College, Cambridge University, England.

THE Colombo plan for attacking poverty and malnutrition in South and South East Asia was conceived at the Colombo conference of Commonwealth Foreign Ministers held just two years ago. The project took shape some nine months later in the form of a six year plan of development for an area which includes not only India, Pakistan, Ceylon and Burma but the whole of South East Asia as well.

The supporting countries have pledged themselves to provide capital, capital goods and technical assistance. The provision of capital and capital goods is a matter of time but technical assistance can be provided at once. It consists not only of the despatch of technicians but of the training of local nationals which will enable the countries to carry on the work, in the shortest time, with their own technicians and experts. Technical assistance and technical training are thus vital to the scheme and it was no accident that the inauguration of the Plan on July 1 last was marked by the launching of a great technical assistance scheme.

Britain, as a leading sponsor of the Plan, is called upon to play a large part both in the provision of her own experts and in the training of local ones. Can she deliver the goods, or perhaps we should say, the men, and has she shown any signs of doing so since the Plan began to function? To answer the question we must look at Britain's record of actual achievement on the one hand, as well as facilities for technical education on the other. Knowledge without experience may be more dangerous than helpful; experience without knowledge means out-of-date workers.

URGENCY OF IRRIGATION

One of the most vital factors in realising the Colombo Plan is irrigation, which can increase the cultivable area and so the food supply. The urgency of this need is indicated by the fact that the population of India grew from just over 220 to nearly 400 millions between 1872 and 1941. Both India and Ceylon have at present spectacular schemes in hand and Pakistan is busily extending her existing systems. Here the British have long experience to offer and great achievements to show. They began by restoring the Mughal canals in northern India and the tanks of old Indian kings in the south. They continued with great schemes like the Ganges canal and the Punjab network and they capped it with the Sukkur barrage in Sind in the twenties. In Ceylon they restored and extended the tanks of the ancient kings. In 1947 India had 30,000 miles of canals irrigating six million acres.

In agriculture there has been a long record of research and improvement. In India, a Botanical Garden in Calcutta was begun in the late 18th century, only 20 years after the Kew Gardens were established near London. In this and other gardens work was done which made possible the development of the tea, coffee and cinchona industries. In Malaya special attention has been paid to rubber and rice.

Bud grafting of rubber, which increases the yield, has been developed and budwood made available to small holders through the work of Rubber Research Institutes. Strains of rice have been developed which increase yields by 50 per cent. To gardens were added Research Institutes like that of Pusa in India and then Agricultural Departments were organised. In India much work was done in improving strains of wheat and breeds of cattle.

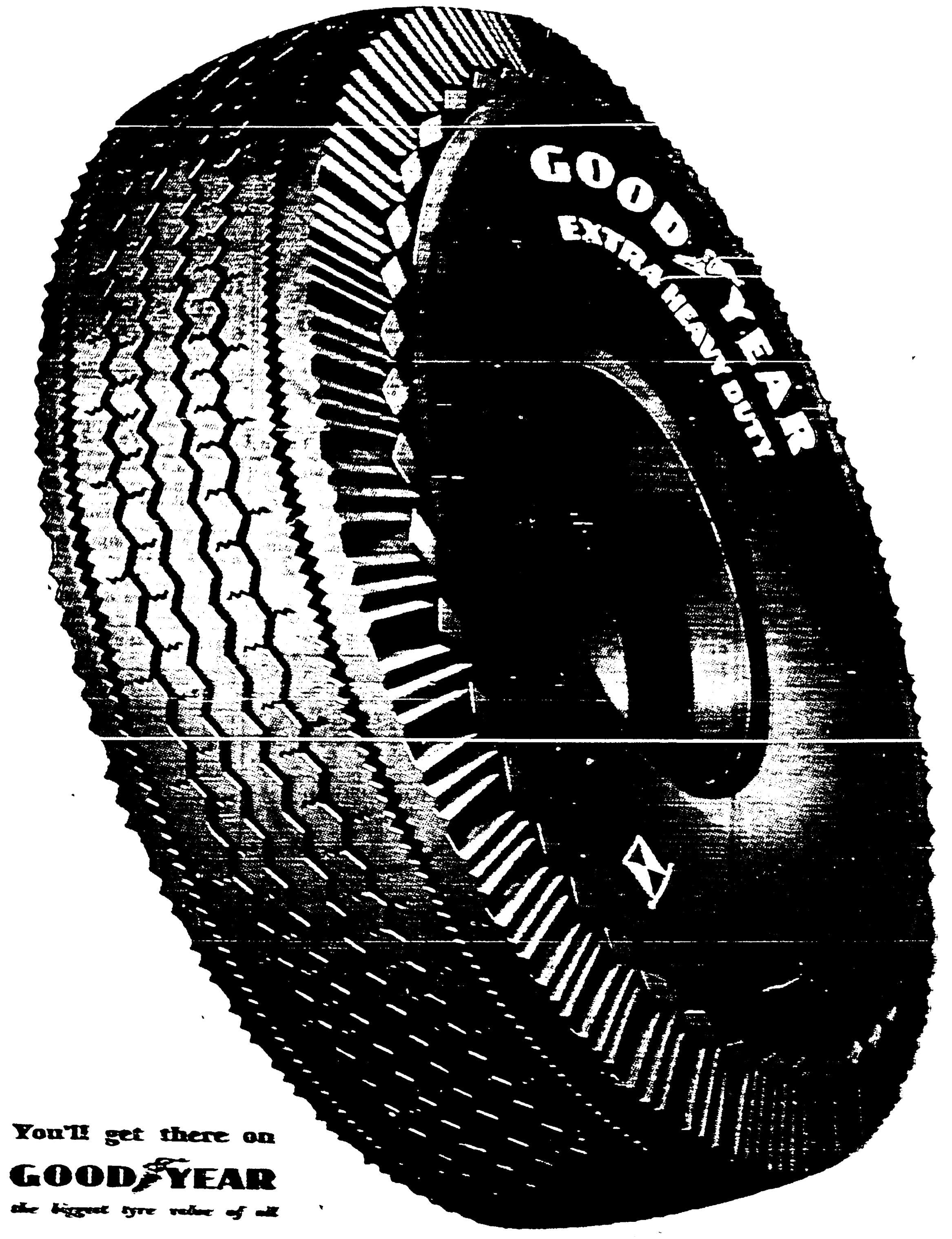
TRANSPORT DEVELOPMENT

An essential in development is means of transport. India and Pakistan have what is agreed to be the best developed railway systems in Asia and in addition 200,000 miles of roads between them, and all of it is the result of United Kingdom enterprise and skill. The great industries of cotton and jute, coal and iron, have been built up with the aid of British technicians, and the hydro-electric works like that of Mandi in the east Punjab have been similarly pioneered.

Along with practical experience and positive work has gone the setting up of facilities for training. The engineering college at Roorkee (and engineering is essential for such things as irrigation projects and transport plans) was an early example. Before the British left there were a number of medical, agricultural and other training colleges which had already enabled India to provide many of the technicians required for the various technical services. The forester, the master-printer, the health officer and the crop specialist were more and more frequently Indian. But she was not equipped for the demands for expansion which followed the war nor for the rapid expansion of technical knowledge.

It is here that the plan for technical assistance comes in. Examples of the interchange which is already going on and which has in some cases been completed, already exist. Teams of trainees are being sent to Britain. These men have the advantage of being absorbed, even if only for a short time, in a system of university and technical information which is unequalled anywhere. Teams of experts are leaving Britain for the East. United Kingdom experts have visited Pakistan to advise on the development of the pharmaceutical industry there; a group of Indian factory inspectors have visited United Kingdom factories and returned home while a group of teleprinter technicians has recently arrived from India.

These instances could be multiplied though the plan has been in actual operation for only six months. They are proof that the plan has passed the paper stage and that Britain not only can, but is fulfilling her obligation to provide the technical assistance which the plan demands.



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Many members have sent me letters giving new versions to the cause and effect of lightning and thunder. Some have disputed the Indian belief that lightning is caused by a piece of rod (as explained a few weeks ago by Miss Logie Moodley), and some have confirmed the belief.

Miss Sumba Moodley, of Moss Street, Verulam, writes: "I have another version of lightning and thunder, after enquiring from my grandmother. I read and told her of Miss Logie's version of lightning and thunder, and she admits that it is an indisputable fact.

"She adds to this by telling me that the mysterious rod which was discovered to have caused the lightning was very useful, especially for intruders. A few rogues in India used this mysterious rod for cutting large holes on the walls of factories, houses, etc. Then the rascals stealthily entered through these holes to steal. She tells me that this happened in some remote part of India."

Any other versions?

REPLIES TO LETTERS

Y. H. Khan (Clairwood) and H. R. Rampersadh (Rossburgh): The puzzles were correctly solved.

H. Rampersadh (Gray St., Durban): Your quizzes are unsuitable. Try again.

H. H. Prakash (Mayville): I am making inquiries in connection with your question.

Miss Kanagambal Naidoo (King George V Hospital, Ward H, Bed 17, P.O. Dormerton): Well done! I do hope you have recovered from your illness.

PEOPLE QUIZ

R. RAMSAHAN, of Newlands School, c/o. 122 Spearman Road, Sydenham, has turned quizmaster for this week, and he wants to know "what people of the following countries and towns are called." For example, a person from Durban is called a Durbanite.

(1) Denmark.
(2) Java.
(3) Switzerland.
(4) Sweden.
(5) Scotland.
(6) Russia.
(7) Paris.
(8) Portugal.
(9) Natal.
(10) Transvaal.

(Answers next week)

PEN PAL FROM MALAYA

A READER from Malaya has written to me asking for South African pen pals. His name: K. ARULNANDI, of 10 Taylor Road, K. Lumpur, Malaya. He writes:—

Dear Chachajan,

I shall be very grateful if you can publish my name in the "Junior Leader."

In Malaya, people mostly like to correspond with foreign pen pals and do not care very much for local pen pals. Once I published my name in the "Young Malayans," and only a few wrote to me. But I think many would write from South Africa. I would welcome all letters written to me.

I am very interested in collecting stamps, and South African stamps are, indeed, very attractive. I think they are better than Malayan stamps because of the variety of your stamps. Here in Malaya, each state has its own stamps with the sultan (head of the state) printed on it.

I do hope South African pen pals would write to me.

"ABOMINABLE SNOWMAN" OF MT. EVEREST

RECENTLY the Mt. Everest Reconnaissance party reported as having seen the mysterious steps of the "Abominable Snowman"—believed by Indians and Tibetans as a giant, hairy creature living in the Himalayan region. The natives of the region have attached many superstitions to this six feet tall creature. That death would overtake anyone who saw the "Abominable Snowman", is a fear instilled in the minds of these superstitious people. This tale has been handed down from father to son, from generation to generation.

Yet, scientists have now proved that the "Snowman" is a legend, and that it is actually a large monkey.

Mr. Eric Shipton, of the Mt. Everest Reconnaissance party, has taken photographs of the "Snowman's" footprints which the "Times" has published. Mr. Eric Shipton has stated that he followed one of these creatures for over a mile.

"Each footprint was larger than that made by the explorers' big boots, and had three toes and a thumb. A Sherpa native with the party declared that the prints were made by a "Yeti". He said that he had been near one of these yetis and that it was a man-like creature about 5-6 feet tall and covered with thick hair, but with a bare face." (Childrens' Newspaper, England.)

Incidentally these footprints of the mysterious creature were seen about thirty years ago by some exploring parties. Since then zoologists have been quite busy figuring the nature of the elusive and "abominable snowman." Mind you, it is extremely cold in the Everest region, and zoologists have been quite baffled at the prospect of such a huge creature living in such cold.

Well, I guess we'll have to accept the modern theory that the "snowman" is no mysterious creature at all and that he is but a larger monkey—a special species reaching a height of five to six feet. By the way such a specimen is on display at the Natural History museum, London. It was found at 12,000 feet above sea level.

Till Next Week

Chachajan

Teenagers Column

HELLO, TEENAGERS,

The description of fabulous New York as appearing in the publicity leaflets would certainly throw any teenager into a placid (?) intoxication. It had succeeded in intoxicating me for quite a while, and, believe me, I am still suffering the after effects.

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[illegible] trip is complete without a visit to New York's famous financial district to see the Stock Exchange, the towering office buildings and nearby South Street with its interesting markets . . . and while you're in the vicinity you'll surely want to take the ferry boat to the Statue of Liberty for a fine view of the harbour from its torch 225 feet above water . . . or ride on the Staten Island Ferry down the bay for an inspiring panorama of New York's breathtaking skyline.

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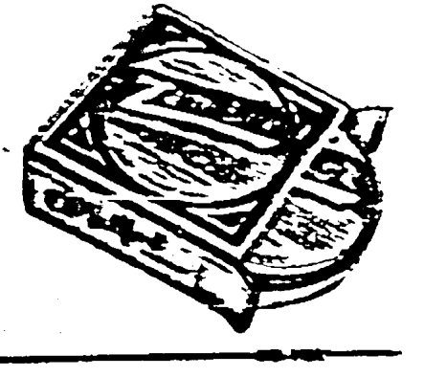

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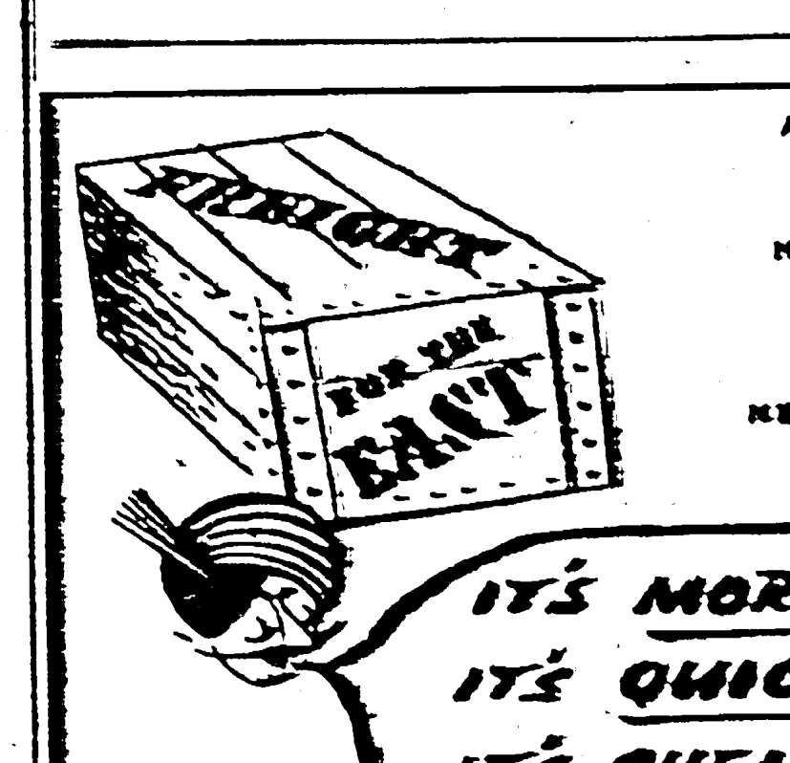

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PERCY WILKINSON SAYS HE IS "CONFIDENT"

ALL boxing fans will, no doubt, be having one thought tonight: "Will Hank beat Wilkinson, his Cape challenger?" This is by no means an easy fight for the champion who sails on Thursday, accompanied by Seaman Chetty, in the Carnarvon Castle, seeking further honours in England.

MANY of Wilkinson's followers feel that Hank has met his match in this fight. These two have met in Cape Town about two years ago and after one of the most gruelling fights seen in the Cape, Hank won on points.

Since that date both boxers have improved tremendously, especially Hank, but the Cape challenger, who has come down with his trainer, George Frenchman, expressed his confidence immediately after he arrived, and said: "I have waited a long time for this opportunity, and now that it has come, I am going to make good use of it." George Frenchman, his trainer and former well-known Cape lightweight boxer himself, also shared the confidence of his protege.

In the bantamweight title fight, Pancho Villa meets Young Jake, who on Friday last won the Transvaal flyweight title. Jake today is one of the greatest little fighters this country has produced.

It seems very much possible that this small man with a lightweight punch will win the bantam title inside the distance. But those who have seen Pancho Villa have other thoughts.

In the third star bout of the evening, the promoter has got the most talked-of fighter in the country at the moment, Slumber David, against the Durban featherweight, Bandy Pillay. David is the man who ko'ed Vic Toweel, world bantamweight champion in his workout. This fight should provide a lot of fireworks, as neither boxer knows any other method but to fight.

There are two first class preliminaries to round off an excellent evening's entertainment. These are the encounters between Norman Thomas and Sonny Govender, and Young Goldie and Danny Govender.

THUNEE RESULTS

[illegible].—A [illegible] thunee competition was held at Darnall recently for the Darnall Thunee Floating Trophy. There were thirty-four teams participating in this tournament.

The winners were, [illegible] and V. Perumal, of [illegible] Thunee Club, and the runners-up were [illegible] ([illegible]), who were beaten by 20 points to 6.

MARITZBURG COUNTY ELECTS OFFICIALS

The twenty-third annual meeting of the Maritzburg County I.F.A. was held at Pentrich on Sunday.

The secretary, Mr. D. Poonsamy, in his annual report informed the meeting that the season under review was a very successful one, although certain fixtures had to be abandoned on account of certain players being away on important Natal fixtures.

He also informed the meeting that during the season the association had the highest number of clubs yet affiliated — [illegible] clubs. This was largely due to the untiring efforts of certain senior officials who made it possible for the Greytown Indian Football Association to affiliate as a subsidiary unit.

The association congratulated the following clubs for their success in the following competitions:

Frontier Football Club: Winners Senior League and district finalists [illegible] Cup. P. Schools F.C.: Winners Junior League. Regent F.C.: District finalists Daniel's Gold Cup. P. Schools F.C.: District finalists, Junior Natal Cup.

He also mentioned that it was a great honour to the association that the following were selected to represent the South African Indian Football Association at Lourenco Marques: Messrs. V. S. Pillay, G. S. Pillay, Bob Pillay and T. Rampath. The latter two players, Bob Pillay and T. Rampath also represented the N.A.I.F.A. in the intertown matches held at Durban. At the last Sam China tournament held at Port Elizabeth the following represented the association: G. S. Pillay, Bob Pillay, [illegible] Pillay and T. Rampath.

The following were elected officials for the coming year: President, Mr. S. R. (Sonny) Singh; secretary, Mr. D. Poonsamy (re-elected); treasurer, Mr. M. Moorut (re-elected); record clerk, Mr. Sonny Pillay (re-elected); auditor, Mr. R. [illegible] (re-elected).

Messrs. S. R. Singh, M. Moorut and D. Poonsamy were elected to serve on the executive committee.

NATAL CRICKET SELECTORS CRITICISED

By "JUSTICE"

I WAS one of the many present who witnessed the inter-town final at Durban against Northern Districts and was astounded to find out that not one of the Natal selectors was present to see the said match—a match that was really worth watching.

I suppose it's usual with the selectors not to be present when a "small" centre like Northern District happen to be playing. Further, there was not one of the selectors present to witness either the Northern District versus Pietermaritzburg or the Northern District versus Pietermaritzburg "B" matches played at Ladysmith. Why this sense of irresponsibility?

Are they still inclined to believe that the subsequent policy of selecting "old horses" is a good one? This is most unfair. Or are they still continuing with the alleged "quota" system — whereby Durban has the bulk of the players selected for Natal whilst Northern District and Maritzburg have their "quotas."

For the past four tournaments Northern Districts have had only one player at each tournament. D. M. [illegible] was selected for three tournaments, whilst H. C. Asmal was selected for the last tournament that was held at Durban.

Let me tell the selectors to be careful in their future selections as Northern District is now a force in itself alone. The result of the three intertowns played by their strong team speaks for itself.

They beat Maritzburg "B" by an innings and 86 runs; they beat Durban "B" by an innings and 36 runs; they beat Durban "A" in the finals at Durban by 23 runs.

I had also observed the fact that when the Durban "A" travelled down to Ladysmith last year not one of the selectors, barring Mr. Govender, who was the local selector, were present. Now tell me, is this fair?

Supposing Natal had to ask three selectors to choose a team immediately, what would their plight be? Would they select nine from Durban and one each from the other three centres? Now let us see justice done for a change!

Ladysmith, Natal.

SEAMAN CHETTY AND HANK FOR ENGLAND

When the Carnarvon Castle sails from Durban on Thursday next, she will be carrying on board a well known Indian boxer, Seaman Chetty, who is making his third trip to England.

On this occasion he is not doing any fighting, but he travels as manager to "Homicide" Hank, whom he has financed to fight the best in England.

Mr. Chetty told "The Leader": "When I took up boxing, I wanted to be in the world's class and God helped me towards it by being rated sixth in the world flyweight ratings, and now I am taking someone whom I pray and hope will rise higher than I did."

Muslims Reply With 33 For Four: Stars Dismissed For 104

SECOND round leagues were continued at Currie's Fountain on Saturday. Young Muslims are 33 for four against a Stars' total of 104. Kismet amassed 234 for seven wickets against Ottomans; Crimson scored 38 for two after dismissing Orientals for 100.

Bharat beat their sister team, Young Bharat, by an innings and 95 runs. In addition to scoring an undefeated 134 for Bharat, V. D. Makan took 12 wickets.

ALTHOUGH Young Muslims have dismissed Stars—a comparatively young team—for a total of reasonable approach, thanks to the combined effort on the part of E. I. Jeewa (yes, again!) and M. I. Yusuf, they had reason—plenty of it too—to feel uneasy when play closed on Saturday.

Now it seems that once again E. I. Jeewa and M. I. Yusuf have to step into the breach to save Young Muslims from a cheap dismissal or perhaps defeat. These are the only two batsmen left that can be relied upon to intervene and take a hand in matters. M. I. Yusuf has still to make an appearance while E. I. Jeewa has 10 to his credit.

V. D. MAKAN

Perhaps the situation is not as serious as it appears to be; perhaps the Muslim batsmen will be able to knock up the deficit with little effort when they resume their innings tomorrow; but, perhaps, other things might easily happen . . .

With top class fielding and [illegible] attack as good as it was last week, Stars have every chance of turning the tables against Muslims. The first half hour at least should be full of interest.

K. K. Variawa (29), I. M. Randeree (25) and M. R. Khan (10) were the only three batsmen to attain double figures in Stars' total of 104.

M. I. Yusuf, who opened Muslims' attack, and E. I. Jeewa, were the successful bowlers, the former taking four for 22 and the latter six for 46.

At close of play Muslims had lost four wickets for 33, [illegible] a further 71 to avoid defeat.

IN TROUBLE

Ottomans, who had tied for first place with Centrals at the end of the first league round, appear to be in trouble against Kismet, who have amassed a total of 234 for the loss of seven wickets in 195 minutes.

Opening for Kismet, Dr. Patel (78) found his true form, and with skipper Manjoo (41) retrieved Kismet's position after the loss of an early wicket. However, the scoreboard moved much faster when I. A. Timol (56 not out) and M. A. Ganie (36) got together for the sixth wicket partnership.

None of the Ottoman bowlers seemed to get going as well as they did previously in the season. Hallim, Shaikh, Haffejee, E. I. Timol and Kenny got one each, while Omar took two for 58. Play had to be held up for about 25 minutes when Hallim was injured. It is not known whether Kismet intend to declare with their already big total of 234.

R. V. Bhana and H. Dayal, each of whom took three for 29, R. Ramigu (two for 5) and M. I. Laher (one for 11), succeeded in dismissing Orientals for exactly 100 runs. The main scorers were Y. [illegible] 42, and G. M. I. Ally 21.

Crimson knocked off 38 for two at close of play. The bulk of the score has so far come from I. Vally (21).

Bharat, who met their sister team, Young Bharat, dismissed the latter for a paltry 54. V. D. Makan took five for 8 and H. Daya two for 21. Only Hartlal (12) and Hira (14) were able to reach double figures.

RECORD PARTNERSHIP

After Bharat's first wicket fell with nothing on the board, V. D. Makan (134 not out) and J. Kalyan (83) became associated in a record-breaking partnership of 219 for the second wicket.

V. D. Makan, who has scored three [illegible] so far this season, has now knocked up his highest total of 134, which included fourteen fours and four sixes. Makan's grand total is [illegible], and in addition he has taken 49 wickets. Kalyan's 83 included as many as ten fours.

In their second knock Young Bharat were dismissed for 71 in a matter of 17 overs, thus Bharat won by an innings and 95 runs.

However, a rather glaring aspect concerning the way in which the match was played, made itself very keenly felt.

The fielding, batting and bowling of the Young Bharat players left much to be desired although they have shown stern opposition against other teams. And what is more, they are certainly capable of putting up a better performance despite the potentialities of their sister team.

Imagine a team scoring 219 runs in a matter of about 90 minutes and 25 overs! None of the eight bowlers used bowled more than four overs. The scorebook clearly shows that only four rather expensive overs cost as much as 55 runs.

THE SCORES

The following were the scores:

Young Muslims v. Stars: Stars, first innings, 104 all out (K. K. Variawa 29 and I. M. Randeree 25). Bowling: E. I. Jeewa six for 46 and M. I. Yusuf four for 22.

Young Muslims, first innings, 33 for four wickets (G. M. Jeewa 12 and E. I. Jeewa 10 not out). Bowling: M. R. Khan two for 23 and A. Randeree one for 5.

This match will be continued tomorrow.

Kismet v. Ottomans: Kismet, first innings, 234 for seven wickets at close of play (Dr. D. A. Patel 78, I. A. Timol 56 not out, E. A. Manjoo 41 and M. A. Ganie 36. Bowling: G. M. Hallim one for 16, M. I. Shaikh one for 42, I. E. Haffejee one for 40, C. M. Kenny one for 47, S. A. Omar two for 58 and E. I. Timol one for 15. This match will be continued today.

Bharat v. Young Bharat: Young Bharat, 54 (Hira 14 and H. Hartlal 12). Bowling: V. D. Makan five for 8 and H. Daya two for 21.

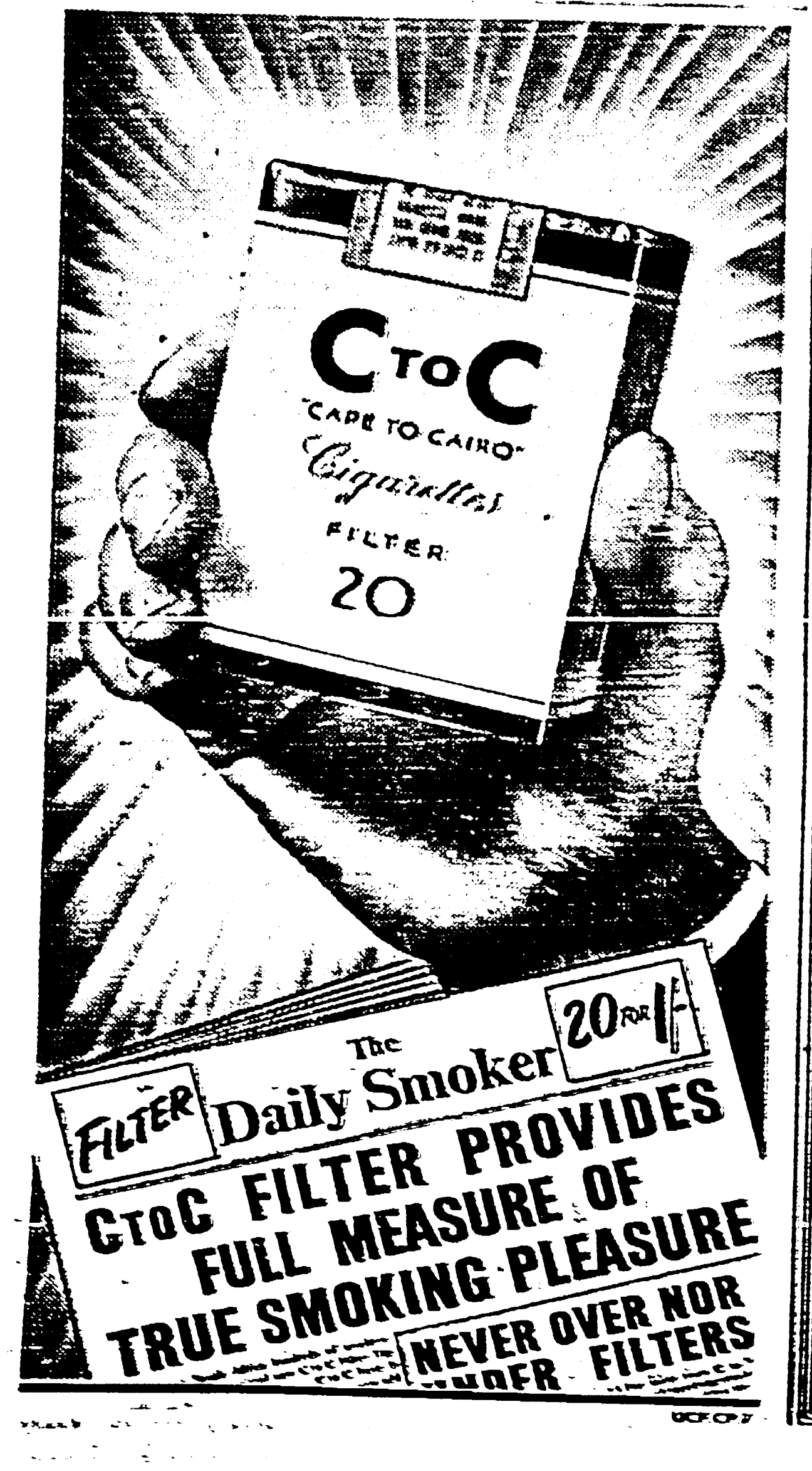
Bharat, 219 for two wickets declared (V. D. Makan 134 not out and J. Kalyan 83). Bowling: A. Fakir one for 14.

Young Bharat, second innings, 71 (H. Hartlal 21, R. Vrajlal 12, C. Hira 12 not out). Bowling: V. D. Makan seven for 22 and H. Daya three for 21. Bharat won by an innings and 95 runs.

Crimson v. Orientals: Orientals, 100 (G. M. I. Ally 21 and Y. [illegible] 42). Bowling: H. Dayal three for 29, R. V. Bhana three for 29 and R. Ramigu two for 5.

Crimson, 38 for two wickets (I. Vally 21, M. R. Govender 11 not out). Bowling: M. I. Jogee one for 4 and Y. Seedat one for 17.

This match will be concluded tomorrow.



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APPEAL TO CLUBS, OFFICIALS, SPECTATORS TO MAINTAIN ORDERLINESS

"The Leader" Reporter

MARITZBURG.—"I had hoped that it would not be necessary for me to refer to this subject of ground control again, but in the past year the incidents that occurred compels me to make a very strong appeal to clubs, their officials and spectators to assist in maintaining a sense of orderliness and respectability in the ground," said Mr. L. Singaram Moodley, when he presented the annual report of the Maritzburg Indian Football Association last week.

CONTINUING, Mr. Moodley states: "The term 'sports' loses its significance if members of the Police Force are called to maintain order. It is, indeed, a very sad reflection on the sportsmen of this city. May I express the hope that there would be a definite improvement in this regard in the coming season?

"In presenting to you this, the fifty-second annual report of our association, it behoves upon me to say that this association, being the premier organisation of its kind in Pietermaritzburg, has a great responsibility, that of maintaining and assisting the progress of sport for each succeeding generation.

"Hitherto it has played a very great and important part in moulding the youth of this city, for, can it be denied that it is sport played in the sporting spirit which contributes so much to the development of the individual?

ACHIEVEMENT

"To be in existence continuously for a period of 52 years is, in itself, a very formidable achievement, an achievement which should serve to inspire the younger generation to maintain, unsullied, the honour and prestige, so laboriously built up by those who have passed on.

"During the year 16 clubs were affiliated to the association. They were as follows: Young Orientals, Young Italians, Young Orimans, Young Rangers, Royals, Schools, Stella, Technicals, Pioneers, Britannia, Crusaders, Woodlands, Young Woodlands, Shamrocks, Daffodils and Hillview Football Clubs.

"Our association was also affiliated to the Inter-Race Soccer Board. The following represented our association: Messrs. C. Rajagopaul, L. S. Moodley and A. K. Moorum.

"I am happy to state that the activities of the Inter-Race Soccer Board were very successfully carried out. I may state that yet a further association, the African Football Association, affiliated to the Board. The continuance of the Board is of very great importance for, apart from improving the standard of soccer, so much is being done to improve race relations.

"However, I would like to suggest that in order to make for greater interest our association, through its representatives, ask the Board to arrange their fixtures earlier than was done in the past year.

"Keen competition was evinced throughout the season. Both the winners and the losers must be complimented for displaying some excellent soccer.

"Due to too many Natal fixtures, I have to here, with regret, state that two Senior "A" cup competitions were abandoned, namely R. Singh and Charity Cups.

"The results of the other cup competitions were as follows: Senior "A" League, Stella F.C.; "B" League, Hillview F.C.; Senior "B" Charity and Consolation Cups, Schools F.C.; Junior "A" League Cup, Royals; "B" League Cup, Young Orimans; Junior Thompson and [illegible] Cups, Royals F.C.; Juvenile "A" League Cup, Stella F.C.; "B" League Cup, Young Woodlands; Juvenile Pillay's and K.O. Cups, Stella F.C.

ADVERSE COMMENTS

"Even though I may have had occasion to make certain adverse comments in this report I do not wish, however, to end this report on a pessimistic note. In spite of all our difficulties we have had an eventful year because, as could be seen by the victory achieved by our senior intertown team, the standard of soccer in the capital has certainly improved.

"As I stated earlier it is sport, played in the sporting spirit, which helps the growth of harmony and goodwill in our day to day relationships with each other.

"To maintain this spirit we must have first the spirit to serve sincerely and co-operatively. If these two sterling qualities manifest themselves, then there could be no fear of defeat.

"It is my earnest hope and prayer that the torch lit 52 years ago by men who have passed on, shall ever be kept burning brightly and constantly by those who are given the responsibility to carry on the noble work," added Mr. Moodley.

The following officials were elected for the ensuing year: Patron, Mr. K. G. David; president, Mr. B. A. Maharaj; vice-presidents, Messrs. M. Naidoo, M. D. Pillay, C. Rajagopaul, R. K. Padayachee, S. V. Pillay and S. K. Pillay; hon. secretary, Mr. L. Singaram Moodley; hon. treasurer, Mr. A. K. Moorum; hon. record clerk, Mr. S. J. Moodley; hon. auditor, Mr. C. R. Naidoo; executive council, Messrs. B. A. Maharaj, A. K. Moorum, L. S. Moodley, M. D. Pillay, S. R. Pillay, R. K. Moodley and S. Dhaw.

Protest, misconduct and appeal board, Messrs. A. K. Moorum (chairman), R. K. Moodley, M. Naidoo, S. K. Naidoo, A. R. Rawat and L. S. Moodley (secretary); senior selection committee, Messrs. R. [illegible] Naidoo, M. Naidoo and K. Ramsamy; junior selection committee, Messrs. P. M. Pillay, S. J. Moodley and R. Ramparsadh; juvenile selection committee, Messrs. S. Parag, S. Thumba, O. Ramchunder.

ARABIC STUDY CIRCLE

Classes are held regularly for the study of the Arabic Language (with the view of understanding the Holy Koran) at Pine Street Madressa Hall, Pine Street, Durban, from Mondays to Thursdays at 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. The instructions are given free of charge through the medium of Urdu and English. All are welcome.

No Celebrations

"COMMITTEE FAILED MISERABLY"

"The Leader" Reporter

MARITZBURG.—In the fifty-second annual report of the Maritzburg D.I.F.A., the secretary, commenting on the golden jubilee celebrations, states:

"In the year 1950 a committee was set up for the purpose of celebrating the association's attainment of the golden jubilee.

"In view of the fact that it was not able to cope with the work, yet again in 1951, a different committee was set up in the expectation that this committee would at least arrange an appropriate function to celebrate this unique occasion.

"I have to state with very deep regret that this committee failed miserably in its appointed task—not a single meeting having been called. Although two years have gone by I think the association should endeavour to arrange some function in regard to the celebrations," he adds.

Non-European Open Golf Championships

Leading golfers in the province will do battle at Currie's Fountain on Sunday when they compete for the Non-European Open Golf Championship.

Indications are that there will be a large number of entrants participating, and many spectators who are expected to be present will be certainly treated to some good golf.

The regular players from Royal Durban, Beachwood, Kloof, Isipingo, Maritzburg and Country Club golf courses will take the field.

HEADQUARTERS FOR DURBAN

"The Leader" Reporter

MARITZBURG.—Delegates from all parts of the province are expected to attend in full force when the annual meeting of the Natal Indian Football Association is held here on Sunday at the [illegible] School.

There is a bulky agenda to be dealt with, including the usual elections and the reports to be submitted by the secretary and the treasurer. In addition, the following elections will also take place: The Appeal Board; delegates to the Natal Inter-Race Soccer Board; Accident Fund Sub-committee, and selection committees.

The headquarters of the association will be transferred to Durban this year and it is understood that the two candidates for the position of president are Messrs. E. I. Haffejee and G. Munsamy. The names of Messrs. S. K. Chetty and M. J. S. Naidoo have been put forward as secretary and treasurer respectively.

Durban F.A. Meeting

The Durban Indian Football Association will be holding a special general meeting to be followed by the first council meeting at the pavilion, Currie's Fountain, tomorrow at 2.30 p.m.

Apart from the confirmation of the treasurer's financial statement, two trustees to the D.I.S.G.A. will be nominated, a trustee will be elected to the D.D.I.F.A. Trust, and a [illegible] of the D.I.F.A. will be elected.

The first council meeting will elect sub-committees.

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Mainly About People

MR. P. D. GOVENDER

"Serve, love and give," was the farewell message of Mr. P. Dorrie Govender of Umkomaas, to the educational and welfare organisations that organised the reception in his honour. Mr. Govender has left the province to settle down in the Cape, where he is to enter a new role as a businessman.

The Craigieburn Indian School was [illegible] to Mr. Govender, chairman of the school committee. The large crowd present was proof of his popularity. Mr. N. P. Naicker was the secretary-organiser of the celebration.

The presiding chairman, Mr. S. J. [illegible], eulogised the work and services Mr. Govender had rendered to the community. Other speakers were Messrs. C. M. Naidoo and D. G. Moodley, principal of [illegible] School, and the function came to a close with a vote of thanks by Mr. R. G. Gabriel. Mr. Govender replied suitably.

Mr. Govender was vice-president of the Alexandra County I.F.A., [illegible] of the PMHA Assn. [illegible], president of the Umkomaas United Sports Club, and also associated himself with other organisations.

Mr. and Mrs. Kamla Ramsingh, of Wandsbeck Road, Sydenham, celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary and their son, Kal Prakash, celebrated his second birthday on February 22, 1952, amongst a gathering of relatives and friends.

PREMOUTH (ANAND), son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Chunder, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Surjoo Jaynarain of 21 [illegible] Road, Sea Cow Lake, and of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy of Madisons, who will celebrate his first birthday on Friday, March 7, 1952, at his residence.

RENNIE SINGH, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cathey Ramsingh, of 13 Kenilworth Avenue, Sydenham, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rooiie Ramsingh, who celebrated her first birthday recently.

Popular Wedding

NOWBATH—BUDREE WEDDING. On Sunday, February 17, 1952, the N.Y.M.A. Hall, Newcastle, was a happy scene of a pretty wedding, when [illegible], daughter of Mr. [illegible] Nowbath, of Newcastle, was married to [illegible], son of Mr. [illegible], of Dannhauser.

An ex-Mayor of Newcastle, Mr. H. T. Chamberlain, was one of the speakers. He spoke in glowing terms of the Nowbath family, and wished the married couple many years of happy life. Mr. R. S. Nowbath of Newcastle acted as M.C.

Messrs. J. R. [illegible] and T. [illegible] returned from [illegible] by the "Karanja" on Thursday last.

THE MAHA SABHA MEETING

DR. ALAM [illegible], writes to "The Leader":

"Your report on the biennial general meeting of the S.A. Hindu Maha Sabha, appearing in your issue of the [illegible], gives a misleading impression about me. Your reporter has given half truths about the affair, and to [illegible] [illegible] which I hope was not the intention, I am accused of challenging Dr. Desai's nomination in his absence.

"I did not challenge Dr. Desai's election, but I certainly questioned the principle under which that election was to be carried. I pointed out to the chairman, Mr. S. R. Pather, that grave injustice would be carried out to two prominent members of the society if that nomination is accepted.

"The facts are as follows: After the election of the president, came the election of the chairman of the council. One of the members proposed the name of the existing president, Mr. Ramsunkar as chairman of the council. Mr. P. R. Pather objected on the ground that Mr. Ramsunkar was away in India.

"The proposer immediately changed his nomination and proposed Pundit R. J. Maharaj, another absentee.

Again an objection and the house decided that persons absent from the meeting were not eligible for nomination.

"After the election of the chairman of the council came the election of vice-presidents. The twelfth and last vice-president was to be elected when a member proposed the name of Dr. Desai, another absentee, for the vice presidency. Mr. P. R. Pather strongly supported the nomination by stating that Dr. Desai has rendered great services to the Sabha.

"It was here that I felt that grave injustice was being committed against two prominent members who were absent.

"I questioned the chairman as to the previous ruling in the case of Mr. Ramsunkar and Pundit R. J. Maharaj, who were not eligible because of their absence, yet Dr. Desai, despite his absence, was to be eligible.

"It was far from my mind and intention to challenge or oppose any nomination, least of all Dr. Desai, a colleague of mine. It was a matter of principle that I rose to question, Dr. Desai was elected."

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OPEN SESAME

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BANGALORE.—A rural voter here told the polling officer that he had some difficulty about the ballot box.

The officer hurried to the enclosure and found it to be in order. But the villager insisted: "How can I put my vote unless you open the box?"

★ SHOWTIME ★

AVALON: Aram [illegible].
ALBERT: Abdi.
MAYVILLE: Mighty McGurk and Silent Conflict.
RANI: Sajan.
REGENT: River Lady.
ATHLONE: [illegible].

Born

REDDY.—To [illegible] and [illegible], of 2[illegible] Railway Barracks, Greyville, a daughter on February 29. Both well.

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Mr. Kamnath Mahabeer, of 326 Randles Road, Sydenham, Durban, will highly appreciate the presence of all friends and relatives at the marriage of Premlal, eldest son of Mr. and the late Mrs. Kamnath Mahabeer, to Vidyhwathie, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Doorgha, on Sunday, April 13, 1952, commencing at 10.30 a.m., at the S. S. S. Temple Hall, 122 Sirdar Road, Clairwood. The bridegroom's party will leave for Clairwood by buses at 7.30 a.m.

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Doctors Don't Go Out In Dark-Denied

MEDICOS' REBUTTAL

DURBAN Indian doctors—at least many of them—don't go out in the dark. This complaint was made by a reader.

One evening recently he said, an Indian girl of 12, living in the Botanic Gardens area, took violently ill and calls made to doctors failed to elicit any response, eventually she was rushed to a doctor in the Umgeni district who attended to her.

This reader feels that doctors are entitled to relaxation, he suggests that a platoon system on the lines adopted by chemists, should be taken up by doctors whereby some of them could be on call at night.

"I shudder to think what will happen to really serious cases of illness under the present system," he said.

The Leader invited Indian medical practitioners, both men and women, for their comments, and this is what they said:

DR. R. A. KARRIM said: "I certainly go to my own patients including those who live out of town. So far I have not had occasion to go out on a call from a person whom I do not know. What happened to a Durban Indian doctor last year can easily happen to others."

Dr. Karrim, however, emphasised the fact that many Indians were very foolish. In a number of cases they thought of calling for a doctor on the very last minute and "expect us to work miracles."

"Sometimes it is only a question of signing the death certificate. In connection with the case referred to, perhaps it would not have made a difference if the doctor did answer the call after all. This case should bring home to parents the fact that, in all probability, had early treatment been given, the life might have been saved by being brought to the notice of a medical practitioner. Had this been the case there might have been a great chance of treatment and recovery."

Dr. S. R. Doonadayalu commented: "The trouble with the Indian public is that they are not in the habit of keeping to one doctor whom they should regard as a family doctor." He emphasised this point.

"They seem to be in the habit of drifting from one doctor to another with the result that a particular doctor may see a serious case one day and on the next day another doctor is called without letting the other doctor know, and anything happening in the meantime (day or night) they revert back to the first doctor.

Irregular Things

"A lot of confusion is thereby created and he naturally feels that he is not bound to go out, if they are in the habit of doing such irregular things. But I do feel that if a family doctor is called at any part of the day or night, it is his bounden duty to respond."

Dr. K. Goonam said: "Sometimes we are at a loss to know whether the case we are called out for really warrants a doctor's help, as quite often we find when we see the case, the person has been ill for at least a week or so and the relations just then decide to have a doctor.

"Quite often they try half a dozen different doctors, and one is not too certain whether medical aid is needed at all or whether there has been a family quarrel and the doctor is not called out to settle a dispute!

"In night calls particularly, the doctor who has been attending to a family some length of time, would not hesitate attending to the call no matter what time of the night it is and no matter how far it is, because the doctor is then assured it is not a hoax, but a genuine call of mercy.

"I for one have been called on many false alarms during my period of practice spread over 16 —— But happily none of them has turned out to be of a serious nature," she added.

Doctor Assaulted

Dr. N. P. Desai raised several important points. To begin with, he referred to the case of a Durban Indian doctor who was assaulted and robbed in a banana plantation last year. But on the whole, he said, doctors were humanitarian and always responded to calls from people whom they knew even if it was far out of town.

Dr. Desai referred to an almost similar case which received much publicity both in the U.S.A. and overseas. A doctor received a call far from the town area to treat a patient for pneumonia. The doctor asked for a certain fee which the party refused to pay and apart from that a blizzard was at its worst.

When the patient was eventually rushed to hospital on the next day, he died. A case was brought up against the doctor, but the local Medical Association ruled in favour of the doctor who was said to be within his rights.

Dr. Ansuyah Singh said that no doctor should refuse an urgent case. "But I do feel," she continued, "that when a case is extremely urgent, more times out of number, the patient never responds to the doctor's treatment and the patient invariably dies."

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PAK. AMBASSADOR TO BELGIUM

Mr. J. A. Rahim, Pakistan's Ambassador-designate to Belgium.

NEW PHASE OF HISTORY

looked forward to by the Indians

NEW DELHI.—The Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, said that the new parliament, to assemble in May after the country's first democratic elections, marked a new phase of history which was

Dr. K. Goonam said: "Some-

"with confidence and faith in our country."

He was speaking on the last day of the final session of the outgoing parliament.

Elections for the Lower House have been completed, Mr. Nehru's Congress Party has emerged with an overall majority of 237. The 204 members of the Upper House will be elected on May 27, by members of the State Assemblies.

BEST HORSE OF 1952

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BOMBAY.—The Indian Council of Agricultural Research has awarded a prize of Rs. 2,000 (£150) to the breeder of the best 4-year-old Indian horse of 1952.

"Maharaj Koomari," who won the Indian St. Leger was declared the best Indian bred and the prize was awarded to the Bhopal Stud (in Central India) where she was bred. Maharaj Kumari was bred from Mas d'Antiela out of Hi Ho.

BARODA'S TRADE WITH ROME FIRST CENTURY A.D.

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BARODA.—Excavations now in progress in this former princely state have brought to light that primitive stone age people 5,000 years ago lived here.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL evidence also shows that Baroda was a flourishing township having commercial contacts with Rome in the first and second centuries of the Christian era.

Evidence relating to the evolution of Baroda in the last 5,000 years, has been dug out from a site on the banks of the Vishwamitri River, near Baroda.

The excavations have led to the discovery of a very large brick building—probably a public building according to experts. Relics of Roman pottery, clay seals containing insignia of two horses and a star, typical of Graeco-Roman art, showed that the people of Baroda carried on trade with Rome.

Back from UNO

Mr. A. B. Pant, Commissioner for the Government of India in British East and Central Africa, is back in Nairobi, returning from Paris, where he had gone to attend a meeting of the UNO committee for non-self-governing territories and the general session of the UNO as one of the members of the Indian delegation.

OSTRICH CHICKS HATCHED

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BOMBAY.—Four ostrich chicks have been hatched in the Victoria Gardens Zoo here. The eggs were incubated in an "artificial desert" made in their pen by the zoo authorities.

Last year eight ostrich chicks were hatched in the zoo and five of these survived.

THE 'DIVINE' WHO 'PROMISED GOOD WIVES' JAILED

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BOMBAY.—Syed Mohammed Abdulla, who claimed that he possessed divine powers, was sentenced to three months gaol on a charge of cheating at Bombay.

The "pir" was accused by a clerk as having accepted gold rings for finding "good wives" to two bachelors.

INDONESIAN ART

NEW DELHI.—An exhibition of Indonesian art, crafts and textiles was held here recently.

The exhibition was organised by the Indonesian Embassy in India.

S.A.R. Will Not Take Indian Artisans

THE report in The Natal Mercury that the Administration was considering employing Indian artisans, rather than relax its bilingualism requirements, was denied by a Nationalist Party Member, namely Mr. W. A. Maree, of Newcastle.

ON Monday in the House of Assembly, according to Sapa, Mr. W. A. Maree (Nat., Newcastle) said: "The Natal Mercury" had recently carried a report that locomotives were lying idle at Durban because of insufficient running staff and wagons were idle because of the lack of engine power. It had added that the Administration was considering employing Indian artisans, rather than relax its bilingualism requirements. This report had not been obtained from the Railway authorities. It was merely an attempt to create mistrust. A more shameless report had never appeared in a South African newspaper.

Mr. J. H. Russell (U.P., Woodstock): It would be a good idea if we employed some Indian civil servants.

Mr. Maree: That is the sort of remark that appeared in "The Natal Mercury." It is just an attempt to prepare the public for what they can expect if the United Party returns to power.

"As long as the Nationalist Party is in power, it will follow its policy of European labour on the Railways, and the only places where non-Europeans will be employed will be in unskilled occupations, which are not suitable for Europeans, and then only in a temporary capacity," Mr. Maree said.

In 1653 Jan van Riebeeck imported vine sprigs from France, Germany, Spain, Greece, Madeira and Shiraz. Unfortunately, the early Dutch settlers knew little about vines and often produced inferior wines. In 1688 French Huguenots arrived contributing their traditional skill in viticulture.

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TALK of the BAZAAR

"If anyone suffers discrimination in Uganda, then it is the European. This British Protectorate is one part of Africa where the tables have been turned upon the white man, who finds himself barred from owning land or property and with no direct vote, even although he pays income tax."

The above is an extract from an article which appeared in a local daily recently. And believe me, I had to read it three times before I made certain of getting vent to one of those famous Fakiran guffaws. My junior in the office was highly amused at the sad treatment given to the "baas," and at one stage even refused to believe that it was possible. If we are to accept the newspaper article at its face value (and there is no doubt to doubt its authenticity) then it seems rather unfortunate and unavoidable that the hard boiled Nats. should have an imitator of their copyright (?) policy of discrimination.

Nats, please note you are being copied, and how!

ENJOYABLE EVENING

I WAS invited to the second annual Festival of Ballroom Dancing held at the City Hall last week by the Natal Indian Dance Teachers' Association. And whilst it was a treat to see the young couples gliding on the floor with such superb grace, it took me some doing to restrain my time-worn limbs from indulging in a slow foxtrot. Of course, the Professional competition was cancelled at the last moment, and I had no chance of displaying my prowess on the ballroom floor. Just the same, it was quite entertaining to be a spectator, and I enjoyed every moment of it.

BLIND PREJUDICE?

A COLLEAGUE reports a strange incident. Well, brace yourself for the unexpected.

He was walking through a local European business street buying nothing in particular. He was just walking aimlessly.

As he turned a corner, he noticed an European seated on the pavement. He was wearing dark glasses and at his side was a sign "I am blind." In front of him was his case of wares. My colleague was very moved by the old, blind man's attempt to earn an honest living, and considered it unbecoming to pass by without purchasing anything. He noticed a 1/6 fountain pen in the old man's case, and he was prepared to pay 2/6 for it.

Producing a halfcrown piece, he very politely asked to be sold the pen. Immediately came the reply: "Are you an Indian?"

"Why, yes," stuttered my colleague puzzled.

"I don't sell to Indians," came the cold, vicious reply.

My colleague almost felt like a schoolboy caned for no reason at all. [illegible] he said to the old, blind man: "May God bless you," and he walked on.

THE OLD WARHORSE

THAT old warhorse, Willie Ernest, is still alive and kicking. Willie, as you know, has occupied the highest positions in the Indian soccer world while he was in the Transvaal. Now he is stationed in Durban and he came up with a bunch of H.L.V.P.'s, to the annual indaba of the Natal Soccer Association held in the Capital on Sunday. But I had to blink before I recognised him, says my Maritzburg colleague. A flaming red tie and a hankie of the same hue adorned his person and for a moment I thought he had turned Red. And when someone suggested that he and Pafre Anthony be appointed electoral officers, Uncle S.L. turned to me and said, "There you are. What a happy combination, Unfamiliar and a postman—Cry The Beloved Country and the Link!"

Later on, Uncle Willie said to me, "Young man, you know the cancer of Nationalism is eating into the community and now someone is arranging for a cricket tour of this country by Pakistan. What is the reason behind this unseemly haste in arranging this tour without taking the public into their confidence?" Well, all I could say was that I will pass on the query to the Sports Editor.

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RACING men will no doubt like these "selections" by "Logic" which appeared in the "ExPress" which was issued at the Press Ball in Maritzburg recently. The paper which is "not registered at any post office" is "peerless for impeccable propaganda" and was issued "dilly-dally at dawn."

Pounding, as you will note, a wonderful power of reasoning, "Logic" takes over:

Here are my selections for today's meeting at the Deep Spruit course: First race: This is a most difficult race there being only three entrants—Cossack, Bellie and Yark. Last week at Rainsthorpe, Cossack easily beat Bellie (7st. 8lb.) but now meets him on 2lb. worse terms. On the other hand Yark had completed his baker's round only an hour before the race and was obviously not at his best. In an open race I take Yark to win from Bellie and Cossack, or Cossack to win from Bellie and Yark, or Bellie to win from Cossack and Yark.

In the second, third and fourth races, the matter is somewhat easier and the same principle should be applied as in the first race. Here are the runners: Cossack, Bellie and Yark.

In the fifth and last race (the first leg of the double) there were 55 entries. However, owing to the meat shortage, owner Aaron Butcher withdrew his 50 candidates, thus leaving Bellie, Yark and Cossack. In an exciting finish I feel the winner must come from Bellie, Yark and Cossack.

GANG OF CHEATS

THE police are on the track of a gang who are reported to have victimised about half a dozen shopkeepers in various localities in Mora, India.

Usually they appear all of a sudden before the victim and break some sensational news regarding his relations, some accident, death, murders or some other stunning report which sets the victim off his balance and makes him rush to the place of the incident, leaving his business premises in the custody of his "well-wishing informant."

The cheats manage to escape with whatever cash or valuables they come by in the shop.

SHAMELESSLY YOURS

MR. JAWAHARLAL NEHRU said he had stuck to his post as the Prime Minister "a little shamelessly" in Delhi recently.

"A person with more sense of shame," he added, "would probably have resigned long ago."

Amidst the laughter caused by this statement, he announced that he intended to go on working for the country in the next few years that might be given to him by Providence.

He had worked for about 40 or 45 years with whatever ability he had, and had no intention of running away from responsibility.

Women Outnumber Men

(From Our Own Correspondent)

AMBALA (East Punjab).—Women voters outnumbered men at some of the constituencies at the General Elections in this north-west border state.

Among them was a 95-year-old deaf woman, voting for the first time in her life.

East Punjab is the eighth state in India to go to polls.

★ SHOWTIME ★

AVALON: [illegible]
ALBERT: [illegible]
MAYVILLE: Drums Along the Amazon.
[illegible]: [illegible]
REGENT: The Long Night.
ATHLONE: [illegible]

Racing Selections

By "DIPLOMAT"

The following are my selections for the City Sporting Club meeting run on Saturday, March 15, 1952:

First race, 12.30, Maiden Handicap, six furlongs:
1. FIGHTING FIT.
2. BANJALUKA.
3. [illegible]

Second race, 1.5, Juvenile Handicap (Fillies), five furlongs:
1. TEPID.
2. DOUBLE FEX.
3. SKASPRAY.

Third race, 1.45, Stewards' Handicap ("B" Division), one mile:
1. FLYING DISPLAY.
2. INCIDENT.
3. RUSSEL.

Fourth race, 2.15, Southville Handicap (Fourth Division), seven furlongs:
1. ADRIA.
2. [illegible]
3. BLUE HARVEST.

Fifth race, 2.50, Juvenile Handicap (Colts and Geldings), five furlongs:
1. MANIKEN.
2. BIDDU.
3. CHELSEA.

Sixth race, 3.25, Stewards' Handicap ("A" Division), 1¼ miles:
1. EVERWHITE.
2. HAPPY HERALD.
3. DENISE.

Seventh race, 4.5, Southville Handicap (Second Division), seven furlongs:
1. MATINEE.
2. ORANGE SQUASH.
3. [illegible]

Eighth race, 4.35, Southville Handicap (Third Division), seven furlongs:
1. ST. GEORGE.
2. CHANCE MEETING.
3. [illegible]

Ninth race, 5.10, Southville Handicap (First Division), seven furlongs:
1. KAL.
2. GREYLEIGH.
3. HOLY HERR.

CENTRAL AFRICAN "GOOD MARKET"

From Our Own Correspondent

NEW DELHI: Indian exporters can find a good market for their goods in the Central African territories, according to the report of the Indian Trade Commissioner at Mombasa in East Africa.

The Trade Commissioner, in a report to the Indian Government, said that Indian exporters would find good patrons in the Indian and European business community there.

These territories were particularly interested, according to the report, in roofing tiles, cotton piecegoods, readymade clothing, coir mats and matting, jute carpets, leather goods and Indian films.

INDIA'S FOOD IMPORTS

From Our Own Correspondent

NEW DELHI: India would import five million tons of food grains in 1952, Mr. K. M. Munshi, India's Food Minister, told Parliament.

Of this nearly one million tons of wheat and milo would be under the American loan and about 210,000 tons of wheat would be gifts under the Colombo Plan from Australia and Canada.

The balance of 3.8 million tons of food grains is estimated to cost India about Rs. 2,000 million (£150 million sterling).

In 1951 India imported 4.7 million tons of grains costing the country about Rs. 2,160 million (£162 million).

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OBITUARIES

The death occurred of Devani Salatchie, beloved wife of Mr. Reggie Suthee, daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. A. Suthee, only daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. K. Aboo, and sister of K. Aboo Morgan Bros., late of Wiggins Road, Mayville. She passed away at the early age of 24 on March 6, 1952, at her late residence 65 Delhi Avenue, Mayville.

She leaves behind her beloved husband, two sons, two daughters and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

Wreaths and floral tributes were sent by the following: K. Sew and family, Delhi Avenue, Mayville; Ruthnam and family, Maritzburg; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Valoo and Bros., Sparks Road; [illegible]

DEVANI SALATCHIE

[illegible]

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The sixteenth day memorial service will take place on Friday, March 21, and sacred psalms will be sung on Thursday night, March 20, 1952, by Mr. Tony Moonsamy. [illegible] Friends and relatives are kindly invited to attend.

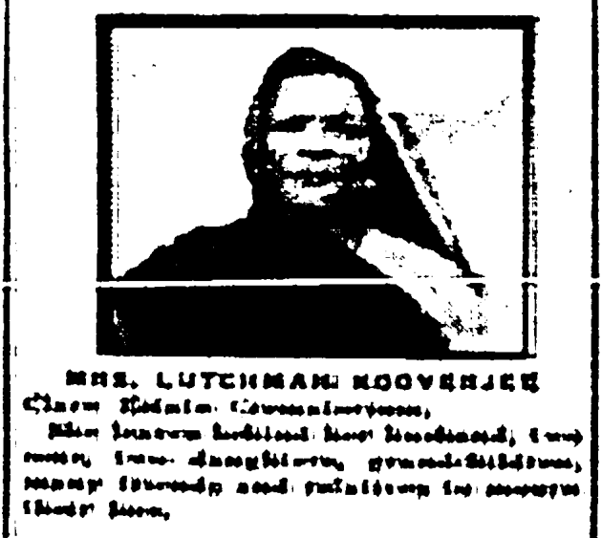
MARITZBURG.—The death occurred after a very short illness on March 6, 1952, of Bimbla Devi, beloved wife of Mr. Sunderlall Gopal, of Richmond, and daughter of Mrs. J. Tulsi, of 226 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg.

MRS. BIMBLA DEVI GOPAL

The deceased leaves behind her sorrowing husband, numerous relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

The death occurred of Bai Rawa, of Eims Lane, Durban, and of 12 Mansfield Road, on March 7.

Her remains were cremated at the [illegible]



MRS. LUTCHMAN KOOVERJEE

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She leaves behind her husband, two sons, two daughters, grandchildren, many friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

The sudden death occurred of Angoo Naidoo (Chin) at his late residence, Derwent Road, King's Rest, under tragic circumstances on February 29, 1952, at the age of 23 years.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Naushiah Naidoo and brother of

ANGOO NAIDOO

Tommy Naidoo Rose.

His remains were interred at the Clairwood Cemetery amidst a large gathering.

Many floral tributes were received. He leaves behind his sorrowing wife, parents, brothers, two sisters-in-law and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

(Inserted by Sherwood Sporting Club, King's Rest.)

DOCTORS DON'T GO

(Continued from column 1)

Dr. Singh said that in most cases it is the family which is to blame because they have overlooked the person's illness at its mild or preliminary stage and when it is too late, they harassedly call in a doctor.

She said that the attitude towards a doctor was rather a poor one. There was no tendency to make the doctor a family friend, except in a small number of cases.

Three or Four

The usual practice was to call three or four doctors to attend a number or the same case in the family and thereby contributing to medicine becoming commercialised and competitive. It would be much wiser for a family to have one doctor and for the doctor to know the family history and the background.

Once having formed that friendship, they would get from the doctor a tremendous amount of co-operation, loyalty and support. In many cases the doctor tends to become the adviser and a friend of the family.

"In circumstances such as these," she said, "when the case is very urgent, the doctor calls the second or specialised opinion, and very often also foots the bill where the family income is poor. So that medical practitioners in town rather than being exploiters become the benefactors in many circumstances.

"On the whole, in my five years of practice in Durban there have been no cases of malpractices amongst my colleagues that I do know. If there are any tragedies, then I feel that neither the family nor the doctor is to blame, but I feel that it is the social system that is not in order.

State Control

"The health of the nation should be the care of the State and medicine should be State controlled. If it was State controlled many diseases would be eliminated."

Dr. Singh added that she had had only two false alarms so far — one in the daytime and the other at night. In both cases the persons responsible were found out and brought to book.

"However, nearly all doctors, including myself, do take on cases — particularly persons whom we know — at night, and give attention immediately.

GANDHI FASTS AGAIN

MR. MANILAL GANDHI has started a 21 days' fast last Friday, at his residence at Phoenix.

In a Press statement in Johannesburg he said that he would fast until March 28 before considering what part he would play in the mass campaign which has been called for by the African National Congress.

"What has been troubling me is what my own part should be in this campaign. I have not the slightest doubt in my mind that I should play a part in it."

Mr. Gandhi said he believed in "non-violence" and that "a great deal of organising and the teaching of the ethics of non-violence is needed among the African and non-European people as a whole before they can be led to launch a mass campaign."

It was necessary to be frank and outspoken when considering the decisions of the African National Congress.

"After giving the whole question deep consideration, I have come to the conclusion that I cannot blindly align myself with a movement unless I am convinced that it will be conducted on the right lines in keeping with the creed of non-violence. My conscience tells me that I must purify my soul before I can make any active contribution and that my immediate contribution should be a fast and prayer for 21 days for wise guidance to all, the fast to commence on Friday morning, March 7 and to last until Friday morning, March 28.

"May God hold me and help us all." (Sapa.)

DEATH OF A POET

BOMBAY.—Mr. R. T. Thakore, well known Gujerati poet and author, died here on January 2. He was 82.

Affectionately known among his admirers and readers as "Balluhaka" (Gurlo Ballu), Mr. Thakore has written several books and poems in the Gujerati language.

BHARAT SCOUTS

From Our Own Correspondent

BOMBAY.—"If we wish to build up a great country, we must begin with the training and education of our children," Mr. B. G. Kher said while presiding over the first State rally of the Bharat Scouts and Guides of Bombay State.

The aim of all methods of training boys and girls, the Chief Minister added, should be the improvement and harmonising of their physical, intellectual, moral and spiritual energies and activities. This could not be achieved without proper discipline. Scouting was well fitted to provide the training which was likely to achieve this result.

India today ranked third in the world in the field of scouting. Great Britain and the U.S.A. taking the first two places. Looking to the area, population and needs of the country, India should aim at nothing less than securing the first place and that too not merely in numbers but in quality of the scouts and guides that would be turned out, Mr. Kher said.

FRENCH ART SHOW

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BOMBAY.—An exhibition of paintings by Mme Halicka, a painter from France, was held here recently. Mme Halicka is the widow of the well known French painter Marcoussis.

The exhibition was organised by the All-India Association of Arts and the Bombay Arts Society.

INTERNATIONAL VENTURE

(From Our Own Correspondent)

SINDRI (Bihar)—Prime Minister Nehru said that Sindri (Asia's biggest fertiliser factory), was an "International Venture" in the help it had received from the United States, Britain and other countries.

"We shall always welcome fellowship in construction in this country. I wish sometimes that there could be in this world of ours a greater and greater fellowship in building enterprises like this, instead of rivalries and conflicts," Nehru declared.

The factory has been built with Indian Government finance, American designs, and mainly British machinery. Fiftythree British firms, twelve American and twenty-nine Indian firms co-operated in making this giant fertiliser factory.

The factory will produce 350,000 tons ammonium sulphate yearly when working to full capacity.

PILOT HAD PLASTIC SKULL

From our own Correspondent

NAGPUR.—A pilot whose plane was recently involved in a crash here, had a plastic skull. He was Captain G. G. Nair and a few years ago after an accident in Canada, his skull was ripped out and replaced by a plastic one.

Captain Nair was one of the victims of the air crash.

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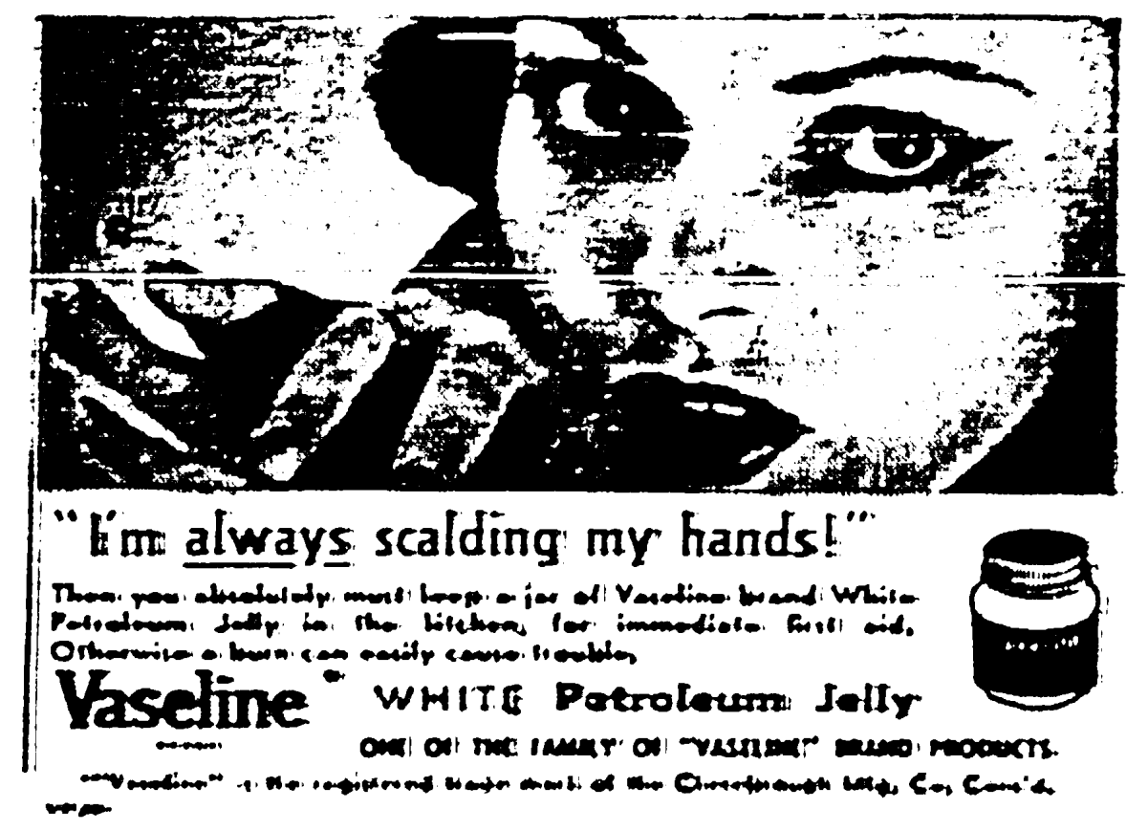

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OUR READERS SPEAK

Dr. LIMBADA's REPLY

By DR. AHMED I. LIMBADA

MR. A. I. BHOOLA has entered the political arena a little while ago. If my memory serves me right, soon after the Group Areas Act, significantly enough.

If democracy can be likened to tomatoes and poultry then, Mr. Bhoola, it is obvious you have no need for it. But 90 per cent. of the people who live in slums have dire need of it. Mansfield Road is far from any of these death-telling [illegible]. Hence your cynicism toward full democracy identifies you with your attitude of mind towards it.

From the text of the article it is obvious that while attempting to solve legal problems Mr. Bhoola professes a profound knowledge of non-European politics of this country. But, alas, his political ignorance is amply displayed when he lacks knowledge about the policy and plan of action of the N.E.U.M. If Mr. Bhoola only studied the Press reports and the literature that is widely distributed by the N.E.U.M. he should have no difficulty whatsoever in knowing our plan of action and policy.

He states further that the N.E.U.M. has a small following in Natal. In Dundee and Wasbank the N.E.U.M. drew a record crowd unknown in the history of those towns. In Ladysmith, Newcastle and Glencoe, the halls were packed to capacity. (Bigger crowds than that usually attended for N.I.C. meetings.) In Dannhauser, where the N.I.C. failed to hold meetings for the last few years, the N.E.U.M. drew an audience that packed the modern theatre.

Who then is Mr. Bhoola to judge our strength? If his interest in the N.E.U.M. was so devout, why was he not at the Gandhi Hall meeting in Durban? Let the people that you and your friends have misled judge for themselves. Not all your mocking, nor that of your friends in the N.I.C. around you, is going to prevent the truth of your blunders from reaching the people.

We do not attack the S.A.I.C. leaders on personal grounds. If we attack them it is because of their incorrect policy. The S.A.I.C. leaders have [illegible] again by plunging into a blind struggle which would only mean disaster and disillusionment for our people. Not that there is anything wrong with passive resistance, strike or stay-at-home strikes, if we have the people properly organised behind us. But without any proper organisation and without preparation, mobilisation and coordination, to call a strike of this nature will mean playing right into the hands of the enemy. It results in a shocking waste of life, it brings about dismissals, frustration and in fact, throws the whole national movement back. Such a plan of action gives a free scope to opportunism, that cancer which has infected our politicians and destroyed our organisations.

I throw out an open challenge to Mr. Bhoola and to those for whom he holds brief to organise a meeting of the people in Durban. At this meeting let us lay open our cards and let the people decide for themselves on the correctness of our policy. I hope Mr. Bhoola and his friends will have the courage of their convictions and accept my challenge.

A TIMELY WARNING

By "DOMINUS"

I AM in full accord with the views expressed by the leader-writer in your issue of March 7, under the caption, "April 6." Our people would be foolish indeed not to heed the lessons of the past. Demonstrations of the nature embarked upon on "Protest Day" cannot have the desired effect unless there is absolute unity of action on the part of all sections of the non-European population. Because this essential ingredient was lacking many Indians lost their jobs after "Protest Day."

I shudder to think what the consequences would be for our people if "April 6" were to be made another "Protest Day," more especially with the "rift in the African rank" to which you refer so [illegible].

You have given a well [illegible] analysis of the present position and the recent publication of the anti-Indian circulars which you reproduced for the benefit of the Indian readers, [illegible] to the fact that not only are the Africans divided among themselves, but there is a growing body of opinion among the Africans, who hold extreme anti-Indian views.

The Indian by his participation in any such demonstrations as planned by the African National Congress would be placing himself in an invidious position as one likened to that between the hammer and the anvil.

The South African Indian Congress has made the biggest blunder in expressing support for any such plan. It was under no obligation to do so, and it, therefore, does not carry the support of the generality of the Indian people in its decision. Your moderately written and thoughtful article should serve as a timely warning to all those who may be inclined to subscribe to the views of Congress.

B.A. FAILURES

By C. KAMPHAL, B.A. (Hons.)

THE protest in your columns last week against the publication of the names of failures in the last examinations of the University of Natal was long overdue.

The writer, one of our most promising young women, must be congratulated on her courageous stand against a distasteful practice that took most people by surprise.

A student, if he or she is sensitive at all, dreads failure in an examination. Add to it the dread of that failure being given newspaper publicity and you reach a point where no self-respecting person will offer himself for examination. This will certainly not serve the ends of a community that urgently requires the products of higher education.

The prevalence of suicide among unsuccessful university students in India and certain other overseas countries shows to what extremes the feeling of failure can lead, even when failures are not publicised. The practice, therefore, is not only uncalled for and inhibitive as the writer has stated, but also dangerous.

Her final remarks, however, that the non-European results were "strangely" poor, is disturbing in its vagueness and leads to all sorts of speculations which may be just as stultifying to academic aspirations as the printing of the names of unsuccessful candidates.

Among others, two alternatives come immediately to mind: either too high a standard was expected by the examiners, or the examiners showed racial bias.

In the first case, even if the standard set were really too high, the argument loses much of its effect if it is remembered that the European students were also measured by it. We have rightly demanded from the University authorities equality with Europeans in standard of tuition and [illegible]

[illegible]

It has been brought to our notice that the publication by us in our issue of February 1, 1952, of the names of certain candidates, who failed in the recent B.A. and other examinations of the University of Natal (Non-European Section) has caused them considerable mental pain and suffering. This we regret. But the publication in question was in no way intended as a reflection upon any student, but merely as a report of the results of the above said examinations.—Editor, "The Leader."

FARM TRAINING CENTRE UNDER FORD GRANT

ANAND (Bombay). — India's Finance Minister, Mr. C. D. Deshmukh, opened here an agricultural training centre for the benefit of "key personnel" of the state agriculture department.

The centre will be the nucleus of a village extension service in India, an institute of animal genetics on the pattern of the Danish "folk schools" will be attached to the centre.

The project has been backed by the Ford Foundation of the United States.

HEALTH MUSEUM FOR BANGALORE

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BANGALORE.—[illegible] Bangalore is to organise a "health museum" shortly, to educate its 700,000 on environmental sanitation.

The Bangalore Municipal Corporation now spends Rs. 4,000,000 (£300,000) a year, on public health activities.

Individual Taste Catered For

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BOMBAY.—American producer Frank Capra told newsmen here that the basis of film production in the United States was to "cater to the taste of every individual."

Mr. Capra, now here as the country's delegate to the International Film Festival said this was the reason why many American films came in for criticism. "We do not want to offend anybody deliberately," he added.

PRISONERS' DONATE BLOOD

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BOMBAY.—Over a thousand prisoners in Bombay jails have donated blood to the state blood bank. Blood donations entitle them for remission of terms.

Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, the state Health Minister, said that the donation would be utilised for blood transfusions and processing of dried plasma in the hospitals.

Indian's World Wool Award

(From Our Own Correspondent)

NEW DELHI.—Mr. [illegible] Ram, of India has been awarded the silver shield of the International Wool Secretariat for the best indigenous woolbearing ewe in his possession.

The award was decided at a Wool Exhibition held recently in Rajasthan.

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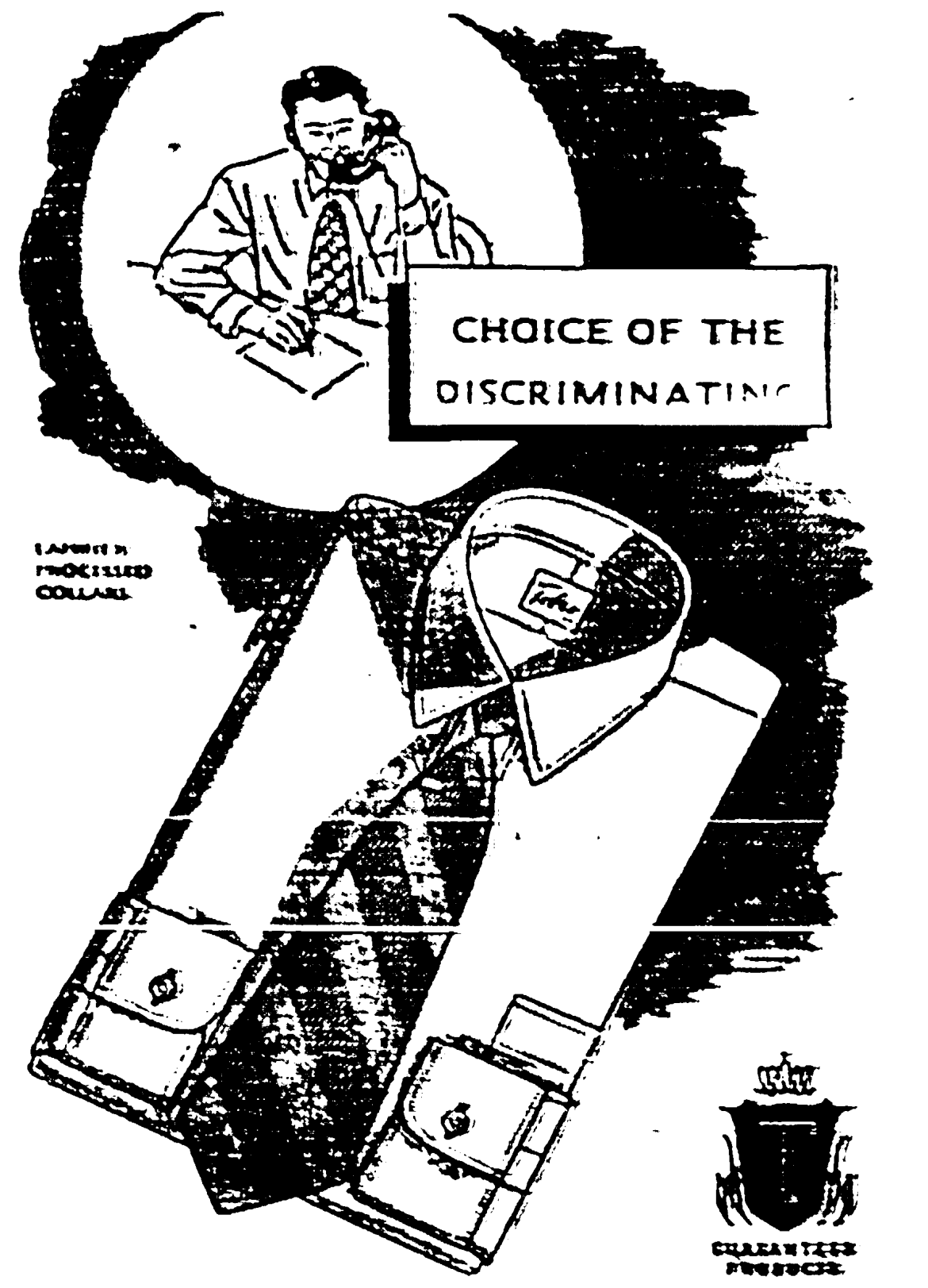

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RICE BAN PARTIALLY NOW BEATEN

INDIANS in Natal have partially succeeded in beat the ban on rice imposed on the importation of rice by the Nationalist Government. Indian farmers are now devoting most of their land to the cultivation of rice and are supplying the shops, either in paddy form or dehusked rice. Brown rice, it is stated, is being sold up to as much as 3/3 per lb.

WHEN the Nationalist Government came into power and imposed a ban on the importation of rice, Indians in South Africa and thousands of rice-eating Europeans began to adapt themselves to the idea of divorcing rice from the daily diet—a problem no doubt.

However through the years, Indians have come to regard rice as a sine qua non, and enterprising Indians—and not farmers only—are growing rice in their gardens and even backyards.

In fact the farmers are devoting most of their lands to rice cultivation. Most of the rice grown is supplied to shops either in paddy form or as refined rice. The price of brown rice is 3/3 per lb.

The reason for the excessive price is attached to the farmer, also the shopkeepers allege, sell at high prices and adopt a take-it-or-leave-it attitude, as there is no price control over the selling of local-grown rice.

Rice cultivation flourishes especially on the North and South Coasts. Locally much rice is grown around Isipingo, Wentworth and Sea Cow Lake districts. Elsewhere rice is chiefly grown for local consumption.

Farmers here do not strictly follow the method adopted in India, where vast tracts of land are flooded for weeks and months before the rice shoots are transplanted from the nurseries. With limited water available for flooding, Indian farmers transplant the shoots in fairly moist land, and thereafter water the young plants twice a day. Some even grow it on dry land and water it frequently. The results are fairly good, though the yield is not so fruitful. Generally South African grown rice compares favourably with Indian rice.

In the Transvaal

The sale of rice is so profitable in this country among all sections of the community that a lot of rice is now grown by European farmers in the Transvaal. Many of the producers from the districts a little while ago brought in lorry loads of rice to the towns, where they disposed of it at "fancy" prices to the Indian storekeepers.

The Government threat to put into operation the enforcement of controlled prices forced this business underground for a time.

But the demand for rice is so great that speculators, it is learned, have been visiting farmers to buy rice, which they have no difficulty of disposing at high prices, to a rice-hungry public.

Sometimes lorry loads of rice can be seen in the back-streets of Johannesburg awaiting a convenient time of delivery to the trader.

CLOSER TIES WITH COMMONWEALTH

(From Our Own Correspondent)

MADRAS. — Commonwealth university Vice-Chancellors have urged "closer ties between the member nations to promote world peace and justice."

Meeting here at a conference, the educationists decided to extend personal contacts between the teachers and students, to remove national and international controversies.

The vice-chancellors included the very Rev. Dr. J. Lowe (Oxford), Dr. E. G. Malherbe (Natal) and Dr. Sidney from the Toronto University.

India's Coal Exports

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BOMBAY. — India exported 2,323,000 tons of coal in 1951 as compared with 1,073,000 tons in 1950.

The output of coal in 1951 was 34,070,807 tons, an increase of 1,316,094 tons over that of the previous year.

A "COCK AND BULL" STORY

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BANGALORE.—An aged voter here created a problem for polling officers by his "inability to distinguish the cock from the bull."

The cock was the symbol on the ballot box of an independent candidate, while the ruling Congress party had chosen "two yoked bulls" as its mark.

Indian electoral law bars polling officers from rendering any aid which might influence the voter in his choice. So, the official gave the voter copies of the symbols and "left him alone to decide between the cock and the bull."

NEHRU A PUBLIC PERFORMER

From our own Correspondent

NEW DELHI.—Prime Minister Nehru told the delegates of the International Film Festival here: "I am also a public performer and on some occasions may even compete with you in drawing vast audiences."

He added amidst laughter: "Nevertheless, mine is a a different kind of performance. Although occasionally and unwittingly, I might entertain people, that is not my main objective."

Pandit Nehru added he rarely found time to see films.

AGA KHAN TO BE WEIGHED BY PLATINUM

(Sapa-Reuter to "The Leader")

KARACHI.—The Aga Khan, spiritual leader of the Ismaili Moslems, will be weighed against platinum in Pakistan, India, Burma and Africa, for his 75th birthday celebrations in March, 1954.

The Aga Khan's 75th birthday took place last week, but according to tradition he chooses his own date for the celebrations. The Ismaili sect of Moslems are scattered throughout the four countries in which he will be weighed.

According to custom, the total proceeds of the weighings will go to charity, with the exception in Pakistan of 4 per cent, which will be spent on celebrations.

On previous birthdays, the Aga Khan has been weighed against gold and diamonds. In 1946, at Dar-es-Salaam, Tanganyika, he was weighed against diamonds worth £600,000. His weight then was 17st. 5lb. 8oz.

Current market price in London for platinum is £30 an ounce.

40,000 Applications A Year

(From Our Own Correspondent)

NEW DELHI. — The Union Public Service Commission—the salaried recruiting agency for the Union Government, [illegible] about 40,000 applications and interviews roughly 3,000 candidates every year, according to its Chairman.

THE ADDRESS THAT WAS NOT PRESENTED

Leader Staff Reporter

MARITZBURG.—The presentation of an address to Mr. S. M. Singh, a former president of the Natal Indian Football Association, at the annual meeting held here on Sunday, was interrupted and finally postponed to a later date.

Mr. R. Loganathan, the ex-president, was to have made the presentation but as he picked up the scroll he was interrupted by Mr. S. L. Singh, who asked why the address had not been framed.

Mr. Loganathan replied that the address should have been presented last year but it had only come off the press in January.

Mr. S. L. Singh: "But why? you had 24 months in which to get it done. As it stands it is scarcely to the dignity of this Association. If you want to present it let it be a proper job."

Mr. Loganathan again attempted to explain but he was again interrupted and finally the chairman announced that the presentation would be made at a later date.

At a later stage, when seeking authority to make certain payments, Mr. [illegible] strongly criticised the high cost of the address. It is necessary to economise in all directions and that they had been able to do so is a tribute to the treasurer, Mr. [illegible], and yet they have to pay £9 15s. 0d. for printing the address.

"I certainly wouldn't care to [illegible] anything which cost so much," he declared.

INDIA and TURKEY

From our own Correspondent

CALCUTTA.—India and Turkey had many interests and problems in common, Mr. [illegible], member of the Turkish Press Delegation now touring India, said here.

Both were republics and both were democratic and secular states, he added. A four-member Turkish press delegation is now touring India.

FAMILY PLANNING CENTRE

From our own Correspondent

NEW DELHI.—Six pilot centres in family planning, advocating the rhythm method, are shortly to be started in India.

They are intended to determine their suitability for general introduction all over the country. This pilot scheme is being undertaken on the recommendation of Dr. Abraham Stone, the World Health Organisation Planning Consultant, who recently toured India.

The pilot centres will be sponsored jointly by the Indian Government and the W.H.O.

STUDENT TEACHERS DISSATISFIED

STUDENT teachers, who have taken the two year post-matric course at the Springfield Training College, on the understanding that they would be credited with four degree subjects in the second year, now learn that there would be no degree subjects. The dissatisfied students believe that there is no difference between them and those taking the one year post-matric course.

IT is learnt that every student who had enrolled for the two year course did so under the understanding that they would be credited with four degree subjects in the second year. They had been informed by the principals of their schools, and even the Chief Inspector of Indian Schools, Mr. L. J. T. [illegible], who had addressed a class of matric students at Sastri College last year confirmed it. ("The Leader" had reported the speech.)

The students were also given assurances that the two-year course had many advantages over the one-year course; that they would be placed on a higher notch, that they would be appointed locally and that they would obtain the B.A. degree sooner, having already been credited with four degree subjects. But on the face of it, the one-year post-matric course seems to have more advantages.

A student who takes the one-year course would complete his training this year and would be earning next year. While he is earning, he is also in a position to attend the University and thereby study for the degree. As soon as he is credited with four degree subjects in the first year, he is placed on a notch higher.

So that the students who complete the two-years training course and those who had taken the one-year course, and who may have four degree subjects to their credit, on almost the same basis. The salary would be nearly the same, and the one-year students would have already earned about £200 whereas the two-year students had not.

The only difference between the one-year and two-year courses, The Leader was told, was that the latter included history and geography and a little more detailed work was done in the other subjects.

UNIVERSITY RAG

Any person noticing any hectic activity among students of the University of Natal can safely assume that it is in regard to Rag. This year, the students of the non-European section hope to collect at least £300. They are all set to make this year's Rag the best to date, and hope to present the charitable institutions of Natal with a bumper sum.

Officially, Rag week is from March 31 to April 5 this year. However, the activities begin earlier and reach their peak during Rag week.

In addition to the street collections and donation drives, the students also plan to "pick" the pockets of the public legitimately. On April 2 there will be a variety concert, and if it is anything like the previous ones held, it should definitely be worth seeing. On Rag Saturday, April 5, there is the usual and very popular Rag dance. Not being satisfied with this, they are planning a popular soccer match.

Although the Durban activities are the chief source of Rag revenue, the rest of Natal will not be spared. Groups of students are going to Northern Natal towns such as Ladysmith, Newcastle, Dannhauser, Dundee, and [illegible], and other groups will visit Port Shepstone and Umzinto on the South Coast and Stanger and other North Coast towns. Maritzburg will not be omitted.

If the students can devote all this time and energy in an effort which helps all charities in Natal which are in need, then surely, the Natal public can perform the relatively simple task of digging into their pockets.

So come on, Natal! Let's give the University Rag all the help we can, shall we?

68 IRRIGATION WORKS

NEW DELHI. — Sixty-eight irrigation and hydro-electric projects were now under construction in India, Mr. Sri Prakasa, Minister for Natural Resources and Scientific Research told Parliament.

Thirty-four more projects were yet to be started under the country's Five Year Plan. In addition a number of minor irrigation, tube well and thermal schemes were also included in the Plan, the Minister added.

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NOTICE

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The Midlands Co-Operative Society.

MEMBERS are hereby informed that a GENERAL MEETING will be convened on Monday the 24th March, 1952 at the H.Y.M.A. Library, Church Street, Pietermaritzburg, commencing at 7 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the position of the above Society.

All Members are requested to attend this Meeting.

G. S. Maharaj & P. M. R. Naidu
Conveners.

NOTICE

PIETERMARITZBURG ANDHRA SABHA

The Eighth Annual General Meeting of the Pietermaritzburg Andhra Sabha will take place at the H.Y.M.A. Library on Sunday, March 16, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

To Transact the Following:—

a Minutes
b Correspondence
c Secretaries Annual Report
d Other Reports
e Statement of Accounts
f Election
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Account and Balance Sheet. This and all other correspondence should be submitted in triplicate. Applications should reach the Secretary, S.R.C., P.O. Box 1525, Durban not later than March 20th. No late applications can be considered.

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NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS—JUNE, 1952

Entries for the National Commercial and Technical Examinations of the Union Department of Education, Arts and Science, Pretoria, will close on THURSDAY, 20th MARCH, 1952.

Late entries will not be accepted.

Entry Forms and full particulars of fees and Time-Tables may be obtained from the undersigned.

M. Maffrane, O.B.E.
Principal & Local Secretary.

"S.A. INDIAN WHO'S WHO"

Owing to the Editor's illness there has been quite a considerable delay in publication. Arrangements, however, have been made to continue publication. But how long that will take is not yet final.

In the meantime, subscribers, who desire the refund of their money, may get it returned, or on condition that in the event of publication they will re-issue their subscription cheque.

Details as to amount paid and date of payment must accompany applications for refund.

The Managing Editor,
S.A. Indian Who's Who,
P.O. Box 382,
Pietermaritzburg.

MYHILL SOCIAL CLUB
SEA COW LAKE

At an inaugural meeting held here recently it was the unanimous decision of the members present to notify the public that membership was open to all members of the Indian Community, of Sea Cow Lake.

NATAL INDIAN ORGANISATION
Second Provincial Conference

The Official Opening of the Second Provincial Conference of the Natal Indian Organisation will take place at the M.K. Gandhi Library, Queen Street, Durban, on Saturday, 15th March at 3.30 p.m.

After the Opening Session, Conference will adjourn till 9 a.m. on Sunday when the Second Session will be held at the Avalon Theatre, Victoria Street, Durban.

AGENDA:

1, Minutes; 2, Presidential Address; 3, Secretarial Report; 4, Group Areas Act; 5, Education—Primary/Secondary; 6, Social Welfare; 7, Housing; 8, Financial Statement; 9, Amendments to Constitution; 10, Election; 11, GENERAL.

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In Memoriam

MRS. L. S. BHAGWANDEEN

BHAGWANDEEN. — In loving memory of my dear wife, and darling mother, who fell asleep at Glenmore on Sunday, March 7, 1948.

Every day passed sadly to make a year.
Every thought of you make each eye tear;
Deep in our hearts we feel you living yet,
For we loved you too dearly and will never forget.
We tended you with loving care,
But could not make you stay.
We stood beside your bedside,
As the lonely hours passed,
And our hearts were broken
When we saw you breathe your last.

Dearly loved and sadly missed by your heart broken husband and children.

BHAGWANDEEN.—In memory of our dear daughter, who fell asleep on March 7, 1948.

Four sad years have passed,
[illegible]
Time wears away the edge of grief
But memories turn back every leaf.
Always true, unselfish and kind,
Loved and respected wherever she went.

Always remembered by her loving father, mother, brother, sister-in-law, nephews and nieces.

PAPPAMMA.—In loving memory of our dear sister, Mrs. J. R. Daniels, who passed away on March 4, 1951.

In our home hangs a picture,
More precious than silver or gold;
It's a photo of our dear sister
Whose memory will never grow old.

Always remembered by G. Kopaul Bros. and nephew, Frank, 7 Umhlatuzana Road, Sea View.

VIMLADEVI.—In loving memory of our dear daughter and sister (a rose only lent to us) who passed away on March 14, 1951.

Gone is the face we love so dear,
Silent is the voice we love to hear;
Beautiful memories will forever remain,
Till in God's good time we meet again.

Sadly missed and always longed for by her sorrowing mum, dad, sisters and brother, R. Chetty and family, 342 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg.

VIMLADEVI.—In treasured memory of our darling grandchild and niece, Vimmie, who departed so quietly on March 14, 1951.

In silence we always think of you.

Forever remembered by her broken-hearted grandparents, uncles and aunt, P. N. K. Naidu and family, 342 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg.

MAISTRY.—In fondest memory of S. Ramiah Maistry, who passed away on February 27, 1945.

Sweetest memories of one so dear,
Treasured deeply from year to year,
Life moves on, but memories stay
As near and dear as yesterday.

Ever remembered by his loving wife, son, daughters, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law and grandchildren. (Inserted by Mr. R. Dhoramsamy Maistry, 15 Kenilworth Place, Durban North.

MAISTRY.—In cherished memory of V. Govindsamy Maistry (late of Stamford Hill Dry Cleaners), who passed away on March 6, 1952.

He sleeps in God's beautiful garden,
Sheltered from sorrow and pain,
And when life's journey is over,
We shall meet again.

Ever remembered by his brother, Mr. V. M. Maistry, sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, and grandchildren. (Inserted by Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Maistry and family, Eastern Steam Laundry.)

MAISTRY.—In loving memory of V. Nynie Maistry, brother of Mr. V. M. Maistry, beloved husband of G. G. Maistry and father of Ruthnum, who passed away on March 16, 1951, at 487 Brickfield Road, Overport.

Beautiful memories cherished for ever
Of happy days we spent together;
Dear to his memory, sweet is his name;
Close in our hearts he'll always remain.

(Inserted by Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Maistry and family, Eastern Steam Laundry).

GENGAN.—In cherished and loving memory of my dearly beloved son and our darling brother, Govindraju (Harry) Gengan, who fell asleep in God's beautiful garden on February 26, 1950.

You called one and all of us to your bedside and you bade us your last farewell
And said goodbye to one and all;
The shock was great, the blow severe, your spirit flew before us;
We knew that you were going from us, It does not take this day of days.
To bring you to our minds. The days we do not think of you are very hard to find,
You never failed to do your best, your heart was true and tender,
You toiled so hard for those you loved and left us to remember,
God gave us courage to bear it and strength to fight the blow,
But what it meant to lose you no one will ever know,
But you have left us with beautiful memories we are all proud to own,
Though absent you are always near still loved and ever dear son and brother.

Sadly missed and ever remembered by his loving mother, brothers, sisters-in-law and family, 2 Ulster Road, Rossburgh.

Appreciation

Pandit and Mrs. Bindeshrie Tewary, of 236 Houghton Road, Clairwood, and Mr. and Mrs. Pampson Maharaj of Bramner, extend sincere thanks to all friends and relatives for their kind presence, valuable assistance rendered and presents, both in cash and kind, sent on the occasion of the recent marriage of their second son, Gunanperesdh, to Thara Devi respectively.

Mrs. K. Seebhie Maharaj, of 23 Pioneer Lane, Mayville, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Ramlall Maharaj, of 46 Umgeni Road, Durban, extend sincere thanks to all friends and relatives for their kind presence, valuable assistance rendered, and presents both in cash and kind, sent on the occasion of the recent marriage of their second son, Dhaleeperesdh, to their third daughter.

Thanks

Mr. Lutchman Koorerjee and family, of Etna Lane, Durban, thank all friends and relatives for their kind messages of sympathy and the beautiful floral tributes sent during their recent sad loss.

Mr. and Mrs. Dowlat Singh and family of 38 Ambra Road, Mayville, wish to thank all friends and relatives for their kind messages of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes sent in their recent bereavement.

Mr. Sunderlall Gopal, of Richmond, and Mrs. J. Parag, of 5? Church Street, Pietermaritzburg, wish to thank all relatives and friends for the beautiful floral tributes, kind messages of sympathy and assistance sent in their recent sad bereavement.

INDIA IS PREPARED TO TAKE FOREIGN AID, BUT ...

NEW DELHI. — The Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, said India was prepared to take foreign aid but only if there were no political or other strings attached.

Her five-year plan had been so drawn up that it would not be upset by lack of such help, but could go ahead faster if it came.

Replying to questions on the general elections, particularly the communist gains in the south, Mr. Nehru said, "When I say I sympathise a great deal with the communist theory or objectives, I mean there are no essential differences between socialist and communism, except certain techniques and certain practices."

He said he was interested in Marx's economic interpretation of history, but added, "I think Marx is out of date today. To talk about Marxism today means reaction. The communists with all their fire and fury are in some ways utterly reactionary in outlook."

The presence of Chinese Nationalist troops in Burma was causing grave concern to the Burmese Government and was worrying Britain and America too.

"There is always danger of other types of conflict on the border so long as these troops are there," he said, replying to questions.

"Anyone who supports them will get into trouble with Burma."

Burmese spokesmen have alleged there are 6,000 Nationalist troops in North Burma. Clashes between them and Burmese troops have been reported. Britain has suggested a United Nations Commission to make an on-the-spot investigation.

Born

MAHARAJ.—To Mr. and Mrs. Sewperthab J. Maharaj a bonny son on March 4, 1952, at 21 Bailey Avenue, Durban. Grandson to Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Maharaj of Maritzburg, and Mrs. J. Maharaj, Cato Ridge.

Mr. A. K. Doraisamy, head sirdar, Cleansing Section, Durban, and brother of A. Nathamuniar Brothers, 49 Gillitts Road, Durban, who met with an accident on February 4, is recovering at McCord Hospital.

The Leader
323 Pine Street, Durban.
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FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 1952

A SERIOUS SITUATION

LOCAL authority, working the Group Areas Act, is kicking the Indian about like a football. We published a letter of protest from the Combined Indian Ratepayers' Association, a letter that had been written to the Durban Town Clerk, pointing out the position that land acquired from Indians for Indian housing at Merebank, is being sold to the Vacuum Oil Company by the Durban City Council. This Company had acquired mainly from Indians over 300 acres of ground for the purpose of building a refining factory. Under the new scheme, proposed under the Group Areas Act, the former Indian-owned land at Wentworth is to become European. This European penetration is driving the Indian out from areas in which they had settled for generations. Other parts of the City Council's scheme, in regard to racial groupings, are no better. The eventual policy is to drive them out from the city into locations. As if this were not enough, the Durban branch of the Nationalist Party is also prepared with a scheme, which is feared, is more drastic in its nature than that of the City Council. The Party officials have the ear of the Government, and are receiving guidance to attain complete apartheid, as visualised by the Nationalist Party planners. They are trying to put into practice the Free State and the Transvaal location schemes in this province. It is a well known fact that almost in all Free State towns, non-Europeans are compelled to live two and three miles away from the boundary. The Nationalist Party are trying to work out a similar scheme for Pietermaritzburg also. The bottom end below Retief Street, which has been Indian occupied ever since Indians, as free men, were in a position to establish their homes in Pietermaritzburg. Here they built their own homes and had continued to do that up to today. No European homes had been bought out in this area to make room for Indians. This area now is in danger, according to the Nationalist planning, under the Group Areas Act.

We are well aware of the working of the Land Tenure Board. Here the Board merely takes evidence, but decisions are made by the Minister, who has the final say. The situation is fraught with danger to the Indian. There is no longer security in any area for the Indian. European interests are paramount. The government, whether local or central, is European; it represents White interests. Redistributions of properties under the Act has never considered Indian vested interests. Our public organisations seem to be silent about its dangers. The Congress policy of boycott is based on the fear that any representations on the question will bring it into a position of accepting compromises. In these compromises, it is said, the Indians will be the chief losers. The Organisation has made representations now and again. To us it seemed half-hearted and lacking vigour. We would like to see more sustained action in maintaining Indian rights. The present Bill carries a sense of fatalism, the belief that what must come, must come. No Indian has any doubts of the obvious intention of the Act. It is the most destructive measure, conceived in a spirit of diabolical hate, against the Indians. The South African reverses at U.N.O. was avenged by the Group Areas Act with the intention of utterly destroying the Indian community of this country.

Yet what are we doing to defend this position? We trust that the Natal Indian Organisation, which meets in conference in Durban this week-end, will attempt an answer. That answer, to us, calls for unanimity, and for a concerted Indian action. The resolutions must be carried out with resolution and determination. The situation is far too serious for anything else.

MRS. ROOSEVELT IN INDIA

ON THE SPINNING WHEEL.—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt tries her hand on the "charka" (spinning wheel) during her visit to the Harijan Colony, New Delhi, where Gandhiji often stayed during his lifetime. Mrs. Roosevelt has been paying a brief visit to India as a State guest.

WOMEN'S ROLE TODAY

(From Our Own Correspondent)

...HI.—Women could contrib... a great deal towards estab... ...ace in the world, by sup... ...ing all legitimate movements ...ame, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt ...here.

...ey had a duty to attempt to ...about social justice and ...conditions in the world for ...ring peace, Mrs. Roosevelt ...Women's Organisations here.

"I have watched the growing influence of women in the U.N. There are now more and more women delegates, representatives, and observers. Therefore it is important to choose carefully representatives to the World Body."

The greatest progress was made when women worked not as women but as individuals as capable as men, she added. Mrs. Roosevelt is now on a study-tour of India.

...LATOON SCHOOLS CAUSE CONSIDERABLE STRAIN

...E institution of private ...platoon schools has necessi... ...the early opening of Gov... ...ment-Aided Schools, which ...became the centre of platoon ...ols, with the result that ...y children have to leave their ...es pretty early and perhaps without adequate breakfast, and travel long distances before arriving at school. This has caused considerable strain both on the pupils concerned and their parents, who must get up earlier than usual and prepare for their children's requirements.

...his sacrifice is being willingly ...de by parents, for it is rea... ...d that the private platoon ...ols held after midday have ...vided accommodation for other ...dren who might otherwise ...e to go without schooling.

...n the other hand, parents ...se children attend the private ...toon schools have also to ...e their sacrifice by making ...financial contributions as ...d down by the Grantees. It is ...rted that the Grantees of ...se platoon schools are making ...ley before admitting any ...d.

...he institution of private platoon schools therefore has added ...the parental responsibilities of ...sent times. With the pro... ...on of proper schools by the ...te, these financial burdens, ...ch are now unavoidably ...ed placed on the shoulders of ...e parents, would have been ...ealed.

Useful Purpose

...owever, these platoon schools ...are serving a very useful ...pose, in that children who ...e been schoolless and have ...n accustomed to roam the ...ets, are now receiving instruction, which they might perhaps never have been able to ...eive were they to take their ...ce normally in the imposing waiting lists which several schools consult once a year at the opening of schools each year.

It is gratifying to learn that the Natal Education Department is exercising care and discretion in the matter of appointments of teachers to these platoon schools. Nominations submitted by certain Grantees have been turned down by the Department on the score of unsuitability.

Though the standard of education at these platoon schools may not compare fully up to the standard obtainable at the schools proper, nevertheless, one would feel happy in the thought that with the interest displayed by the Education Department in the appointment of teachers, the best available men for such posts are being given preference.

...USLIM MARRIAGE OF DUTCH GIRL

...Reuter to "The Leader"

...ARACHI. — Muslims from several ...tries will meet in Karachi this ...k to discuss the case of Bertha ...tch, the Dutch girl whose ...e marriage to a Malay was ...ared invalid by the Singapore ...h Court.

...rtha was reunited with her ...nts in Holland last year after ...Court's decision that her marriage ...Mansoor Adabi, a school teacher, ...not valid.

...e was discovered living in a ...re in Malaya in 1950, eight years ...r being separated from her ...nts in Java at the age of five. ...ts broke out in Singapore in ...ember, 1950, over the Supreme ...t's decision.

EAST AFRICAN SYMPATHY

PRAYER meetings and mass processions are being jointly organised in Nairobi and other parts of Kenya by the Kenya African Union and the East African National Congress, to take place on April 6, 1952. These meetings and processions will be held "as an expression of support and sympathy for the oppressed people of South Africa in their struggle against Apartheid."

This decision, pledging the support of the African and the Indian communities of East Africa, was officially conveyed to the South African Indian Congress in a letter.

The African National Congress and the South African Indian Congress resolved at their respective conferences to set aside April 6 as a day of protest, when meetings will be held throughout the country as a prelude to the actual launching of a mass struggle for the repeal of the Pass Laws, the Group Areas Act, the Suppression of Communism Act, the Bantu Authorities Act, the Voters Act, and the policy of stock limitation.

INDIAN LAND FOR OIL COMPANY

The Secretary of the Durban Combined Indian Ratepayers' Association has written to the Town Clerk as follows:

"At a meeting of my Association held on February 22, I was directed to lodge a most emphatic protest against the Durban City Council's proposal to sell expropriated land at Merebank to the Vacuum Oil Company of S.A., Ltd.

"We, Sir, are reliably informed that this land that is being sold was once owned and occupied by Indians. Their land was expropriated for the purpose of starting a housing scheme for the Indians. On this understanding the people were compelled to sell their land to the Durban Corporation.

"Now, we regret to learn that this very land is being sold to the Vacuum Oil Company without in any way honouring the promise made by the previous Council decision to this Indian land being expropriated. It is this situation that we view with great alarm. What assurance is there that such a precedent will not be repeated in the future? We feel that this shatters the confidence of our people in the Durban City Council.

"A copy of this protest is being directed to the Housing Board and the Administrator for their information."

LOAN TO INDIA

Sapa-Reuter to "The Leader"

BOMBAY: The president of the World Bank, Mr. Eugene Black, said in Bombay that he would recommend the Bank to give a "substantial loan" to India to help her develop her economic resources through her five-year plan.

India's £1,345,000,000 five-year plan, envisages £225,000,000 of foreign aid, which, it is hoped, will help provide pre-war levels in food, clothing and other essential supplies.

India Faces Deficit in Foreign Trade

(From Our Own Correspondent)

NEW DELHI.—India had an overall deficit of Rs. 1,312.5 million (£90,133 million) in her foreign trade by land, sea and air in the eight months from April 1951, according to figures available here.

Exports during the period totalled Rs. 5,045.5 million and imports Rs. 6,358.1 million. The trade deficit had increased due to the transit trade of border countries and dealings in bullion.

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HINDI EXAMINATION

THE following are the results of the Hindi Prathama (Std. IV) examinations conducted by the Hindi Shiksha Sangh (Natal) in December, 1951:

Arya Kumar Yuvak Sabha Hindi Pathshala, [illegible]

First Class: Maharajh, [illegible]; Singh, [illegible]; Singh, [illegible] Ramdev; [illegible].

Second Class: Brijlall, Kanti; Kamal, [illegible]; Lalbehari, [illegible]; [illegible].

Third Class: [illegible]; Singh, Ranjit Sohan.

Arya Samaj Hindi Pathshala, Mount Partridge

Second Class: Singh, Ajit [illegible].

Third Class: Inder, [illegible]; Singh, Amritkaur Purushotam; Singh, Anand Purushotham; [illegible].

Arya Samaj Hindi Pathshala, Westville

Second Class: Dhanukdhari, [illegible]; [illegible]

[illegible]

First Class: Ramlall, Sukhgramdh.

Third Class: Juglall, [illegible]; Ramlall, [illegible].

Durban Hindi Pathshala

First Class: Durgaparsadh, Vidyanand.

Second Class: Dinanath, Balaram.

[illegible] Road Hindi Pathshala, Sydenham

Second Class: Deolall, [illegible]. Hindi Yuvak Sabha [illegible] Pathshala, Ladysmith

First Class: [illegible].

Second Class: [illegible].

Third Class: [illegible].

[illegible] Sanathan Dharma [illegible] Sabha Hindi School

First Class: [illegible].

Second Class: Lalla, [illegible].

[illegible]; Maharajh, Dulari [illegible]; [illegible], Kamlapathi.

Third Class: [illegible]; Maharajh, [illegible]; Thirath, Shanti.

[illegible] Hindi Pathshala, [illegible]

Third Class: [illegible]; [illegible] Sukhnandan, [illegible].

Yuvak Arya Samaj Hindi School, Clairwood

First Class: Nirmal, Savitri; [illegible], Harichand.

Second Class: Haripersadh, [illegible]; Ramner, Harilal.

Third Class: Gopal, [illegible]; [illegible]; Ramner, [illegible].

Veda Dharma Sabha Hindi Pathshala, Pietermaritzburg

Second Class: Maharajh, Dropadi; [illegible]; Maharajh, [illegible]; [illegible], Premla.

Third Class: [illegible]; [illegible]; [illegible], Tilak, Savitri.

[illegible] Pathshala, [illegible]

Second Class: [illegible]; Ramnath, Ramdath.

Third Class: [illegible]; Ramnarain, [illegible]; Lakhpatie; [illegible], Singh; [illegible].

TECH STUDENTS

A very successful quiz competition was held, under the auspices of the [illegible] Indian Technical Students' Society, on Sunday last. [illegible] defeated Miss L. Chetty, [illegible], S. Chetty, S. K. Naidoo, [illegible] and [illegible] Pillay.

At the next weekly meeting of the society, to be held on Sunday next, a mock trial will take place. The leading members will participate: [illegible] (accused), [illegible], (clerk of the court), A. S. Chetty (interpreter).

A CITY WITHOUT A SOUL

From our own Correspondent

NEW DELHI.—Prime Minister Nehru described New Delhi as a "city without a soul and a spirit."

The Prime Minister Nehru was inaugurating the National Art Treasures Fund which will purchase works of art for museums. The structures and buildings in New Delhi were not "very beautiful to look at" he added. If people wanted to look at beauty and art they had to go back to the buildings of another age. "Every stone in the ancient city of old Delhi has a story to tell and history is embedded in its distant lanes."

New Delhi is a modern planned city designed by British architect, [illegible] ten miles from the Capital in a city with scattered buildings of the Moghul Period.

W.H.O.'s HEALTH PROGRAMME

From our own Correspondent

NEW DELHI. — The World Health Organisation (W.H.O.) proposed to spend over 1,780,000 dollars in India during 1952, Dr. Brock Chisholm, Director-General of the W.H.O. said here.

The money would be used for the continuation of its work on malaria control, anti-tuberculosis campaign, B.C.G. vaccination, erection of a Penicillin factory at Poona, and on a new D.D.T. manufacturing project.

CATTLE WEALTH

From our own Correspondent

NEW DELHI.—The need to bring about "an all-round improvement and development" of Indian cattle, was urged here by Mr. Sri Prakasa, Minister for Natural Resources and Scientific Research.

India possesses 176 million cattle—one quarter of the world's bovine population,—and the lowest milk consumption per head.

"Scientific breeding and feeding of cattle were necessary for their improvement" the minister added.

RAILWAY CENTERNARY

From our own Correspondent

NEW DELHI.—India will celebrate her railway centenary next year (1953).

The first Indian locomotive steamed out of Bombay in 1853.

The International Railway Congress will also hold its annual session in India next year.

Mr. Gopalaswamy Ayyangar, Indian Minister, said here that if possible the Centenary celebrations and the congress would be synchronised.

PANDIT RISHI RAM'S TALKS IN THE TRANSVAAL

HUNDREDS of Indians flocked to various halls in Johannesburg and the Reef to hear the noted Gandhi-Tagore lecturer, Pandit Rishi Ram, expound Hindu philosophy, civilization and culture. The Indian women vied with the men folk in attendance, and listened to profound wisdom expressed in simple Hindi or English, which rose at times, to literary heights.

THE ten-day lecture tour of the distinguished lecturer was organised by the Transvaal Hindu Seva Samaj, and the lectures dealt at length with all aspects of Indian life, not excluding India's contribution to world peace and her remarkable progress despite tremendous difficulties of organisation and resources.

The Pandit is proud of his country-[illegible] sisters there as the torchbearers of the Motherland's culture. On the very first day of a reception of the Transvaal Hindu Seva Samaj, he stressed the [illegible] tree of culture had risen sky-high and the Indian people living in any part of the world represented flower and fruit of the tree.

His first serious lecture at Gandhi Hall, Johannesburg, on February [illegible] entitled, "The Message of the Vedas," was delivered under the auspices of the Transvaal Hindu Seva Samaj, Mr. P. [illegible] presiding.

[illegible]

A CALL FOR INTERNAL STRENGTH

[illegible]

SCIENCE AND PHILOSOPHY

[illegible]

was to preserve their traditions and culture. If culture was lost, all was lost. Educated Indians should study and spread the knowledge of Indian religion and philosophy. Christianity was found wanting, as it allowed millions of people to suffer at the hands of its own devotees.

"I am one with Divinity," is the greatest message of Hinduism, said [illegible] speech. "Hinduism was in full youth as it created great men and women.

THE SOUL OF INDIA

Lecturing before the [illegible] [illegible] Pandit Rishi Ram referred to the soul of India which survived the period of foreign domination. Truth and love were the apparel of Mahatma Gandhi [illegible]. That people is never destroyed which believes in the immortality of the soul.

The present decadence of Europe was largely due to the lack of knowledge of the soul, was the opinion of the Pandit. [illegible]

LOVE AND TRUTH

[illegible]

TOKEN OF FELLOWSHIP

[illegible]

showed the world that ever [illegible] warfare could be waged [illegible] violence and with open cards [illegible] unbelievable according to [illegible].

The lecturer emphasised [illegible] India [illegible] of fellowship to the [illegible]

He reminded the audience [illegible] incident in [illegible] was described as the [illegible] Defeated People" by the [illegible] newspapers, as he had warned [illegible] of the dangers of [illegible] Western imperialism.

On February 22 Pandit [illegible] was booked to speak [illegible] gatherings, one at the [illegible] Social Centre and the other [illegible] Johannesburg. Throughout [illegible] Crowded halls [illegible] the places.

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DEAR CHILDREN,

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[illegible] the road, too, you should [illegible]. Try not to make the [illegible]'s job a difficult one by [illegible] across streets and going [illegible] robots. Most of the accidents are caused by pedestrians' [illegible]

[illegible] again, I do hope you [illegible] courtesy to anyone [illegible]

Dynamite and Thunder

[illegible] Prakash, of 34 Bellair [illegible] Mayville, wants to know [illegible] thunder or the burst of [illegible] is heard at a further [illegible]

[illegible] the issue of the Junior [illegible] of the last two weeks, I [illegible] that various versions were [illegible] as to the cause of lightning [illegible] thunder by Junior Leader [illegible]. Now I have something [illegible] has and is puzzling me. A [illegible] of mine asked me which is [illegible] at a further distance on [illegible] or the burst of a [illegible]

[illegible] prompt reply to his question [illegible] was thunder. He then laughed [illegible] and remarked that the burst [illegible] dynamite is more powerful [illegible] could be heard further. I [illegible] be glad if members would [illegible] me on this topic."

Quiz Answers

[illegible] following are the answers [illegible] last week's quiz:— (1) [illegible]; (2) Japanese; (3) [illegible]; [illegible]; (5) [illegible]; (6) [illegible]; (7) Persian; (8) [illegible]; (9) Natalians; (10) [illegible].

Your Thinking Caps

[illegible] and your thinking caps for [illegible] following questions, which [illegible] been sent by C. C. Singh, [illegible] R. Hindson, P.O. [illegible]

(1) What is the difference between a cereal and a serial?

(2) What is a carat and a carrot?

(3) What is the female of a fox, a pig and a hare?

(4) ______ thought that London streets were paved with gold?

(5) Who was Ali Baba?

(6) What is the Koran?

(7) What is the value of a groat?

(Answers next week)

Pen Friends' Corner

The following is a list of names in our Pen Friends' Corner for this week:—

Rajkumar Mathilall, c/o Indian High School, P.O. Stanger, Natal, would like to have pen pals from any part of the world. Interests: Cricket, soccer, singing and stamp collecting.

H. Nundlall, c/o M. K. Jamadar, P.O. Reunion, Natal, whose interests are in cinema, stamp collecting, coin collecting and sports, would like to have pen friends from any part of the world.

R. Naraingh, 140 Firwood Road, Red Hill, Durban, is interested in reading, soccer, fishing and songs. He desires pen pals from the Union and overseas.

L. R. Ramlall, P.O. Box 8, Chaneling Village, Cavendish, Natal, desires pen pals from any part of the world. Interests: Art, table tennis, bookkeeping and commerce.

CHILDREN'S CENTRE

From our own Correspondent

BOMBAY.—A Children's Cultural Centre (Bal Bhavan) has been set up here.

The centre has a children's library, a theatre of its own, and a garden for outdoor games. In the garden are swings, a see-saw, a chute and a merry-go-round for their entertainment.

The Centre is intended for children between the ages of four to fourteen.

A STUDENT'S SUCCESS

From our own Correspondent

NEW DELHI.—A 21-year-old Indian student was recently elected President of the University of British Columbia's "alma mater" society, according to the Canadian High Commissioner here.

Raghbir Singh Basi, a third year Sociology student at the Columbia University is the first Indian to hold this top student post.

THE ART OF CHILDREN

NEARLY 7,000 pieces of art by children from different parts of the globe were exhibited in New Delhi recently by Shankar the cartoonist in the Arts and Crafts Society Hall.

Mr. Patanjali Shastri, Chief Justice of India, inaugurated the exhibition, the third of its kind organised by Shankar, during the last three years.

The exhibits comprised paintings in water colours and oil, cartoons and pencil drawings. They were from children below 15 years of age, drawn from countries like China, Australia, Indonesia, Ceylon, Burma, Turkey, Finland, Canada, Britain, the U.S.A. and Argentina.

Mr. Shastri praised the enthusiasm of Shankar in successfully bringing out the creative mentality in the small children by encouraging them to paint and draw cartoons. He hoped that by understanding each other's art, the children of today, belonging to different countries would be able to understand each other better and live in amity and peace when they grow up to become citizens of the world.

Judges of the Supreme Court, members of the diplomatic corps and high officials were among those who attended the function.

IN U.S.A.

Some 23 oriental paintings and drawings by Indian child artists have been placed in the Community Arts Centre in Pennsylvania (U.S.A.). They are being exhibited together with the works of young artists from the United States and 23 other countries. These paintings and drawings depict Indian legends and stories in addition to portraying Indian family life and street scenes.

STUDENTS FOR U.S. FORUM

RAJENDRA Nath Baru of Cotton College, Gauhati, and Miss Myrtle Durai Raj of Stella Maris College, Madras, have been selected to represent India at the "New York Herald Tribune" Forum for students of the age group 16-18 years, to be held in March, 1952. They are expected to leave New Delhi for the U.S.A. this month.

Before the Forum is held, they will visit places of interest in the U.S.A. and participate in classroom work in high schools in New York.

"OPERATION ELEPHANT"

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LUCKNOW.—The Uttar Pradesh [illegible] capturing of wild elephants destroying valuable crops of sugarcane in the districts adjoining the Himalayas.

A state official said that the "operations" were not aimed at killing the animals—except the "rogues" among them.

NURSES FOR THE ARMY

(From Our Own Correspondent)

NEW DELHI.—India is to train a special cadre of nurses for her military medical service, it is learned.

Forty probationary nurses have been selected by the army from hospitals, for special three-year courses in military hospitals in Delhi, Poona and Lucknow.

A Military Medical Board will examine them.

Nizam's Jewels In Bombay

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BOMBAY.—The Nizam of Hyderabad, reputedly the world's richest man, has sent part of his collections in jewellery here for safe-keeping.

Flown by a special plane, the collections worth £187,500 will be lodged in the strong room of a city bank.

Teenagers Column

HELLO TEENAGERS,

Do you know that the loneliest island in the world, Tristan da Cunha, is no more lonely? The island with 250 inhabitants has now been provided with a post office, and letters could be sent to the inhabitants in the island.

An airmail service has also been provided. So let us visit the lonely island.

Tristan da Cunha not so Lonely

The "loneliest island in the [illegible], until 1933 automatically world," where the oldest inhabitant became its Governor, is not so lonely now, because on New Year's Day, 1952, for the first time since it became a British Colony in 1816, it was presented with a post office.

The island is Tristan da Cunha, which has some 250 inhabitants in its total area of 45 square miles and is a solitary island in the South Atlantic Ocean, about 2,000 miles west of the Cape of Good Hope, 4,000 miles northeast of Cape Horn, and about 1,500 miles southwest of St. Helena, probably the best known of all the solitary islands in this part of the world.

In the absence of a post office, the inhabitants of Tristan da Cunha, named after the Portuguese admiral, Tristan da Cunha, who discovered the island in 1506, have in the past been unable to prepay postage for their correspondence. But it often happened that letters received in the United Kingdom, bore South African stamps or British stamps bought from ships calling at the island.

Own Stamps

Soon the island will have its own printed stamps, but meanwhile it will use those of its "neighbour", St. Helena, overprinted with the words "Tristan da Cunha".

And the loneliness of "the world's loneliest island" will be reduced by the provision of an airmail service and an universal surface parcel service in addition to those facilities which are obligatory under the Universal Postal Union Convention.

Via South Africa

The postage rates and fee will be generally the same as those of St. Helena, and airmail correspondence will be forwarded by ship to South Africa for onward transmission by air.

And about that post office. There will be no ordinary post office, such as exists in other Colonial and British towns and villages. A corner of the verandah of the Administrator's bungalow will be set apart for the conduct of postal business.

But this is a big step forward for Tristan da Cunha.

Up to 1941 the island had not even an administrator, until one was appointed that year by the Governor of St. Helena.

From 1817 until 1933, the oldest inhabitant acted as governor. In 1933 a council of four was set up with one of its members as chairman: the chairman, or chief, acting as island spokesman and conducting marriages in the absence of a chaplain.

The island has a women's council for matters affecting women and children. Communications with the outside world were infrequent until the outbreak of war in 1939, but have improved since that time. There is now a South African Government Meteorological Station equipped with wireless. The recommencement of operations by a South African fishing company is leading to more frequent visits of vessels to the island.

FROM INDIA

A READER from India, C. K. Arora, is also interested in pen pals from South Africa. In his letter, he says:—

Dear Chachajan,

I am an Indian boy of sixteen and would like to have pen friends from your country. It was my long awaited wish to correspond with South African pen pals.

I hope you will assist me by publishing my name and address in your widely read paper. My hobbies are: stamp collecting, coin collecting and the collection of pictures.

At the moment, I am a student of science and am reading in F.Sc. (Prev.).

My name and address is: C. K. Arora, near Hindu School, Tundla, India.

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PARKHILL AMASS RECORD TOTAL—425

LADYSMITH.—Parkhill Cricket Club of Ladysmith scored yet another huge score last week-end (this time a record total of 425 for eight wickets declared) against Glencoe in the Peters Natal Shield district final played here last Sunday. Parkhill will meet Natalians, the Maritzburg finalists, at the latter's ground over the week-end.

Glencoe, having won the toss, decided to take first knock on a perfect wicket on a very hot day. The Seedats once again bowled with punch and skittled this team from the north for a mere total of 55 runs (of which their captain, S. K. Naidoo scored 13).

A. K. Seedat claimed two wickets for four runs and E. L. Seedat took three for 6. D. M. Seedat claimed five for 16, making his total wickets for the season so far to 80 wickets.

Parkhill went for runs immediately, and by close of play had scored 425 for eight wickets—a record

D. M. SEEDAT

total, beating the previous best [illegible] set up by [illegible]. Parkhill [illegible] the first innings by [illegible] runs.

The bulk of the score again came from the three Seedat brothers, C. M. Seedat (57), A. K. M. Seedat ([illegible] not out) and D. M. Seedat (165 not out). "D.M." bettered his own previous record of 131.

Parkhill now travel to Pietermaritzburg to meet Natalians in the semi-final over this week-end.

Parkhill are the present holders of the Natal Cup and start off as favourites with their young and enthusiastic side consisting of [illegible], three Asmals and two Chuptys.

The record total by Parkhill was made up as follows:

C. M. Seedat, 57; H. E. Khan, 7; E. C. Asmal, 28; L. E. Chupty, 26; A. M. Goga, 27; S. L. Seedat, 1; D. M. Seedat, 165 not out; E. E. Seedat, 21; A. E. Chupty, 18; A. K. Seedat, 64 (retired); A. K. Asmal 20 not out; extras, 15. Total, 425 for eight wickets declared.

D. PETERS WINS NATAL "OPEN"

DENNIS PETERS beat C. M. Mathoo by three strokes in the play-off after a tie had resulted for the first place in the non-European golf championships played over a course of 36 holes at Currie's Fountain on Sunday. Both had scores of [illegible] before tea.

There was a triple tie for the third place between R. Kalichuran, M. Nagan and P. Shunmugam, each of whom shot 150. In the play-off over nine holes they registered [illegible] and 36 respectively.

[illegible]

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Durban Indian Golf Club will be held on Sunday, March [illegible], at 2.30 p.m., at Currie's Fountain, Durban.

HEAVY SAM CHINA CUP LOSSES

"Leader" Staff Reporter

MARITZBURG. — "Delayed or deferred payments and an attitude of irresponsibility is the main cause of my not having written up the books in good time for audit and I suggest that a time limit be set up for all payments," said Mr. A. K. Meeran, the retiring treasurer of the N.I.F.A. at its annual meeting on Sunday.

He was replying to a complaint by the auditors that they were given too little time to complete the audit.

Mr. Meeran went on to say that a great deal of inconvenience was caused by the previous treasurer doing the work of his successors. This was a dangerous practice and should be deviated from.

Considerable difficulty was also being experienced in ascertaining the assets and other facts of the association under the present system.

"Imagine having to wade through the minute book to find out who won the Natal Cup in 1950."

Mr. Meeran suggested that a separate book be procured in which the assets could be recorded as also other facts such as the names of officials and players selected for representative matches each year.

Referring to the heavy financial loss sustained by the province at the last Sam China Cup tournament, he urged delegates to work towards creating new customs where the loss, if any, will not be so great. The loss had been offset somewhat by the big dividend paid by the Natal Inter-Race Board.

[illegible]

AUSSIE JOCKEY

BOMBAY.—Billy Cook, crack Australian jockey who was eight times champion, has arrived here to ride in this season.

Cook, who will be attached to leading local trainer Tulik, has ridden in India 13 years ago for the Maharajah of Kolhapur.

He told Reuter that Bombay's Mahalaxmi race course was "one of the finest he has seen." He said that the photo-finish system in Australia had been a success.

Natal Soccer Cabinet Comprises Officials From Mayville

Leader Staff Reporter

MARITZBURG.—A full muster of delegates from the twelve affiliated units of the Natal Indian Football Association disposed of a bulky agenda in a little less than three hours at the annual meeting held on Sunday morning at the Nizamia School Hall, Maritzburg. Headquarters of the Association were transferred to Durban for the 1952 season and Mr. C. Munsamy (Mayville), was elected President, with Mr. R. Regnath as secretary and Mr. B. Reuben, treasurer. Mr. Kitty Samuels (County), was elected a life vice-president, while the other vacancy caused by the death of Mr. E. G. David will be filled later.

THE Natal presidency was contested by Mr. E. I. Haffejee, of Durban, and Mr. C. Munsamy (Mayville), while the vacancy in the life vice-presidency, caused by the death of Mr. A. Sookdeo, developed into a three-cornered fight between Messrs. Kitty Samuels (County), P. M. Pillay (South Coast) and B. N. [illegible] (Durban).

Mr. B. A. Maharaj said that where there was more than one candidate for any post it sometimes happened that delegates voted without a mandate and the issue developed into a dog-fight. He moved that the voting be conducted by ballot instead of the usual procedure of a show of hands.

[illegible]

MEDIOCRE PLAYERS

[illegible]

Earlier in the meeting a discordant note was struck on the harmony between the subsidiary units of a divisional association. Glencoe, who are affiliated to the Northern Districts Association, had come down with their delegates but their presence was challenged by Mr. D. S. Maharaj who told the meeting that the Northern District Association had wired Glencoe on March 8 that as Glencoe had not paid their affiliation fee their delegates had no locus standi.

[illegible]

THE ELECTION

[illegible]

PRESIDENT OF NATAL I.F.A.

MR. C. MUNSAMY

Mr. C. Munsamy, who was elected president of the Natal Indian Football Association on Sunday. Mr. Munsamy, who has spent [illegible] years in sports administration, is [illegible] Mayville D.I.F.A.; trustee, [illegible] D. Sports Grounds Association; president, Durban Schools [illegible] Association.

This is the first time that officials of an association from the southern part of Natal have been elected on the cabinet of the N.I.F.A. in the same year.

BERGMANN DEFEATED

From Our Own Correspondent

CALCUTTA.—T. Hayashi of Japan won the singles title in the All-India Table Tennis Championships played here. He defeated Bergmann of England by three games to [illegible] in the final.

[illegible]

SUNDAY LEAGUE SUB-COMMITTEES

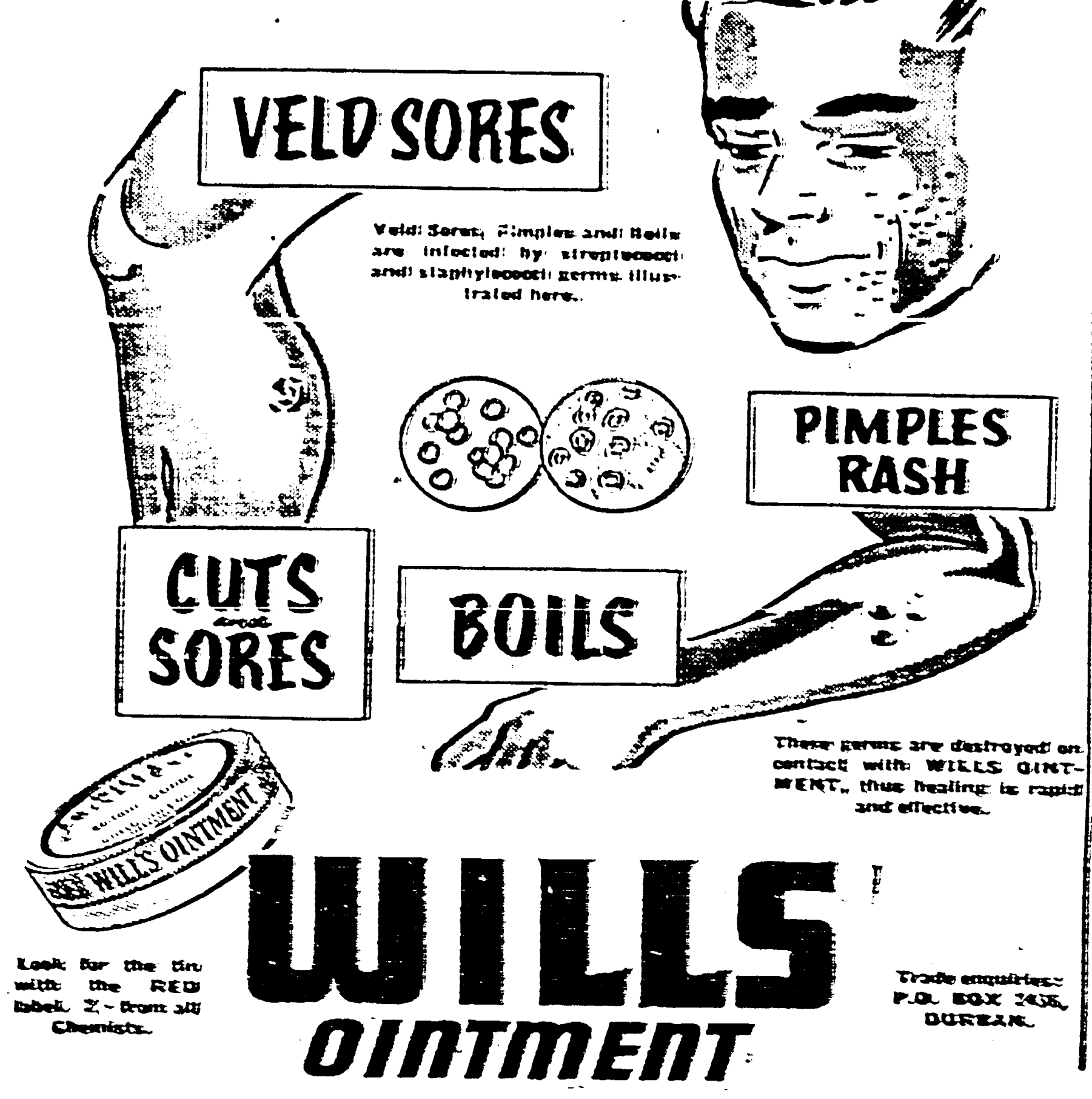
AT the first council meeting of the Durban Indian Sunday League held on Thursday last, the following committees were elected:

[illegible]

YOUNG KISMET TENNIS CLUB

AT a recent annual meeting of the Young Kismet Tennis Club the following were elected as office-bearers:

[illegible]



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Kismet Draw Against Muslims In League Competition

THE second round league encounter between Kismet and Ottomans, which was continued on Saturday at Currie's Fountain, ended in a draw. Ottomans replied with 114 for two wickets against Kismet's 2[illegible] for eight wickets declared.

I. A. Timol, the Kismet all-rounder was unfortunate in getting the coveted century by 8 runs.

BHARAT, who batted first against Young Muslims on Saturday afternoon, took first honours of the wicket. They made an inauspicious start when they lost three wickets in quick succession of Kalyan (2), Gangaram (0) and V. D. Makan (0)—and the scoreboard read 14 for three wickets.

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FIRST INNINGS LEAD

[illegible]

UNFORTUNATE

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In their second knock Orientals were dismissed for 75, the only batsmen to reach double figures being P. Yamnadi (22), K. Ally (15) and M. I. Jogee (10).

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THE SCORES

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HAZARE TO LEAD INDIA IN ENGLAND

From Our Own Correspondent

CALCUTTA.—The Board of Control for Cricket in India at its special meeting in Calcutta recently, selected Vijay Hazare to captain the Indian cricket team to tour England this summer. The meeting also appointed Mr. Pankaj Gupta as manager of the team. The decision was unanimous.

The rest of the team will be chosen by the selection committee in Calcutta.

The Board of Control has also accepted an invitation from Pakistan to send an Indian representative team to tour that country. The tour committee was authorised to draw up the itinerary of the tour.

The Board took no final decision regarding an Indian team's tour to the West Indies as it was felt that the terms offered were inadequate.

24 PLAYERS IN NATAL SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS

THE Sastri College courts were the venue of the Natal singles "A" Division championships, where 24 players participated in the eliminating rounds. [illegible]

[illegible]

GLIDING RECORD

From Our Own Correspondent

POONA.—A new All-India duration flight record in gliding was set up last Sunday at the [illegible] glider aerodrome in Poona.

[illegible]

Asian Federations Formed in Bombay

From Our Own Correspondent

BOMBAY. — The Table Tennis Federation of Asia was formed here recently at a convention of delegates of 12 Asian countries represented at the 19th World Table Tennis Championships.

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FAREWELL RECEPTION

NOTTINGHAM ROAD. — A large crowd of parents and children gathered at the Indian School Hall, to bid farewell to Mr. R. Bepathram, a member of the staff and the first President of the Nottingham Road Parents-Teachers' Association.

[illegible]

WELCOME

[illegible]

GAME DISPLAY BY B. PILLAY

SHOWING rare courage and determination in one of the best fights ever seen in the Durban City Hall, Natal's rising featherweight, Bandy Pillay, put up a game performance.

Had it not been for his early setback, he could have quite easily "put to sleep" Slumber David who created a sensation recently by knocking out Vic Toweel, world bantamweight champion in a workout.

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NOT IMPRESSIVE

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GLENCOE F.A. OFFICIALS

GLENCOE. — The following were elected as office-bearers of the Glencoe and District Indian Football Association for the 1952 season:

[illegible]

LADIES SHOW INTEREST IN BOXING

A LARGE number of Indians both Coloureds and Indians are showing keen interest in amateur boxing.

[illegible]

INTERTOWN BOXING

[illegible]

NATAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

[illegible]

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SHARP DEBATE AT DURBAN F.A. MEETING

SOME sharp debate took place at the first council meeting of the Durban Indian Football Association held at Currie's Fountain on Saturday when officials and delegates crossed swords with each other.

Unpleasant things were said and the Chairman had to ask for the withdrawal of certain remarks.

THE meetings—special general and first council—took almost three and a half hours to complete. The bulky agenda of the first council meeting mainly consisted of the election of various sub-committees.

It was quite apparent that there were two blocs which were trying to get their respective candidates into various positions. Voting was very keen, and because of amendments, the count had to be taken several times. [illegible]

"CADGING FOR VOTES"

[illegible]

ELECTIONS

[illegible]

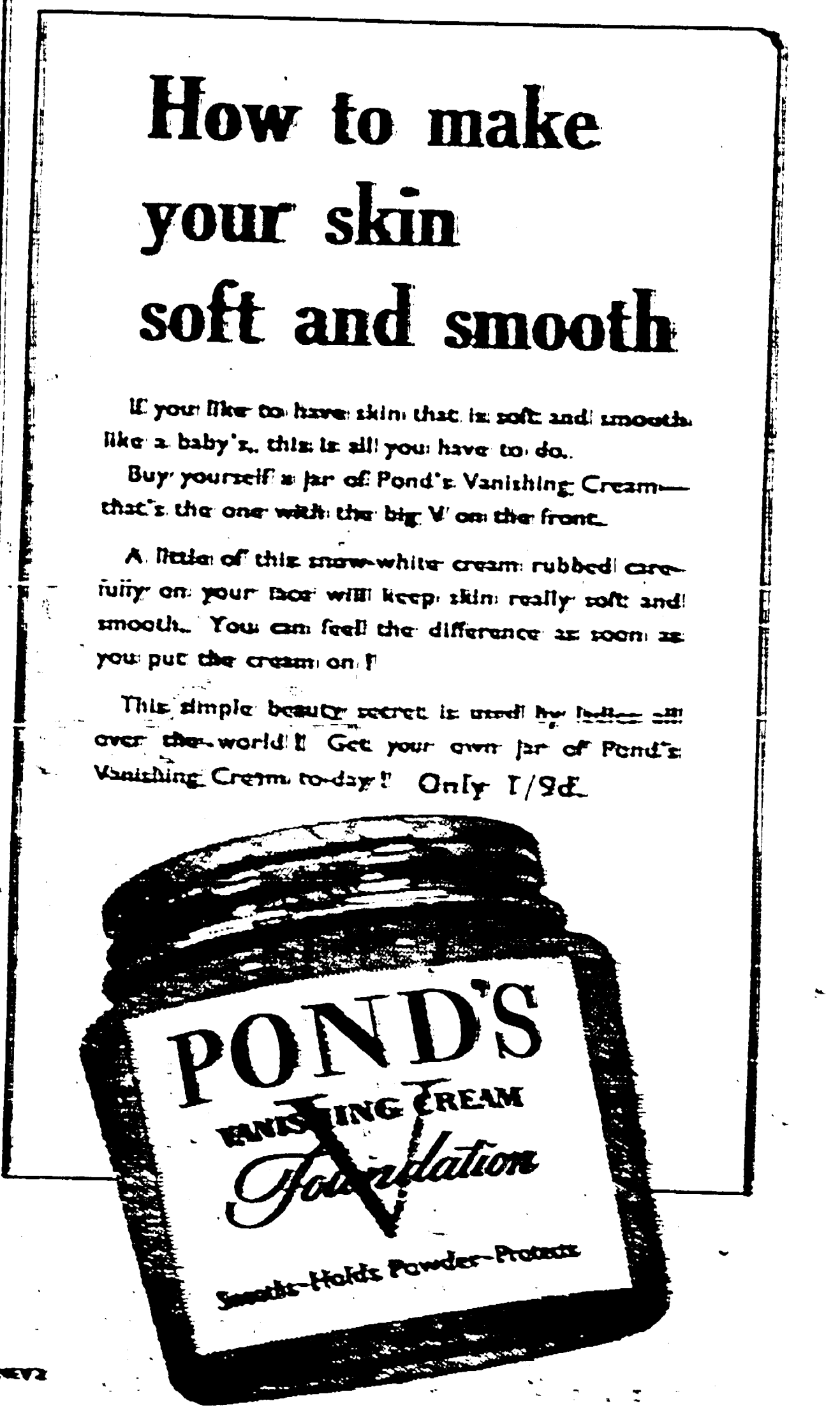
JAP HOCKEY GROUNDS 'ROUGH'

From Our Own Correspondent

ALLAHABAD.—Mr. Kazimoo [illegible], director of the Japanese hockey team, said here that the main purpose of their present trip to India was "to learn the latest techniques of the game."

Explaining the drawbacks of hockey as played in Japan, Mr. [illegible] said that the grounds were very rough and hence smooth running of the ball was impossible.

The Japanese hockey team played on turf for the first time in India, he added.



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Mainly About People

MR. J. SUGWANDEEN.

Mr. J. Sugwandeen, son of Mr. J. Jarbandhan, of 41 [illegible] Road, Maritzburg, has been appointed Commissioner of Oaths for the District of Durban. He is honorary secretary of the Non-European Railway Passengers' Welfare Association and holds prominent positions in various associations, religious and sporting bodies.

KISTENSAMY—SANTHAI WEDDING. The marriage of Kistensamy, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Moonsamy Gopalan, of New Factory, Kearsney, to Santhai, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Narainsamy, of 118 Burnwood Road, Sydenham, Durban, will take place at New Factory, Kearsney, on Sunday, March 23, 1952. Nuptial ceremony from 10.15 to 11.15 a.m.

Friends and relatives are kindly requested to accept this as a personal invitation.

VISALATCHIE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Reddy, of 16 Seaward Road, Clairwood, who celebrated her second birthday on Wednesday, March 12.

MR. R. BEEJAL SINGH. Mr. R. Beejal Singh, of 27 Elf Place, Sydenham, who left by car on Saturday last for Cape Town, via East London and Port Elizabeth.

Mrs. A. Reddy, of 68 [illegible] Road, Port Elizabeth, arrived in Durban by the "Stirling Castle" to meet her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. V. Reddy, who have returned by the "Karanja," with their daughter, Vasundra Devi, born in India. During their twelve months' tour in India they visited many magnificent temples. Mr. Reddy made his debut in public as a [illegible] player. Mr. and Mrs. Reddy and baby left for home by the Orange Express.

Those who sailed for [illegible] by the S.S. "Karanja" last week were: Mr. J. M. Patil; Mr. [illegible]; Mr. K. K. Reddy; Mrs. K. [illegible] and children.

Passengers on board the S.S. "Karanja" last week for Lourenco Marques were: Mrs. Hawa Y. M. Gani and family; Mahomed [illegible]; Mr. A. Adam.

Mr. Krishna N. Reddy of "The Ridge," Port Shepstone, Natal, sailed last week by the S.S. "Karanja" to take up an appointment in Mombasa.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Singh, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Naidoo and Mr. Phillip Naidoo, all of [illegible], and Mr. Billy Naidoo, of [illegible], left for East London on Monday for a week's holiday. They will be staying at the [illegible] Hotel.

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FOR PAKISTAN AND INDIA

THE following were amongst the passengers who sailed by the S.S. "Karanja" for India and Pakistan last week:

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. [illegible] and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Abdul [illegible] and children; Mr. M. [illegible]; Mr. M. Cassim; Miss Abdulla [illegible]; [illegible] Mr. M. M. Cassim.

Popular Weddings

RAMDHUN—JEEBODH—[illegible] WEDDING.

SPRINGS.—A beautiful wedding took place recently at the residence of Messrs. Ramdhu Brothers, of Asiatic Bazaar, Springs, when the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. N. Ramdhu and Mr. and Mrs. R. Ramdhu were married to the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeebodh, of [illegible], and the son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Andhee Shah, of Verulam, respectively.

The wedding was conducted in the presence of a large and representative gathering including the Mayor and the Mayoress, the Deputy Mayor and Mayoress and the Councillors of Springs.

His Worship the Mayor was garlanded by Mr. R. Ramdhu on behalf of the Ramdhu family.

The Pandal, which was beautifully adorned with fairy lights, added vividness to the ceremony.

The respective bridal couples were the recipients of a large number of useful gifts. Many congratulatory messages were received from all parts of the Union.

Amongst those who spoke on this occasion were: His Worship the Mayor, Dr. Jack Kling, Deputy Mayor; Mr. C. M. [illegible]; Councillor [illegible]; Councillor [illegible]; Councillor [illegible] (ex-Mayor); S. K. Doobay Maharaj; Sewsunker Doobay Maharaj; S. K. Maharaj; Krishna Maharaj. Mr. R. Ramdhu was the M.C.

SUNDAY SERVICES

PIETERMARITZBURG.—A crowd well over 200 was present at the V.V. Sabha Hall on Sunday last when the Mount Partridge Tamil Educational Society opened the Tamil School and Sunday services.

The service was conducted under the auspices of the Pietermaritzburg Tamil Sanmarka Sangham. In welcoming those present, Mr. P. G. [illegible] referred to the importance of Sunday services and vernacular education.

Others who spoke on the occasion were Mrs. P. G. [illegible], Messrs. V. N. Padayachee ([illegible]), [illegible], and K. Thomas.

The programme included religious songs and speeches. Musical items were rendered by Thumbi's Youth

SRI TYAGARAJA

On the fifth day of the dark half of the month of Pushya is celebrated every year, throughout the length and breadth of Southern India, and beyond in Northern India, a festival of music in memory of the saintly Tyagaraja. It is the day on which one hundred and four years ago (1847 A.D.), this great soul left off his mortal coil, and found himself in the world of eternity.

On that day, thousands of expert musicians gather in towns and villages and thousands of lovers of the divine art of music pay their homage to this greatest exponent of Andhra culture.

Sri Tyagaraja or Tyaga Brahman, as he is reverentially called, was born in Tiruvalur on May 4, 1767. Sri Tyagaraja appears to have been attracted very much towards the Ramayana, and had cultivated such a strong love for the hero of the epic that he had decided to observe him as his deity and to practise the art of composing original songs in praise of Lord Rama.

Durban's South Indian loving audience and musicians alike will be privileged to witness a short resume of the main incidents of the life of Sri Tyagaraja.

The Andhra Sabha of Sydenham are making laudable attempts in their presentation of Sri Tyagaraja, which is to be held at the [illegible] Theatre on May 4, 1952, in aid of its school fund. Popular musicians and vocalists will take part in this production by P. [illegible], and directed by N. K. Suryanarayana.

Others who returned by the "Karanja" from Lourenco Marques were Mr. and Mrs. H. M. J. Mahomed, Abdul Razak, Suleman Farouk and Akbar Ali Moosa.

Others who embarked on the "Karanja" at Mombasa and arrived in Durban were Mr. and Mrs. D. R. [illegible].

Mr. P. [illegible] and Mr. R. C. W. Lalla arrived in Durban from Mombasa by the "Karanja" last week.

CHIEF JUSTICE OF INDIA

(From Our Own Correspondent)

NEW DELHI.—Mr. Patanjali Sastri, 63, has been appointed as the Chief Justice of India.

Mr. Sastri, who gave up lucrative practice at the Madras bar to become a judge of the state high court in 1939, was one of the judges of the Supreme Court of the Republic.

He was the acting Chief Justice from last November, when Mr. Hiralal Kania died of heart failure.

Eclipse Fair

(From Our Own Correspondent)

AMBALA (Punjab).—The Kurukshetra, where Lord Krishna delivered the holy Gita, will attract thousands of visitors from all parts of India at the Solar Eclipse Fair, which opened on February 11.

The fair will last for two weeks.

VOTED FOR WRONG MAN

(From Our Own Correspondent)

PATNA (Bihar).—A man here killed his son who did not vote for the candidate of his choice.

The old man wanted the son to support the candidate of the same community but the youth preferred the K.M.P. party, led by Acharya J. B. Kripalani.

CORRECTION

In our last issue the caption under the tenth wedding anniversary block should have read as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Kamal [illegible], of Wandsbeck Road, Sydenham, who celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary, and their son, [illegible] Prakash, who celebrated his second birthday on February 22, amongst a gathering of friends and relatives.

NIZAM'S FIRST "AIR-RIDE"

(From Our Own Correspondent)

HYDERABAD.—The Nizam of Hyderabad, reputedly the richest man in the world, has just made his first flight in life "and enjoyed it."

Sixty-five-year-old Osman Ali Khan flew over his sprawling capital for half an hour on January 27 in a Dakota aircraft. The trip was arranged to ascertain his reaction to air travel.

It is stated that the Nizam, now Constitutional Head of his 83,000 square-mile state, wants to cut travel time during his trips.

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INDIA AGREES TO SEND PILOT NURSES

As an Incentive To Local Girls

THE Government of India have accepted the proposal made by the Natal Indian Organisation that a team of pilot nurses should come from India as an incentive to Indian girls in Natal to take up nursing. The recommendation was contained in the memorandum submitted to the Commission of Enquiry, appointed by the Administration-in-Executive, in connection with hospital services in Natal, last year.

"If the Union authorities accept this proposal," writes the Office of the Indian High Commissioner, to the N.I.O., "the Government of India will gladly assist in sending out suitable nurses."

"THE memorandum submitted by you to the Commission of Enquiry appointed by the Administrator-in-Executive in connection with hospital services in Natal has been studied by appropriate authorities in India with much interest and particularly so your comments in regard to training of Indian girls as nurses," states a letter from the office of the High Commissioner for India in the Union of South Africa and is signed by the assistant secretary, Mr. J. L. Malhautra.

"Your proposal for securing the services of a team of qualified nurses from India to work in local hospitals as an incentive to Indian girls in Natal has attracted special attention. If the Union authorities accept this proposal, the Government of India will gladly assist in sending out suitable nurses.

"However, the Indian community cannot rest content on what action the Natal Administration might take in the matter of encouraging Indian girls to take up nursing. This is not only important from the point of view of providing a necessary service, but also it would open up a new avenue of employment for educated girls.

"It is necessary that the leaders of the Indian community should take upon themselves the task of encouraging Indian girls to take up nursing. I enclose a note prepared by a Nursing Superintendent regarding creation and development of a good nursing service. The suggestions in it about popularising nursing among school girls are worth following. Also, it would be useful to bring to the notice of parents who might be interested in their daughters taking up the profession of nursing, the facilities for training of nurses in England and in India.

"I have been thinking whether the question of offering one or two scholarships under the Government of India scheme of cultural scholarships to Indian girls to undergo a course of nursing in India should not be considered. I shall be glad if you will let me have the views of your Organisation and whether suitable girls would be forthcoming to avail of this facility."

("The note appears on page 5.)

THE NIZAM IN DELHI

(Sapa-Reuter to "The Leader")

NEW DELHI.—The Nizam of Hyderabad, one of the world's richest men, arrived in New Delhi last week with two wives, seven children, 12 women from his harem, 60 servants and 100 [illegible]. The party travelled in three chartered planes.

The Nizam, 65-year-old ruler of India's largest princely state, is here on a visit to attend a conference of Indian governors.

An advance guard of 40 men from the Nizam's retinue has been in New Delhi for the last week preparing the sumptuous palace, normally empty.

The Nizam, noted as much for his economical mode of life as for his riches, is expected to make his visit an "austerity" one. At one time he had an annual income estimated at £3,000,000, although his personal expenses were said to be about 7s. 6d. a day.

His jewels, said to be worth £30,000,000, include the 100-carat Jacob Diamond, which prospective buyers valued at £1,128,000 in 1951.

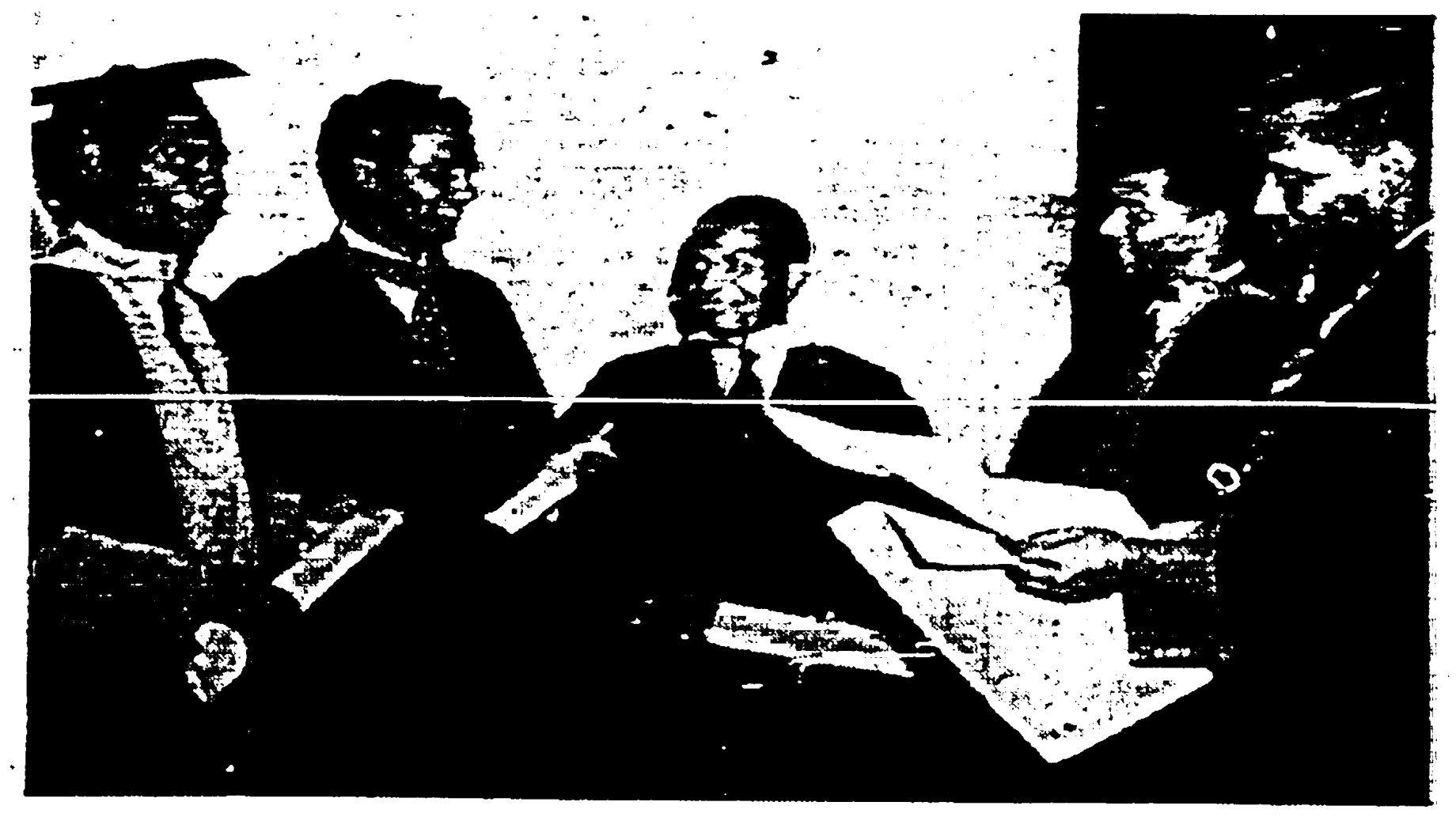
In addition to his private income, the Nizam gets £750,000 from the government annually as a privy purse and compensation for crown lands.

TEACHERS' SALARY

THE Natal Indian Teachers' Society have sent a telegram to the Administrator asking that he should meet a deputation from the Society to discuss the revision of their salary scales.

An official of the Society said that their action had in no way been prompted by the present negotiations between European teachers and the Administration. He said that the recommendations of the Beardmore Commission on that non-European teachers should receive 70 per cent. of the salaries paid to European teachers were not being fully implemented.

Labour's Reward



Peace after the (Examination) Storm.—A happy lot, with certificates in their hands, chatting after the Graduation Ceremony held in the Maritzburg City Hall on Saturday last. Those in the picture are (from left to right), Messrs. C. T. Kanya, S. L. Pillay, D. J. D. Mkhize, A. S. Harris and R. Ramcharun.

"FIGHTING FOR HUMAN DIGNITY"

—JUSTICE CHAGLA

THE present Chief Justice of Bombay, Mr. M. C. Chagla, who represented India at U.N.O., sent the N.I.O. the following message:

"The principles for which Indians are fighting in South Africa are principles which are embodied in the Charter of the United Nations Organisation. They are fighting for human dignity, for [illegible] and colour and for the cooperation of all the peoples of the world for human progress.

"The fight that Indians are carrying on in South Africa is not a local or parochial fight. It is a fight in which all who believe in the U.N.O. Charter are or should be interested.

"Ever since 1946 when I had the honour of helping the U.N.O. to pass the South African resolution the world has witnessed the strange spectacle of one nation defying the united will of the nations of the world coming to a solemn decision in a solemn gathering.

"The success of the policy of the South African Government policy will mean the lowering of the prestige of the U.N.O. and a complete defeat of the noble ideals which are enshrined in the Charter.

"Therefore as an Indian and one deeply concerned in the success of the U.N.O. I wish every success to the spirited fight which Indians are putting up in South Africa against racialism and segregation."

FROM MISS ATTLEE

"All best wishes for the Provincial Conference of the Natal Indian Organisation, and I pray that the Group Areas Act may be defeated and all else of the Apartheid policy. With all sympathy to you," from Mary R. Attlee, sister of the former British Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee.

FORMER M.P. REFERS TO

S.A.'s "Seething Crucible Of Race Prejudice"

OPENING the second provincial conference of the Natal Indian Organisation in Durban last week, Mr. A. Goldberg, a former M.P., referred to the seething crucible of race prejudice, in this country, carrying in its train mass deterioration in race relationship. "There is tension in the land," he said. "There is burning resentment on the part of certain sections. There is excitement and unrest. There is a sense of frustration, and now there are threats."

"What is essential for democracy, and fundamental to its teachings and its faith, is that all men shall be regarded as free, free to develop to the full extent of their capacity," he said.

"A HEALTHY and cordial relation between the different racial groups is an indispensable to national wellbeing and a national life free of conflict and strife as strained relationships are a guarantee of prejudice to the common weal," Mr. Goldberg said.

In the struggle for better relationships in South Africa there devolved upon the Indian community, particularly at the present time a great responsibility, Mr. Goldberg stressed. There are non-Europeans who in their sense of frustration, have set their course recklessly in unchartered seas where danger lies. This is not the time for surrender or despair and certainly not of recklessness.

"I hope you will permit me to urge upon you that you seek in these critical days of great stress and anxiety to discharge your individual responsibilities in the fashion set by responsible leaders of your Organisation," Mr. Goldberg added.

Continuing, he emphasised that the problem of Indo-European relationships was eminently a problem demanding restraint, moderation and appreciation that the problem was not without its difficulties. There were many false prophets in this fair land of ours. And they were not all of one colour. Those who promised an easy victory over reaction were as false to the realities of the situation as those who promised us a South Africa which would deny to the non-European for all time the fulfilment of his legitimate aspirations.

"One cannot think of the problem of race relations in South Africa without turning one's thoughts to that great liberal of

(Continued on Page 5)

TALK of the BAZAAR

YOUR aged columnist having been subjected to the exigence of time, carried himself with the co-operation of his time-worn limbs (The Fakiran jalopy has now become an immovable property) to the second Provincial Conference of the N.I.O., held at the Avalon theatre, over the last week-end.

The "burra sahibs" of the N.I.O. clearly emphasized at the opening of the Conference a day before that punctuality—and they had a consanguineous relationship—blood cousins as a matter of fact. The secretary warned the delegates: "Be certain to be at the Avalon Theatre at 8.30 and the meeting would definitely start at nine o'clock. I appeal to you to be on time."

The Fakir seemed to have been the only person who had observed punctuality. The cinema was deserted, and after a bit of exploring, I made sure that no delegates were hanging around street corners. At half-past nine, a few delegates had manifestly realised that they were late. The Secretary himself rolled in at 9.45 a.m.! By the time the meeting got into its stride, it was 10 o'clock—an hour late of scheduled time.

The secretary took about an hour reading the secretarial report, and by then I had more than once resisted the temptation of taking a nap. The best part of the Conference was at one o'clock—that was when the refreshments came around!! The meeting was adjourned till 2 o'clock, and the Conference had hardly begun, I should say.

What happened after two o'clock would be to repeat what transpired during the morning. Hours were taken for passing a resolution on the Group Areas Act. The officials had intended to carry forward an original resolution, but this came under fire by a veteran from the Capital who asserted that the head office should outline definite directives to assist the branches. This soon developed into a farce, with delegates losing their temper. One delegate accused the chairman of stifling suggestions. Frankly, I think gloves should be provided for these sort of occasions!

The conference continued towards evening, and my office boy—who also took time off to be present at the meeting—did not think anything tangible came from it, except of course the refreshments provided at intervals!

MAIL RUNNER'S HEROISM

THE story of an Indian postal runner's heroism was related in Shillong (Assam) by Mr. Jairamdas Doulatram, Governor of Assam.

A tiger had been spotted on the route of the runner, who, however, decided to make the usual trip to the post office, many miles away, carrying only a spear for protection.

Failing to stop him embarking on this perilous journey, the villagers persuaded the village watchman to accompany him. As the tiger attacked and carried off the luckless mailrunner, he threw the mail bag to the watchman to be deposited safely at the post office.

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Racing Selections

By "DIPLOMAT"

THE following are my selections for the Greyville race meeting run on Saturday next:

First race, 12.?0, Newmarket Plate, six furlongs:
1. FIGHTING FIT.
2. [illegible]
3. SOLO TRENT.
4. [illegible]

Second race, 1.?, Stewards' Plate (Fillies), six furlongs:
1. SEX.
2. [illegible]
3. DANGER FEAST.

Third race, [illegible], Stewards' Plate (Colts and Geldings), six furlongs:

THE FAVOURITE.

Fourth race, [illegible], Benevolent Handicap (Second Division), five furlongs:
1. PURDHAM'S ELECT.
2. ACHTUNG.
3. [illegible]

Fifth race, 2.?, Charity Handicap "C" Division, eight furlongs:
1. [illegible]
2. SANGREAL.
3. SAINT [illegible]

Sixth race, 2.?, Stewards' Juvenile Handicap, five furlongs:
1. LADY PARAMOUNT.
2. THE JESTER.
3. ANNE BOLEYN.

Seventh race, 3.?, King's Cup Handicap, [illegible] furlongs:
1. SLEEPY FEAST.
2. [illegible]
3. [illegible]

Eighth race, [illegible], Benevolent Handicap (First Division), five furlongs:
1. EXAMINER.
2. BRAMHALL PHOENIX.
3. WATER TRIAL.

Ninth race, Benevolent Handicap (Third Division), five furlongs:
1. [illegible]
2. KING'S COURIER.
3. [illegible]
4. DEMANDING.

Tenth race, [illegible], Charity Handicap "D" Division, [illegible] furlongs:
1. ROSEWOOD.
2. HAPPY HERALD.
3. [illegible]

2,500 YEAR OLD MUMMY

From our own Correspondent

LUCKNOW. — The Lucknow State Museum has acquired 2,500 year-old Egyptian mummy — a priest Bata Shekhar of 600 B.C., according to M. M. Nazar, Curator of the Museum.

Under an exchange deal the State Museum was shortly expected to receive some pieces from Babylonian collections and a sculpture of Assur Bani Pal, King of Persia about 800 B.C., Mr. Nazar added.

The exchange deals are arranged by the Wellcome Marston Archaeological Research Expedition Trust for the Near East, the British Museum, the Victoria and Albert Museum and the London Institute of Archaeology.

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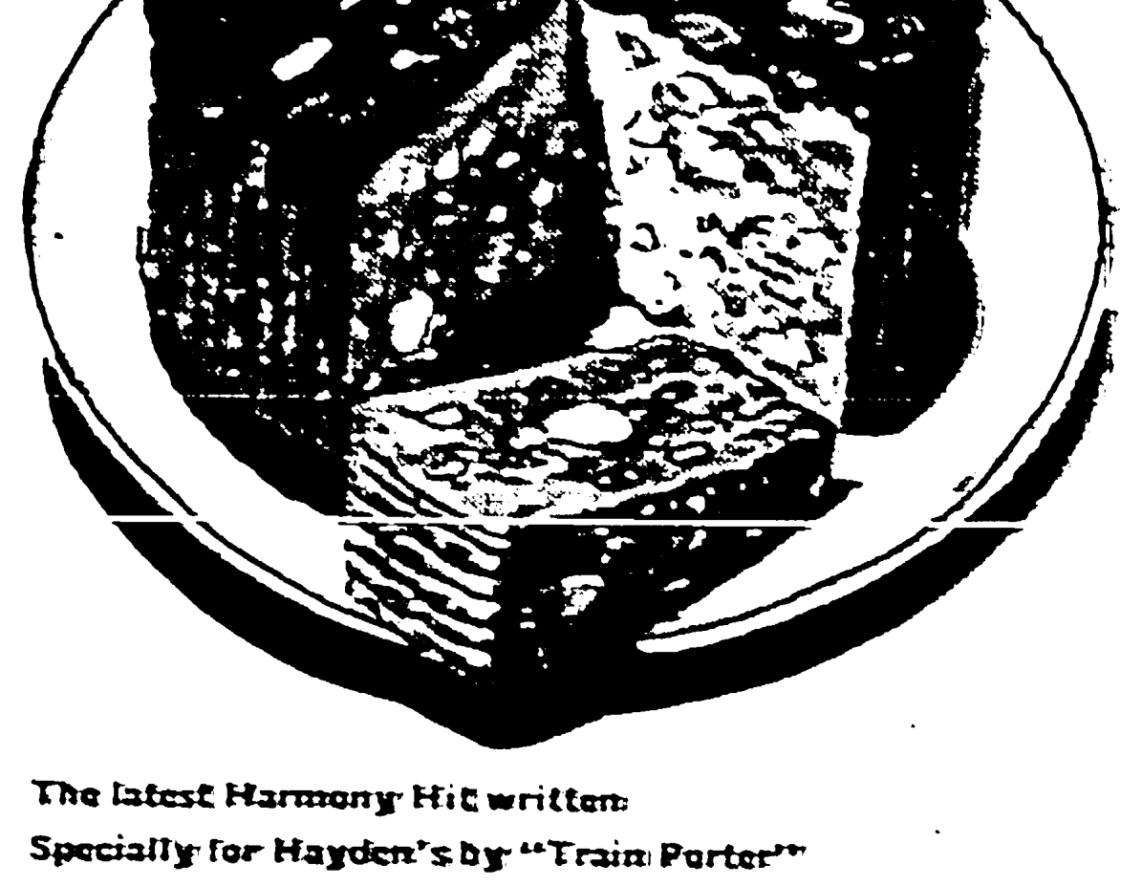

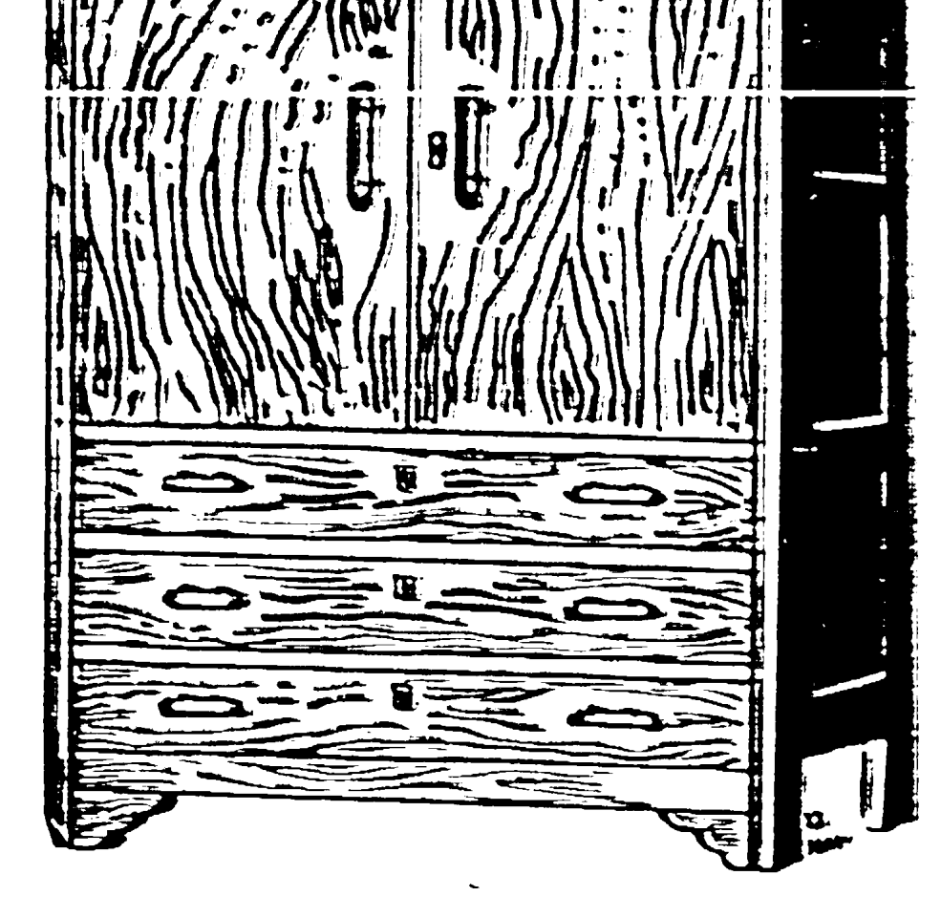

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DANNHAUSER CHILD WELFARE

The sixth annual meeting of the Dannhauser Indian Child Welfare Society will be held tomorrow (Saturday). Mr. T. J. Stander, Social Welfare Officer, will open the meeting. Mr. R. A. Naidoo, B.A., B.A.Soc.Sc., The Organising Secretary of Natal Indian Council for Child Welfare, will also address the meeting. There will be two sessions; the early session will have guest speakers including the Mayor, the Magistrate, Mr. K. K. Singh, Social Welfare Officer.

The meeting will be attended by various other members from Northern Natal, who are interested in social welfare work.

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OBITUARIES

The death occurred of Mr. Loutan Ramdulara Maharaj, under tragic circumstances at the King Edward VIII Hospital, on February 26, at the age of 45 years.

The deceased was an enthusiastic worker in social and educational activities. He was the foundation member and secretary of the S.S.H.S. His remains were interred at the Cato Manor(?) Cemetery.

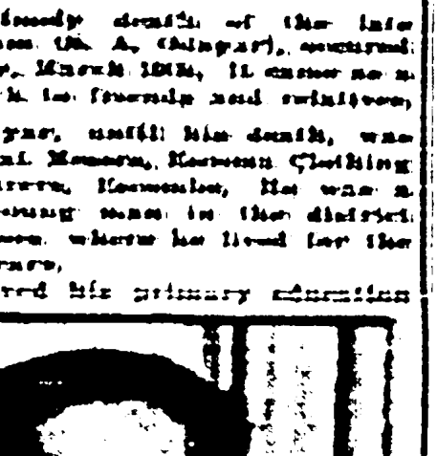
MR. L. R. MAHARAJ

He leaves behind his sorrowing family, wife, children, and many friends and relatives to mourn their loss. Many floral tributes were received.

The untimely death of the late Aunnajallum (S. A. Odayar), occurred on Monday, March 10th. It came as a great shock to friends and relatives.

Mr. Odayar, until his death, was employed at Messrs. Kanson Clothing Manufacturers, [illegible]. He was a popular young man in the district of Shallcross, where he lived for the past 20 years.

He received his primary education at the Shallcross Indian School, where he distinguished himself as an outstanding scholar. He was keen, and continued studying privately, gaining his National Junior Certificate.



S. A. ODAYAR

The deceased was laid to rest in the family cemetery at Marianhill. The large number of people present at the graveside bore testimony to his popularity and high esteem in which he was held.

He leaves behind his sorrowing father and mother, three brothers, two sisters and numerous friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

MEMORIAL CEREMONY

The sixteenth day memorial service of the late S. A. Odayar will take place at his late residence near Shallcross Indian School, on Monday, March 24th, 1952, and will be continued on the following day, Tuesday, March 25th, 1952. Friends and relatives are kindly requested to accept this as a personal invitation.

The death occurred, on March 13, of Mrs. Sunthosamma Magdeline Bates, of 35 Pine Road, Clairwood, at the age of 48 years, after a long illness.

Her remains were interred at the Clairwood Cemetery in the presence of a large gathering of friends and relatives.

She leaves behind her sorrowing sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, sister, brother-in-law, nieces, nephews, and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

Wreaths and floral tributes were sent by the following: Sorrowing sons, John and David; daughters, Lillian and Elizabeth; sons-in-law, Philip and Moses; daughter-in-law, Elizabeth; Mr. and Mrs. K. David, Flower Road; Mr. and Mrs. J. Nathaniel, Lockart Road; Mr. and Mrs. S. Jacob, Ashwell Road, Mayville; Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Frank, South Road, Overport.

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Kanniamma (Devi Hansall), formerly of 49 Delhi Avenue, Mayville, beloved wife of Mr. R. R. Venkatas Chetty and eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Short Moonsamy Govender, of Umlaas, passed away, after an operation, at the King Edward Hospital, on February 17.

She was an active religious and social worker among her community at Mariann Hill district. Her like will be difficult to find.

Her remains were interred at the family cemetery, Mariann Hill on the following day, amongst a large gathering of friends and relatives.

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Many floral tributes and messages of sympathy were received.

She leaves behind her sorrowing husband, daughter, brother, sisters, friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

Prayers were offered by Mr. D. Moodley.

SIXTEENTH DAY SERVICE

The sixteenth day ceremony, which took place on March 1 and 2, was officiated by Mr. Coopsamy Govender. Mr. N. T. Odyar sang religious psalms.

LITERACY IN BOMBAY

From our own Correspondent

BOMBAY. — The literacy in Bombay city has gone up to 47 per cent. from 24 per cent. 15 years ago, according to statistics collected by persons interested in adult education.

This was disclosed by Mr. B. G. Kher, Bombay's Chief Minister, while addressing students at the Training College for women at Poona, recently.

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dauntless courage, the late Jan Hofmeyr," Mr. Goldberg went on. "Always his was the voice of the teacher and the crusader. No wonder General Smuts described him as the conscience of South Africa."

Continuing, he asserted that Hofmeyr was a friend of the Indian community because he hated injustice in any form to any people. Throughout his magnificent life, he had pounded at the prejudices he hated and resented, and whatever the occasion, he challenged any action which involved a denial of man's common humanity.

"This is an unassailable truth in human affairs," Mr. Goldberg said. "The common humanity of man which neither time nor political changes can alter. And to the extent to which we repudiate with cardinal truth to that extent must race relationship inevitably suffer."

What was essential to democracy, and fundamental to its teachings and its faith, was that all men should be regarded as free, free to develop to the full extent of their capacity. If the battle could be won for freedom from restraint, we should have set ourselves on the right course.

"My humble advice, if I may tender it, is, do not represent the problem of European and non-European as an uncomplicated problem capable of solution in terms of the simple formula of equality," Mr. Goldberg added.

"Let the demand be not for equality," he said, "but for equity (applause). For equity demands that the door be not closed to a process of progress towards development and better and fuller rights in those spheres that are material to man's wellbeing. May I urge this upon you too. South Africa has been subject to the searchlight of world opinion for some years now. During those years, it has come under heavy fire from critics the world over in regard to its handling of the Indian problem."

Much of the criticism, Mr. Goldberg continued, was ill-informed. Much of it emanated from sources hardly qualified to criticise and to point an accusing finger. Much of it was emotional and unbalanced. Some of it was true. "It is not inconsistent," he added, "that while we must continually search and examine and re-examine our national conscience and purge ourselves of prejudice that European opinion, and moderate European opinion at that, should resent the manner and the extent to which South Africa is subjected to the indignity of being worshipped."

Mr. Goldberg expressed the hope that he was justified in assuming that the Natal Indian Organisation discouraged S.A. Indians from adding fuel to the flames by indiscriminate appeals to whoever abroad was considered likely to exacerbate wounded feelings.

Encouragement of hostility, he said, towards South Africa was no little disservice to the cause of racial peace here.

"Race relations have fallen on evil days in South Africa," said Mr. Goldberg. There was a sense of frustration everywhere and now there were threats. "You will know of the threat of the African National Congress to stage a mass demonstration of disobedience. Some Indians look with relish upon the prospect of disturbance which is held out and have their promise of support. As responsible South Africans have none of it. It is marvellous in its almost certain consequences," Mr. Goldberg added.

It was to be hoped, he continued, that the non-Europeans would think again, that despite the challenge of perpetual subservience they would not drown their voices of moderation. "Non-Europeans are entitled to feel seriously aggrieved at the repeated attempts to determine questions of inter-racial relationship by unilateral action without consultation with the affected groups," Mr. Goldberg said. "But the answer lies not in threats of intimidation. Goodwill is won by the stimulation of mutual trust; it is never coerced out of man by threats of unlawful conduct," he added.

Appealing to the Indians, Mr. Goldberg said: "I trust that you will look askance at attempts to coerce European opinion by threats of rabble rousing, and that responsible Indians will play no part in the misguided policy of the African National Congress. . . . Mobilisation of non-European opinion into one camp spells a declaration of hostilities, and injury to the community of interests which makes for peace. In this great struggle, the voice of the moderates must not be silenced."

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OUR READERS SPEAK

"CHALLENGE TO THE CONSCIENCE"

By AHMED I. BHOOLA

I HAD hoped for a reasoned and dispassionate argument from the N.E.U.M. Instead its lone voice in Natal, Dr. Limbada, has come out with his usual jargon. Dr. Limbada's letter is proof (if proof was required) that the N.E.U.M. has really no plan of action. I will not waste valuable space by answering his remarks concerning me personally.

Dr. Limbada is surely guilty of a misrepresentation when he says that I "professed a profound knowledge of non-European politics" (whatever that may mean). I said no such thing. One does not require a profound knowledge of these things to see that the N.E.U.M. has in, in fact, sitting on tomatoes? They have no plan of action and they mean to do nothing apart from criticising all and sundry under the sun. The late Mahatma Gandhi was described as a barbarian by Mrs. [illegible] in a piece of "literature" put out by her on Gandhiji's death. It is very easy for anybody to get up and make speeches, talk of "sacrifice" and "militant action" and "smashing the Government", but exactly how, is something the N.E.U.M. will not tell us. They always fall back on the magic phrase "we must organise first". Yes, indeed, we must organise. And political action, however small it may be, is part of that organisation and education of the masses.

Of course, I have read the "press reports and literature" (sounds big does it not?) of the N.E.U.M. But even I, in my political ignorance, could not get blinded by reading this pompous verbosity. Nowhere do I find a plan of action. The Joint Plan of Action of the A.N.C. and S.A.I.C. is, for all its faults, still a plan of action.

Indeed, who am I to judge the strength of the N.E.U.M.? Facts speak for themselves, and the facts are that both at the N.I.C. and S.A.I.C. Conferences the N.E.U.M. found very little support. In fact, at the S.A.I.C. Conference, Dr. Limbada was the only delegate to vote against the Joint Plan, and when he voted against it he was booed and shouted down.

Dr. Limbada should stop talking like a schoolboy and lay aside his "open challenges". They are just kid stuff. And this is no time for playing cards either. The A.N.C. and S.A.I.C. have already put out their challenge to the S.A. Government, a challenge which even Dr. Malan could not ignore. What is the N.E.U.M.'s answer to that challenge? To sit on the fence and give us good advice?

Dr. Limbada knows that it is very easy to throw out challenges from the plush comfort of our armchairs, because such challenges involve no hardship or suffering and do not disturb the even tenor of our ways. The real challenge, Dr. Limbada, is a challenge of conscience. The plain truth of the matter is that action calls for sacrifice. Search your conscience and let us have an honest reply to a simple question.

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"THIAGARAJA OF DURBAN"

By "KARNATIC"

IT would be greatly appreciated if you would kindly allow me space in your "Our Readers Speak" column. In your issue of "The Leader" last week I was most gratified to read of Mr. Rooman Chetty's intention of proceeding to India with Mr. Muthoo Pillay, the popular and celebrated actor and singer of Karaalam. I was fortunate in seeing this wonderful piece of drama. Muthoo Pillay should be complimented on his meritorious performance as Karaalam.

Indians all over the Union, particularly Durban, can be really proud of this "Thiagaraja Bhagavathar" of South Africa. This was the title that the widespread advertisement for Karaalam gave him. In the article, "Muthoo Pillay for India," Rooman Chetty says, "I know he has the talent and the singing ability second to none in this country."

These words have particularly interested me for the simple reason that I have heard many great singers of this country. Has Mr. Chetty ever heard a pupil of Thiagaraja Bhagavathar? Has he heard a contemporary (in this country) of this great Indian star? Well, if Mr. Chetty has I am sure he would not have made such a statement.

Why, Mr. R. Mahadevan, of Dundee, could be acclaimed South Africa's greatest singer, if Mr. Chetty is comparing South African singers with those of Mother India. Being a pupil of the famous Bhagavathar, Mahadevan, undoubtedly has the singing ability of his tutor. Was not he outstanding amongst most of Durban's singers at Rajvilla Theatre last year?

To all Northerners, Mahadevan is not only a great singer but a master producer of Eastern drama. Lack of scope in Northern Natal has kept him from exhibiting his acting ability. Those who have an aptitude for classical songs should hear this pupil of Bhagavathar.

Muthoo Pillay is also a great singer, but Mr. Rooman Chetty would have been more correct if he called him the "Thiagaraja Bhagavathar of Durban."

Dundee.

RESTRAINT AND CAUTION NEEDED

By "MORRIS"

ALLOW me to endorse the views expressed by "Dominus" in his admirable letter in support of your well-reasoned and thought-provoking leading article on the participation of Indians in demonstrations planned for April 6.

It is not inappropriate on this occasion to give some thought to the history of Indians in this far-flung entity of Empire. The more sensible members of the community will realise that ours has been a history of trial and tribulation, a struggle towards the attainment of a goal we all cherish, but which we must realise, will never be achieved through indiscretions and [illegible] our so-called leaders have perpetrated in the past.

It will serve no useful purpose to seek our salvation as a community by descending to the level of what we condemn in our oppressors.

The Indian people have suffered long, and it would be unjust, in fact inhuman, to exploit the illiterate and poorer members of our community for political [illegible], thereby thrusting upon them the strains and [illegible] of economic difficulties which we have seen in the past.

In these difficult times we can only hope that with restraint and caution, we shall surmount the obstacles ahead and go forward together into the light of a new day, confident that truth and justice and the dignity of man shall prevail and triumph over oppression and evil.

DISTURBING

By "DISGUSTED"

CIVILISATION [illegible] as my [illegible] I am extremely disgusted at the articles appearing in the columns of this newspaper, by our so-called new political leaders Limbada versus Bhoola and Limbada support Dominus.

History will recall to everybody's mind that there existed many years ago one political body, namely the N.I.C., which was founded by the late Mahatma Gandhi. In later years when there came new officials in the Natal Indian Congress, the moderates formed the Natal Indian Organisation thinking that they knew how out of the shell.

They have been trying to convince us by expressing their opinion in the newspapers and very little materially has been done to the Indian community on the whole. We all know that the Congress had its days and still has its days, let alone the things we consider stupid, such as the Protest Strike, and Passive Resistance. These are the principles of Gandhi, and in India this form of struggle did work, and she achieved her aim, i.e. independence.

Apparently the Natal Indian Congress is not an empty paradise. The empty paradise is the N.E.U.M. They have a [illegible] plan and what is the sense of this [illegible] plan if only delivered at meetings of 120 and in the form of circulars? The leaders of the N.E.U.M. were dumbfounded at a recent meeting called as a "mass meeting" at the Red Square.

My suggestion is that Dr. Limbada has a meeting with all the Cabinet Ministers of Parliament and outline his [illegible] plan. Further, I would like to suggest to him to have the co-operation of the Natal Indian Nationalist Party leader, Mr. Palsingam.

I ask you, Mr. Editor, to close the subject because it is boring.

TELUGU FILMS WANTED

By C. RANGANATHAN NAIDOO

I WISH to bring to the attention of cinema managers the need for Telugu films.

I am very sorry that the Andhra people of this country are unfortunate in not seeing Telugu films. Telugu is after all our mother tongue. We see [illegible] and Hindustani and Tamil films nearly every week. We get these films being shown in the cinema.

I like to bring this fact forward to you all that it is the Telugu people that support these films. So what is there if you bring a Telugu film in this country, Mr. Cinema Proprietors.

Thousands of people here are patiently waiting to see a Telugu film. If the Telugu people support the Tamil and Hindustani films so what is there if they support the Telugu films?

The last Telugu film that we saw [illegible] ago?

I hope the Durban cinema managers take this into consideration.

THIEF, THIEF!

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BOMBAY. — Late in the night, last week, a man was seen climbing up the water pipe, leading to the second floor of a building in the city.

There was a hue and cry and the residents of the building came out to "catch the thief."

"Thief . . . Thief . . . ! Catch him," was the loud cry outside, while the climber was calmly going up in the dark, to reach the balcony of the building.

As soon as he had reached there, the "thief" bent down to shout: "Hey, what are you chaps shouting for? Where is the thief? and what is the matter?"

The residents were then told by the "man at the top" that his wife had gone to a picture show, locking the doors and hence he had to climb up to reach his room.

BACHELOR FATHER IN TROUBLE

From Our Own Correspondent

CALCUTTA. — A bachelor has been threatened with separation from his 12 "sons and daughters of the animal kingdom" by the Calcutta Corporation authorities.

The Calcutta Corporation has instituted a case against Mr. S. C. Roy for keeping about 30 animals on his premises and thus creating a nuisance. Of these 30 animals seven were dogs and 11 puppies and these Mr. Roy maintained he had been looking after like his "sons and daughters."

FOREIGN POLICY ADMIRED

From Our Own Correspondent

JAIPUR. — "India's foreign policy is respected and admired by Western statesmen," according to Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, Indian Ambassador to Russia.

The Ambassador, who is here for consultation with the Government, told a conversation that "complacency, not Communism, is India's great enemy."

PATIENTS WANT ENTERTAINMENT

The annual meeting of the King George V Hospital Indian Patients' Social Club, was held recently, and the following officials were elected for the coming year: Patrons, Mr. Hendri Hendri, Dev. Saul and Bal Ingey; president: Mr. Jamal Khan; vice president, Mr. Philip Moodley; hon. secretary, Messrs. Reggie Naidoo and K. Thambiran; hon. treasurer, Mr. Madhan Singh, hon. auditor, Mr. Pillay.

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Nursing Superintendent Suggests Measures For Nurses

THE following is a note prepared by a nursing superintendent in India, invited by the Government of India, in regard to the N.I.O. proposal for the need of introducing to this country pilot nurses from India.

THE measures suggested below would help to develop a good nursing service in Natal and to attract suitable recruits to nursing in adequate numbers. These measures are essentially the same in all parts of the world.

Firstly, good service conditions, and these would be: Adequate equipment and supplies to do good nursing both on the public health and the hospital side, the nurse being consulted in the procuring of these supplies.

An opportunity should be given to nurses to participate in the planning and administration of the health service, hospital and community at all levels. A nursing home should be provided in which there is provision for privacy (by giving single rooms), for adequate sanitary annexes and for a reasonable standard of comfort such as the provision of fans, or for heating and hot water as necessary; the common rooms should be adequate in size and the diet allowance sufficient for nourishing and palatable meals; the nursing staff should be supplied with uniforms of an attractive pattern, sufficient in number for a daily change; the laundry allowance should cover washing charges for uniforms.

A scale of salary comparable with that paid to other professional women should be given, and an opportunity for further study made for advancement in the profession. A 48 or 50-hour week, so arranged as to allow for a full day off a week; the nurses' duty hours should be arranged at least a week in advance so that they know when they will be off duty.

COURSE OF TRAINING

Secondly, a good course of training. To obtain this, it is necessary to: (a) select for training intelligent women from among those who have had the best education available and who have a good home background; (b) appoint at least two properly qualified sister-tutors and have one more teacher for every 20 students after the first fifty; (c) provide adequately equipped class and demonstration rooms and library; (d) allow the students sufficient time for study; and (e) plan or adopt a curriculum in which public health is integrated throughout the course, and provide for adequate practical experience under proper supervision.

Thirdly, publicity is necessary to help the community to accept the idea that nursing is essentially a profession for intelligent and educated women. Though it is exacting and taxes an individual's capacity to the full, as does any work which is worthwhile, it does not require self-abnegation and, there is no room in it for anyone who considers nursing unpleasant.

The suggestion for an annual Nurses' Day is good and it may be associated with Miss Nightingale's birthday on May 12, as is done in many countries. Films on nursing, both the Indian and the English ones, could be shown. School girls may be interested in enacting a pageant of nursing. The Student Nurses' Association of the Trained Nurses' Association of India would, I am sure, be glad to supply information about costumes, etc.

The Durban Women's Association might undertake to raise money for one special need, such as the provision of a technical and fiction library in schools of nursing, or for indoor and outdoor games, or for the hospital equipment necessary for good nursing or for comforts for sick women, and make a drive for funds on that particular day. (Care should be exercised to see that nursing is not reduced to a charity. Members of a self-respecting profession should have the means to pay for their own needs.)

PRESS PUBLICITY

On the Nurses' Day newspapers could print an article on some aspects of a nurse's work, so that more people may become aware of the many fields of interesting work open to nurses.

"I would recommend that, at this initial stage, more effort be concentrated on attracting a good quality of recruit rather than on numbers. Nurses who are efficient in their work and play a responsible part in the health service, who have a good general education and wide interests, who enjoy good service conditions and who, by virtue of these factors, have a good status in the community, will by their example, be the best recruiting agents.

Because they pull their weight at all times, the output of work will be greater than that of a poorer grade of nurse. Efforts therefore, should be concentrated on quality; numbers will soon be made up.

TRAINING FACILITIES

The training facilities are probably not good in Natal. It would be most advisable to send girls for training abroad to countries like India and England. A course in an English hospital would cost very little once the passage is paid, as the students get a generous stipend in addition to free board, lodging, uniform and laundry.

A course at the College of Nursing in Delhi would cost more. A prospective student may need help to pass the qualifying examination of Delhi University for admission to the College. All nursing students coming to India need not go to the College only. Admission to good hospital schools could also be arranged.

The very fact of sending girls to England or to a College giving a course for a University degree in nursing, will enhance the status of nursing and will help to attract good recruits. Films of nursing might be made available in school libraries. The new biography of Miss Nightingale by Mrs. Woodham Smith is most interesting and easy to read. The Story of the Growth of Nursing by Agnes Pavey is another good book.

I do not think that a 48 or 50-hour week is very arduous, and I feel that any proposal to pay overtime is to be deprecated. Nurses are professional women and should be adequately compensated for their services. Nursing service, however, should be given according to needs and not for value received. Overtime work in emergencies is a normal demand on the members of any profession.

I think it would be a good plan to send a few nurses from India. It would have to be a long assignment for it will take time to get a good practice of nursing, institutional and domiciliary, established. It will not be easy to find the right type of nurses, but, if the terms are attractive a tuition and [illegible] nursing sisters could probably be induced to take an assignment for a nursing service. If we send nurses from India, an effort should be made to send a few public health nurses.

WASCHBANK'S COURTESY WEEK

Mr. B. Maharaj the Principal of the Waschbank Government-Aided Indian School, was responsible in inviting guest speakers to speak to the 200 Indian children on courtesy.

On the first day of the Courtesy Week, the speaker was Dr. Ahmed I. Limbada, of Dundee, whose speech on courtesy was listened to with absorbed attention by the children.

Dr. Limbada said, "You boys and girls must practise and learn to show courtesy to everybody, whether young or old irrespective of caste, colour or creed".

Dr. Limbada further stated that courtesy plays an extremely important part in our daily life and it should be our first duty and consideration to be courteous to all.

During the week, the others who spoke on this subject to the students were: Messrs. Cassim Seema, the Principal of the Waschbank Muslim Mosque Trust; Mr. A. K. S. Mall, the Chairman of the school; and Mr. Munah R. Maharaj, the Chairman of the School Board. The scholars immensely benefited from listening to the speakers.

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NO ROOM FOR GIRLS AT HIGH SCHOOL

MR. J. K. SINGH, Chairman of the Natal Indian Congress Education Committee, stated that last week an important interview was held between Mr. M. K. Naidoo, hon. principal of the Congress High School, Mr. L. T. J. Biebuyck, Chief Inspector of Indian Schools, representing the Director of Education, and himself, on the question of accommodation at the Durban Indian Girls' High School.

The meeting resulted from representations made by the Congress to the Director of Education, requesting immediate steps to be taken to accommodate 26 girls who were attending Congress High School, Std. VII classes because they were unable to gain admission to the High School and for a further 23 girls who had been refused admission to the High School last year and who were now studying for their Junior Certificate examination at the Congress High School.

The Congress suggested that whilst 6 additional rooms were nearing completion at the Girls High School, further rooms should be added to prevent any overflow of students desiring secondary education and that immediately at least 2 or 3 prefabricated buildings should be erected to accommodate girls already on the waiting list and at Congress High.

PERMANENT FEATURE

The Congress felt that although it was different for girl students at its classes held in the afternoon at the Durban Crescent School, it would not like to see these classes become a permanent feature in the secondary education of Indian girls. The Department has been urged to take steps before it became unmanageable as in the case of Sastri College.

Today over 200 boys were attending the Congress High School classes in the first and second year Junior Certificate classes and only an additional boys high school could solve this problem in Durban. In regard to the girls, timely action in building additional classrooms at the Girls High School could meet the situation.

The Department, through its representatives, gave a sympathetic hearing to Congress' representations and explained its difficulties in making an immediate transfer of the girls from the Congress High to the Girls High School; but assured the Congress that it would do everything in its power to prevent the problem arising next year by investigating the possibility and urgency for the construction of additional classrooms at the Girls' High School and as soon as possible proceed with the erection of the proposed co-educational high school at Clairwood.

INDO-GERMAN RELATIONS

From Our Own Correspondent

BOMBAY: India and West Germany will shortly establish diplomatic relations on Embassy level.

Mr. Franz V. Mandelsohn, West Germany's newly-appointed Consul-General in Bombay, told newsmen that his government would also establish two more consulates in this country at the ports of Madras and Calcutta. Trade between India and West Germany had increased from 2,500,000 dollars in 1946 to 20 million dollars in 1950.

"I certainly hope to improve this further," Mr. Mandelsohn said.

MEASURES AGAINST HARD EMPLOYERS

(From Our Own Correspondent)

MADRAS.—The Madras State Government are tightening up measures to restrain employers from dismissing employees capriciously.

Employers here prefer to pay a small fine to the Government than retain employees they dislike.

The new measures envisage "stringent" punishment for wilful dismissals.

Sulphur Find in Rewa

(From Our Own Correspondent)

NEW DELHI. — Coal found in Rewa in Vindhya Pradesh (Central India) has been found to contain sulphur, according to the Fuel Research Institute, Digwadih (Bihar).

Nearly 40 tons of sulphur is expected to be extracted from the coal per day.

India uses 65,000 tons of sulphur yearly. Most of it is imported from the United States and Italy.

NO APARTHEID AT TEMPLE SAYS MR. S. R. PATHER

MR. S. R. PATHER, a well known Hindu religious leader, president of the South African Hindu Maha Sabha, and secretary of the Umbilo Shree Ambalavaanar Alayam (Temple), denied the charge made by a reader that the fire-walking festival, which had now become an annual feature in Durban, had developed into a "commercial enterprise."

Mr. Pather also replied to the allegation of apartheid at the Temple. "It is untrue," he said.

MR. S. R. PATHER, Secretary of the Umbilo Shree Ambalavaanar Alayam (Temple), commenting on the statement, said: "It is wholly untrue to state that the Temple authorities are providing special and preferential treatment for Europeans. The chair enclosure is open to any nationality — European or non-European — to enter on making a donation of 2s. 6d. to the Temple.

"On numerous occasions these chairs have been occupied by non-Europeans. Last year nearly 60 per cent of the seats were occupied by Indians.

"It is untrue to state that the Temple Authorities practise apartheid and separate the various people attending the function. The amount realised from donations in respect of the chair enclosure is applied towards the cost of hiring the chairs and paying for bricklayers, labour, and any balance goes towards the funds of the Temple. The amount realised this year by such donations was £27 10s. 3d., and as any person attending would have observed, Europeans who did not enter the chaired enclosure, mixed with the people everywhere.

"The Temple authorities," continued Mr. Pather, "have never gone out of their way or made special efforts to invite Europeans to attend. Those Europeans who attend ceremonies of this kind do so of their own accord, and it is the duty of the Temple authorities to facilitate matters for them as the principles of the Hindu religion do not make any distinction between the various nationalities of the world and its foremost principle is that of universal brotherhood.

"It is the special duty of Hindus to explain to non-Hindus the precepts and practices of the Hindu religion wherever non-Hindus seek such knowledge. Among the fire-walkers this year, there was an African, who was given the same facilities and treatment as were accorded to Hindu fire-walkers.

A reader wrote: "The fire-walking festival, which has now become an annual feature in Durban, has developed into a commercial enterprise. It is beginning to lose its religious significance, and the European public is given special seats upon payment of a stipulated admission fee.

"Over the last weekend, special Municipal buses left Church Street carrying Europeans to Second River, where a fire-walking festival was held. Special "ring-side" seats were given upon payment of a high admission fee, and the reaction on their faces suggested great amusement.

"The festival appears to have lost its religious significance. Indians who attach a religious significance and travel hundreds of miles to be blessed by the fire-walkers, are invariably denied a viewing place. Instead, the Europeans, who are in a position to pay, monopolise all seating accommodation provided at close quarters.

"I have heard many Indians protest at the apartheid enforced at the fire-walking last week, and commercial enterprise of the Temple authorities. This is apart from the happy hunting ground it offers to other vendors, who sometimes go to the extent of exploiting the situation. Some mind their own business (and how!) and do not seem to have at heart what is going on as if the crowds of people had come to buy what they were selling. It is to be wondered whether these vendors have been granted permission by the Temple authorities concerned to ply their trade.

"Indians still recognise the idea of "White man boss," one indignant spectator appropriately summed it up for me," he concluded.

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From our own Correspondent

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The dyestuffs and the pharmaceutical industries in India are handicapped by lack of basic raw materials which are still imported from America, Germany or Britain.

INDIAN MUSIC

From our own Correspondent

BANGALORE. — Yehudi Menuhin, the world-famous violinist, said here that Indian music was much more refined than Western music and its melody was extremely expressive. If Indian and Western music were combined, it would corrupt the taste of both, he added.

Indian music and sculpture were symbolic of Indian thought, he said.

NO LEAVE FOR 25 YEARS

From our own Correspondent

HYDERABAD.—A teacher in a high school here who never took leave during his 25 years' service in the school has been given a "never absent" prize.

The teacher, Mr. Rahim said he considered that his work was essential to the community.

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GOODWILL

OWING to the consideration of a lengthy agenda by conferences, very often goodwill messages sent to them by personages, who have associated themselves with a similar kind of work elsewhere, whose names are announced with their messages, do not receive any marked consideration. Often it is accepted in silence. Perusing the messages sent to the second Provincial Conference of the N.I.O. held in Durban last week by Europeans, associated with the public life of the country, in the course of their messages, pointed a way to us to pursue in achieving an improvement of race relationship. In this multi-racial country, we have our own problems which overweigh us so much so, that we sometimes—or shall we say, very often—fail to see the goodwill around us.

To quote a few examples as a cross section of opinion of the Church and the layman as pointers of what we have in mind. The Bishop of Natal told conference: "The task before you is a difficult one indeed and calls for the patient application of the highest wisdom that goodwill and fellowship can muster. Any false step can only play into the hands of the adversary. None the less, a witness must be made for the ideal for such further inter-racial co-operation as may commend itself to you. The darkest hour precedes the dawn, and the day of full citizenship for all civilised people must surely come, for those who can endure the temptation to retaliate for wrongs presently suffered."

Another comes from Mr. Quintin Whyte, the Director of the S.A. Institute of Race Relations: "Only with the industry and patience of the Indian people could Natal have earned the title the 'Garden Colony.' The contribution South African Indians have made not only to the progress and development of Natal, but also to that of our country as a whole fully justifies the claim to citizenship with the rights and duty of such citizenship. It is my earnest hope that the people of all ethnic groups will recognise and seek every opportunity to assure to the Indian people of South Africa that permanency and status, which will make it possible for them, and indeed for all groups, to contribute of their utmost to the greatest good of everyone in the country . . ."

We are tempted to quote further from messages sent by representative people like Miss Mary Attlee and other Europeans to this Conference. But the consideration of space precludes this. There is sufficient, however, to show that there are many Europeans of goodwill, who can for themselves see that we have become the victims of racial suppression. There is a body of liberalminded Europeans, and to whom by moderate approach we may gain their assistance to fight against oppression.

In the quotations we have made, Indian contribution towards the developments of this country is recognised and the hope is expressed that the day of full citizenship for all civilised people within the borders of the Union must eventually come. The words must be heartening to all Indians who sometimes despair that they will ever get their just due in this country.

We must not forget that after all, we are the smallest minority group in the Union, and the goodwill of all sections — Europeans, Africans, Coloureds — is necessary for our cause. We must try to win the [illegible] goodwill and co-operation. At this stage, it is not so much equality that we are seeking for ourselves with the ruling race, but our demand is for equity. For equity demands, according to Mr. A. Goldberg, who opened the N.I.O. conference, that the door is not closed to a process of progress and development towards and better and fuller rights in those spheres that are material to man's wellbeing. Can we, as Indians, refuse to accept that?

ROBESON SEEKS SUPPORT FOR APRIL 6

THE Council on African Affairs, headed by the Negro singer, Paul Robeson, is conducting a United States wide campaign urging the support of all Americans to the struggle of defiance by the African, Indian and Coloured people on April 6.

The Council on African Affairs calls upon all American organisations and individuals to send telegrams to President Truman protesting against any "further loans, military assistance or aid in any form to the South African government so long as its 'apartheid' policy continues."

In the course of a message to the American people, Paul Robeson says:

"I call the attention of the American people to the fact that the victims of an even more savage racist oppression than we know in America—eight and a half million African victims, a million Cape Coloureds and a third of a million Indians — have solemnly determined that only by establishing a common front of united and resolute resistance can they escape absolute enslavement by the fascist regime.

"Most certainly we in America must speak out in support of this heroic action. For a decade the Council on African Affairs has been active in exposing and campaigning against the vicious system of racial exploitation and oppression practised in the Union of South Africa.

"Our organisation calls upon all sections of the Negro people and calls all friends of human freedom to rally to the support of this [illegible] resistance to fascism in South Africa . . ."

S.A.'s Multi-Racial Problem

At the next weekly meeting of the Maritzburg Indian Technical Students' Society, to be held at the Y.M.C.A. Library on Sunday, at 7 p.m., Mr. J. V. Woodley, Chairman, Students' Representative Council of the Natal University College, will deliver a talk on South Africa and its Multi-Racial problem.

Thanks

The family of the late Mrs. [illegible] Magdaline Bates, of 38 Pine Road, Clairwood, wish to thank all friends and relatives for their kind messages of sympathy and the beautiful floral tributes sent during their recent sad loss.

India's £10,500,000 Locomotive Factory Goes into Production

From Our Own Correspondent

CALCUTTA: Completely Indian-made locomotives will roll off assembly lines in 1954 from the Indian Government's £10,500,000 Chitranjan factory, which President Rajendra Prasad opened near Calcutta. With a rated capacity of 120 locomotives and 50 spare boilers, the factory will make India "self-sufficient" in engines in a decade.

Situated at Mihijam, about 170 miles northwest of Calcutta, the factory adjoins a 4,200 acre township for its 8,000 personnel. Equipped with the latest type of machinery from the United Kingdom, the workshop also utilises British talent and technical "know how" through an arrangement with the Locomotive Manufacturers Company.

However, all foreign aid will be directed towards the training of Indian personnel who will eventually man the workshop. Skilled Indian technicians drawn from the country's eight major railway workshops are already operating the smithy, the forge and the light machine shops at Mihijam.

The light machine shop has been in production since January 26, the Republic Day, and is turning out over 100 spare parts for freight engines. Import of loco spare parts will be gradually decreased as the Mihijam factory increases its output.

On the manufacture of engines, the Mihijam factory will start with assembling locos from imported parts, increasing its target from 5 fully-built locomotives to 20 engines in 1954.

Mihijam, which will house Asia's biggest locomotive works, is renamed after Chitranjan Das, one of India's front-rank nationalists. Chosen because of its proximity to the Bihar coal belt, the "steel town" of Jamshedpur and the Damodar Valley multi-purpose project, Chitranjan factory will lessen unemployment in Northern Bihar by providing a training ground to thousands of workers.

Till hydro-electric power is available from the D.V.C., a 2,500 KW thermal station will supply electricity to Chitranjan factory and township.

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.A. Non-Europeans illed with Discontent

ELIVERING his presidential address at the second Provincial Conference of the Natal Indian Organisation, at the Gandhi ary, last week, Mr. A. S. Kajee asserted that human affairs ghout the world was unsettled, and nearer home, the whole of on-European people were seething with discontent and dissatision. "The Indian people in particular are concerned with their re in this country, for since 1943, when the Pegging Act was ed, they have been undergoing a period of restlessness and unainty," Mr. Kajee said.

The rumbling of Eastern nationalism, Mr. Kajee stressed, had d its crescendo and had developed into a volcanic eruption. All were set towards the East. "A far seeing man that he was, eral Smuts had foreseen this as early as 1926. Would it not be he interests of South Africa even at the late hour to take heed of warning which was full of meaning," he added.

MR. P. R. PATHER, newly elected president of the N.I.O.

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STEP UP GRANTS

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"On the question of housing we have been able to make some progress though not much to talk about. The sub-economic housing at Springfield had been speeded up as a result of our persistent efforts on the Amenities Sub-Committee. We have been able to get the Council to sell to our people [illegible] building sites just above the Springfield sub-economic houses and the Council has agreed to subdivide the 129 acres on the Mallinson and Clarion Road area, and sell to Indians."

[illegible]

... aspirations. How else can you account for the diabolical suggestion that Cato Manor—an Indian settlement — should be handed to the Europeans?

"A few meetings by the Bellair, Sea View and Hillary Europeans forced the Durban City Council to make a hasty retreat and to guarantee the Europeans that their properties would not be touched. We may also recall the retreat that the Council made in the case of the expropriation proposals at Cato Manor for Native housing.

"That proposal included 175 acres of European-owned land under the jurisdiction of the Westville Town Board. The Board's objection to the inclusion of its land caused the Durban City Council to withdraw the Westville land from its proposal. The Europeans were able to get their objections sustained for the simple reason that they would affect the ballot box."

ASIATIC NATIONALISM

"In 1926 was merely heard the rumbling of Asiatic nationalism," Mr. Kajee continued. "Since 1945 these rumblings have developed into a volcanic eruption. All eyes are now set towards the East. A far seeing man that he was, General Smuts had foreseen this as early as 1926. Would it not be in the interests of South Africa even at this late hour to take heed of that warning which was full of meaning? The resurgence of the whole of Asia to full nationhood has been marked since the end of World War II. [illegible] that General Smuts gave nearly three decades ago should be the concern of all Europeans in South Africa."

[illegible]

VAN RIEBEECK FESTIVAL

Referring to the Van Riebeeck Festival, Mr. Kajee said: "The occasion is being used by certain sections of the non-European peoples as an occasion to register their protest against discriminatory laws passed by the Union Government. It is being maintained that the celebration of the event is nothing but the celebration of slavery. I cannot understand such twisted thinking. [illegible]

[illegible]

"Our organisation will dissociate itself from the boycott movement and from the demonstration of April 6," he asserted.

Charge Withdrawn

JOHANNESBURG. — On the instructions of the Attorney-General, the charge against ten Indians for allegedly obstructing the police was withdrawn. They were alleged to have refused to produce documents for examination when asked to do so.

The men are: Yusuf Dadoo (42), president of the South African Indian Congress, A. I. Cachalia (42), joint secretary of Congress, Ismail Bhoola (21), Khalil Saloojee (23), Suliman Moosa (22), Gavender Soobrey (23), Paul Joseph (21), Thambi Naidoo (50), Rissik Desai (22), and Suliman Saloojee (21).—Sapa.

MORE FOOD AID FOR INDIA

From our own Correspondent

BARRILLY (Bombay). — The U.N. Food and Agriculture Organisation (F.A.O.) is willing to render India greater assistance in her battle for achieving self-sufficiency in food, Mr. Norris E. Dodd, Director-General of the F.A.O. said here.

Mr. Dodd is now on a short visit to India.

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INDIANS BEING SQUEEZED OUT OF THE OLD BOROUGH

THE time had certainly come for the setting up of a machinery which would give powers to all branches of the organisation, recognised authorities and individuals, to draw up plans and to take effective measures to combat anti-Indian action and propaganda, on the Group Areas Act, maintained delegates at the second Provincial Conference of the Natal Indian Organisation, held at Durban, last week-end.

The Conference disclosed that there was a slow process of squeezing Indians out of their property.

Europeans had acquired from the Indian twenty-eight acres of land in the Old Borough of Durban, while the Indians secured nine acres in the added areas, since the passing of the Group Areas Act.

MR. A. M. MOOLLA, president of the South African Indian Organisation, explaining the implications of the Group Areas Act, said that this infamous Act was designed primarily to upset the sound and effective economic and social structure of the Indian people, and, to eventually reduce them to the position of serfdom and labouring classes.

Continuing, the speaker said that it would be suicidal for the Indian people to be ideological and national, and merely pin hope in the United Nations for the solution of their problems, particularly the Group Areas Act.

"We should not take up a passive or negative approach. We should come out openly, courageously, stand [illegible] and fear not the sinister shadows that surround us."

We should employ, suggested Mr. Moolla, all constitutional measures at our disposal through the Provincial and local authorities, to put forward the views of the Indian people for an amicable and feasible settlement of a burning problem.

"Much cannot be achieved by the S.A.I.O. alone. It is up to the branches of the parent body to put into action the resolution passed at Johannesburg at a conference of the S.A.I.O. last year," added the president.

Giving a brief resume of the Group Areas Act, Mr. P. R. Pather, the secretary of the Natal Indian Organisation, said that we should ensure our people that their interests would be protected.

He maintained that it was imperative for our people to retain their economic strength. The purpose of the Act, he proceeded, was to attack the vested interests of the Indian people, whom the Europeans regarded as an economic competitor. This fear, he said, had led the White man to introduce the Areas Act.

Explaining the few happenings after the passing of the Act, Mr. Pather said that Indians had lost twenty-eight acres of land in the old Borough of Durban and only gained about nine acres in the added areas. This was the slow process of squeezing out Indians from their property. In view of this, our people would be wise to hold on to their property.

SITUATION UGLY

"The present situation is vague and ugly. However, the fact remains that there is not a single European who will sacrifice his property in the interests of the Indian, while our people are compelled to do so.

"The Englishman is the root of all Indian agitation and troubles, and not the Afrikaner whose scheme it seems is only to place the Indian into a straight jacket," added Mr Pather.

Mr. S. R. Naidoo, of Maritzburg, discussing the Act, cited the present position in the Capital, where he said, mischievous propaganda against the Indian was carried on freely by the White section of the population.

He [illegible] that a machinery, to put out plans and meet reaction, be set up immediately.

The Europeans of Maritzburg, he [illegible] while the Indians were staggering for loss of means and frustration.

He suggested that a Commission be appointed to study the Areas Act, and that approaches be made to the churches and liberal opinions.

Mr. A. B. Moosa asked that the parent body give directions to the branches for effective measures to be carried out.

After three hours of debate, the delegates unanimously agreed that the following resolution, together with the resolution passed at a conference of the S.A.I.O. at Johannesburg, be carried out on the Group Areas Act:

"This Conference of the Natal Indian Organisation hereby empowers the Executive Committee of the Natal Indian Organisation to study the plans of all the local authorities in Natal in terms of the Group Areas Act as they affect Indian interests, to formulate its views suggesting protective measures and to submit its report within a period of 30 days."

Mr. A. S. Kajee's statement of dissociation from any demonstration in connection with the Van Riebeeck Festival, in his presidential address, came under heavy fire, when Mr. T. C. Keer, a Dundee delegate, criticised and condemned such an attitude. Supporting his charge, Mr. Keer said that the statement was not the true opinion of the Organisation.

Wiser counsel, Mr. Keer said, would have been to only make a passing reference to such an issue rather than give an immature and weak-kneed opinion.

Replying, the president, Mr. Kajee, said that the Organisation was a democratic body, and, taking that [illegible]

Mr. Keer's resolution was defeated. Resolutions dealing with education, housing, re-grouping, welcoming the nurses from India, were adopted.

NEW OFFICIALS

AT the Second Provincial Conference of the Natal Indian Organisation, held in Durban last week-end, the following were elected to office:

President, Mr. P. R. Pather; hon. secretaries, Messrs. A. B. Moosa and [illegible]; treasurers, Messrs. S. R. Pillay and [illegible] Parekh.

"ANIMAL MARKET"

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BOMBAY.—Bombay's queerest market—the place where live animals, birds and fishes are sold—is losing its customers. Its sales have fallen to a quarter of what they were four years ago.

In this market, situated behind Bombay's principal market, the Crawford Market, one can see all kinds of animals, from the spotted deer to small monkeys of many varieties, from pink-eyed rabbits to grey wildcats. Many of the birds are from distant countries. Fishes are sold in fancifully-built aquarium sets.

BOMBAY POLICE "CLEANING UP"

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BOMBAY.—The Bombay police will shortly go into action to rid the metropolis of its gambling and vice dens and "anti-social elements."

The first phase of this "clean-up" campaign will be directed against persons who have returned to the city after being externed for offences.

Police officials here estimate that their drive would, in all, involve tracking down of about 11,000 "criminals". Bombay's crime record for the year ending last August includes 236 dacoities, 2,120 house-breaking cases, 509 cycle thefts and 7,850 "other offences under the Penal Code."

Development Of India's Fish Trade

(From Our Own Correspondent)

KARWAR (Bombay State).—The problem of British fish trade was one of "finding markets," according to Mr. V. V. Kalyani, Superintendent of external Fisheries, Bombay.

Mr Kalyani, just back from a two-month study tour of the United Kingdom, said that the problem of Indian fish trade on the other hand was "how to catch more fish, preserve them and market them."

Uncultivated Land

NEW DELHI: Out of India's total area of 810.3 million acres, 347.9 million acres of land were lying uncultivated, Mr. K. M. Munshi, Food and Agriculture Minister, told Parliament.

The net area under cultivation of all crops in India in 1948-49 was 253.3 million acres, the Minister added.

THE HOLI CELEBRATED

THE "Holi" was celebrated in the Shri Vishnu Temple Hall, [illegible] burg, on March 11. Pandit R. Maharaj outlined the significance of "Holi."

The Holi, he said, was celebrated in India from time immemorial as a harvest festival, and with the [illegible] formance of "Yagna" of all the crops that were seasonal.

After the grain picking and storing, people assembled on the night of the full moon, and held services of thanksgiving. There were two [illegible] vast seasons in India. One in [illegible] and the other at Diwali. Lamps were lighted because it was the darkest night of Krishna Paksh. In the [illegible] people roasted their [illegible] peas, gram, etc., and feasted around a big bonfire and sang songs. They met friends and composed differences. They greeted people with [illegible]

But as time went on this festival became a source of horse-play [illegible] people's gates and other belongings were added to the bonfire. This [illegible] happened right here in [illegible] Rising of "Abeer Rang" [illegible] of water, and [illegible] from house to house, and [illegible] ... [illegible] Young people took [illegible] from other people's gardens without the owners' permission.

Now things have died down, [illegible] Mr. Maharaj, and the celebration was purer. But never did we see the [illegible] people having bonfires in this [illegible] or the districts.

The world over and people of all nationalities celebrate harvest gatherings and offer thanksgiving prayers in their own way. It [illegible] people gather at one place [illegible] Godly and this was the feast of [illegible] It was a day of happiness. It was a day for self examination and taking stock of themselves and for making good resolutions.

Mr. Maharaj went on to say that people should laugh at least three times a day. Laughing, according to doctors, was a tonic by itself, [illegible] kept ills away. Kings used to have professional jokers in their courts to crack jokes which would produce a hearty laugh. Young people should get in touch with someone who could crack a good joke and the women should also get a witty lady in the company to get a good laugh. Children, were also told that they should laugh. Festivals should not be celebrated alone but where good food was cooked such as sweetmeats, it should be distributed to the poor. Parents should be distributed to individuals as well as to institutions.

Mr. Maharaj quoted the Gita of Lord Krishna, saying that he who eats alone is a sinner, while he [illegible] neighbour sleeps without food.

Mr. G. Jugwanth and Mr. R. [illegible] Valbee also spoke. It was announced that the Hindu New Year which falls on March 26, Vikram Samvat, would be celebrated.

The meeting terminated with prayers and distribution of "prasad."

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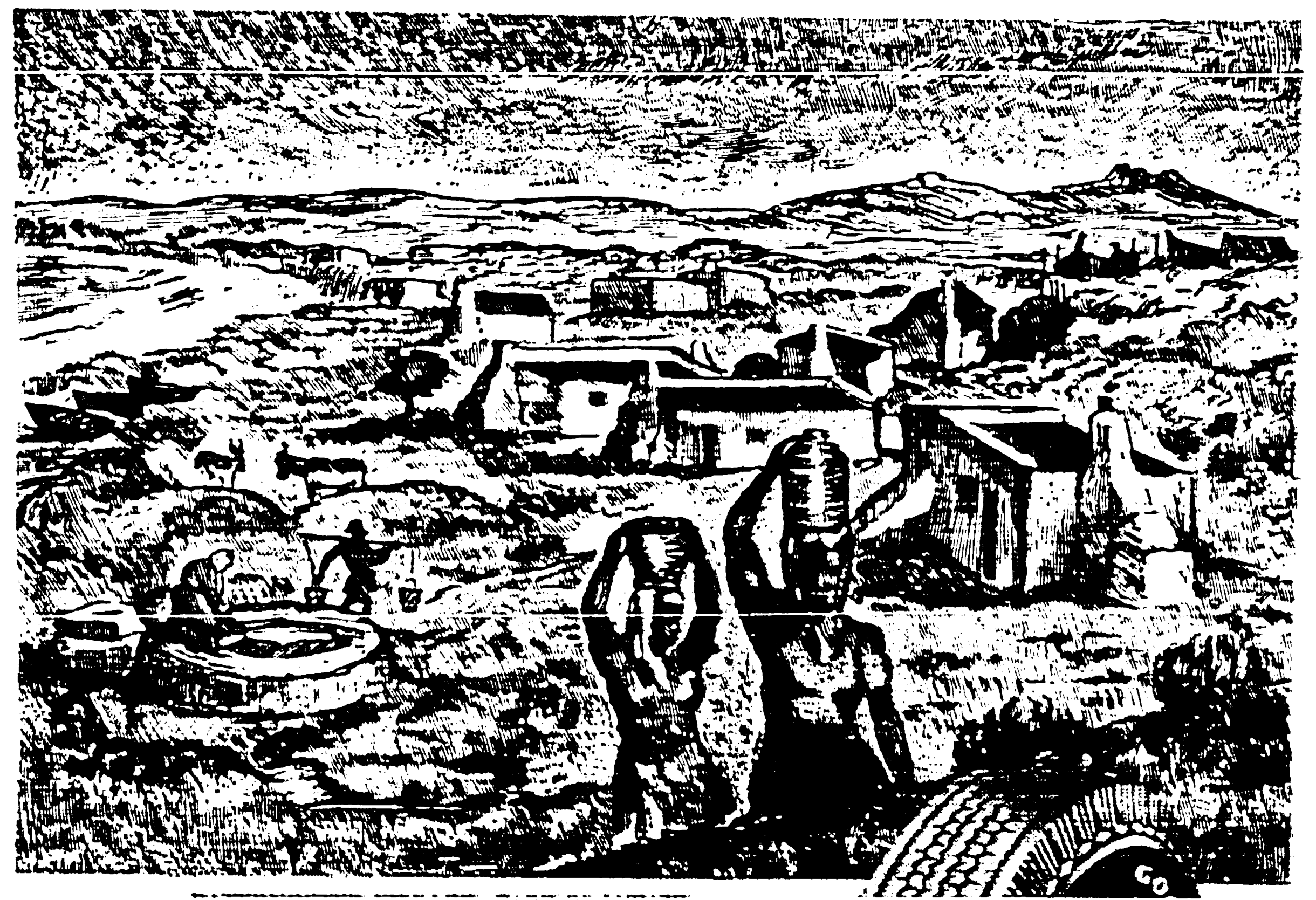

PATERNOSTER VILLAGE, CAPE PROVINCE

From an oil painting by Francois Krige, specially commissioned by Goodyear. The artist has captured the strange charm of this isolated fishing community at the edge of the wheat belt . . . the baking ovens built behind the cottage chimneys, the mill that provides brackish water for washing (drinking water must be conserved from roof-tops), the queer granite outcrops on the distant hills.

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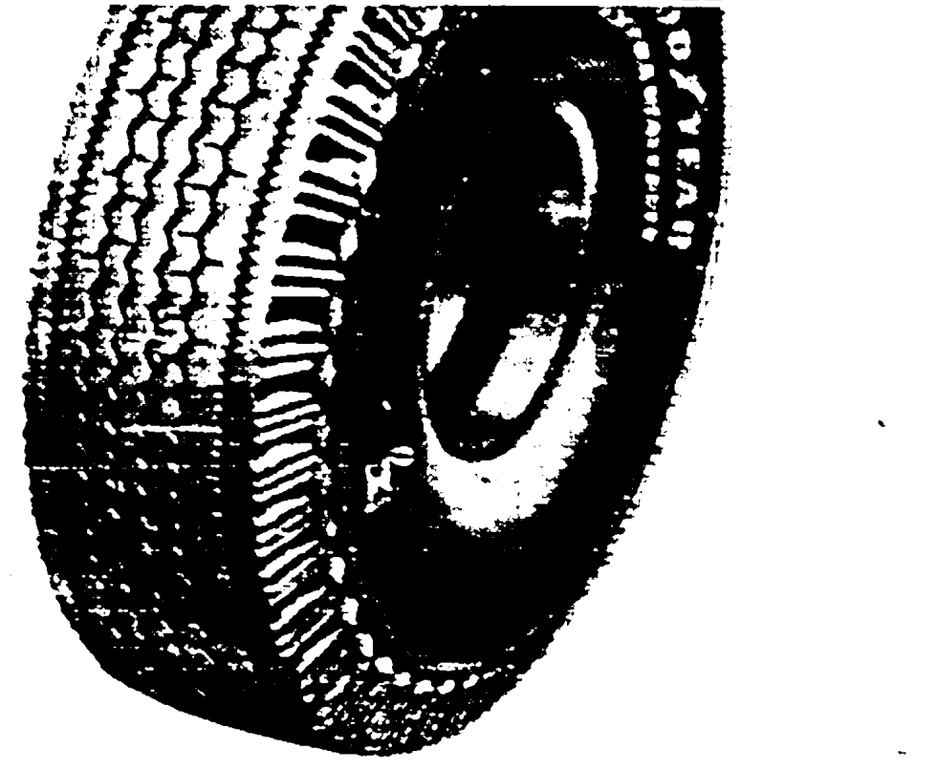

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Junior Leader

MY DEAR CHILDREN,

I have received many stories on courtesy from members, and here is an amusing one was sent in by N. Chinsamy Naidoo, of Tongaat Indian High School. He says: On Monday, our class teacher gave us a long lecture on courtesy. He concluded by saying: "Let us be courteous to everyone, because we are living in a troubled world." This kept throbbing in my mind, because I was looking for an opportunity to extend courtesy to someone.

One of my friends had not done his Latin homework, and he approached me to give him my exercise book. I gave it to him, and he copied my answers. When the teacher was marking our books he found that we had the same mistakes. I admitted that I gave him my book because it was Courtesy Week! The teacher ended by saying: "If it was not courtesy week, I should have punished you."

Another teacher detained us for having Biology notes incomplete. We approached and begged him to let us go, being Courtesy Week. He replied that he could not be courteous in this case. I think he is right, because the examiner at the end of the year will not think of courtesy!"

(Well, I agree with you. There is certainly a limit to courtesy!)

WRITING FROM HOSPITAL

Two young girls who are in the King George V hospital, Durban, as patients have sent me their answers to a quiz published a few weeks ago. They are Miss Dolly Maharaj, Bed 10, Ward B., and Miss Kanagambal Naidoo, Bed 17, Ward B. Those of you who have not seen the inside of a hospital cannot imagine what it is to be in a hospital. Can you imagine being bedridden for weeks and months. Life soon becomes boring.

Chachajan's wish, and I am sure that of Junior Leader members', is that both the young patients would have a speedy recovery.

The answers submitted were, incidentally, very good efforts.

IRON ROD AND LIGHTNING

R. Uma, c/o Engineers Office, P.O. [illegible], writes to tell me that the "iron rod" theory of lightning (as explained in these columns by Junior Leader members) is merely a myth. He writes:

"It was in the days of the Maharajas in India, in a little village that the Zamindars caused a riot. Owing to their lesser power, they were driven away by the Sikhs, who usually sided with the Maharajas.

At one time or another, the Zamindars sought refuge in the rice husk and dung heaps, for it was most commonly found everywhere. Naturally, when everything was quiet, they fled for their homes, forgetting the worthy swords behind. It so died down to a generation of peaceful living.

The village one day had quite a heavy rain; the lightning struck everywhere. After some hours it stopped and the old people, who were young at the time of the riot were working in their fields. Most of them were digging wells while some dug down to aerate the soil. In so doing, they came upon those iron rods which Junior Leader members think are responsible for the cause of lightning."

"I think this is the best explanation we have heard for the "mystery of the iron rod."—Chacajan.)

THIS WEEK'S QUIZ

Some of the quizzes below have been sent in by Rajpaul, of 267 Candella Road, Sherwood, and some are my own. It is intended not to be too easy!

What does one call . . .

(1) A person who carves figures?
(2) A person who designs buildings?
(3) One who sells cigarettes, tobacco, etc.?
(4) One who makes ladies' hats?
(5) A person who repairs cars?
(6) One who sleeps heroes?
(7) One who sells newspapers?
(8) A person who collects stamps?

Test your knowledge: As you know, a person who comes from Peru is a Peruvian, a person who comes from Paris is a Parisian, but can you answer these:

1. A person who comes from the Philippines is called . . . .
2. Chicago
3. Denmark
4. Moscow
5. Cairo
6. New Zealand
7. Cambridge
8. Oxford
9. Durban
10. Cape Town.

(Answers next week).

Smile Stories

GYM Teacher: "Take a deep breath and throw out your chest." (After a bit of confusion among the boys, he said): "Well hurry up, throw out your chest and step on it."

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STRANGER (to navvy): "Which is the quickest way to the hospital, my man?"

Navvy: "Poke me in the back with that walking stick again, and you'll find yourself there in no time."

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TWO farmers had many arguments as to which one could grow the best produce. One day one of them sent his son to borrow the others cross-cut saw.

"What might he want it for?" the latter asked.

"Well," said the boy, "he's got a cabbage so big he says he'll want the saw before he can cut through the stalk."

"Go back and tell him he can't have it," was the reply.

"I've got it fast in a potato."

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"YOU naughty boy," said the mother. "Just look at your new suit! Absolutely ruined! You've been fighting again. I know, and now I'll have to buy you another suit. What we mothers have to put up with!"

Don't you worry," said Billy. "I think Freddie's mother will have to buy a new boy."

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BUTCHER (annoyed with boy whistling outside his shop): "What are you making that din for, you little rascal?"

Boy: "I've lost my dog."

Butcher: "Well, do you think I've got it here?"

Boy: "I dunno, but I notice that every time I whistle those sausages swing!"

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Boy: Love a duck, gur'nor; who cleans them all?"

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Employee: "May I have the afternoon off to go shopping with my wife?"

Boss: "No."

Employee: "Thanks."

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Porter: "Yes, mum, it's always the last carriage that suffers the most in a collision."

Old Lady: "Then don't you think it would be an excellent idea to take it off?"

Till Next Week

Chachajan

Teenagers Column

HELLO TEENAGERS,

With the rocketing cost of living and the financial embarrassment of thousands of people, most of us, I am sure, do entertain the idea of being rich all of a sudden! Imagination is a strange thing, and I have often been comforted by it.

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THE WORLD'S RICHEST MEN

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MAHARAJA GAEKWAR OF BARODA

His wealth is computed at between £50,000,000 and £70,000,000. It is therefore, not surprising at all that the Maharaja, with an income of £2,000,000 a year, can afford to to buy race horses valued at £29,400 each.

HENRY FORD

is in most cases [illegible] American magnate (who, incidentally has recently died) had made his fortune through his ingenuity. He is said to have made £2 every time the clock ticked! Authoritative reports from the U.S.A. and Exchange Commission investigating stockholdings in 1940 stated that the Ford family's interest in the motor car business had a total value of approx. £150,000,000.

Henry Ford, junior, has now taken over where his father had left.

PIERRE DU PONT

The next competitor for the position of the world's wealthiest man is du Pont. His fortune was directly developed on the gun powder industry founded in America, which the original du Pontmen watchmaker by trade set up and expanded during the time of the French Revolution. Pierre is known to have the largest life assurance policy in the world. The amount involved is £1,200,000 which is in itself quite a substantial sum of money. His interest in the family business "Du Pont de Nemours U.S.A. Holding Company" amounts to £43,000,000.

JOHN D. ROCKFELLER (The Second).

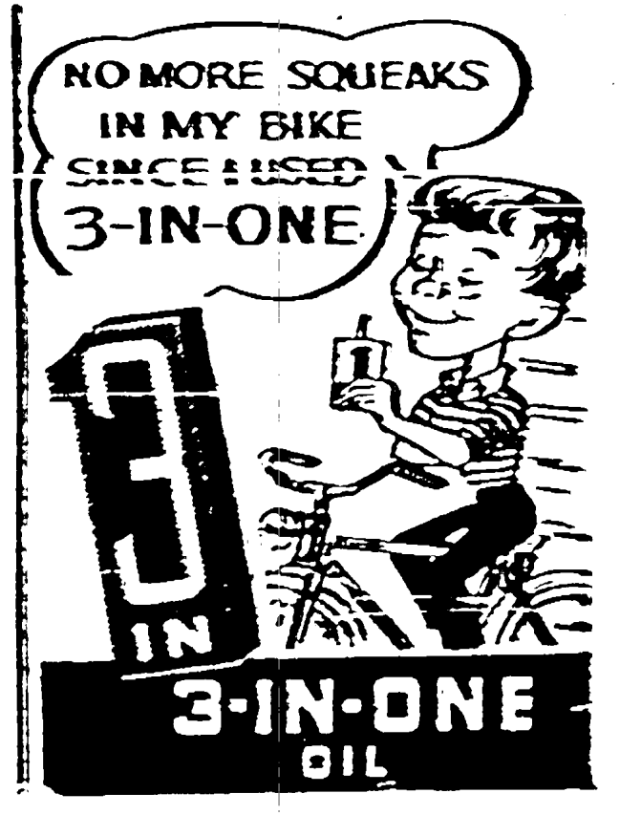
The fortune of this wealthy family amounts to about £50,000,000. These fortunes are invested in oil, that commodity for which whole countries are bargaining and clamouring.

THE MELLONS FAMILY

The family fortune amounts to £750,000,000. Much of the money is also invested in the oil industry.

AGA KHAN

The Aga Khan is rich enough to weigh himself in gold and in diamonds. Now he is to be weighed in platinum.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REFEREES' OFFICIALS

PRESENTING his annual report, Mr. J. H. Hensman, honorary secretary of the Natal Indian Referees' Association, said: "Too many postponements of matches by the N.I.F.A. have duplicated the work of your Association. The N.I.F.A. drew up their fixtures and handed them over to your officials but never informed them of the postponements and the result was that a referee was informed two or three times to referee a single match.

"This has put your association into unnecessary expense as far as postages and stationery are concerned. Since your Association's income is so small and no financial assistance from the N.I.F.A. money ought to be spent very sparingly," he said.

The twelve affiliated associations were represented at the meeting. The following officials were elected for the ensuing year when its headquarters rotated to Durban: Patron, Mr. Wm. Joseph; hon. life vice-presidents, Messrs. Wm. Joseph, Sonny Williams, M. John, K. Karrandes, M. Arumugam, and K. Kajkumar; president, Mr. C. O. L. Joseph; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. Fred Pillay; hon. auditor, Mr. M. John.

MR. M. R. MISTRY

Mr. M. R. Mistry, who has been elected president of the Durban Indian Referees' Association. Mr. Mistry, who is a keen sports administrator, is connected with several bodies, particularly boxing.

MR. FRED PILLAY

Mr. Fred Pillay, who has been elected honorary secretary and treasurer of the Natal Indian Referees' Association. Mr. Fred Pillay is also H.L.V.P. of the Durban Liquor and Catering Trades F.I.F.A.; president of the Liquor and Catering Lawn Tennis Association, and president of the Durban Sunday League Referees' Association.

DURBAN REFEREES

At the annual meeting of the Durban Indian Referees' Association, the president, Mr. M. R. Mistry, said that he looked forward to the co-operation of active referees during the coming season. Those who wished to take their examinations and qualify should contact the secretary immediately. The following were elected as officials for the ensuing year: Patron, Mr. R. L. Singh; president, Mr. M. R. Mistry; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. J. Moses; committee, Messrs. M. R. Mistry, J. Moses and R. Bijou; hon. auditor, Mr. G. Morgan.

SUNDAY LEAGUE

Officials elected at the annual meeting of the Durban Indian Sunday League Referees' Association are as follows: Patrons, Messrs. Wm. Joseph and Sonny Williams; president, Mr. Fred Pillay; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. Thos. J. Martin; Vice presidents, Messrs. Chota [illegible], R. Bijou and A. K. "Patty" [illegible]; hon. auditor, Mr. M. John.

S.C. OLD BOYS WIN SHELL CUP

IN the final of the Shell Cup competition, played at South Coast, Old Boys of South Coast defeated Commercials of Stanger by 57 runs.

Old Boys, winning the toss, elected to bat on a rain-affected wicket. The bowlers took control of the situation and bundled out Old Boys for 68 (Dr. Bhoral four for 18).

At one stage three Old Boys' wickets were down for only 2 runs. Some spirited batting by the remaining batsmen made the score look respectable.

Commercials fared none the better. They too, were soon in trouble—three wickets were down for only 7 runs. Reggie Sigamoney, V. Vadival and M. T. Moodley got among the wickets. The bowling of Reggie and Vadival was too good for the batsmen.

After Bhoral's dismissal, Commercials' hopes of reaching the score were dashed. The whole side was routed for a meagre 11 (Reggie five for 12, Moodley two for 9, and Vadival three for 6.)

Reggie Sigamoney has been Old Boys' man of the year. From the first match he has played in the district no batsman has ever mastered him. He has 88 wickets to his credit so far.

SOCCER IN ZULULAND

KWAMBONAMBI.—An eleven-a-side Indian football tournament was held at the Kwambonambi non-European sports ground recently for Simon's [illegible] Trophy.

Seven teams from Zululand participated in the tournament. In the semi-final the old rivals, L.M.M. "A" of Empangeni and Felixton "A". The match was well balanced and very interesting, but now and then rough play was noticeable. Felixton narrowly beat L.M.M. "A" 1-0.

The final match was played between L.C.M.H. "A" of Kwambonambi and Felixton. For the first twenty minutes the match was well balanced, but after the changeover the home team dominated play. The home team had better control of the ball and beat Felixton convincingly by 3-0.

MARITZBURG F.A.'s NEW PRESIDENT

MR. R. A. MAHARAJ

Mr. R. A. Maharaj was unanimously elected as the president of the Maritzburg District Indian Football Association for the ensuing season.

SCORED FIRST CENTURY

DAWOOD ISMAIL AKOOJEE

Dawood Ismail Akoojee (son of Mr. I. E. Akoojee of the Muslims C.C.), who is only 16 years old, distinguished himself last week when he scored 117 not out—the first century to be scored in schools cricket this season—for Hindu Tamil Institute against Clairwood.

In this match Hindu Tamil scored 177 for six declared and Clairwood replied with 41 for seven at close of play.

Maharaj Is Still A Force To Be Reckoned With

ON Sunday, the Natal Tennis Championship Singles and Doubles "A" Division Competition, reached the finals stage at the Sastri College Tennis Courts, where a small number of spectators witnessed some sparkling tennis.

The finalists in the Singles are I. Randeree and S. S. Maharaj, who showed that he is still a force to be reckoned with. In the Doubles, S. S. Maharaj and S. Jaynath will meet Benny Soodyal and S. Rughbeer.

THE former champion, S. S. Maharaj, staged a great come back in the singles semi-final against S. Rughbeer. The match lasted for nearly two hours.

At one stage Maharaj was one set down, and Rughbeer had taken a lead of 5—3 in the second set. In the vital ninth game, Rughbeer was leading 40—30 and required one more point to win the set and the match. But Maharaj did the unexpected, as he is always accustomed to doing, when he is behind.

By dint of grim determination and unrelaxed concentration he was able first, to level the score to five-all, and then win the set 7—5.

In the final set it was Maharaj all over. He outclassed his opponent who, for the first time, showed signs of tiredness, which Maharaj was able to detect. With some of his old-time skill, and now producing dazzling tennis, Maharaj ran out a comfortable winner of the final set of the match at 6—1.

In the other semi-final, Ismail Randeree, who had earlier disposed of Benny Soodyal to the great surprise of Benny's supporters, decisively defeated M. I. Mulla to reach the finals.

This tournament has revealed the fact that Ismail Randeree is not only a much improved player but he is a great fighter and tactician. His physical fitness, too, did hold him in good stead in no small measure.

DOUBLES

In the doubles championship, S. S. Maharaj and S. Jaynath reached the finals after eliminating D. Lalloo and J. Gobin, the holders, in two straight sets.

Once again S. S. Maharaj produced very high standard of tennis and demonstrated the fact, in no small measure, that he is still a force to be reckoned with.

Benny Soodyal and S. Rughbeer did not have an easy passage. They earned hard-fought, and fully deserved, victories against A. R. [illegible] and M. I. Mulla, and S. [illegible] and D. Roopnarain to reach the finals.

FINALS

In the Natal championship singles and doubles "A" and "B" divisions the following fixtures have been set down for Sunday, March 23, at the Sastri College Courts, Durban, commencing at 9.30 a.m.:

"A" Division: Singles, S. S. Maharaj v. I. Randeree. Doubles, S. Rughbeer and Benny Soodyal v. S. S. Maharaj and Jaynath.

"B" Division: Singles, R. Roopnarain v. M. Ally. Doubles, R. Roopnarain and [illegible] v. M. Ally and R. Mistry.

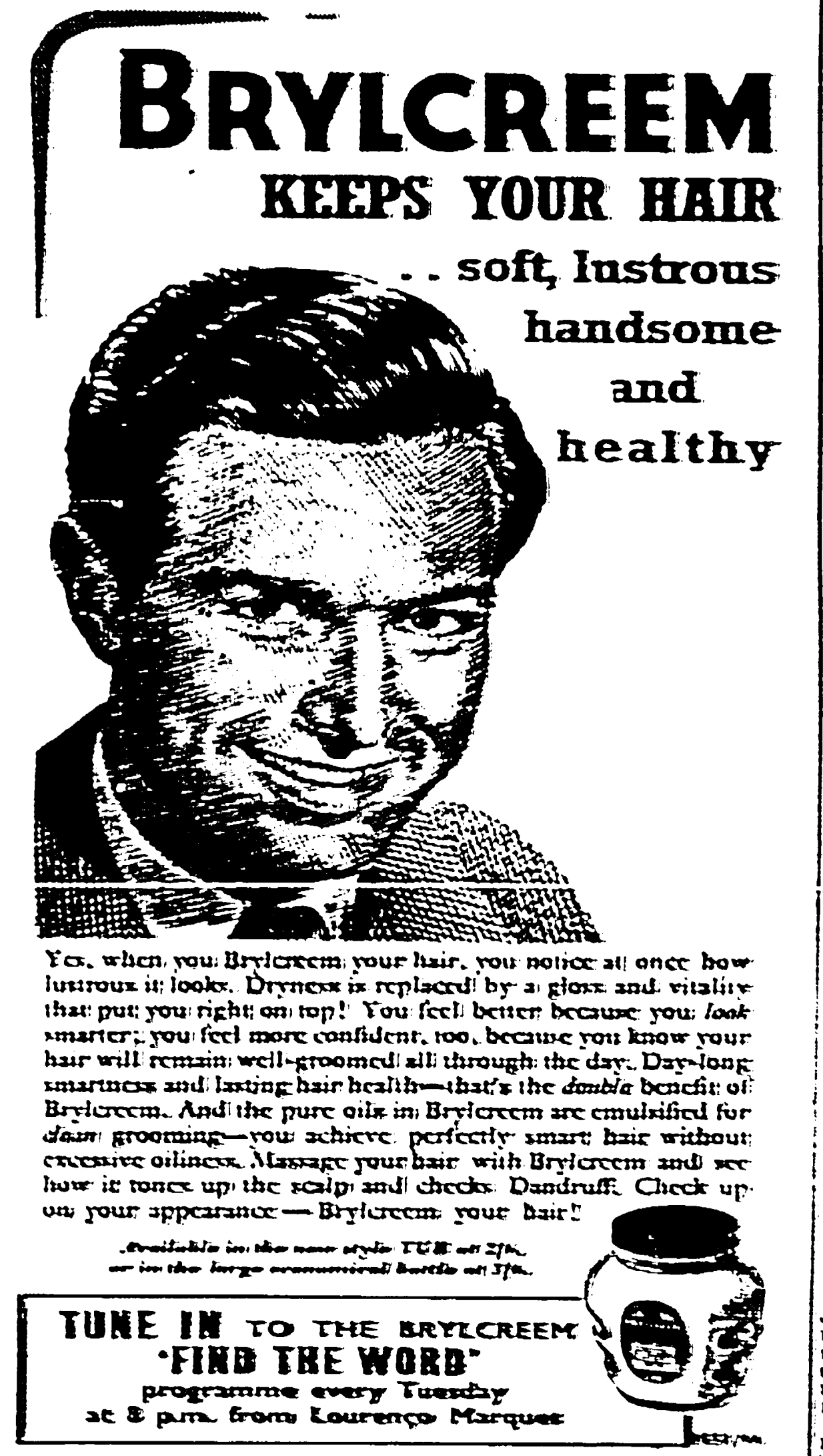
LADIES SARRIE RACE will be held at the Life Savers Easter Sports at the North Beach on APRIL 14. Will Mrs. A. R. Govender, last year's winner of the Mothers' Sarrie Race, kindly return the Kalideen Floating Trophy to 116 Grey Street, Durban.—[illegible]

R. MANICUM MEMORIAL TROPHY

The memory of the late Mr. R. Manicum, an outstanding sportsman of Pietermaritzburg, and one who has rendered invaluable services for the promotion of sports in Natal, is to be appropriately commemorated by the Maritzburg District Indian Football Association.

Through the efforts of Mr. M. D. Pillay a trophy has been purchased by the M.D.I.F.A. for annual competition purposes in Pietermaritzburg. This competition is a very fine memorial to the late Mr. Manicum and one that would serve to perpetuate his memory befittingly.

In the photo above Mr. M. D. Pillay, a former president of the M.D.I.F.A., is seen presenting the trophy to Mr. S. Rathanam Pillay the retiring president for the 1952 season.



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Young Muslims Enter Final In Natal Cup Series

YOUNG Muslims of Durban entered the final proper in the Natal Cup Series on Sunday when they eliminated Clairwood School Boys at the latter's ground. They beat them by 87 runs on the first innings. Owing to rain, there was no play on Saturday.

WITHOUT a run being scored, Young Muslims lost the wicket of [illegible] who was adjudged l.b.w. Incidentally this [illegible] the first of the four l.b.w. decisions [illegible] Muslim's innings. [illegible]

[illegible]

to put on 150 for the loss of five wickets when an appeal for light was upheld at 6.15 p.m.

Taking two for 47, K. I. Jeewa brought his total number of wickets to date—in League, Natal Cup and Intertown games—to 96. At this stage there is certainly no doubt that he would get the most coveted 100 wickets for this season.

Muslims won on the first innings by 87 runs.

The following were the scores:

Young Muslims (Durban) v. Clairwood School Old Boys: [illegible]

SATURDAY'S GAMES

Saturday's games were continually interrupted by rain at Curries Fountain. A heavy downpour at 4.30 p.m. eventually stopped play.

[illegible]

SUNDAY'S GAMES

In the following matches played on Sunday at Curries Fountain, only Ottomans were able to collect full points at the expense of Greyville when they beat them by seven wickets.

Kismet, who scored 171 for five against Orientals, were unfortunate in not snatching first innings points when they failed to dismiss Orientals' last wicket. The match was drawn.

In the remaining matches played, Sastri College and Crimson gained first innings points against United and Stars, respectively.

Ottomans v. Greyville: Greyville, 48 [illegible]

[illegible]

CAPE ATHLETES TO TOUR NATAL

MUCH keenness and enthusiasm was evinced at the annual meeting of the Avondale Athletic, Cycling, Motor Cycle and Car Club, held on Friday at the Goodwill Lounge. The club adopted its new constitution, and have now incorporated motor cycle and car activities. The new president, Mr. K. Bijou, said that the club was the first Indian sports body in the Union to have its monogram registered.

The club has been granted permission to hold a sports meeting on May 4. They have also agreed to invite the [illegible] Harriers Athletic Club, of Cape Town, towards the end of the year.

The following officials were elected for the ensuing year:

Patrons, Messrs. Adam [illegible], Bobby Singh, P. C. Chetty, D. Kalideen and K. K. Pillay; president, Mr. K. Bijou; joint hon. secretaries, Messrs. Y. Koobair and J. Shaik; hon. treasurer, Mr. S. Dindagal; vice-presidents, [illegible]

KEEN INTEREST SHOWN IN EASTER SPORTS

WITH the Easter sports drawing near — being only three weeks away — numerous enquiries have already been made by the general public from both near and far from Durban. An official of the Durban Indian Surf Life Saving Club, Mr. R. R. Singh, told "The Leader": "The enthusiasm has never been so great since we inaugurated the sports six years ago.

"Over a period of years it has proved the most popular event of the year and is always looked forward to by Indians who have taken to Durban's open air and sunshine, especially at the beach. We are also proud to say that we have a well behaved public on the beach."

SCHOOLS SHOW INTEREST

Many schools have already contacted the Durban Indian Surf Life Saving Club in regard to events for children and particularly for representative teams from schools. The main event for schools will be the relay race.

And in some cases schools think that they are going to take things easy, the sports master of a school brought along his team of athletes and put them through specialised training at the beach one Sunday morning. This effort, no doubt, should serve as a pointer to other schools.

Once again, the club makes a special request to schools to bring their children in school colours or uniforms accompanied by their sports masters. This would greatly facilitate the task of the club officials who have to deal with so many children and a heavy programme.

NAGIAH WINS "MR. SUBURBAN" CONTEST

THE Suburban Physique Contest, held under the auspices of the [illegible]

[illegible]

TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE RESULTS

The following were the results of the table tennis league matches played last week:

"A" Division: [illegible]

"B" Division: [illegible]

Inter-Provincial Schools Athletics Being Planned

THE Natal Indian Schools' Sports Association is exploring the possibility of staging an inter-provincial Schools' athletic meeting and staging inter-provincial matches in tenniquoit and netball for the present, its Secretary, Mr. K. C. Naidoo, told "The Leader."

The annual schools' athletic meeting has been set down for the first week in July and the Association expects the co-operation of all the zones.

A SUB-COMMITTEE consisting of Messrs. G. V. Naidoo, K. [illegible] and C. [illegible] was appointed at a recent meeting of this body to explore all the possibilities of inter-provincial competitions.

"The annual schools' athletic sports meeting has been set down for the first week in July, and if by then all the zonal associations in Natal affiliate to the Natal Association, a really representative side can be chosen," declared Mr. Naidoo.

The association has also decided to create a separate division—separating the primary from the secondary [illegible]

SEVEN ZONES

[illegible]

[illegible] Natal Association, and if North Coast comes in with other bodies, very keen competition can be expected, added Mr. Naidoo.

N.D.I.F.A. ELECTS OFFICIALS

At the thirty-third annual meeting of the Northern Districts Indian Football Association held at Newcastle recently the following officials were elected for the ensuing season: President, Mr. K. Thumbadoo; hon. life vice-presidents, Messrs. O. J. Christopher, [illegible]

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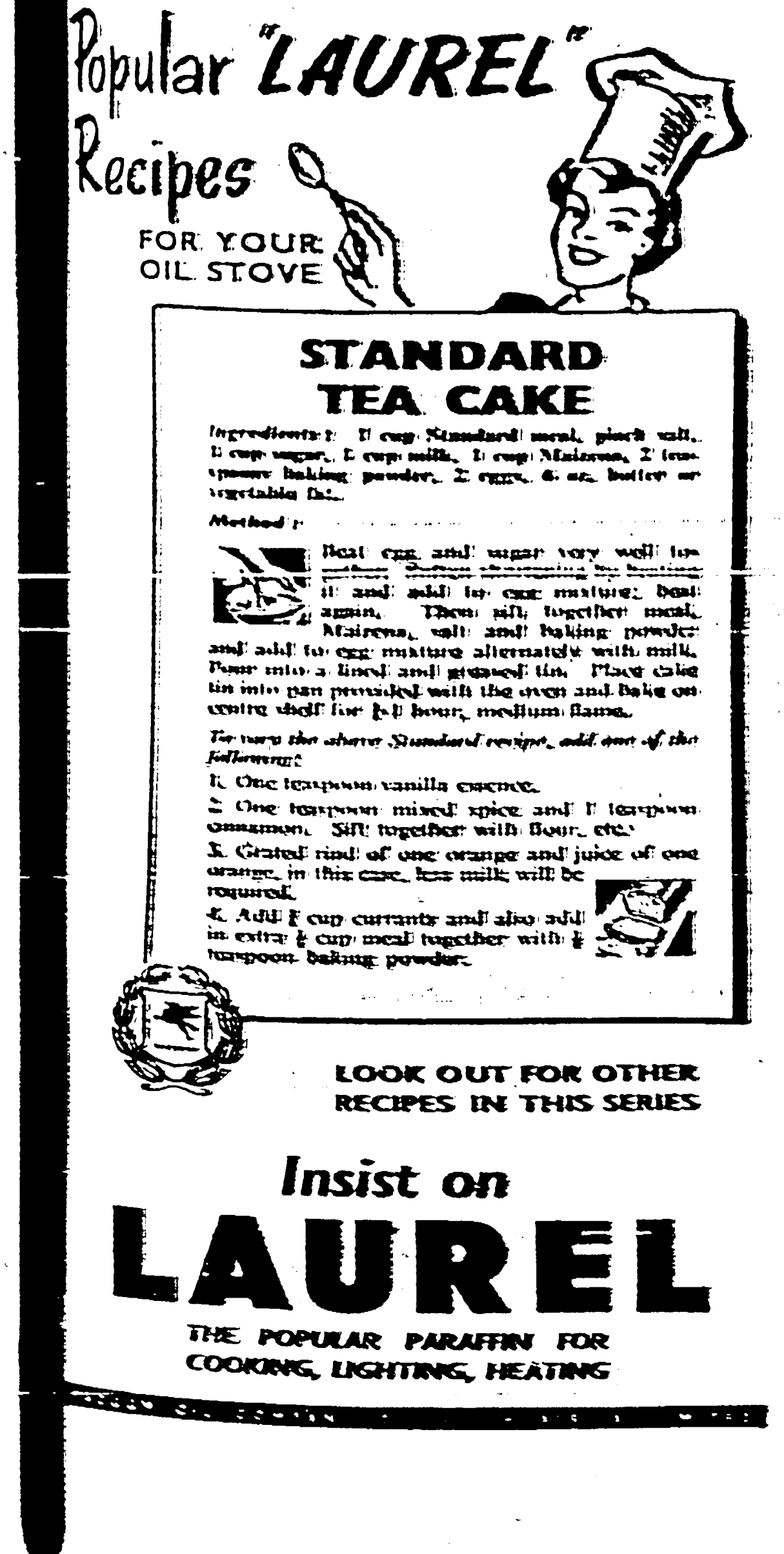

STANDARD TEA CAKE

Ingredients: 1 cup Standard meal, pinch salt, 1 cup sugar, 1 cup milk, 1 cup Maizena, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 2 eggs, 6 oz. butter or vegetable fat.

Method:

Beat egg and sugar very well together. [illegible] it and add to egg mixture; beat again. Then sift together meal, Maizena, salt and baking powder and add to egg mixture alternately with milk. Pour into a lined and greased tin. Place cake tin into pan provided with the oven and bake on centre shelf for 1¼ hour, medium flame.

To vary the above Standard recipe, add one of the following:

1. One teaspoon vanilla essence.
2. One teaspoon mixed spice and 1 teaspoon cinnamon. Sift together with flour, etc.
3. Grated rind of one orange and juice of one orange, in this case, less milk will be required.
4. Add ½ cup currants and also add an extra ½ cup meal together with ½ teaspoon baking powder.

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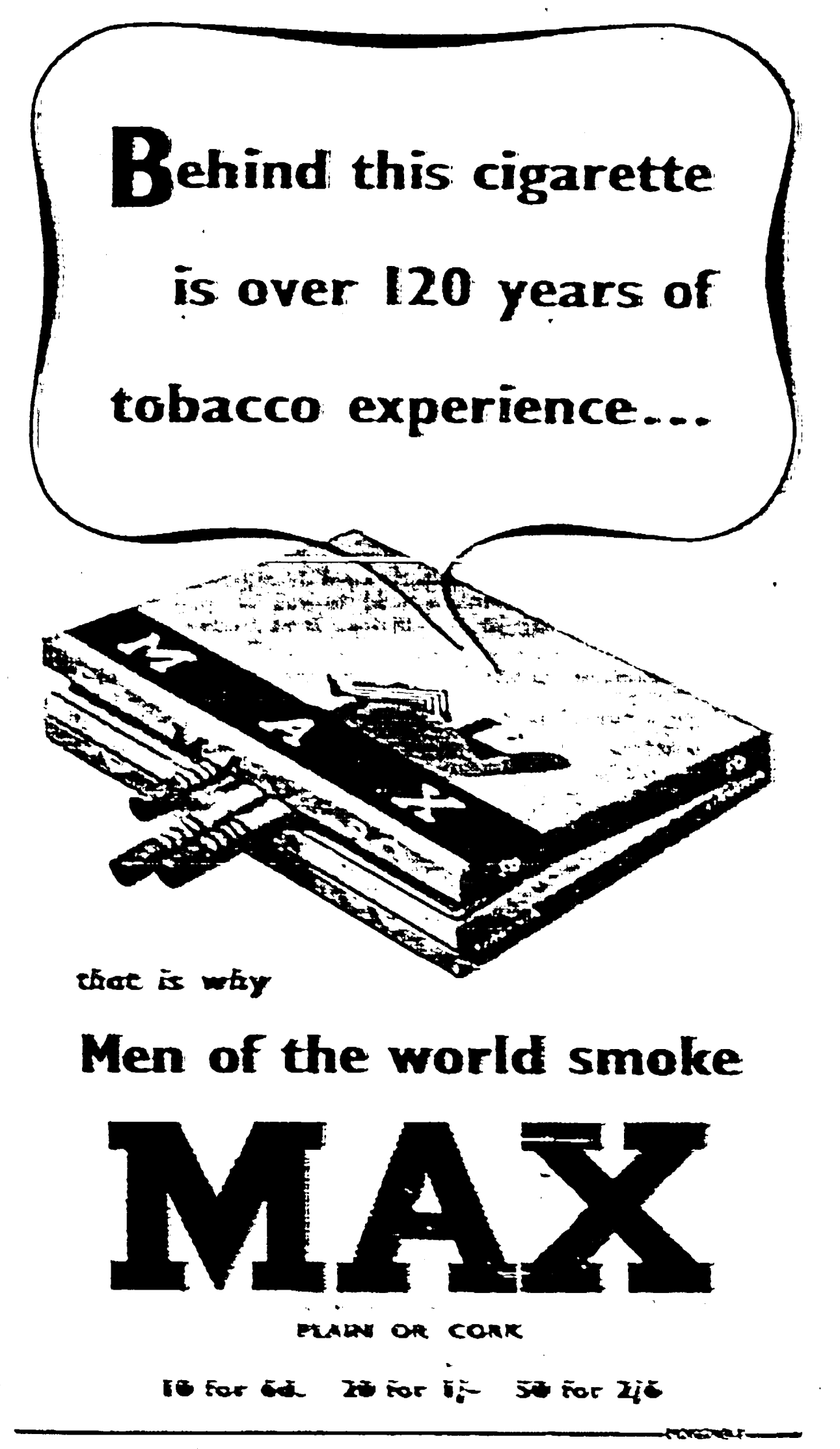
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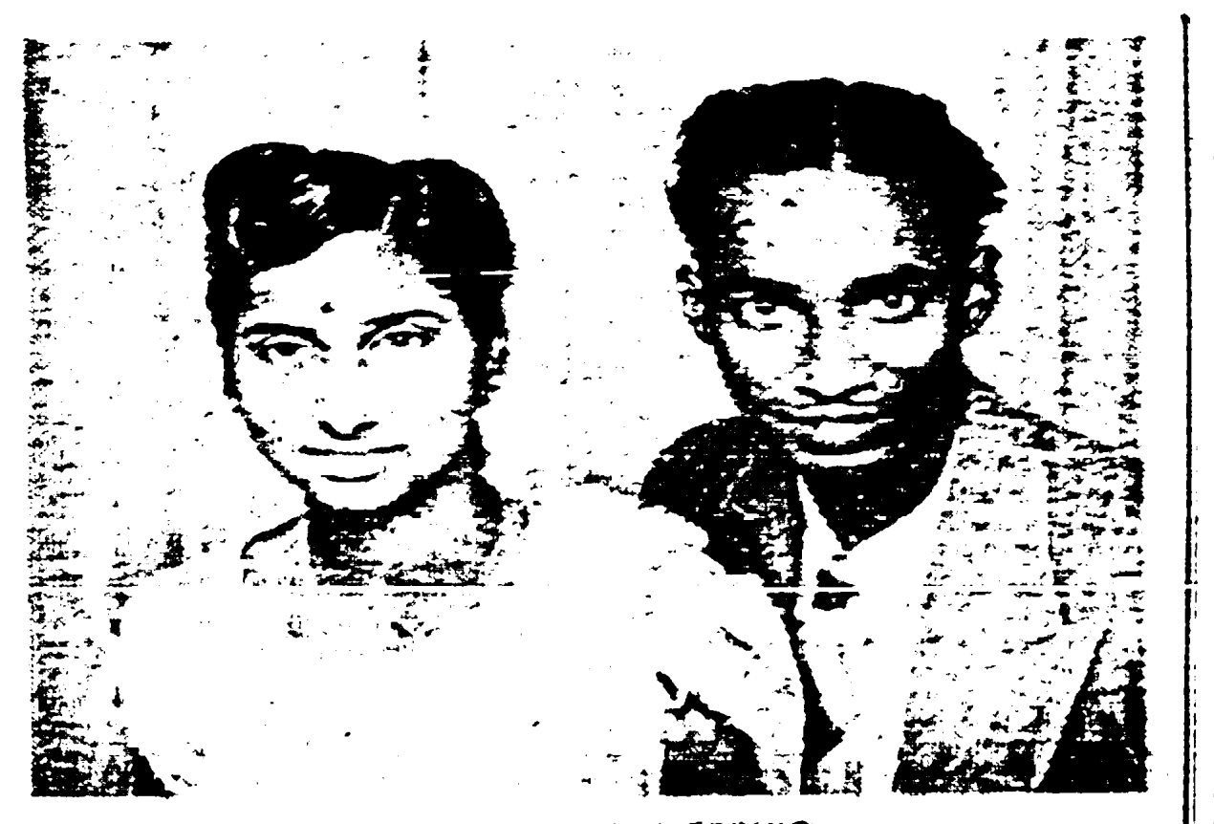

PILLAY—PILLAY WEDDING.

The wedding of Mr. P. Seebramoney (Peter), eldest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. R. Poonsamy Pillay, of Raynesfield Estate, Hal's Road, to Miss Amirthamall (Mummy), second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anosamy Pillay of 122 Sparks Road, Overport, Durban, will take place at the Hindu Temple Hall, Raynesfield Estate, Hal's Road, on Sunday, March 30, 1952. Nuptial ceremony from 10.00 to 11.30 a.m. Friends and relatives are kindly requested to accept this as a personal invitation.

Silver Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. R. Ramcheron, of Flat 1, Lavender Court, Carter's Avenue, Durban, who celebrated their silver wedding on February 4, 1952. Mr. R. Ramcheron is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Bridgemohan, of Newcastle.

WEDDING POSTPONED

The marriage of Subramany (Thaimalingam), second son of Mr. and Mrs. Gopsamy Reddy and brother of J. C. Reddy of Chaka's Kraal and grandson of the late Mr. Moonsamy Reddy, and Ramayee (Amoyee), eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ramakistna Padayachy of Addington Estate, Gledhow, and granddaughter of Mr. Chinia Padayachy and the late Mr. Madoray Padayachy, which was to be solemnised on Sunday, March 30, 1952, has been postponed for an indefinite date.

Born

MANILALL.—To Mr. and Mrs. H. Manilall, a bonny son, on March 12, at 136 Dunstable Avenue, Sydenham. Grandson to Mr. and Mrs. R. Bunsee, of Overport, and Mr. and Mrs. Sookraj Lalla, of Cato Manor Housing Scheme. Thanks to nurse and assistants.

SINGH.—To Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Singh, of 4 Burnwood Road, Sydenham, a bonny baby daughter on March 8. Granddaughter to Mr. and Mrs. Hari Singh, of Red Hill.

BRIDGEMOHAN: To Mr. & Mrs. R. Bridgemohan of [illegible], a bonnie son on March 2, 1952. Both well.

NAICKER—NAIR WEDDING. The marriage of Mr. Chinsamy Naicker ([illegible]), second son of Mr. and Mrs. Chinniah Naicker, of 122 River Road, Bellair, to Miss Jayalukshmee (Meenatchee), youngest daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. S. S. Sunkaren Nair, and sister of S. M. Nair and S. S. Mannie Nair, of 26 Dayal Road, Clairwood, will take place on Saturday, March 29, 1952, at the Bellam Hall, 17 Albert Street, Durban. Nuptial ceremony from 2 to 3 p.m. With compliments to bride and bridegroom's relatives. Colombian Entertainers will be in attendance, conducted by Mr. [illegible] Reddy. Bride's party will leave the residence by bus at 12 noon. [illegible] Padayachee will officiate. Friends and relatives are kindly requested to accept this as a personal invitation.

Mr. Roopial Ramdeen, of 236 Jan Smuts Highway, and of the staff of the Port Shepstone Government Indian School, has left for Fort Hare, to take up the B.Sc. (U.E.D.) degree.

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Mr. Sooraj Maharaj, of Dannhauser, spent two weeks holiday at Pietermaritzburg. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Maharaj.

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Srinivasan Morgan, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Morgan of the South African Police, Glencoe, Natal, celebrated his first birthday on March 1[illegible], 1952 at 72 [illegible] Street, Glencoe.

KRISHNA BAND

At the fourteenth annual meeting of the Krishna Band, held at headquarters, [illegible] Street, the following officials were elected for the ensuing year:

Patrons, Messrs. A. A. [illegible] Padayachee and N. R. [illegible]; president, Mr. H. Jackie Pillay; secretary, Mr. M. G. Reddy; treasurer, Mr. T. Murugan [illegible]; trustees, Messrs. T. Murugan [illegible] and N. R. Reddy; manager, M. [illegible] Reddy; musical director, M. [illegible]; D. Padayachee, hon. auditor, M. S. M. Pillai.

Committee members, Messrs. Jackie Pillay, M. G. Reddy, T. [illegible] ([illegible]), N. M. Reddy and [illegible] Padayachee.

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MOONUTH—RAMCHERON WEDDING. Seen above are Mr. and Mrs. Latchman Moonuth, who were married at the Kathiawad Hall, Durban, on February 24, 1952. The bridegroom is the second son of the late Mr. and Mrs. R. Moonuth, of Cato Manor. The bride [illegible] is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Ramcheron (Tommy), of Lavender Court, Carter's Avenue, Durban, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bridgemohan, of Newcastle.

Mr. A. P. Naidoo, chief projectionist, Avalon Theatre, Durban, formerly of Ladysmith, and Miss S. C. Chetty, of Cape Town, were married in Cape Town on March 8, 1952.

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After seventeen years of space selling, Mr. D. D. Naidoo, of Durban, has been appointed full-time representative of the [illegible] Brewery, Ltd.

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JUDGMENT PLEASES ALL INDIA

Malan's "Ruthless" Policy Denounced

Sapa-Reuter to "The Leader"

CALCUTTA: The All-India Congress Working Committee welcomed the judgment of the South African Appeal Court declaring the Union Government's act in placing Coloured voters on a separate electoral roll invalid.

The Committee expressed the hope that in view of this "high judicial decision" the South African Government would bring its apartheid policy to an end.

IN a resolution presented to the All-India Congress, the Working Committee denounced Dr. Malan's apartheid policy as "ruthless".

"It was a challenge to and a violation of the charter of the United Nations and the principles governing human rights which the United Nations laid down," the resolution said.

"The Government and people of India can never accept any policy based on racial discrimination."

It added that the chief aim of the Group Areas Act was "the liquidation of the Indian community in South Africa."

The committee "deeply regretted" that South Africa had rejected the United Nations directive as to steps to be taken to settle the problem of persons of Indian origin in the Union.

The Government of India had endeavoured to find an honourable way to settle this problem, the resolution said, but all attempts had failed because the Union Government had consistently ignored the decisions of the United Nations.

EXPRESSED SYMPATHY

The resolution expressed sympathy with Africans "who suffer under degrading and discriminatory and other measures." It welcomed the cooperation of Africans and Indians in not submitting to legislative and administrative measures which, it said, condemned them to servitude. It trusted that Africans and Indians would pursue peaceful and non-violent methods.

The resolution ended by declaring the Government and people of India would continue to seek a peaceful solution to the problem.

The committee also made an earnest appeal "to the great nations of the world to pursue actions or words which add to the policies of peace and to avoid any present estrangement or bitterness."

DUTCH GIRLS KEEN ON SANSKRIT

From our own Correspondent

CALCUTTA. — Dr. M. Van Blankenstein, the eminent Dutch Orientalist said here that there was great enthusiasm among people of Holland for learning Sanskrit.

He said that in all four universities in his country there were [illegible] devoted to the study of Sanskrit. Girl students were also keen on learning the language.

Dr. Blankenstein is on a short visit to India on his way to Indonesia.

PAK. WOMAN MAKES HISTORY

For the first time in the history of Asia a woman presided over her country's Parliament, when Begum Shah Nawaz, daughter of the late Mian Muhammed Shafi, presided over the Pakistan Parliament in Karachi recently.

Muslims Prefer "Easy Divorce"

The Department of the Interior was of the opinion that there was no necessity for the appointment of a marriage officer for the Muslim community.

THIS view was expressed in a letter to the Secretary of the Muslims Mosque Trust, Waschbank, on behalf of the Secretary for the Interior, when rejecting the request for the appointment of a Muslim Marriage officer.

"The average Mohamedan," states the Department of the Interior, "does not wish to enter into a legal marriage preferring the union under his own religious custom with its facilities for easy divorce."

MRS. ROOSEVELT IN INDIA

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, widow of the late President Roosevelt of the U.S.A., addressing the students of the University of Bombay on March 5. Also seen among the audience is Shrimati Vijayalakshmi.

CHINESE FOOD FOR INDIA

From our own Correspondent

NEW DELHI: The Government of India has asked the Chinese government about the quantity of rice that would be available to India from China this year.

China supplied 5[illegible],000 tons of milo and 66,000 tons of rice to India during 1951, out of the agreed quota of [illegible],000 tons of milo and 30,000 tons of rice.

India's difficult shipping position is held responsible for the unfilled balance.

CANADA CONDEMNS S.A. RACIAL POLICY

Sapa-United Press to "The Leader"

OTTAWA: The Government was urged during an attack in the House of Commons last night on South Africa's apartheid policy to "protest vigorously" against apartheid at the next United Nations meeting.

MR. DAVID CROLL, M.P., speaking on a resolution sponsored by Mr. John Diefenbaker, M.P., asking the Government to take the first steps in establishing a Canadian Bill of Rights or Charter of Fundamental Freedoms, said:

"Not only is this policy of apartheid turning back the clock, it is splitting South Africa into racial areas and setting up a ghetto land which we must all publicly deplore in this House.

"We have a right and a duty to examine our relationship with South Africa before an appropriate tribunal.

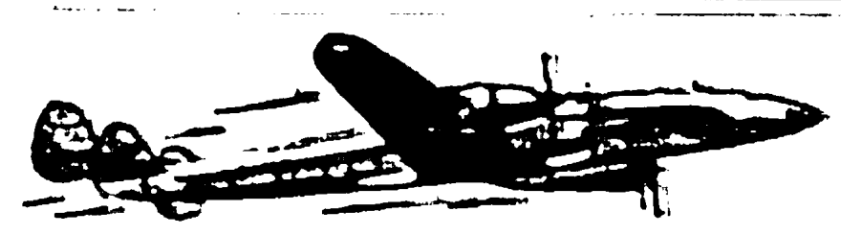
S.A. NOT SUPPORTED

"When the matter came before the United Nations we did not support South Africa, but we did not take a very active part against her. Perhaps we should be a little more vociferous the next time."

South Africa's apartheid policy, he said, was straining Commonwealth relations. As the policy was aimed at the non-European it was impossible to understand how the Commonwealth could sustain friendly relations with South Africa when four-fifths of the Commonwealth was Asiatic and non-European.

Dr. Malan's decision to introduce legislation setting aside a decision of a Court "set up a Government by men instead of law," he said.

"That was Hitler's policy. There are postgraduates of the Hitler school who are trying now to set upon the Commonwealth doctrines that should have died with him."



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TALK of the BAZAAR

REFERRING to a "Talk" paragraph appearing last week, in connection with what a colleague wrote about Mr. [illegible] Ernest's views on "nationalism in cricket," Mr. Ernest told me that apparently the position had been misunderstood.

"What I did say was that I regretted to hear of an alleged [illegible] was rumoured recently in the Natal Association's elections.

"In regard to the Pakistan tour, I said that on a big proposition such as this when the South African Indian Cricket Union was calling their biennial meeting this item should have appeared on the agenda for discussion. Apart from this, I also asked why the South African Indian Cricket Union should be taxed £5,000 and the Coloureds and Africans £1,500 each.

"I am sure the South African sportsmen should know as this tour is not sponsored by the Indian Union, but by the S.A. Federation, which is composed of Indians, Coloureds and Africans."

EASTER SPORTS

OVER a period of years the most popular event of the year—the Easter sports—run by a happy band of Durban's Indian life savers has continued to be looked forward to by men, women and children.

In fact it was originally intended to be a day of sports, fun and frolic for the children, but it has slowly but surely become a big day of picnicking for the whole family and judging by the interest shown, this year should be no exception.

Few, if any, people realise that the small portion of the beach reserved for Indians behind the Snake Park is the only spot frequented by most Indians during the year than any other along the coast of South Africa. In many areas along the Natal coast ideal spots are apparently "reserved" for Europeans and the Indian bather or picnicker is confronted with restrictions. The larger number of Indians at the beach is sufficient indication that they are taking to the open air and sunshine.

THE HIGHLIGHT

PERHAPS the keenest interest in the Easter Sports is being shown by women. What was regarded as an innovation and a "novel item" with only a few shy women taking part, is now regarded as the highlight of the day's events. The sarrie race is expected to be as keen as ever—there were no less than 27 entrants in this event last year.

Ladies, and this includes daughters, please do come in your own sarries. I am told that last year quite a few sarries were borrowed at the beach.

Another event which has attracted attention among women in recent years is the tug-of-war. It has gradually developed into an important item taking pride of place on the programme — nine teams participated in the tussle for honours last year.

BATHING BEAUTIES

WITH Saturday's humidity getting me down, I went over to the beach. I was confronted with a rare sight — at least on our part of the beach.

There were two Indian bathing beauties — costumes and all — having a swim of their lives! They relaxed their tired limbs on the foreshore, basked and lazed in the sun with complete indifference and without betraying any signs of extreme modesty.

They appeared to create the impression that Indian girls wearing bathing costumes were nothing new—it was an uncommon sight in Durban. What would grandmother say? Having spent the better part of the afternoon at the beach, these two—like any good swimmer—left as quietly as they had come without the fanfare of any trumpets.

TOO SCARED

MY photographer friend, who was with me at the time, thought it would make a nice picture for our paper, but he was too scared to go and ask them to pose!

Ask him to take any other picture, and he would jump to it and he would give you the best results possible. But on this tough assignment, in his considered judgment, he was of the firm opinion that it was nothing but a risky business.

He could not stand being insulted (or hit); he could not afford to buy another expensive camera, and besides it would mean wasting a valuable spool in these days of high costs. With all these factors in mind he decided to call it off.

However, take note girls, if you happen to read this paragraph, please understand that it is not intended to denounce and ridicule you in any way. It is written with a view to serving as an advertisement not for the latest in bathing costumes seen at Miami — but for more and more girls to take to swimming as a healthy outdoor sport.

I am sure the lifesavers would be only too pleased to assist in teaching you to swim. Besides, big plans are being made for the provision of swimming baths, and those intending to learn need not wait until these amenities are provided.

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Racing Selections

By "DIPLOMAT"

The following are my selections for the City Sporting Club race meeting run on Saturday, March 29, 1952:

First race, 12.30, Maiden Handicap (Fillies and Geldings), seven furlongs:
1. ROYAL SON.
2. RUSSELL.
3. CHENILLE.

Second race, 1.5, Juvenile Handicap (Fillies), five furlongs:
1. BUNNY USHER.
2. ZAMALINE.
3. BUSBY.

Third race, 1.40, Stewards' Handicap ("B" Division), nine furlongs:
1. INCIDENT.
2. WAVE CREST.
3. DISTURB.

Fourth race, 2.15, Scottsville Handicap (Fourth Division), five furlongs:
1. SOLTOIR.
2. ADNIA.
3. SODA WATER.

Fifth race, 2.50, Juvenile Handicap (Colts and Geldings), five furlongs:
1. MANZEEN.
2. SAMARKAND.
3. BODIC.

Sixth race, 3.25, Stewards' Handicap ("A" Division), nine furlongs:
1. KAL.
2. NYLON QUEEN.
3. DESIGN.

Seventh race, 4.0, Scottsville Handicap (Second Division), five furlongs:
1. REGISTRATION.
2. ASCENSION.
3. POUND A WEEK.

Eighth race, 4.35, Scottsville Handicap (Third Division), five furlongs:
1. PEZULU.
2. VIGOROUS.
3. FIGHTING FIT.

Ninth race, 5.10, Scottsville Handicap (First Division), five furlongs:
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3. R.M.R.

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Mr. A. M. Sing, Mrs. Amar Sing and Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Sing, of Russell Street, Richmond, Natal, wish to thank all relatives and friends for their kind messages of sympathy and floral tributes sent to them during their recent sad bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Thiluk and family, of 4 Aster Place, Springfield, Durban, wish to thank all friends and relatives for their kind messages of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes sent in their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to Mr. R. H. Singh, of [illegible] Road, Mayville, Durban.

G. K. Pillay and family, of 16 Woods Drive, [illegible], wish to thank all friends and relatives for their kind messages of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes sent in their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to doctors and nursing staff of [illegible] Ward, Grey's Hospital.

OBITUARIES

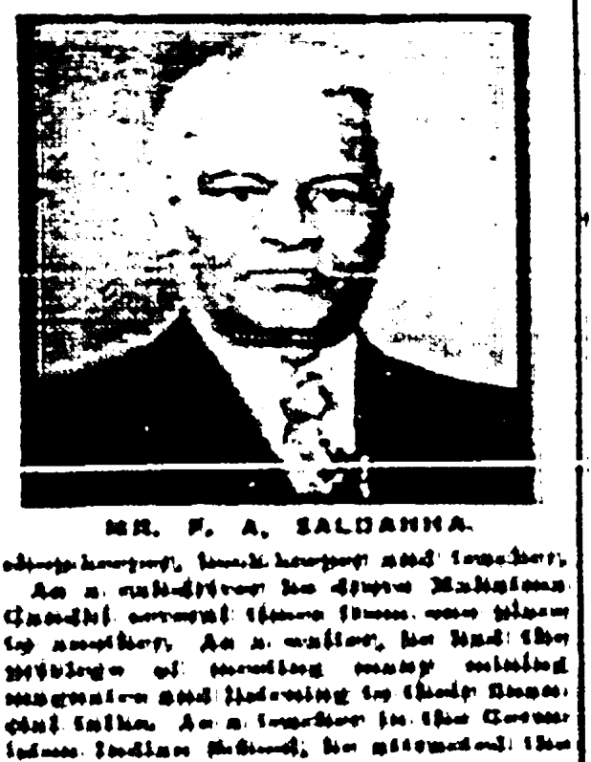
Mr. F. A. SALDANHA

Mr. F. A. Saldanha, of 29b 16th Street, Vrededorp, Johannesburg, died peacefully on Friday, March 14, deeply mourned by his loving wife, three sons and four daughters.

His remains were interred at the Brixton Cemetery on March 18, in the presence of a very large gathering of relatives and friends, including all sections of the Indian community and the Coloureds. The graveside speaker was Mr. P. S. Joshi, South African Indian author, a life-long friend of the deceased. Mr. Joshi paid an eloquent tribute to the qualities of head and heart of late Mr. Saldanha. He was a scholar, added the speaker, and a gentleman who belonged not to one faith but to humanity. His character was of the "purest ray serene".

Floral tributes were received from his beloved family and a large circle of friends.

The late Mr. Saldanha, a Maharashtrian by origin, was born on December 6, 1873, and landed at Durban on February 21, 1896, a year notorious for Natal [illegible] to disfranchise the Indians. Two months later he arrived in Johannesburg to spend fifty-six years of his life in varying occupations of a medical cab-driver,



MR. F. A. SALDANHA.

shop-keeper, book-keeper and teacher.

As a cab-driver he drove Mahatma Gandhi several times from one place to another. As a waiter, he had the privilege of meeting many [illegible]. As a teacher in the Government Indian School, he attracted the [illegible]. [illegible]

Mr. Saldanha was an [illegible] on Indian politics. [illegible] struggle for freedom from the [illegible]. [illegible] English, Hindustani, Marathi and Tamil.

He was, however, unassuming and retiring by nature, [illegible] in the public life of the Indian community. [illegible]

His eldest son, Mr. Joseph Saldanha, is the principal of the [illegible] Indian School.

Appreciation

Mr. and Mrs. Baijnath Singh (Jack), of 72 [illegible] Road, Clairwood, extend sincere thanks to all friends and relatives for their kind presence and gifts, both in cash and kind, sent on the occasion of the marriage of their only daughter, [illegible] Devi (Leela), to [illegible] Singh (Jack), of [illegible]. Special thanks to the officials and members of the Clairwood Hindu Seva Sangh and those friends who assisted in the reception and catering, and made the auspicious occasion a pleasant and happy one.

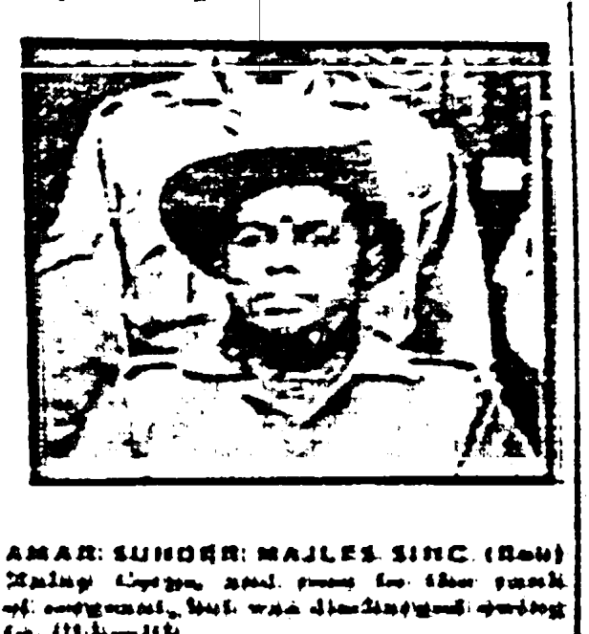
AMAR SUNDER MAJLES SING (Bob)

Mr. Amar Sing passed away peacefully, at his residence in Russell Street, Richmond, Natal, after a long illness, on March 20. He leaves behind his father, wife, brothers, sisters and nieces to mourn his loss. He was 42 years old.

Mr. Amar Sing, who had a most pleasant and happy disposition, had numerous friends throughout the country, and who will miss him greatly.

During the years that he was fit and well, the late Mr. Amar Sing took a very keen and active part in all social and political activities, not only of his own town, but for the Indian community of the whole country. He also took an active part in the affairs of the African community of Richmond District.

At the outbreak of the last war, he joined up in the African and



AMAR SUNDER MAJLES SING (Bob)

Malay Corps, and rose to the rank of sergeant, but was discharged owing to ill-health.

[illegible]

He was the most influential and active member of the Richmond Football Club, and held the position of president for many years. At the time of his death, he was a vice-president of the Richmond Football Club.

[illegible]

He was the secretary of the Natal Indian Congress (Richmond Branch), and later became secretary of the Natal Indian Organisation (Richmond Branch). In the Transvaal, he joined Dr. Y. Dadoo, and followed him through his activities.

For the past few years, the late Mr. Amar Sing had had to remain in bed, [illegible].

On Thursday afternoon at 3 p.m. he was laid to rest at the Richmond Cemetery in the presence of numerous relatives and friends from Natal and Transvaal. Numerous messages of sympathy and floral tributes were received.

Mr. Sookram Thiluk

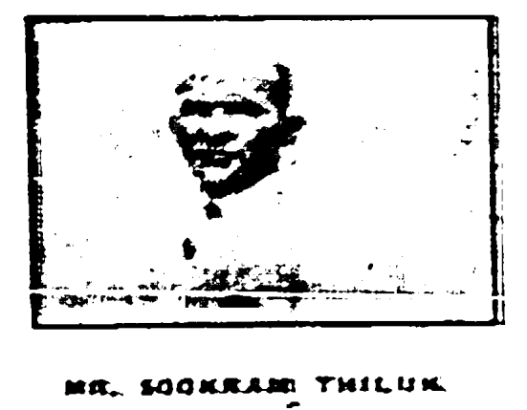
The death occurred of Mr. Sookram, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Thiluk and brother of Mr. T. Sewnarain of 4 Aster Place, Springfield, Durban, under tragic circumstances on March 26, at the age of [illegible] years.

The late Mr. Sookram was employed by the Durban North Dairies and was a member of the D.N. Dairies Employees' Social Club. Before being employed at the dairy, he was a bus driver for a number of years. He was a keen physical culturist.

His remains were interred at the Springfield Cemetery amidst a large gathering of friends and relatives.

The deceased leaves behind his sorrowing wife, six children, parents, brother and many friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

The following sent wreaths: Mum and Dad and family; Mr. and Mrs. K. [illegible] and family, Springfield; Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Singh and family, Sea Cow Lake; Mr. and Mrs. R. [illegible] and family, Puntan's Hill; Mr. and Mrs. K. Sweet and sons and family, Northdene; Mr. G. S. Maharaj and family, Puntan's Hill; Management and Staff, Singh's Mutton Market, and Singh's Cash Butchery, Durban; Chairman and Directors, Durban North Dairies; Patrons, President and Members, Durban North Dairy Employees' Social Club; European Staff, Durban North Dairies; G. [illegible] Bros., Springfield; [illegible] Singh's Mutton Market, Durban;

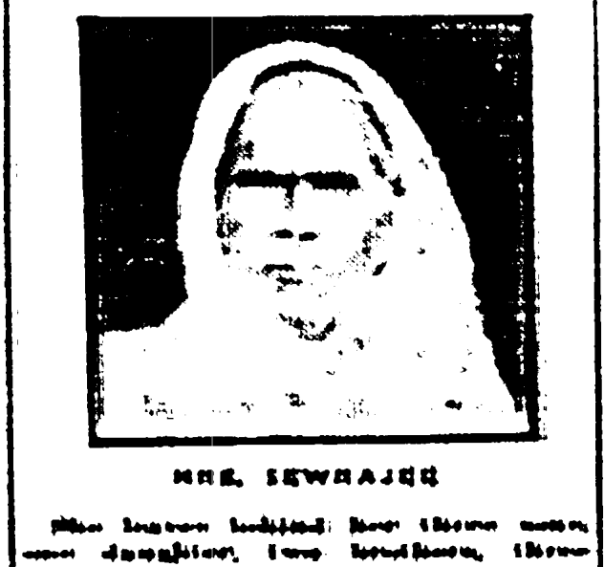


MR. SOOKRAM THILUK

Mr. D. D. Maharaj and family, Clare Estate; [illegible] and family, [illegible]; Mr. D. [illegible] Singh and family, Mayville; Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Singh and family, Sea Cow Lake; [illegible], Alpine Road, Springfield; [illegible] Supply Store and Tea Room; [illegible], Springfield; [illegible] and family, Springfield; Mrs. T. [illegible] and sons and family, Alpine Road; [illegible], Clare Estate; [illegible], Mayville; [illegible] and family, Sea Cow Lake; Mr. [illegible] and family, [illegible]; [illegible] and family; [illegible]; Principal, Staff and Children, Hindi Government-Aided Indian School, Springfield, and many others without names.

Mrs. Sewrajee

The death occurred under tragic circumstances on January 23 of Mrs. Sewrajee, of [illegible] Road, Newlands, Durban, at the age of 49 years. She was the sister of Mr. R. [illegible].



MRS. SEWRAJEE

She leaves behind her three sons, one daughter, two brothers, three sisters, and many friends and relatives to mourn their loss. Many floral tributes were received from friends and relatives.

DEATH OF CEYLON'S PRIME MINISTER

MR. DON SENANAYAKE

From Reuter to the Leader

COLOMBO.—The first Prime Minister of Ceylon, Mr. Don Stephen Senanayake, died from injuries received in a fall from his horse last week.

Mr. Senanayake, gentleman farmer turned nationalist leader, had led Ceylon's progress to independence within the Commonwealth.

He looked like a farmer—powerfully built, bluff, jovial and heavily moustached. He was famous as a young man for his strength and was a champion boxer and wrestler.

He was also the man of whom the Governor General of Ceylon, Lord Soulbury, said: "He is a statesman of judgment, sagacity and foresight."

Though he did so much to achieve Ceylon's independence within the Commonwealth, Senanayake did not enter politics until he was 42. And his career was made by a prison sentence.

Son of a well-to-do landowner, he was born in October 1884 and went to school at St. Thomas Church of England College. As a young man he joined in public life only as a temperance reformer—a conviction arising out of his staunch Buddhism.

In 1915 he was arrested with other prominent Singalese, after Moslem-Buddhist riots in Ceylon. He came out of jail after a short time to find himself overnight a national hero and took to the growing national independent movement.

At 42 he was elected to the legislative council and five years later, in 1931, became Minister for Agriculture and Lands and did much for the island's farming.

He held that post until in 1948, the crown colony achieved dominion status, when he became the first Prime Minister and Minister of Defence and External Affairs.

Saffron-robed Buddhist priests chanted religious texts at his sick-bed before his death.

His son, Mr. Dudley Senanayake, who is Minister of Agriculture and Lands, is his likely successor.

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THE QUEEN'S SYMPATHY

Queen Elizabeth today sent a message of sympathy to Ceylon on the death of the Prime Minister.

It read: "I have heard with sincere regret of the death of the Prime Minister who gave such long and devoted service to Ceylon. Please convey my deep sympathy to all the members of his family in their sad loss."

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~~ADDRESS NOT PRESENTED~~ A REMINDER TO TEACHERS

By "STILL GRATEFUL"

THE report appearing in your issue of March 14, under the title "The Address that was not Presented", of a sports meeting held in Maritzburg, makes interesting reading. Your report reminds me of another "Address that was not Presented."

When the Natal Teachers' Union was dissolved, of necessity, because the aided school teachers, after an incessant and militant struggle were recognised as employees of the Natal Provincial Administration, at a dissolution meeting at which I was present as a member of this body, the aided teachers were loud in their praise of the valiant efforts and unimpeachable leadership of Mr. S. Pandey, their president, and resolved unanimously to present him with an illuminated address.

This was some eight years ago. It is an address which, as far as I am aware, has not been presented.

Some of our sportsmen of Maritzburg have failed to show their spirit of sportsmanship by quibbling over the question of the cost of the address to be presented to Mr. S. M. Singh, a former president of the Natal Indian Football Association; but the attitude adopted by Mr. S. L. Singh at the meeting in Maritzburg should serve as a sharp reminder not only to the sportsmen concerned, but also to the Indian teachers concerned.

Mr. S. L. Singh is reported as saying: "But why? You had twenty-four months in which to get it done. As it stands it is scarcely in the dignity of this Association. If you want to present it, let it be a proper job." Whatever may be the reasons for the lapse of twenty-four months in this case, certainly in the case of the teachers concerned it was sheer forgetfulness.

I see no other reason, and "it is scarcely in the dignity" of us teachers that we have failed so miserably to fulfil our undertaking.

May I suggest, through your columns, that the teachers concerned get together and arrange for the tangible expression of our gratitude to Mr. Pandey, as previously decided, with due apologies to him for the inexcusable delay. I suggest that the members of the executive committee of the Natal Teachers' Union at the time of its dissolution, take the initiative in the matter. It is better late than never. I would like to hear the views of the other teachers concerned.

NURSES FROM INDIA

By T.K.R.

LATELY I read articles in your paper about bringing pilot nurses from India as an incentive to local girls.

I do not know why some of these local "big bugs" of the N.I.C. go yapping about a lot of things, and saying, "We'll do this, and we'll do that," yet nothing is done.

I'd like to know what is wrong with the girls who are now taking up nursing? Are they not setting an example or are they not eye openers to girls still at school and thinking about a career for themselves? Or are they not doing what they are told to do by their Sister Tutors?

Surely, if all these "big bugs" make up their minds and send their daughters or sisters to take up the profession, the hospitals will not run short of nurses, and there will be no need for India to send any over here to look after our sick. What are they doing? Just idling in their kitchens or going about flashing in bright colours and looking at what the few girls are now doing in some of the local hospitals?

Wake up, you "big shots." Send your girls in to take up nursing. Don't ask some one else to look after you, when you have some one under your own roof who can care for you.

MESSAGE OF THE KURAL

The Vishnu Temple, Magazine Barracks, was the scene of a large gathering of the congregation, which assembled to hear the teachings of the Saint Thiruvalluvar being expounded.

The services were under the auspices of the Prathna Kootam Magazine Barracks, and was presided over by Mr. M. Moothoosami, its chairman.

The Thirumurai Othuvaar Kootam was invited to discourse on the lofty teachings of the South Indian Saint, and these were expounded by Mr. V. Govindasamy Padiachy.

After the opening prayers, Mr. T. M. Naicker, president of the Devasthanum Committee of South Africa, impressed upon the necessity of regular prayer meetings and congratulated the officials on this spiritual urge.

The lecturer referred to the spiritual life of the great Saint and his purity. The Saint was instrumental in imparting to the world the essence of the Vedas. This was some 2,000 years ago and the 1,330 stanzas he had recited dealt with various aspects of human life.

They were non-sectarian and universal and suited to all climes. His utterances were translated in various languages and adorn all important libraries of the world. Rev. G. U. Pope, an eminent scholar, whose erudition in Oriental studies were so great that he paid the highest tribute to the Saint Thiruvalluvar and today his works enjoy a lofty place in the field of ethics.

The audience, which was overflowing, listened with rapt attention and the lecture was interspersed with hymns of the Saint by members of the Kootam.

Mr. A. D. Ponnusamy, the secretary of the Prathna Kootam, moved a vote of thanks to all those who contributed so nobly to the success of the occasion and especially to the Thirumurai Othuvaar Kootam, whose [illegible] found in the Hindus.

ANDHRA NEW YEAR

THE following is an English broadcast of an Andhra New Year message, in Telugu, delivered from Durban last Sunday, by Mr. S. N. C. Varadacharyulu:

"The unending revolution of the wheel of time is counted, calculated and divided in various forms by various peoples of this wide world.

"Among them the Andhras of Bharat have their New Year's day on March 26 this year. First day of the brighter fortnight of Chaitra month is the New Year's day for them. Andhras, wherever they may live, they follow the lunar system of calculating their calendar. We extend our New Year greetings to all Andhras living in this South Africa of ours.

"Salivahana era is followed in Andhra Province. The year 1873 of that era ends and 1874 begins on that day. But Andhras there, instead of Salivahana figures, use the names of the years from the cycle of sixty years beginning with Prabhava, in their every day practice. According to that practice the name of the New Year is "Nandana" which means "Giver of happiness."

"Human nature has a peculiarity. The thought of a brilliant future, itself keeps them happy in their present day life. Following that law of nature all Andhras look forth to see the whole world rejoicing in the New Year "Nandana."

"It is their belief in the Andhra Province that if one keeps himself happy on this New Year's day one would live happily right throughout the year. Therefore, we see them spending this day in happy celebrations with palatable dinners and entertainments, joining their friends and relatives.

"We all know that unless our fellowbeings are happy, we cannot be happy. This is the law of the Universe. It is our fervent prayer to God to let every one be happy in this New Year Nandana.

"Om Santi! Santih!"

CR. CHEEK PAYS TRIBUTE TO INDIAN LIFE SAVERS

AFTER a long period a successful dance was held at the Amphitheatre under the auspices of the Durban Indian Life Saving Club last week. It was no doubt a credit to both the dancers and the band.

The Pullen report on the function was: A well-directed crowd and a well-organised function.

Mr. A. S. Kajee, president of the Durban Indian Surf Life Saving Club, in welcoming Councillor Frank Cheek, said: "Councillor Cheek has always interested himself in the work of the Life Saving Clubs and is a staunch fighter on the City Council for better amenities for the Clubs.

"We are very proud that Councillor Cheek has always endeavoured to make the lot of the voluntary life savers a happy one," Mr. Kajee thereupon garlanded Cr. Frank Cheek amidst applause.

Cr. Frank Cheek, in his reply, paid a wonderful tribute to the Indian life savers for the part they had played in rescue activities after the tragedy that took place at the North Beach when a shark attack proved fatal on Mr. van den Berg. He also pointed out that the club placed an ambulance division of the Red Cross at his disposal during the height of the shark attacks when the City Council was unable to provide an ambulance. He urged the club to carry on with the good work and added that he would always have at heart the interests of the club.

In moving a vote of thanks, Mr. S. R. Singh pointed out that, in the humanitarian work the club was doing, distance and obstacles were no hindrance to them. "Whoever the call comes from, no matter who he may be, irrespective of caste, it is answered promptly and efficiently."

Quite a large number of European spectators, who paid their admission, were present to watch the Indians dance and to hear the band play. One particular gentleman, [illegible] said that he did not believe that Indians could play so well. [illegible] Europeans, for the first time, saw Indians doing ballroom dancing.

Railway Research

LUCKNOW.—A Research centre for Railways will shortly be established in Lucknow to carry on applied research in problems relating to wheels, rails and locomotives.

A sum of Rs. 1,800,000 (£135,000) is being spent on laboratory and other equipment.

PANDIT RISHI RAM'S RECORD

Pandit Rishi Ram, international lecturer on Indian culture and philosophy, completed a record by delivering no less than forty-five speeches within three weeks of his recent stay in the Transvaal. Since 1927 when Mrs. Sarojini Naidu visited South Africa, no other Indian lecturer had been inundated with so many invitations to address their particular bodies and had spoken at more than two meetings a day.

The Pandit not only talked to the Hindus, but to the Muslims, Africans and Europeans as well. He was the guest of many an Indian and European home, where he gave learned discourses on the subject of human life with special reference to contributions to world thought by outstanding giants of India such as Mahatma Gandhi, Rabindranath Tagore, Aurobindo Ghosh and others.

He also had the privilege of addressing topmost officials of the African National Congress and the Transvaal Indian Congress. Many Europeans were attracted by his personality and his eloquence, one woman going so far as to state that if she knew of his Cape Town programme, she would fly there to hear his words of wisdom.

Pandit Rishi Ram has commenced his tour of the Cape, and had reached Cape Town on Tuesday, for a ten-day tour. His present plans are to return to Durban in April and thereafter visit Rhodesia in the first or second week of May.

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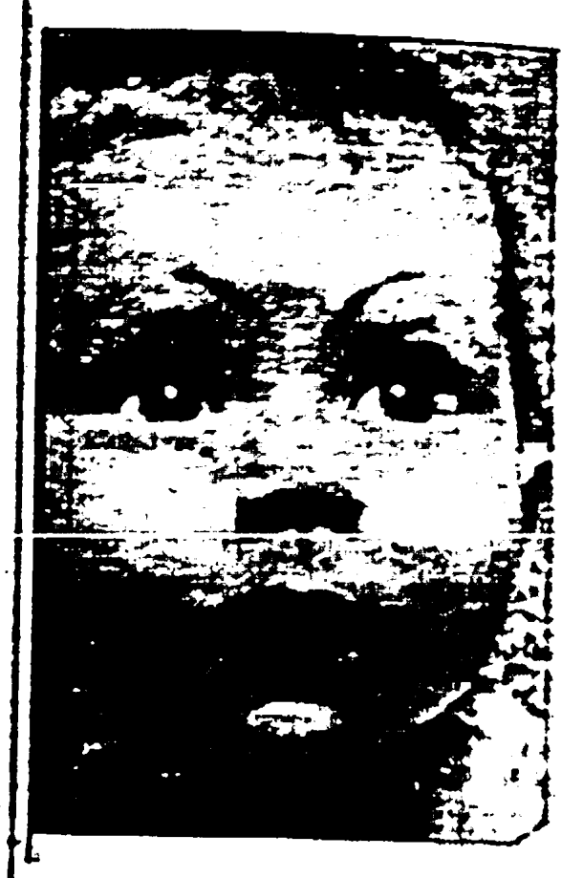

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CONFIDENCE TRICKSTERS BUSY IN DURBAN

By a "Leader" Reporter

SOMEBODY "in the know"—a person who had served time and was now going straight—told a "Leader" reporter about the causes of the various types of crime and vice indulged in by the growing number of Durban's non-European criminals, who are today presenting a headache and a problem to social workers and police authorities.

The "Leader" reporter also bumped into a gang of cheats who were operating in broad daylight in a Durban street.

WITH lunch time fast approaching, and my stomach crying with hunger, I slipped out of the office and wended my way through a quiet looking street leading to a friend's flat where I was invited to lunch, writes a "Leader" reporter. As I took the first bend my attention was immediately attracted by a few fellows gathered around something on the pavement ahead of me.

As I approached I sensed some form of gambling going on, such as the dice or a card game. But I was mistaken. A not-too-well dressed man, unshaven (which suggested a shortage of razor blades) and bloodshot eyes, was manoeuvring three crown tops with deft fingers. With a quickness-of-the-hand-deceives-the-eye touch he flicked and juggled about with the tops a small silver ball.

When he finished pushing them about expertly, he asked those standing around him to bet on the crown top under which the small silver ball eventually was.

"I bet no better the sky is the limit," he declared in a seemingly well rehearsed tone, and added, bringing no signs of humour, "Come with a wheelbarrow and go back in an aeroplane."

As I continued to get closer to satisfy my curiosity, two fellows graciously made way for me (later when I began to put two and two together I was firmly of the opinion that they had not been so wonderfully kind because it happened to be the much publicised courtesy week).

PROSPECTIVE CLIENT

THE fellow who was the focus of attention looked up at me, and perceived at a glance that I was a prospective client or shall I say "victim." "You're on Mister," he said. "Take a bet," he invited. I nodded and appeared to be taken in.

A few more people gathered, while this "game" proceeded. Of the half-a-dozen spectators, two seemed to be particularly interested. Each lost a game and from half-crowns, crisp ten-bob notes began to make an appearance from these two shady looking characters. One fool got interested, won a few shillings, and before he knew where he was, his pocket was minus fifteen shillings. Obviously he failed to determine that he was not only dealing with a clever gambler, but an expert swindler. He suddenly realised he had an appointment and left in a hurry.

Having stood there for about fifteen minutes and observed carefully, I got to know the setup and what a cleverly organised racket it was, made to order, particularly for the unsuspecting, who thought of investing a few shillings in return for big money.

When I started to move, I was confronted with a "Aren't you going to bet?"

"Yes," I replied, "I'm coming back shortly, I'm going to borrow some money." As I moved, another also made to follow towards the opposite direction, and there were only four left. Before I came to the next bend, I looked round to see the fellow who was running the show and his three accomplices walking away together. "Just as I figured . . ." I thought to myself.

ORGANISED RACKET

I PUT this question to another down-and-out fellow whom I saw approaching. He said that in some cases the Indians worked with Africans. While an African ran the show two or three Indians and Africans stood by to show they were taking part (obviously with money of the "club"). Later, to remove any semblance of suspicion, and to show that everything was "dead right" as he described, two or three other accomplices would stroll in later one by one from different directions, also become interested and begin to participate in the game. Unsuspecting persons thinking that everything was on the level, also interested themselves and found in the end to have proved costly.

Sometimes, when it became obvious to a client that he had been cheated (especially when big money was involved), he would naturally make a row, and when he did he was soon beaten up and disposed of, quickly and efficiently. One other thing—the more the merrier. As a big crowd gathered, it provided an excellent opportunity for pickpockets who sometimes worked in a team.

If a fellow did win quite a lot of money, he would be prevented from leaving quickly, as it was considered "unfair." There were many ways in which to create trouble in which the person concerned would suddenly find himself involved for no reason at all. In the end he would be bereft of his cash and beaten up. It was in fact dangerous for anybody to get mixed up in that sort of thing in any way. There could be no doubt that these people also carried dangerous weapons.

It is also common these days to encounter won't-works who confront you with a give us a "mante" or a bob, or near the bioscopes in the town or suburbs for "bus fare." If you look well dressed—sufficient indication to be in possession of money—and happen to refuse, you run the risk of being a "marked man" or beaten up.

Sometimes the person approached is threatened with violence before the question is put to him. The more timid ones are far too much afraid to adopt that line of action, they plead to you for "bus or train fare" or with "I haven't eaten in days."

HOW THEY WORKED

PARTICULARLY the gang of cheats and gamblers who were in the "big time" had their look-outs (who came in for a cut from the profits) posted at vantage points to give a prearranged signal when policemen approached so that they could scatter quickly and appear as if nothing had happened.

It is also understood that some of these fellows have been operating for such a long period that they got to know the plainclothes policemen and quickly stop the game when they see them approaching.

The gang would not consider it advisable to stick to one particular spot for a long period of time as there was always that danger of things getting "hot"—as they would quite easily find another happy hunting ground. As far as they themselves were concerned they would break it up with some pretext when it was convenient and a good haul had been made. This kind of "game" is quite prevalent in Durban.

When I asked my informer what he attributed these things to, he replied, "Gambling—various forms of it—is a disease, and if you're not careful it gets you, whether you're rich or poor. These games with makeshift arrangements is indulged in by fellows who are unemployed, and if a fellow is unemployed, he has to use his wits to live.

NO OUTLET

"MOST of these fellows cannot fit themselves in any other jobs besides factory jobs, manual and unskilled labour, and an "attitude" simply because they have not been brought up in a good environment and have not had the privilege of receiving a decent education. Apart from this, there is yet another type who has "served time" and there is no other avenue of employment open to him except to indulge in gambling and peddling drugs.

"This is no doubt an easy way in which to "earn a living" especially when he meets with initial success. An unemployed guy "battles" around and sooner or later—if he is not careful—he gets mixed up with the bad element, under whose influence he ultimately becomes. In the case of Coloureds he finds dealing in liquor as a "smaller" or "runner" and supplying to Indians and Africans a profitable — sometimes lucrative — trade.

"If he finds all these lines undesirable he either gets into a gang or plays a lone hand and tries his hand at what you call "theft," of which there are various types. There are the kind of undesirable characters which also try molesting girls, and in all probability attempt blackmail."

"Say," I continued, "where did you get all this from?"

"Brother," he explained, "I am in the know. I've studied and analysed the position, because I was in the same racket myself . . ." he added. "I have served time, and am now going straight."

"Thanks pal," I said and began to move on, realising that by now I had missed lunch, and it was time to get back to the office.

But he called back, "By the way, what's your racket, Mister?"

You bet I didn't tell him I was a newspaperman . . .

MUNICIPAL LIBRARIAN FROM INDIA

By "The Leader" Reporter

THE new librarian of the Non-European Municipal Library at Brook Street, Mr. C. W. S. Pakes, told me this week that he had stayed in India for ten years, and as a result of his close contact with the Indian people of that country he was in sympathy with the Indians in South Africa. "Within about three years," he said, "this library would compare with any of its kind in the land."

MR. PAKES, I found, is already interested in the library's progress, and is out to make it one of the finest in South Africa. "This is the job I always wanted to do, and I am feeling very much at home here," he said.

Mr. Pakes had served in the Army for ten years in India, and settled in South Africa. In 1939 he joined the Durban Corporation and filled various positions, until finally he was put in charge of the non-European library last month.

Remarking on the reading tastes, Mr. Pakes asserted that books in all branches were in demand. Biography, fiction, non-fiction and books on psychology always left the book shelves.

Surprisingly enough, the juvenile membership of the library has that 30 per cent. of the books issued every week are from the juvenile section. It is encouraging to learn that children are taking an interest in the library. Another shelf of juvenile books has been added to the existing shelf, and Mr. Pakes is anxious to curtain this section from the main library.

SECOND-HAND BOOKS

It is understood that the second-hand books in the library are not rejects from the main library as was stated in the "Leader" recently. I am told that most of the books have been donated, and that the only rejects on the shelves are those from the days of the mobile library—and these, too, are negligible. The Army and Navy lists, referred to in our recent article, are now said to be not for issue and still belong to the main library. These books have been only kept on the shelves in the non-European library as a temporary measure due to pressure on space in the Main Library. These books would be soon removed.

The other books the "Leader" had referred to as Municipal rejects, are now denied as such. They are said to be second-hand books sent to various schools on request, under the Carnegie award.

I was also given to understand that after a long unblemished record, some of the books in the sports' section have been now deprived of their pictures. The cricket books especially seemed to have suffered at the hands of some ruthless reader(s). About nine pictures were torn off from one book. Black sheep are incidentally found in any community of race.

The membership of the library now stands at around 3,500-4,000 as against 1,500 a few months ago.

MAKING INDIA LITERATE

From our own Correspondent

NEW DELHI.—Dr. Frank C. Laubach, who is described as "the world's greatest mass educator," is here trying to popularise his "lightning literacy" system.

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INDIAN FILMS

From our own Correspondent

NEW DELHI.—Documentaries produced by the Indian Government are now being used on the television circuits of U.K., U.S.A. and France.

Indian documentaries will in future be seen in Indonesia, East Africa, Mauritius, Madagascar, the Federated Malay States and the West Indies. These will be distributed through commercial channels.

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In Memoriam

M. DAVID.—In cherished remembrance of my dearly loved husband, M. David (late Gerry's Studio), who passed away peacefully four years ago, and was called to higher service on March 29, 1948.
His life a beautiful memory,
His absence a deep sorrow.
Ever remembered by his loving wife, Muniama, children, Jerry, Polly, Raymond and Harold and family.
(Inserted by his brother-in-law, S. A. Philip Bros., 119 Clayton Road, Sydenham, Durban.)

TOMMY HYMAN (Armugam).—In loving memory of my beloved husband, Tommy Hyman, who peacefully passed away on May 27, 1951, at Umkomaas.
As this ends the first sad year,
A beautiful memory, dearer than gold,
The happy memories of the past days when we were together,
Of one we loved and will never forget,
As this day comes my heart aches,
But God loved you best and I could do nothing better
Than to offer my prayer to rest you in peace.
We shall meet again.
Ever remembered by his loving wife, Palaniama, of [illegible], Umkomaas.

C. YELLAN.—In loving memory of C. Yellan, beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. Chellan, and grandson of Mrs. and the late Mr. Coopen, of Maitland Park, Tongaat.
A precious from us has gone,
A voice we loved is still;
A place is vacant in our home,
Which could never be filled.
(Inserted by Mr. Chellan, Maitland Park, Tongaat, Natal.)

RAMPERSADH (Ram).—In loving memory of my beloved husband and our dear son, Ram, who died in hospital on March 23, 1951.
This is the day of remembrance,
A day of sad regrets;
Time when we will always remember.
When the rest of the world forgets,
Years may go and time may fly,
Every leaf may fade and die,
And every thing [illegible] may echo
Forget you Ram we will never.
Dearly loved and sadly missed by his loving wife, children and friends.
(Inserted by his son, [illegible], of [illegible].)

PERUMAL.—In treasured memory of dear husband and our loving father, who passed away on March 28, 19[illegible].
This is the day of remembrance,
As this ends the seventh sad year,
For days you had suffered pain,
Till at last God said, "A lovelier flower,
On earth was never seen;
This child I to myself will take,
He shall be mine, and I will make
A saint of my own."
Ever remembered by his loving wife, children, Chin, Muniamah, Chinna, [illegible], Daddy; daughters-in-law, [illegible]; and grandsons, [illegible], Town View, Stanger.

SOODHOO.—In treasured memory of my beloved husband and our dear dad, Rughbeer Soodhoo, who passed away peacefully on March 28, 19[illegible].
Somewhere beyond life's journey,
Our darling dad waits,
To welcome all who loved him,
Within the Golden Gates.
A loving dad only lent,
One of the best God ever sent,
A cheerful smile, a heart of gold,
The dearest dad the world can hold,
Unknown to the world he stands at our side,
And whispers these words—
He loves dear, death cannot divide.
Ever remembered by his loving wife, sons, Bob, Roys and Mickey and families, 107 Warwick Avenue, Durban.

NAIDOO.—In loving memory of my dear son, brother and brother-in-law, N. R. Naidoo (Valla), who passed away on March 28, 1949.
As this ends the third sad year,
In our hearts, you're always near,
Hearts which loved you will never forget;
Not just today, but everyday,
In silence we remember,
Always true, unselfish and kind,
Few in this world are equal to find.
Always remembered by his father, N. Naidoo; brother-in-law, [illegible]; Father; brothers and sisters, 188 Pine Road, Roseburgh.

THOMAS.—In treasured memory of my dear husband, Anthony (Chin), who passed away on March 28, 1947.
Saved in the memory,
Silently kept;
Of the one I loved and
Will never forget.
[illegible] by his wife, Parvathie.

EDWARD.—In loving memory of our dear mentor, Edward J. Govindsamy, who passed away on March 31, 1950.
As this ends the second year,
In our hearts you are near,
Memories of the happy days
When we were all together,
A light has gone from our ground,
Deep in our hearts is a book,
More precious than silver or gold,
May God grant your eternal rest.
Ever remembered by his pupils, S. P. Reddy, K. Soobramoney, Gopal Nair, T. Soobramoney and A. P. Pillay.

[illegible].—In loving memory of my dear wife and our darling mother, who fell asleep on April 1, 19[illegible].
Four sad years have passed,
Our hearts are still sore,
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Always remembered by her heart-broken husband and children, 37 Cousins Place, Mayville.

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THE VERDICT

THE refusal of the Prime Minister, Dr. D. F. Malan, to abide by the judgement of the Appellate Division on the Coloured Voters appeal has staggered the Indian people. It is true that the fight is between the United Party and the Nationalist Party, but we should not lose sight of the fact that if the Courts are prevented from adjudging whether a legislation is good or bad, the Indian people would be the chief sufferers.

Both in the Transvaal and in Natal the non-European people have always regarded the Supreme Court as the bastion against any attempt by the authorities to diminish their rights. The United Party's fight to prevent the Government from interfering with the rights of the Courts is to be highly commended. For, it means a great deal, for, once the Courts are made subservient to the Government, then the sheet anchor on which we had all along pinned our faith and trust would be lost for ever.

Both the Transvaal and the Natal Provincial Divisions of the Supreme Court of South Africa contain many judgements which have declared many laws ultra vires and what is more the Judges, in many instances, have been outspoken in condemning any action by the authorities to legislate or administrate against the non-European because of his colour. The Transvaal Province has so many restrictive laws that it required all the ingenuity of the Indian to tread warily. Withal the Transvaal Supreme Court has never wavered at any time to decide against the Government if it found that the non-European was being discriminated against.

If Dr. Malan achieves his object then it would not be long before the Provincial Councils and local authorities follow suit. Here in Natal the Indian has always to be on the alert lest some ordinance or municipal bylaw affecting the interests of the non-European are rushed through. At the present moment we could look to the Supreme Court for succour. Hence forth, the Union Parliament receives autocratic powers. Such powers could be used against the non-European people indiscriminately.

We have not forgotten the two Acts that were passed by the Natal Legislature in 1908. These two legislations were vested with powers to cancel every Indian licence within 10 years. Fortunately for us the British Cabinet vetoed the Acts. The Indian people have to watch every step that the Government takes. This is no time for complacency.

"S.A. INDIAN WHO'S WHO"

Owing to the Editor's illness there has been quite a considerable delay in publication. Arrangements, however, have been made to continue publication. But how long that will take is not yet final.

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S.A. INDIAN QUESTION: PAK. LEAVES IT TO U.N.

Sapa-Reuter to "The Leader"

KARACHI: The Pakistan Foreign Minister, Sir Zafrullah Khan, said in Karachi that the Pakistan protest to the South African Government against the enforcement of the Group Areas Act in the case of Pakistanis had produced no effect.

The Government had not considered it necessary to take any further steps to bring about a speedy solution of the problem, as the matter was already receiving United Nations attention, he said.

A NEW YORK message states, according to reliable sources, at the United Nations, that the Secretary-General, Mr. Trygve Lie, was wondering whether his intervention in the dispute about the treatment of people of "Indian origin" in South Africa was necessary.

By a resolution adopted on January 12 in Paris, the General Assembly held that the South African Government policy of apartheid was based on racial discrimination and decided:

1. That within 60 days of the adoption of the resolution—by March 12—two representatives should be appointed, one by South Africa, and the other by India and Pakistan, to form the nucleus of a three-man commission for negotiations.

2. That these two members should nominate the third representative. If there was no agreement within a "reasonable time" the third member was to be nominated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

If there were no nominations within 60 days the Secretary-General should "lend his assistance."

During the interval it was reported that there was correspondence between the parties and that South Africa was ready to hold talks but not under the Assembly resolution, and would not suspend the Group Areas Act as requested in the resolution.

It is believed that there will soon be consultations between the Secretary-General and the delegations concerned, after which Mr. Lie will decide whether or not to act under the resolution.

"S.A. CANNOT SUBMIT"

According to a S.A.P.A. message from Capetown the Union Government has informed the United Nations Organisation that while it cannot submit to the terms of a resolution passed by the General Assembly as a basis for negotiations with the Governments of Pakistan and India, it is still prepared to hold a round-table conference where representatives of those countries to examine all ways and means of settling the Indian question in South Africa.

This was revealed when the Department of External Affairs released for publication the exchange of telegrams between the Union Government and the Governments of India and Pakistan, and a copy of a letter sent to the Secretary-General of the United Nations Organisation.

The letter said: "Although the Union Government considers the resolution unacceptable and continues to maintain that the matter is outside the competence of the United Nations, it wishes once again to make clear that it adheres to the proposals for the holding of a round-table conference which were agreed upon at the conclusion of talks among representatives of the three Governments in Cape Town in February, 1950."

The letter stated that the three Governments had accepted the principle that the round-table conference and the discussions that would obtain would not involve any departure from or prejudice to the standpoint of the respective governments in regard to the question of domestic jurisdiction.

"The Union Government continues to be prepared to participate in a round-table conference with India and Pakistan on the basis of this formula which allows the widest freedom of discussion to all parties without any further condition.

The Union Government had not changed its attitude since the formula for the talks was agreed upon and had so stated before the General Assembly of the United Nations Organisation, and elsewhere. But such negotiations must be on the basis of the Capetown talks.

NO USEFUL PURPOSE

The Government of India has written to the United Nations Organisation stating that in view of South Africa's attitude, no useful purpose would be served in appointing representatives from India and Pakistan to sit on the UN three-member commission, as adopted in the General Assembly resolution, as a means of finding a solution to the problem of Indians in South Africa.

The Indian Government informed the Secretary-General on March 27 last year that it could not agree to resume negotiations with South Africa on the basis of the Capetown talks.

Under the terms of the resolution of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General of the United Nations has the power to appoint an individual, after consulting with South Africa, India and Pakistan to provide assistance for the purpose of facilitating the conduct of the proposed negotiations, if the countries concerned fail to appoint their representatives.

The Secretary-General is also empowered "to call upon the Government of South Africa to suspend the implementation or enforcement of the provisions of the Group Areas Act pending the conclusion of the negotiations."

The question may be included in the agenda of the next regular session of the General Assembly at the discretion of the Secretary-General.

From our own Correspondent

NEW DELHI: The Government of India will build a five million candlepower lighthouse at Dolphin's Nose near the eastern port of Vizagapatam.

REORGANISE CONGRESS

Sapa-Reuter to The Leader

CALCUTTA.—The Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, President of the Indian National Congress — the government party — called upon the congress today to reorganise itself into a disciplined unit so that it might successfully discharge its chief responsibility of strengthening India.

Addressing the first meeting of the All-India Congress Committee, the policy-making body of congress, after India's first general election, Mr. Nehru said no other party than congress could shoulder the responsibility of administration and of leading the country to strength and plenty.

The committee unanimously passed a resolution dedicating congress to the establishment of a "co-operative commonwealth" in India based on equality of opportunity, political, economic and social rights and world peace and fellowship.

It sought the introduction of social and economic equality without disturbing political stability and continuity.

FOREIGN POLICY APPROVED

The All-India Congress Committee — the policy-making body of India's national congress ruling party, unanimously approved the foreign policy of the Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru.

INDIANS URGED TO STUDY ARABIC

BOMBAY: The study of modern Arabic language was of "urgent national importance" to India, Mr. A. A. Fyzee, former Indian Ambassador to Egypt, said here.

"Eighty million people speak Arabic at present and they are friends of India. India should hence have a sufficient number of scholars and diplomats to understand the culture of those peoples" he told the Royal Asiatic Society.

Indians could easily learn Arabic because of a great deal of infiltration of Arabic words into the country's languages, he added.

Courts' Verdict: Victory for the Forces of Peace

A VICTORY for constitutional methods in achieving political progress was the comment of the South African Indian Organisation, when it welcomed the decision of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court on the Separate Representation of Voters Act.

MR. P. R. PATHER, Joint Honorary General Secretary of the South African Indian Organisation in a statement to the Press, said that —

"The South African Indian community welcomes the decision of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court on the Separate Representation of Voter's Act. This probably is the most important decision in the history of Race Relations in South Africa and its repercussions will be felt throughout the country.

"This victory of the forces of concord and peace in this fair land has done much to allay the fears of the Indian people. It has revitalised those among them who believe that the solution of their difficulties in this country can only be achieved through constitutional methods.

"The South African Indian Organisation regrets the refusal of the Prime Minister to accept the verdict of the Highest Court of the land. Instead he is preparing to launch the country into a bitter constitutional wrangle which will shake its very foundations.

"We humbly appeal to Dr. Malan and Mr. Havenga to rise above the rung of petty politicians and to reconsider the policy of the Government on the question of non-European representation in the legislature of the country. Any attempt to interfere or deviate from the Court's findings will overflow the cup of bitterness and none can foretell what the consequences would be.

"It behoves the non-Europeans to deport themselves with dignity and not to allow themselves to be led into any extremes in this hour of joy. The South African Indian Organisation will ever continue to work for the harmonious relations between all the sections of the population of South Africa."

The Vote Case Decision

"The Appellate Divisions decision on the Votes case is welcomed by the entire Indian community of Natal, for besides upholding the rule of law it has further enhanced in the eyes of democratic Europeans and non-Europeans alike, the already high reputation of the highest judicial tribunal of our land.

"To the non-European people, however, the slogan "Defend the Constitution" can have no real meaning as long as the very South Africa Act entrenches racial discrimination by denying them their legitimate democratic right of direct access to Parliament on a basis of complete equality: today the Indian people of South Africa are completely voiceless in the affairs of the country.

"We, however, appreciate that at this critical stage in the history of South Africa the Nationalist Government has been forcefully made to realise that it cannot proceed with its policy of introducing apartheid measures with complete disregard to the method adopted and without the feeling of the people taken into account.

"This decision of the Appellate Division places a duty on the Nationalists to resign from office, and if harmony is to be maintained in our multi-racial society, then the government that should succeed it should express the true will of the eleven million people of South Africa."

From our own Correspondent

NEW DELHI: Indian coal mines have been fitted with a new system of safety alarm and breathing apparatus.

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RAILWAY PASSENGERS STATE DIFFICULTIES

AFTER repeated requests to the Durban Indian Bus Owners' Association, the Non-European Railway Passengers' Welfare Association reports that they have made no move to improve the deplorable conditions which exist in some of the buses.

After receiving many complaints from various bus passengers, the association took up the matter with the secretary of the Bus Owners' Association.

The association appointed Messrs. G. Dennis, J. Bugwandeen and K. G. Khan to take up the matter.

In outlining the many difficulties, Mr. Dennis said that the intermediate passengers were greatly inconvenienced during the morning and at peak hours. To ease the position, he suggested to the secretary to authorise his association, if possible, to carry no standing passengers from the Durban Indian bus terminus and the same to apply to [illegible].

"The behaviour of certain conductors is deplorable," he said. "It's quite obvious that these buses do not carry short-tempered passengers, otherwise there might have been trouble. They should therefore at all times use proper language and be polite. A certain bus carried three to four conductors and all of them were without uniforms at times. Sometimes there was only one conductor who had his uniform and badge number on."

RACE DAYS

Particularly on race days Mr. G. C. Dennis strongly protested against the idea of certain conductors who always give the passengers wrong information, by saying "This is a non-stop bus to the race course," and thus dismissing the orderly, [illegible] passengers from their respective queues.

"These passengers are mainly from Clairwood South area and sometimes they are forced to pay sixpence fare or get out, whereas on weekdays they only pay three pence. But now it is understood, through the medium of the secretary that the position of the fares is such that every passenger who travels beyond Clairmont Hotel is liable to pay another three pence, irrespective of their destination."

SMOKING ON DUTY

The welfare organisation strongly objected to the habits of certain Indian and African conductors smoking while collecting fares and an appeal was made to the secretary of the Bus Owners' Association to try and stop this annoying habit.

The secretary of the Bus Owners' Association was very pleased in receiving the delegation of the Non-European Welfare Association. He fully assured them that he would establish improved conditions in the near future.

PULLMAN BUS SEATS

Having received many complaints from various pullman bus passengers regarding the uncomfortable seats they are forced to use, the life president and adviser of the Non-European Railway Passengers' Welfare Association, Mr. J. Jarbandhan, felt it was his duty to travel in one of these buses personally. He thus found the seating accommodation was uncomfortable according to the complaints which he had received.

An immediate step was taken to have an interview with the clerk of the Administration regarding the seats. The response from the Administration was excellent.

The association received a letter from the Administration inviting Mr. Jarbandhan to the Road Transport Office at the [illegible], near the Alice Street Bridge, for further discussion.

The president gave them an idea as to how the seating accommodation should be altered. The Railway Administration altered these seats according to this suggestion.

Immediately after the seats were altered Mr. Jarbandhan and Mr. G. C. Dennis were invited to inspect the [illegible]. After a careful examination, both these officials found the accommodation of the seats to be satisfactory.

TRAIN SERVICE

The association has made representations to the Railway Administration, Durban, for extra train service along South Coast, Main Line, North Coast and Bluff.

These extra trains are required to cope with the rush period during the mornings and evenings. At present the normal trains are overcrowded, passengers have to stand in the corridors of the coaches.

Mr. Johnny Bugwandeen, secretary, told "The Leader" that the non-European passengers along the suburban routes have doubled along every station, especially new [illegible] of industrial workers from all parts of Natal travelling by trains which is economical.

The association has also requested better seating facilities at stations for passengers.

INDIA IS "FASCINATING"

From our own Correspondent

CALCUTTA: Miss Colleen Courtney, 24-year-old Canadian artist, who arrived here last September as a tourist, finds India "so fascinating that I will settle down in the country."

Miss Courtney's water-colour studies are on show at the Artistry House in Calcutta. Having spent a number of years in the United States and Mexico, her paintings have a Mexican background.

The artist said that she would join the Bratachari Gram, a social welfare project, and help in the resettlement of displaced persons. She is interested in yoga and writing. "I am working on a novel which I expect to complete in about twenty years as a "masterpiece" in literature," she told newsmen.

"New Look" Buses

From our own Correspondent

BOMBAY: Bombay, which claims to possess the best suburban transport network in India, has ordered for a fleet of "new look" buses with provision for "standing passengers."

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Progress of Atomic Research In India Described

NEW DELHI: A glimpse into the research being carried on under a veil of secrecy by India's Atomic Energy Commission is given by the annual report of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Scientific Research.

THE work ranges from the survey of rare minerals to the setting up of factories for the processing monazite sands and production of rare earths under the supervision of the Commission to enable it to continue its work on problems in nuclear sciences; it also includes the training of scientific workers and the financing of research schemes connected with its work in the various laboratories throughout India.

A one-million volt generator for the production of neutrons ordered by the Atomic Commission is expected to reach Bombay in August this year. The Commission has already purchased a radium-beryllium neutron source for quantitative atomic energy.

During 1951-52 the commission continued its work aiming at the production and development of atomic energy, according to the report.

A FAILING

The Atomic Energy Commission has now completed plans for setting up a factory for processing monazite sands in India. It is expected to go into production shortly and will produce rare earth compounds, trisodium phosphate, and crude thorium hydroxide. The factory will be capable of producing mixed rare earth compounds equivalent to about [illegible] tons of rare earth oxide.

Another factory for the production of uranium and thorium bearing compounds is shortly to be set up. The raw materials used by the factory will be uranium bearing ores, located by the Rare Minerals Survey Unit of the Commission and thorium-bearing residues of Indian Rare Earths, Ltd., at Alwaye in Travancore—in South India.

India has so far been importing thorium, cerium, and other rare earths required in various industries such as the gas mantle industry and metallurgical operations for the manufacture of flints, aluminium base alloys, etc.

The Commission's Rare Minerals Survey Unit continued during the year to explore India's resources of atomic energy minerals such as uranium, thorium, beryllium, monazite sands, etc. Survey teams are at present working at selected places in the country. The survey has discovered "large" deposits of uranium and new sources of beryl in the country. The stocks of beryl have been considerably increased as a result of these discoveries. Beryl is used in the production of alloys in munitions and aircraft.

RESEARCH SCHEME

The Commission which has its headquarters in Bombay financed and supervised twenty-four research schemes relevant to its work throughout India last year. At the Bombay Institute scientific workers are being trained for the permanent establishment of an Atomic Energy Commission. Besides, teams of selected workers are under instruction in nuclear physics, instrumentation, design and construction on the use of mass spectrometer and counter tubes. They are also working on the use of photographic techniques for nuclear research work.

The Atomic Energy Commission is in touch with similar organisations in other countries.

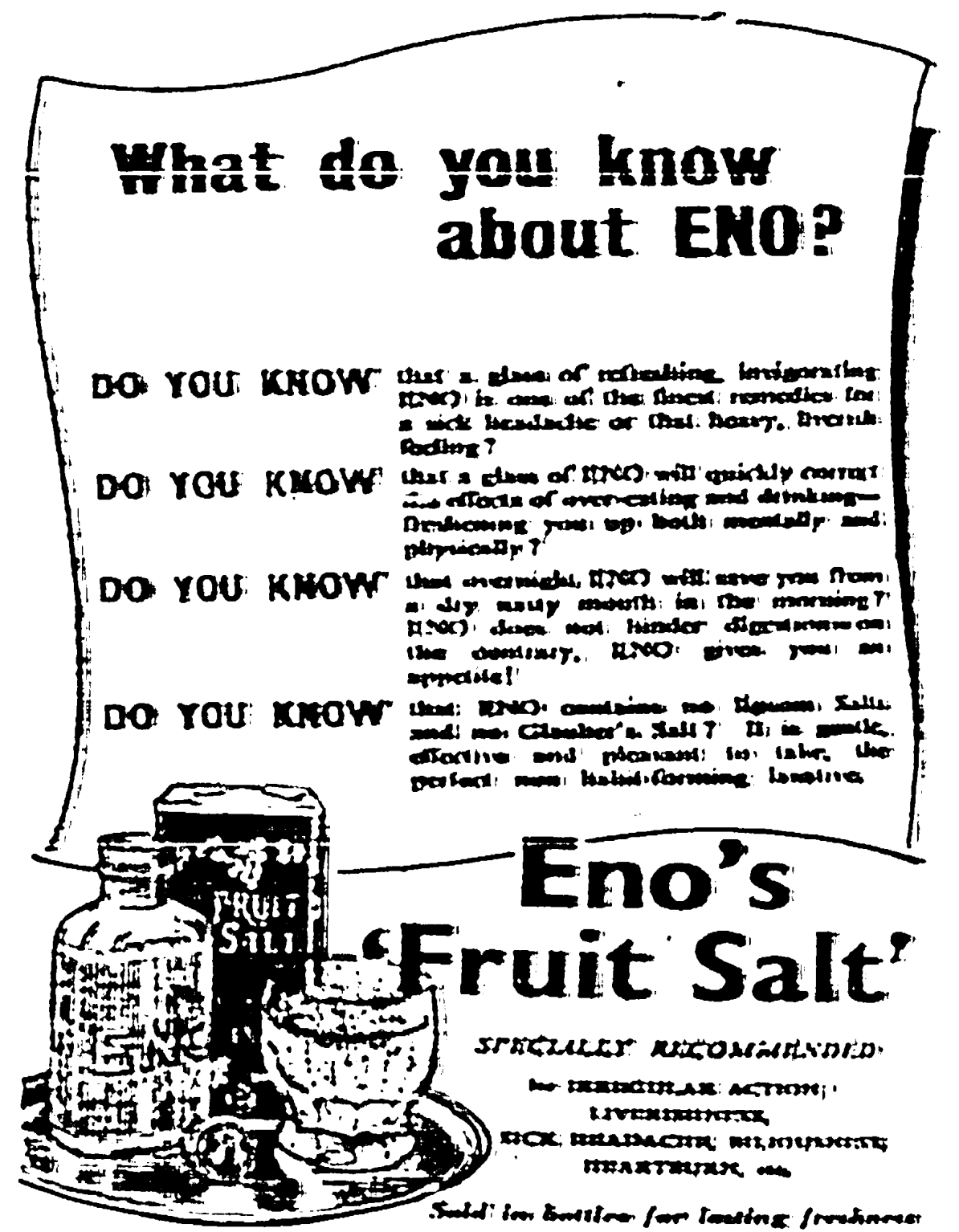
FIRST MUSLIM WOMAN TEACHER

MISS HAFEEZA MOOSA, of [illegible] Clairwood Road, Durban, is the first [illegible] (Gujerati speaking) Moslem girl to gain the Natal Teacher's Junior Certificate. She passed the examination at the Indian Girls High School and though receiving an appointment at the [illegible] Girls School, she has been unable to accept it.

Miss Moosa has a good scholastic career to her credit. Born a South African, she took her Bombay Matriculation in India and thereafter did a two years "Home and Social Culture" course which included First Aid, Home nursing, Mothercraft, Cooking, Housecraft, English, [illegible], Ancient Indian Culture, Elementary Psychology and Handicrafts among other subjects.

She then entered college and did her first year intermediate with a view to graduating in arts later. Unfortunately, her studies were interrupted when it became necessary for her to return to South Africa.

Though unable to teach in a government school, Miss Moosa still retains her ambition to teach. She has been busy equipping part of her large house as a school, with desks and blackboards and hopes to start a private school soon for infants, dressmaking and literary courses for women.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MY DEAR CHILDREN,

For a long time, the mystery of bats i.e. those creatures you see flying about during the night [illegible], had confused scientists. The question of bats moving about in the dark without being assisted by the sense of sight and their going away when winter approaches are two mysteries of the ways of bats, and scientists have given their suggestions which might not be true.

During the night you would notice that these creatures could move about in a room without striking any obstacle in its way. An experiment in this connection was carried out: a room was fixed with black cotton threads at various spots, and it was found that the bats flew about without touching the cotton threads. And it was proved beyond doubt that the sense of sight played no part, nor did the sense of smell and that of hearing. How then could the bat feel its way? The answer suggested is that they have hairs on their bodies and wings, and these are sensitive to touch.

Now we come to the other mystery. Why do bats sleep away (or hibernate) in winter? Some people state that these creatures have nothing to feed on in winter (they usually eat worms), and hence the reason for their long, long sleep. Some people on the other hand say that the cold drives the bats into hibernation (sleeping in winter).

Well, you could accept any of the two reasons or both. Or perhaps you might have some suggestions, in which case Chachajan would be glad to hear of them.

One last word before I dismiss the subject of bats from our column this week: remember that these creatures are harmless. Good news to most of you, I am sure.

QUIZ CORNER

BELOW are some historical names and famous statements attached to them. Can you tell who said them . . .

(1) Let us eat and drink; for tomorrow we shall die—The Bible, Omar Khayyam, Roosevelt.

(2) All men are great in their dreams — Shakespeare, Lewis Carol, Sigmund Freud.

(3) A thing of beauty is a joy forever—Keats, Arnold, Wordsworth.

(4) Never put off till tomorrow what you can do today—Roosevelt, Shakespeare, Lord Chesterfield.

(Answers Next Week)

NARGIS

NARGIS, born on June 1, 1929, at Calcutta, is the daughter of the celebrated songstress and India's first lady producer, Jaddan Bai. Nargis hit the headlines in Mehboob's "Taqdeer"—her first stellar undertaking but not her first picture.

Her real name is Fatima Rashid and she has appeared in her mother's pictures — "Madame Fashion" and "Talash-e-Haq"—under the screen name of Baby Rani.

She was then sent to school and was still taking her course in Senior Cambridge when Mehboob starred her in "Taqdeer" where she scored an unique triumph.

Soon after her success in her initial screen venture she was cast in the stellar roles of not less than six pictures at a time — "Anban," "Humayun," "[illegible]," "Ismat," and "[illegible]," and she had quite justified her selection, and has presently starred in the title role of Prabhat's "Nargis." Besides being a good actress, she is good at dancing and singing too.

PEN FRIENDS' CORNER

THE following is a list of names in our Pen Friends' Corner for this week:—

D. M. Singh (16), of 78 Horse Shoe Road, Clairwood, would like to have pen pals from any part of the world. Interests: songs, cinema, and sports.

C. Arnasalem (14), of 120 Firwood Road, Red Hill, Durban, desires pen friends from the Union and overseas. Interests: stamp collecting, reading and soccer.

D. W. Mahomed (15), 254 Dunbar Road, Mayville, Durban, desires pen pals from any part of the world. Interests: classic comics, sports, especially boxing, soccer and cricket.

Teenagers Column

HELLO TEENAGERS,

Our topic for discussion this week is the "Atom Bomb, the harnessing of atomic power and the structure of the atom." I shall try to acquaint you as far as possible on how the atomic bomb has been created and how it generally works. So without further ado . . .

ATOMIC POWER

The Atom Bomb! Those words must have registered in your minds, as soon as caption "atomic power" confronted you. And I don't blame you for feeling that way, for the atom bomb and atomic power have now become synonymous terms as far as scientists are concerned.

The average American, too, has imbibed this idea of similarity, and the Yank has not given much thought of harnessing atomic power for the good of mankind (and I don't mean the Atom Bomb!) Well here again, the balance could be ascribed to the warmad scientists on both sides of the Atlantic.

Research in the "improvement" of the atomic bomb is going apace both in America and in the U.S.S.R. The latter seems to be a bit or should I say wholly reticent about her discoveries in the atomic field. In America, atomic bombs would now be mass produced. The Hanford Engineer Works, for instance is one of the three United States plants where atomic bombs are being produced.

Incidentally, in the U.S. the atom bomb was perfected in 1945, and a test was carried out in New Mexico's uninhabited region — and the explosion was felt within a radius of 250 miles. The tragedy of Hiroshima is still a reminder to us of the deadly power of the atom bomb. When an atom bomb was dropped in that Japanese city, the only survivors, it was said, was the mayor and his family. Others who survived the catastrophe, soon died of atomic radiation in the body.

But people wouldn't learn. We shall look forward to that day when the harnessing of atomic power is an accomplished fact.

Let us now look into the structure of the atom and wherein its power lies . . .

THE ATOM

The success of the atom bomb could be attributed to three factors or discoveries (the discovery of the nucleus in the centre of the atom, the detection of the neutron, and the splitting of the atom.

Now matter of any kind is made up of atoms, and it takes about a billion atoms to form a round of matter the size of an ordinary marble (this is a rough analogy.)

Each atom has the following structure: in the centre is the nucleus charged with electricity, and carrying the whole weight of the atom. Around the nucleus is an orbit like that of the solar system, and this orbit that runs around the nucleus is also charged with electricity. The nucleus, incidentally, varies with different types of chemical elements) and one type of atom might vary in weight with another. For instance, the uranium atom is about 238 times heavier than the hydrogen atom; the former is used for the construction of the atom bomb.

The breaking of the atom in 1919 was accomplished, when a light nucleus was shot at a heavier one and they merged, then dividing into two. In 1932, Sir James Chadwick discovered the neutron. The previous discovery of hitting one nucleus at another had its disadvantages, since both were electrically charged and often repelled each other. The neutron, on the other hand, had no electric charge, and it was not a difficult matter to hit a neutron into a nucleus where both quickly merged, and then split.

The experimenting of Professor Hahn of Berlin in 1938 of the action of neutrons on uranium and its division into two equal parts was the first step towards the making of the atomic bomb.

When the atom of the uranium divides, or to be more exact, bursts, several neutrons and two nuclei are released. These neutrons collide with other atoms and so help the latter to break up. They in turn release neutrons and the process continues, until energy is built up and an explosion is created.

That is far as the we go. Now don't you get ideas and try to experiment!

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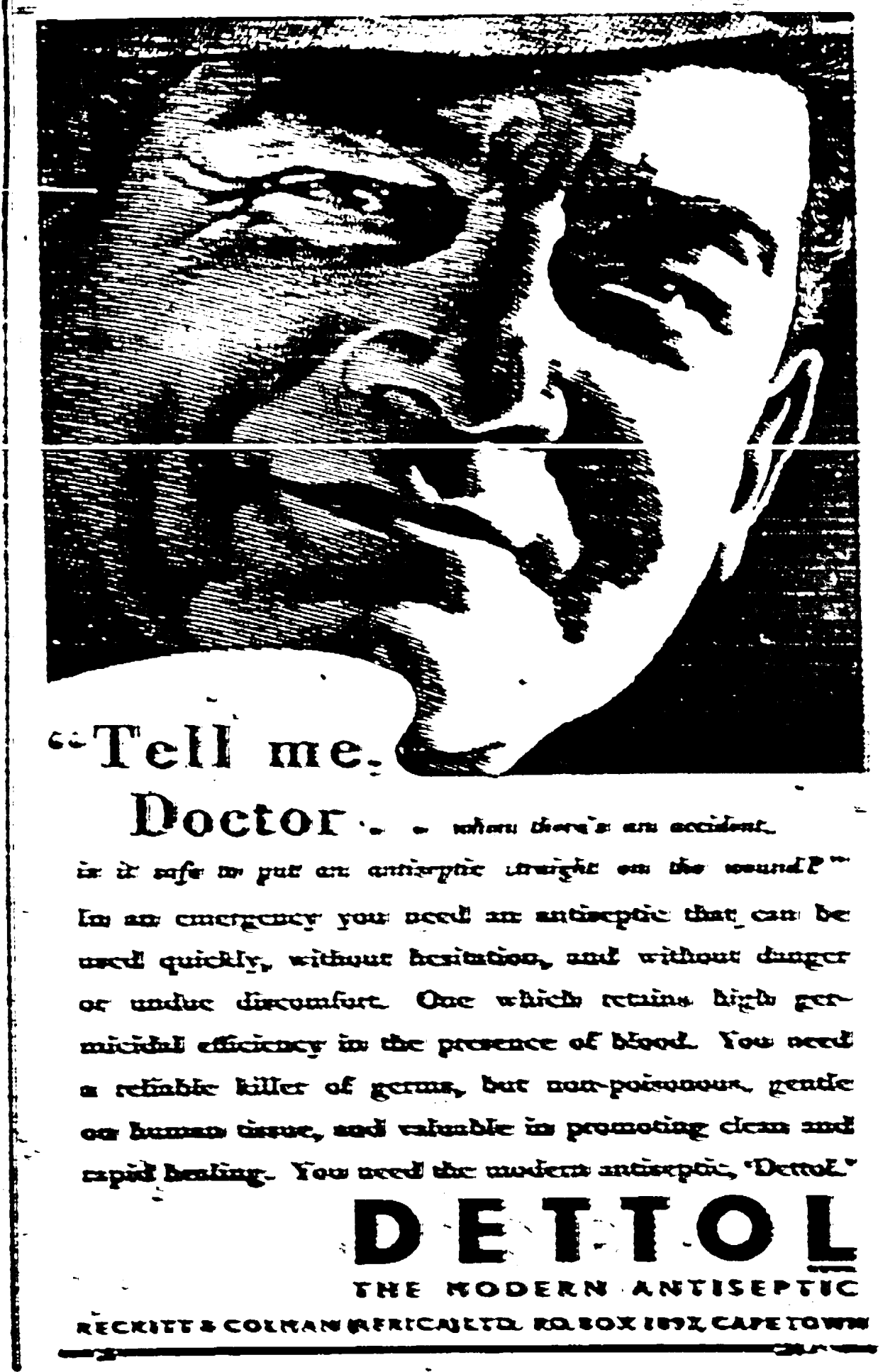
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The players who will make the trip are:

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H. R. Adhikari (vice-captain)
D. G. Phadkar.
P. R. Umrigar.
P. Sen.
C. D. Gopinath.
P. Roy.
N. Chowdhury.
G. S. Ramchand.
H. G. Gaekwad.
M. K. Mantri.
S. G. Shinde.
C. T. Sarwate.
R. V. Divecha.
V. L. Manjrekar.
Gulam Ahmed.
D. K. Gaekwad.

The Board of Control originally intended sending only sixteen men, but decided later to send seventeen.

The three players who toured England in 1946 are Vijay Hazare, Shinde, a leg-break bowler, and Sarwate, an all-rounder.

In addition Ramesh Divecha, a fast bowler, gained experience of English conditions when playing for Oxford University, Oxfordshire, and Northamptonshire, and Dattu Phadkar was coached in England by Alf Gover.

Notable absentees are Vinoo Mankad, whose left-arm spinners gained him 34 wickets in the recent test series against the M.C.C. and Lala Amarnath and Vijay Merchant, former test captains.

Mankad has signed to play for Haslingden in the Lancashire League. He announced recently that he would not be available.

This team is the youngest Indian side ever to tour—the average age is 26. The oldest man in the side is the captain, Vijay Hazare, while Vinoo Manjrekar, who is 20, is the "baby" of the side.

Four tests of five days each will be played—at Leeds, Lords, Manchester, and the Oval. There will be 21 three-day fixtures and five two-day games.

England won the best-of-three test series against India in 1946 and honours were even on the recent England tour of India, each side winning one match with three games drawn.

TISSONG READY FOR ANKARAH

[illegible]

ACES HAVE A SURPRISE TEAM

AT the annual meeting of the Aces Football Club (affiliated to the Durban Indian Football Association) last week, there was a big attendance of officials and members. Aces were winners of Tandree's Cup, the D.I.F.A. [illegible]

Mr. Pat Subraven who was secretary of the club for the past five years, was elected as president. Mr. Rob Bahadur retired after being manager for five successive years, and in his place Mr. Daddy Naidoo was elected. Mr. Naidoo said that Aces had a "surprise team" this year, and hoped to offer strong competition.

OFFICIALS

The following officials were elected: Hon. life vice-presidents, Messrs. [illegible] Thomas; patrons, Messrs. Ismail Kajee, Gopaul Naidoo, M. W. Daniels.

MR. PAT SUBRAYEN.

[illegible]

MAHARAJ REGAINS NATAL TENNIS TITLE AFTER 3 HOUR BATTLE

MR. CHOTA ESSOP

Mr. Chota Essop, a keen young sportsman, who was elected as president of the Young Aces F.C. (another year in succession). He is also president of the Lake City Lads F.C. and honorary secretary of the Durban Indian Sunday League.

MR. DADDY NAIDOO.

[illegible]

THE NATAL CHAMPIONSHIP TENNIS FINALS IN THE "A" AND "B" DIVISIONS WERE PLAYED AT THE SASTRI COLLEGE COURTS ON SUNDAY BEFORE A VERY LARGE GATHERING.

In the "A" Division Singles Championship, S. S. Maharaj defeated Ismail Randeree after a duel of three hours in the gruelling heat, the match going to five sets.

S. S. Maharaj and S. Jaynath annexed the Natal doubles title when they beat Sunny Rughbeer and Benny Soolayal, 6—4, 6—3, 6—3.

[illegible]

DETAIL RESULTS

[illegible]

"B" DIVISION SINGLES.

[illegible]

S. S. MAHARAJ

[illegible]

SPRINGS "BLUES" F.C. OFFICIALS

[illegible]

Tops for QUALITY

Durban Leagues are Interesting as Season Draws to Close

BOTH the first and second division leagues in Durban are in an interesting position as the season draws to a close. In the race for honours, clubs on top are sticking close to each other and jockeying for position.

It is therefore certain that if the keen competition continues as it now does, interest and enthusiasm will be maintained to the very end of the series in both sections.

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WEEKEND GAMES.

[illegible]

SECOND DIVISION.

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FIXTURES ON HOME AND AWAY SYSTEM DRAWN

S.A. Soccer Body Wants to Affiliate With World Federation

AT a meeting of the South African Soccer Federation—in which is affiliated the S.A. Indian, African and Coloured Soccer Associations—held last week, it was agreed that the S.A. Soccer Federation affiliate with the World Soccer Federation.

But before doing so it was decided to write to the S.A.F.A. (European) and enquire if they are prepared to join or link up with the Federation. In the event of a negative reply, the Secretary was instructed to contact the World Soccer Federation.

AFTER considering the arrangements on fixtures for 1952, the following fixtures and details were unanimously agreed upon:

[illegible]

DECISIONS

[illegible]

COLOURS AND DESIGNS

[illegible]

Split in Natal Coloured Soccer

"The Leader" Staff Reporter

MARITZBURG.—Speculation is rife in local soccer circles as to the [illegible]

SOUTH COAST SOCCER BEGINS ON SUNDAY

[illegible]

HARRY HITS 100 AT MAYVILLE

[illegible]

TABLE TENNIS

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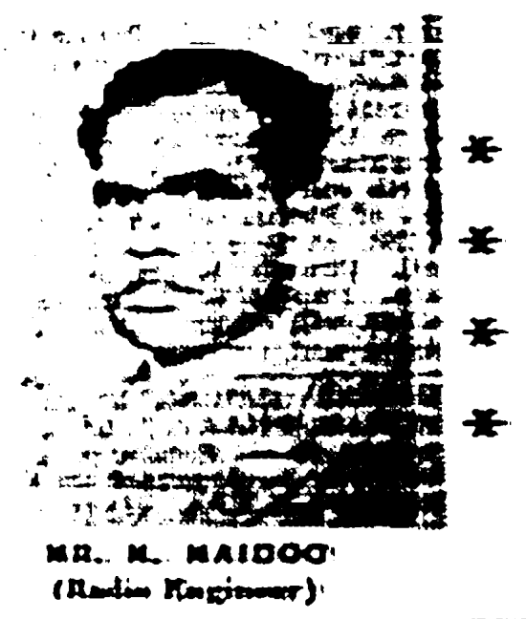
PARKHILL IN FINAL

LADYSMITH. — Parkhill of Ladysmith, holders of the Natal Cup, [illegible]



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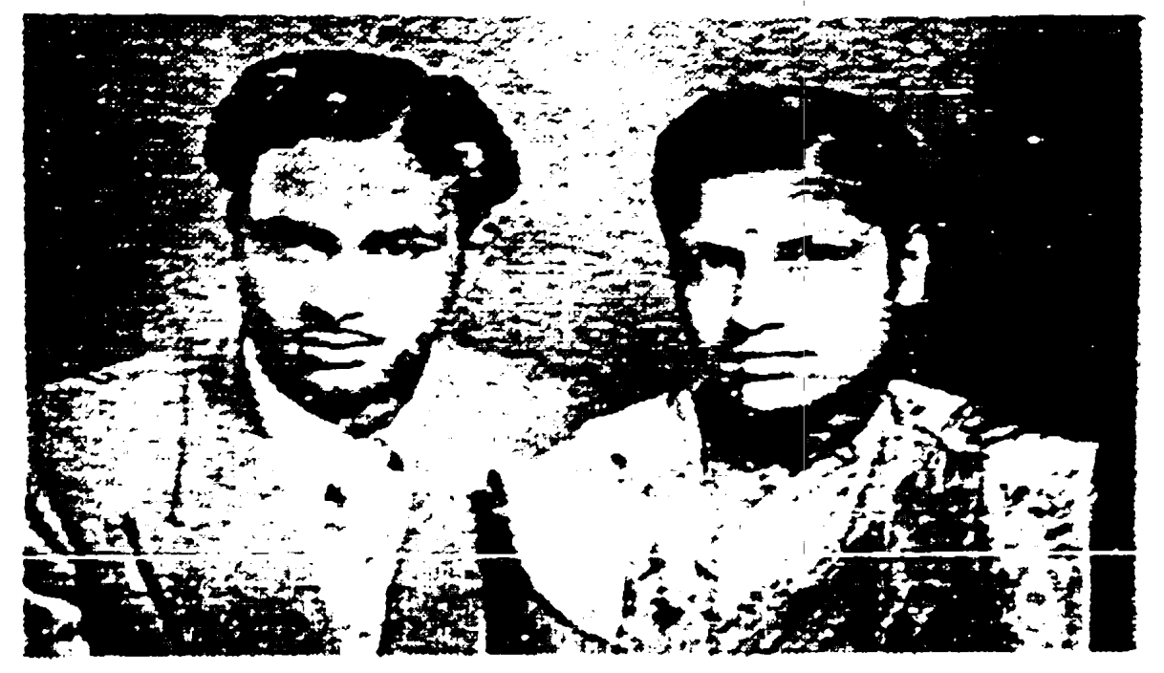

GOVENDER—MOODLEY WEDDING. The marriage of Angamuthoo (Angel), eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Govender, of 41 Gaulhama Road, Mayville, to Nagarulhnam (Amey), second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Moodley, of 25 Euston Road, Clairwood, will take place on Sunday, March 30, at Patel's Hall, 71 Prince Edward Street, Durban. Nuptial ceremony from 10 to 11.30 a.m. Friends and relatives are requested to accept this as a personal invitation.

GOVENDER—GOVENDER WEDDING. The marriage of Marimuthoo (Billy), second son of Mr. and the late Mrs. Sally Govender, of Abraham's Farm, Kelso Junction, to Govindammall, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Madurey Govender, of Wentworth, will take place at the bridegroom's residence on Sunday, March 30, at 10.30 a.m. Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend.

NAYAGER—GOVENDER WEDDING. The marriage of Narainsamy (Vincent), second son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Moonsamy Nayager (David), of 27 Derwent Road, Wentworth, to Sumburunam (Baby), eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Manicham Govender, of Lingam Road, Wentworth, will take place at the bridegroom's residence, 27 Derwent Road, Wentworth, on Sunday, March 30. Nuptial ceremony from 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. Friends and relatives are requested to accept this as a personal invitation.

RHEUMATISM?

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BIRTH CONTROL

From our own Correspondent

MYSORE: Women of Mysore, India's progressive southwestern state, have suggested a tax on large families as part of the national campaign for birth control.

Mrs. Sarojamma Reddy, wife of Mysore's Chief Minister, said at a women's conference here that families with more than four children should be taxed "if the campaign should be effective." The conference adopted her resolution urging complete equality for men and women in educational, political and social affairs of the state.

The World Health Organisation is helping India in her campaign for family planning, which is however in the "persuasion and advice" stage.

AMICA THAVI, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kista Reddy, of 227 Bullery Road, Durban North, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Reddy, who will celebrate her first birthday at Rose Hill on Sunday, March 30. Friends and relatives are requested to attend.

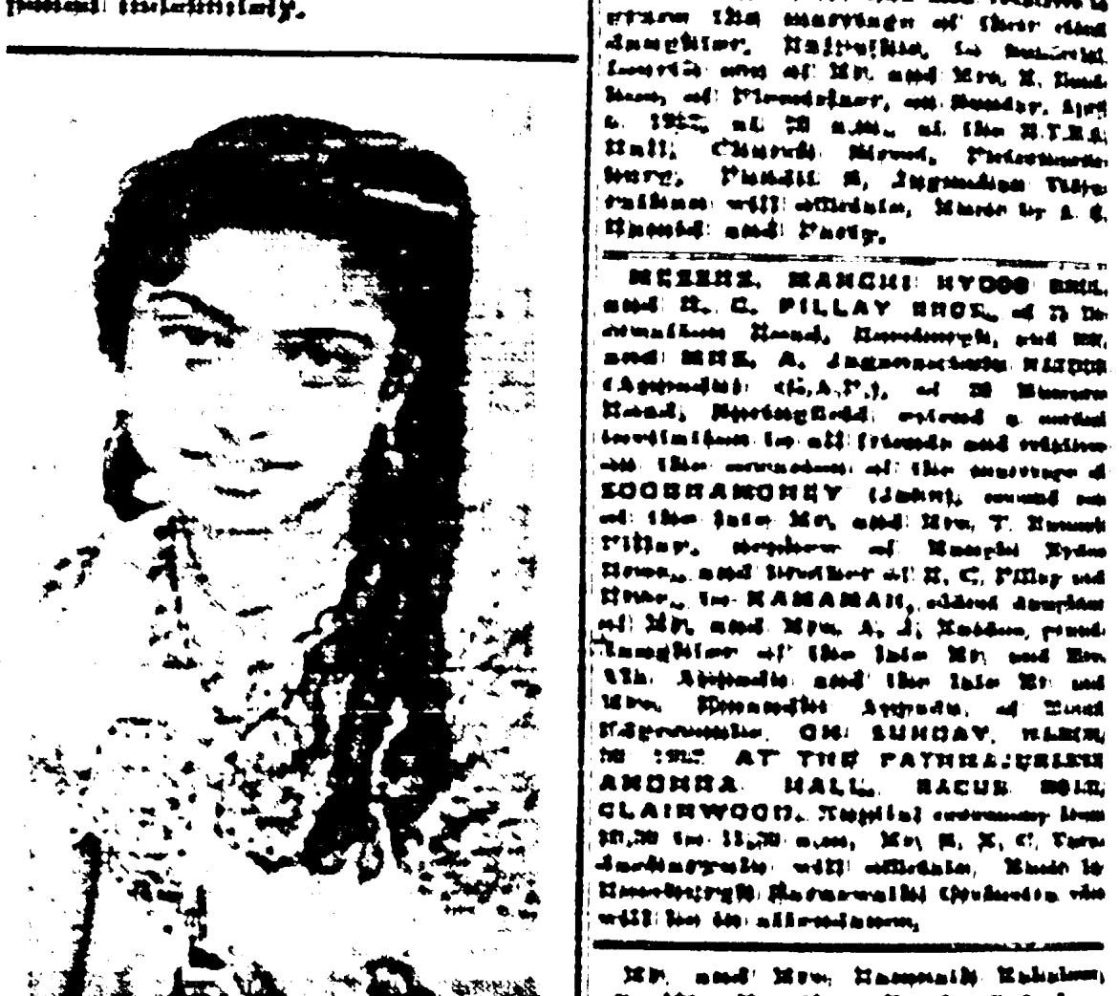
SUBAISHNI, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nadasen Raymond Govender, of Ocean View Private Hotel, Winklespruit, South Coast, and granddaughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Kalla Govender, of 171 Shale Road, Clairwood; and Mr. and Mrs. D. Naicker, of Umzinto, who celebrated her first birthday on March 9, 1952.

Mr. James John, of Dundee, formerly of [illegible], spent two weeks holiday in Durban, where he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Simon.

Mr. and Mrs. [illegible], of [illegible], Durban, will be leaving for Cape Town on holiday by the Orange Express on Friday, March 28. They will return by the Pretoria Castle on April 13.

POSTPONED WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. A. Rooknie (A. B. Harry) of 469 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg, desire to inform their relatives and friends that owing to illness, the marriage of their youngest daughter, [illegible], to Hansraj has been postponed indefinitely.



PUCKREEAMAN, eldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ramiah Naidoo, of [illegible], Transvaal (now residing at the residence of her uncle, Mr. Soobramoney Govender, of 16 Alpine Road, Springfield, Durban), who celebrated her seventeenth birthday on March 21, 1952.

Wedding Invitation

Mr. and Mrs. G. Naidoo, of 12 Paramount Road, Sea View, Durban, and Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Naidoo, of 72 Topham Road, Pietermaritzburg, and Mr. Kuppu Rajah and Mrs. K. T. Rajah, of 562 Longmarket Street, Pietermaritzburg, extend a cordial invitation to all relatives and friends on the occasion of the marriage of Swaminathan Thanga, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Naidoo and nephew of Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Naidoo, to [illegible] Ammal, youngest daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. K. T. Rajah and granddaughter of Mr. Kuppu Rajah, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Naidoo, 72 Topham Road, Pietermaritzburg, on Sunday, March 30, 1952. Nuptial ceremony from 10.00 to 11.30 a.m. Compliments from relatives of bride and bridegroom's party.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Rooknie (A. B. Harry), of 469 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg, extend a most cordial invitation to friends and relatives to grace the marriage of their eldest daughter, [illegible], to [illegible], fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible], of [illegible], on Sunday, April 6, 1952, at 10 a.m., at the S.T.E.S. Hall, Church Street, Pietermaritzburg. Pundit R. Jugmohan [illegible] will officiate. Music by [illegible] and Party.

MESSRS. MANCHI NYDOO BROS. and R. C. PILLAY BROS., of 72 [illegible] Road, [illegible], and MR. and MRS. A. Jagannathulu NAIDOO (Appadu) (G.A.P.), of 20 [illegible] Road, Springfield, extend a cordial invitation to all friends and relatives on the occasion of the marriage of SOOBRAMONEY (John), second son of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. Munchi Pillay, nephew of Manchi Nydoo Bros., and brother of R. C. Pillay and Bros., to RAMAMAH, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Naidoo, granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Vth. Appadu and the late Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Appadu, of [illegible]. ON SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 1952 AT THE [illegible] ANDHRA HALL, [illegible] ROAD, CLAIRWOOD. Nuptial ceremony from 10.30 to 11.30 a.m. [illegible] will officiate. [illegible] will be in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Hammaih Mahabeer, of 131 Hamilton Road, Sydenham, Durban, will highly appreciate the presence of all friends and relatives at the marriage of [illegible], third daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. Hammaih Mahabeer, to [illegible] Balgobind, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Balgobind Mahilall, on Sunday, April 6, 1952, commencing at 10.30 a.m., at the [illegible] Road Government Aided Indian School, [illegible] Road, off Randles Road, Sydenham.

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Durban's new Bud in the musical world, who will appear as Junior Tyagaraja in the Sydenham Andhra Sabha's presentation of "Shri Tyagaraja Swami," in Telugu, to be staged at the Mayville Theatre, on Sunday, May 4, 1952.

Nottingham Road Wedding

The Nottingham Road School Hall was the scene of a popular wedding on March 16. Guests from the Transvaal and Natal gathered to be present at the marriage of Mr. [illegible] H. Hassen, of Nottingham Road, to Miss Zohra Bibi M. Ebrahim, formerly of India.

The Nikah ceremony was performed by Sayed Shafiuddin [illegible], of Durban, after which Moulana [illegible] Hanif [illegible], of [illegible] Muslim Society, spoke on the significance of matrimony.

After presenting an address to the bridegroom, Mr. J. A. Frank, president of the Nottingham Road Parents-Teachers' Association, complimented Mr. [illegible] on the good work he is doing for the association. He extended good wishes to the married couple. Children from many [illegible] recited congratulatory poems.

The early guests were entertained on Saturday evening with Quwali songs by Mehboob and Party, of Nottingham Road.

Mr. S. E. [illegible] was the M.C.

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INDIANS' PLEA TO SERVE AS "BACK ROOM-BOY"

Want to do Their Bit For the Country

YOUNG South African Indians in South Africa feel that they too have a measure of contribution to make towards scientific research in this country. Today there is a great shortage of European "back-room-boys." Here the Indian, as part of this country, is of the opinion that he must add his quota to meet the Union's requirement. At the request of "The Leader," our leading educationalists discuss the subject.

MR. A. D. LAZARUS, M.A. (Yale), Principal of Sastri College, and President of the Natal Indian Teachers' Society, said: "Our own problem is pretty well known that there are no outlets besides teaching. A few students go on for medicine, one or two go in for law after Matriculation. The University of Natal does not offer science courses, so the only post Matriculation course up to the moment is B.A. and B.Com., both done without a science subject.

"Because of the peculiar set-up, industry—however much it might want such a thing—is chary about accepting men of colour in its research departments. Even the Government is not encouraging the Indian to take up some field of study in a branch of science where he might be used for the advantage of the country. So we are reaching the position where the Universities are turning out B.A.'s, and a few B.Com's, who, if they are not absorbed in the teaching profession, are not going to be able to earn a living commensurate with their academic status. This naturally accentuates the problem of a frustrated minority group.

"One or two industries have been looking for matriculated youths whom they would have to train as laboratory assistants, because these lads have no knowledge of any science beyond biology. I cannot see this [illegible] by industry for matriculated Indian students [illegible] annually.

"Even if I were to encourage these young men to go overseas and enter some field of scientific research, I should only be leading them up a cul-de-sac, because there would certainly be no employment in South Africa, and besides, colour is more important here than advanced scientific knowledge. Such trained Indian would be a dead loss to themselves and to the country."

Mr. Lazarus said that there was the possibility in the near future of introducing a more general science course at Sastri College. "That would only serve to whet the appetite of the scientifically inclined, and then he would enter the vicious circle of no highly paid scientific job of men of colour."

Mr. Lazarus firmly believed that, given the opportunity, Indian students would make excellent researchers in many fields. It seemed manifestly absurd, he continued, that when the country was crying out for the skilled engineer, technician, scientist, and so on, and cannot get these skills adequately from the European community, that the Indian was not encouraged to make his contribution in these fields.

"I have found that in countries overseas, people do not allow colour to obscure their vision to the extent of denying the country of all its potential resources in manpower—whatever the pigmentation of the said resources. America is a notable example of what can be achieved in this direction," added Mr. Lazarus.

INDUSTRIAL EXPANSION

Mr. M. R. Naidoo, B.Sc., U.E.D. (S.A.), First Class Honours Graduate in Science of the Witwatersrand University, and Fellow of the American Geographical Society and vice-principal of Sastri College, said: "I foresee industrial expansion on an unprecedented scale, and the country will need more and more technicians. So far the emphasis has been on qualification preparing the Indian youth for the teaching, medical and legal professions. But I see no reason why our youth should not prepare for careers associated with industries.

"There is a dearth of European technicians and the position will be further accentuated when the force of industries shifts from the Witwatersrand to Vereeniging and the areas around the new gold fields in the Free State. This will lead to the

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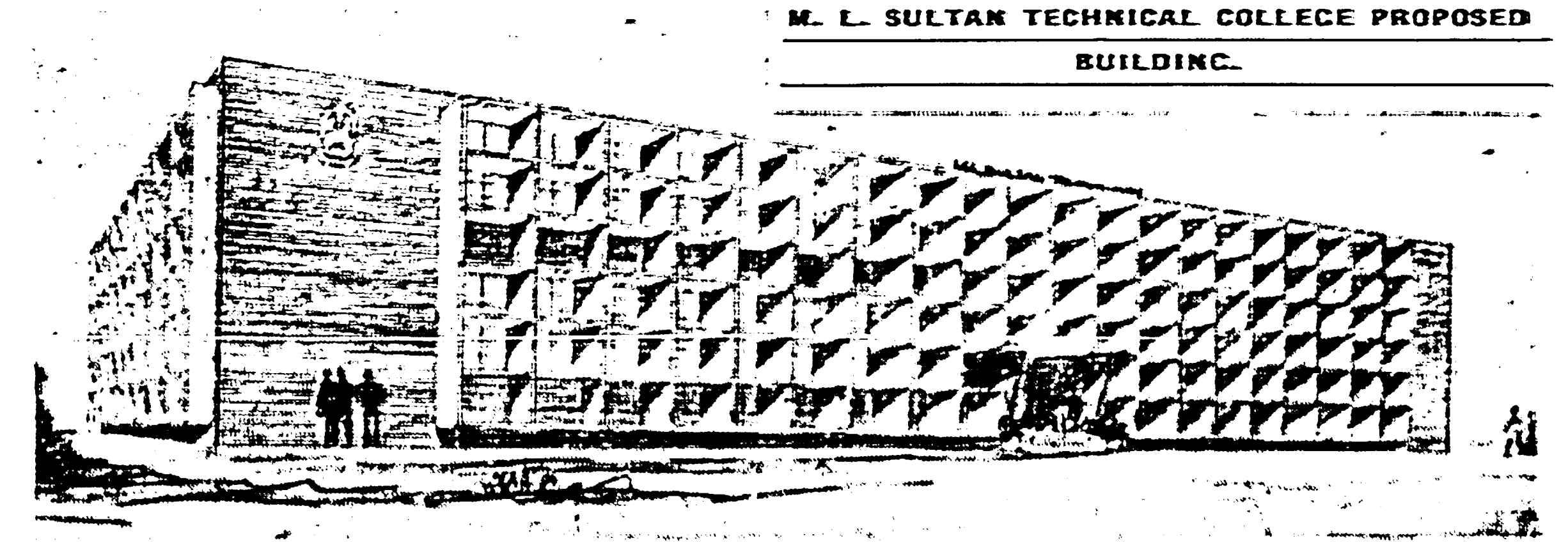
M. L. SULTAN TECHNICAL COLLEGE PROPOSED BUILDING.



A PERSPECTIVE sketch of the proposed new M. L. Sultan Technical College, Centenary Road, Durban. The College, when completed, will provide Indian youth with technical training, so urgently needed in this country, which is crying out for artisans.

RUSSIAN SINGS INDIAN SONGS

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BOMBAY: A Russian singer, Rashid Beibutov, member of a Soviet Cultural Delegation now in India, delighted his listeners by singing Indian songs at a concert here recently.

The occasion was a cultural evening held in honour of the visiting delegation.

Rashid Beibutov, People's Artiste of Azerbaijan Republic and Stalin Prize winner, sang songs in Hindi, Bengali and Russian.

The eight member delegation, led by the Russian poet and author Nikolai Tikhonov, is now to participate in an Indo-Soviet cultural Festival.

The members of the delegation come from different Republics of the Soviet Union and represent different professions.

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS IN INDIA IN MAY

Sapa-Reuter to "The Leader"

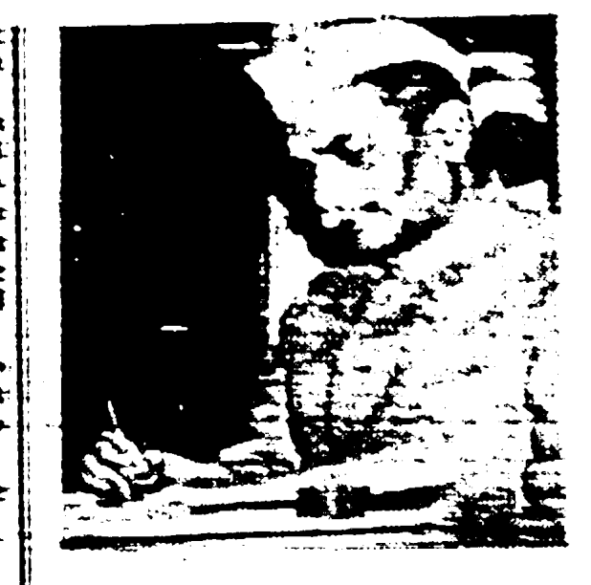
CALCUTTA: Dr. Rajendra Prasad, India's first President, is to be invited to stand as nominee of the Indian National Congress in the Republic's Presidential election due in May.

THIS was decided here by the highest executive of the Party Congress Working Committee.

Dr. Prasad, originally elected by the Indian constituent assembly and President since India's new constitution started operating on January 26, 1950, can retain the office only until a president is elected by the regular electoral college prescribed by the constitution.

The committee also decided to invite Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, at present Indian ambassador to Russia to be vice-president.

The Congress Party choice for the two offices is regarded as decisive as they emerged the biggest party in the recent elections, capturing an overwhelming majority in Parliament as well as 18 out of the 22 State Assemblies.



DR. RAJENDRA PRASAD

The Electoral College comprising members of all State Assemblies States in May will be completed after the election of the Upper House or Council of States.

Elections for the Lower House or House of the People have already been completed. The vice-president has to be elected by both Houses of Parliament at a joint sitting.

DRESSING UP MAY LEAD TO "DRESSING DOWN"

CALCUTTA: The strange sartorial whims of a pupil appearing at the School Final examination of the West Bengal Secondary Board have set the authorities a problem.

The boy, sitting for the examination at a suburban centre, arrived at the hall on the first day in the uniform of a naval cadet. On the second day he donned the garb of a Bengali priest, while on the third day he preferred the "sari"—the costume worn by Indian women.

The authorities, for lack of precedent, were unable to decide whether they had the right to expel him from the hall. The officer in charge of the centre has asked the Board to consider whether instructions as regards dress should be issued in future to candidates so that this may not happen again.

INDIAN ELECTIONS: A 'STOCK-TAKING'

(From Our Own Correspondent)

NEW DELHI:—Indian villagers evinced the keenest interest in the country's first general elections now completed, according to Mr. Sukumar Sen, the Chief Election Commissioner.

Polling in rural areas averaged 60 per cent, against 40 per cent in towns, he told newsmen. Mr. Sen said that contrary to earlier estimates, womenfolk outnumbered men at many constituencies.

The cost of the general elections to the Indian Exchequer is about Rs. 100 million—4½ annas (6d.) per voter. India has nearly 170 million of her 342 millions on electoral rolls.

Mr. Sen revealed that 2,800,000 women voters lost their franchise for refusing to divulge their names to election authorities. These women, mostly belonging to orthodox sections of Hindus, considered it "against etiquette" to tell their names to people outside the family.

However, the electorate's response to the experiment had been one of "great success." Mr. Sen added: "On the whole, I can claim that the Indian electorate are politically adult."

The elections were conducted for 496 parliament seats and 22 state assemblies containing in all 3,283 members.

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