

BANTU MEN'S SOCIAL CENTRE.

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FORMER TRUSTEES.

Rev. F. B. Bridgman, D.D. (Deceased). Mr. Howard Pim, M.A., C.B.E. (Deceased).

ANNUAL REPORT / ...1946.

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ANNUAL REPORT.

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The report of the year is one covering a transitional stage of the work of the Centre; a year of adjustment from a war-time to a post-war period.

CHANGES IN STAFF.

During the year the Committee had accepted with regret the resignation of Mr. J.R. Rathebe, who had been released by the Committee to direct the Y.M.C.A. services amongst the Native Military Corps, during the war years. It was Mr. Rathebe's desire to continue with the Y.M.C.A. in its post-war schemes. The Committee felt he would render the Y.M.C.A. the same useful service he rendered the Social Centre. We wish Mr. Rathebe every success in his new field of work.

Early during the year the services of Mr. B. Koko, Acting Assistant Secretary, were terminated. Only during the latter part of the year, on the return of Mr. A.P. Khutlang from the army services, was it possible to re-inforce the administrative staff. We look forward with optimism to the year ahead of us.

Due to increased responsibilities on him Mr. J.D. Rheinallt Jones resigned from the Executive Committee. His resignation was accepted with regret, for he had well served the Centre for many years. His place has since been filled by Mr. Quintin Whyte, Acting Director of the Institute of Race Relations.

MEMBERSHIP.

Unlike the previous war years, when annual drops in membership were recorded, this year has maintained practically the same average of membership. There is every indication of an improvement, and with the following types of membership offered:-

1. Life Membership.	.....	£5. 0. 0.
2. Ordinary Membership.	.....	10. 0.
3. Country Membership.	.....	5. 0.
4. Junior Membership.	.....	2. 6.
5. Visiting Membership.	.....	1. 0.

the following results were obtained:-

	<u>ACTIVE.</u>	<u>JUNIORS.</u>	<u>LIFE.</u>
1945.	314	21	13.
1946.	313	22	14.

RECREATION

The provision of leisure-time activity is the main interest of the Institution. The membership is provided with a variety of activities; Badmington, Billiards, Chess, Draughts, Ping-pong, Tennis, and Volley Ball, each having attracted a considerable following. In general there has been increased activity and corresponding proficiency in each, as evinced in the high standard displayed in the Championships. The visit of several sportsmen from Port Elizabeth in the mid-year made it possible to arrange several interesting indoor competitions. A Tour of several Social Institutions, during the coming year, has been planned.

BOXING AND /.....

## BOXING AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION.

Boxing and Physical Education have become major activities of the Centre. So high has been the enthusiasm amongst the Junior membership, that the Gymnasium has become too small to hold them at one time, thus necessitating a division of the Group into several sections.

\* The Tournaments arranged during the year by the Transvaal Amateur Boxing Association, have outgrown the facilities of the hall, and it will now be necessary to find a place spacious enough to accomodate the increased numbers interested in the game.

## ANNUAL FOUNDERS' DAY CELEBRATIONS.

Annual Founders' Day was held on Thursday, 7th. November, 1946, and a large crowd attended to pay respects to the memory of the Founders. The Guest of Honour, the Mayor of Johannesburg, Councillor James Gray, M.P.C. gave an inspiring address, and the Johannesburg Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Joseph Traunek, rendered an outstanding musical programme.

## MID-DAY MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS.

A valuable service has been rendered members during the year in the provision of mid-day meals and refreshments. An up-to-date Kitchen and Tea-Lounge was erected during the year with the balance of funds from the Lighthouse Bequest. The high cost of foodstuffs and the difficulty of running the Kitchen on a paying basis, led to the acceptance of an application by the African Providers, Ltd., to provide the service. This Firm has installed adequate equipment and staff and the meals and refreshments are now served throughout the day - a great convenience to members.

## GUEST NIGHTS AND SOCIAL FUNCTIONS.

Several Guest Nights were held during the year. On these occasions members and guests were entertained to the programmes of Games, Concerts and Dances. Members have always enjoyed these occasions.

Besides Guest Nights several functions have been sponsored by Sporting and Charitable Groups, bringing the Centre into contact with various sections of the community along the Reef.

A number of Wedding, Welcome, Farewell, and Graduation receptions held during the year produced many gay scenes and happy hours.

## GOOD FRIDAY.

On Good Friday the hall was crowded with members and their relatives and friends to see the Film " From the Manger to the Cross". Hymns and Commentary on the significance of the season added a solemn note to the gathering. This has become an annual feature to which members look forward.

The Social Centre has served as a neutral ground for Ministers of various denominations who have used the building for meetings of the African Inter-denominational Ministers Association. The continued use of the building by individual clergymen has served to create a wholesome Christian atmosphere.

## PIANO TUITION.

Mr. W. Sihlali has continued to render useful service in giving a considerable number of interested members lessons in piano playing. The purchase of two more pianos will make it possible to cope with the demand for this type of tuition.

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Apart from housing the Jan H. Hofmeyr School of Social Work, the Pathfinder Boys Scouts Association and the Non-European section of the Johannesburg Public Library, the Social Centre has provided accomodation for the Transvaal Non-European Boys Clubs Association. The presence of these organisations has made the Centre as busy as a public market place as the members of each organisation moved in and out. This has led to the Social Centre being regarded throughout the Union of South Africa as a real centre of Bantu African Group life.

Most of Johannesburg African Social, Recreational, Industrial, Religious and Educational organisations have made extensive use of the premises during the year. So great has been the demand for the use of the hall and rooms that it has been impossible to cater adequately for all these organisations. Use of the stage and far corners of the building have had to be resorted to on occasion.

THANKS.

We again propose a hearty expression of thanks to the firm of Howard Pim and Hardy, who through our Honorary Treasurer, Mr. James Montague Pim, have wisely guided the finances of the Centre. We are deeply indebted also to the Union Department of Social Welfare; to the Johannesburg City Council; and to the Deferred Pay Board of Control of the mines, for substantial grants to our funds. We extend also our grateful thanks to the other donors and subscribers whose continued financial support has made possible another year of increasingly valuable service to the African Community.

Dr. RAY E. PHILLIPS....CHAIRMAN.

THEO. B. MDANISO.....SECRETARY.

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Registered under Charitable Institutions (Control) Ordinance 1926.

BALANCE SHEET - 31ST DECEMBER, 1946.

<u>CREDITORS</u>									
						451	2	11	
<u>LIBRARY DEPOSITS</u>						2	13	6	
<u>LEGACIES</u>									
Balances as at 31st December 1945:									
Estate of the late E. Blinman	900	0	0						
Estate of the late M.C. Lighthome	2456	15	4						
	<u>3356</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>4</u>						
<u>Less</u> Expended during 1946	<u>3356</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>4</u>						
	<u>Nil</u>								
Estate of the late Max Pollak						200	0	0	
<u>CLAUDE NEON LIGHTS (S.A.) LIMITED</u>						180	0	0	
Gift of one Neon Sign.									
<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>									
Balance as at 31st December 1945	12201	7	5						
<u>Add</u> Transferred from Legacies above	<u>3356</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>4</u>						
	15558	2	9						
<u>Less</u> Balance of Expenditure and Revenue Account	<u>426</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>9</u>			<u>15131</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>0</u>	
						<u>15965</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>5</u>	
<u>BUILDINGS</u>									
Balance as at 31st December 1945	12000	18	6						
Additions during 1946	<u>2871</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>			14872	7	0	
<u>NEON SIGN</u>						180	0	0	
<u>FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT</u>									
Balance as at 31st December 1945	310	0	0						
Additions during 1946	<u>20</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>1</u>						
	330	14	1						
<u>Less</u> Depreciation	<u>60</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>1</u>			270	0	0	
<u>MUNICIPAL DEPOSITS</u>						34	0	0	
<u>INVESTMENT RE LEGACY</u>									
£200 City of Johannesburg <del>25%</del> Local Registered Stock 1955						200	0	0	
<u>DEBTORS</u>						169	1	7	
<u>CASH</u>									
Standard Bank of South Africa Limited	163	11	8						
United Building Society - St. Andrew's Branch	<u>66</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>						
On Hand	<u>10</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>			<u>240</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>10</u>	
						<u>£15965</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>5</u>	

Certified Correct.

Johannesburg.

J. Montague Pim.

7th. March, 1947.

Hon. Treasurer.

BANTU Y.M.C.A. SOCIAL CENTRE.

EXPENDITURE AND REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1946.

<u>1945</u>			
839	To Salaries and Wages	1009	3 6
	<u>Add</u> Contribution to Y.M.C.A. - Toward H War Work Fund towards Salary of J.R. Rathebe (on Active Service)	62	12 0
<u>125</u>		<u>1071</u>	<u>15 6</u>
311	" Water, Light and Sanitary Fees	338	3 0
57	" Games	73	13 9
59	" Insurance	57	18 10
42	" Clerical Assistance	45	0 0
	" Postage, Stationery, Telephone, Bank Charges and Sundry Expenses	426	19 4
392			
9	" Travelling Expenses re Membership	4	14 5
28	" Founders' Day	28	3 3
73	" Depreciation of Furniture and Equipment	60	14 1
131	" Loss on Kitchen and Catering	136	5 6
	Expenditure	1345	0 6
	<u>Less Revenue</u>	<u>1208</u>	<u>15 0</u>
<u>5</u>	" Loss on B.M.S.C. Functions	<u>9</u>	<u>10 0</u>
<u>£2072</u>		<u>£2252</u>	<u>17 8</u>
163	By Membership Fees	162	7 6
411	" Subscriptions and Donations	399	5 0
300	" Donation - Native Recruiting Corporation Limited	300	0 0
	" Grants:		
	Board of Control - Deferred Pay Interest Fund	50	0 0
50			
500	Department of Social Welfare	600	0 0
100	City of Johannesburg	<u>100</u>	<u>0 0</u>
	" Sundry Revenue:		
250	Hire of Hall and Rent of Rooms	124	16 3
-	Net Profit on sale of Investment	24	14 10
1	Locker Rents	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>
115	" Interest Received	65	5 10
181	" Balance - Excess of Expenditure over Revenue for the year	426	5 9
<u>£2072</u>		<u>£2252</u>	<u>17 8</u>

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SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS.

African Consolidated Films Ltd., .....	£26. 5. 0.	
<u>Less</u> Handed over to Bantu Sports Club and Pathfinders.....	17.10. 0.	8.15. 0.
African Explosives and Chemical Industries, Ltd., .....		
African Guarantee and Indemnity Co., Ltd.,.....	1. 1. 0.	25. 0. 0.
Aiken and Carter, Alex.....	10. 0. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Anglo American Corporation of South Africa, Ltd., .....	10.10. 0.	10. 0. 0.
Anglo Transvaal Consolidated Investment Co., Ltd., .....	5. 5. 0.	10.10. 0.
Barker, A. E.....	1. 1. 0.	5. 5. 0.
Barrow (Pty) Ltd., John.....	1. 1. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Brick and Potteries Co., Ltd., .....	5. 5. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Castle Wine & Brandy Co., Ltd., .....	1. 1. 0.	5. 5. 0.
Central Mining - Rand Mines Group.....	50. 0. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Central News Agency Ltd., .....	5. 0. 0.	50. 0. 0.
Connolly Limited. T. & F.....	1. 1. 0.	5. 0. 0.
Dunlop South Africa, Ltd., .....	1. 1. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Evans & Company Ltd., Herbert.....	2. 2. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Fraser and Chalmers (S.A.) Ltd., .....	2. 2. 0.	2. 2. 0.
General Mining and Finance Corporation Ltd.,.....	15. 0. 0.	2. 2. 0.
Green and Morison, Ltd., E.K. ....	1. 1. 0.	15. 0. 0.
Hayman, Godfrey & Sanderson.....	1. 1. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Henwood, Son, Soutter & Co., P.....	2. 2. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Hillman Bros., Ltd.....	1. 1. 0.	2. 2. 0.
Hunt, Leuchars and Hopburn, Ltd.....	5. 5. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Co, Ltd.....	50. 0. 0.	5. 5. 0.
(Barnato) Group of Mines.		50. 0. 0.
Jooste and Bryant. Ltd.,.....	2. 2. 0.	
Liddle (Pty) Ltd., Joseph.....	1. 1. 0.	2. 2. 0.
Mackenzie, Geo.....	1. 1. 0.	1. 1. 0.
New Consolidated Goldfields, Ltd., .....	5. 5. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Niven Trust, Robert.....	50. 0. 0.	5. 5. 0.
Phoenix Assurance Co. Ltd., .....	7.16. 0.	50. 0. 0.
Prices (S.A.) Ltd., .....	1. 1. 0.	7.16. 0.
Pin & Hardy, Howard - Clerical Assistance.....	45. 0. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Ramsbotton, Mr. Justice W. H. ....	1. 1. 0.	45. 0. 0.
Rand Daily Mails, Ltd., .....	5. 0. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Rand Provident Building Society.....	3. 3. 0.	5. 0. 0.
Randles, Bro., and Hudson, Ltd., .....	1. 1. 0.	3. 3. 0.
Shell Company of South Africa, Ltd., .....	1. 1. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Smith, Mrs. James and Miss Nancy.....	5. 0. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Solonon, Mr. Justice Saul.....	3. 3. 0.	5. 0. 0.
South British Insurance Co., Ltd., .....	2. 2. 0.	3. 3. 0.
Star, The .....	5. 5. 0.	2. 2. 0.
S. A. Druggists, Ltd., .....	1. 1. 0.	5. 5. 0.
Stevenson, J. H. ....	2. 2. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Store, P. V. ....	2. 2. 0.	2. 2. 0.
Stuttaford and Company, Ltd., .....	2. 2. 0.	2. 2. 0.
Sunday Times Syndicate, Ltd., .....	5. 0. 0.	2. 2. 0.
Thompson (Pty) Ltd., James. ....	1. 1. 0.	5. 0. 0.
Unit Securities & Trust Company of South Africa Ltd.....	25. 0. 0.	1. 1. 0.
Victoria Falls & Transvaal Power Co., Ltd., .....	15. 0. 0.	25. 0. 0.
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