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INHUMAN PROPOSALS BY DURBAN CITY COUNCIL

United Opposition to Areas Act Plan

DURBAN.

THE City Council proposals for the racial zoning of Durban, now before the Land Tenure Board, are inhuman and savage. If implemented, they will cause immeasurable misery and loss to the Indian people of Durban. They mean nothing more than the economic strangulation and ruination of the Indian community.

This plan for racial zoning could only be inspired by the Nazi ideology of Hitler's Germany.

The Land Tenure Advisory Board, established in terms of the Group Areas Act, will, within the next few months, meet to consider the City Council plans for the application of the Group Areas Act.

The Board has advertised inviting objections and comments from concerned organisations and public bodies.

The main organisations representing the Indian people—the Durban Combined Indian Ratepayers' Association, the Natal Indian Congress and the Natal Indian Organisation—have submitted memoranda objecting to the proposals.

In their memoranda, all these organisations demand the repeal of the Group Areas Act and express total opposition to the City Council's plan for the creation of ghettos.

lous dispossession" of property seems to be the "master plan" before the Land Tenure Advisory Board.

The Association points out that the crux of the implementation of the Group Areas Act lies in compensation, but neither the Central Authority nor Local Authority seem anxious to take on this responsibility of compensation which runs into millions of pounds.

"In the Group Areas Plans, we see the imposition of plans by one group, which has the vote, on another which is voteless. The Non-European has no effective political voice, and, is consequently at the mercy of the White Group."

PERPETUATION OF OPPRESSION

The Natal Indian Congress memorandum reminds the Land Tenure Advisory Board that over eight thousand five hundred South Africans have courted imprisonment to demonstrate their rejection of the Group Areas Act, and that the United Nations and the world at large have condemned this iniquitous Act.

The Congress gives, as a conservative estimate, the number of over 100,000 people to be displaced if the zoning proposals are implemented. A large number of Africans are also to be displaced under the plans.

Congress, as well as the other organisations representing the Indian people, submit that the basic problem is not the creation of
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RACIAL BITTERNESS

The three organisations warn the Land Tenure Board that the implementation of the City Council's plan will not lead to racial harmony, as the authors of the proposals contend, but will give rise to racial bitterness and friction, and will further impair race relations to the detriment of the country.

The memoranda state that peace and harmony will not come about as a result of the iniquitous and cruel plan, but will only prevail when all citizens enjoy the franchise and when equal opportunities for development and progress are extended to all people in this country.

They urge the Land Tenure Advisory Board to recommend, in the interests of racial peace, that the plans for the proposed Group Areas in Durban be rejected and the Group Areas Act repealed.

The memoranda show that the real motives of the City Council's proposals are to deprive the Indian people of their homes and land; to ruin them economically and socially; and to facilitate the expatriation of South African citizens of Indian origin.

The City Council's plans envisage the dispossession of more than half the Indian population to the extent of some ¼ of their entire property holdings. These people are to be removed to new and undeveloped areas, outside the borough of Durban.

ECONOMIC RUIN

Durban proper is to be a White Group Area. The Indians are to lose to the Europeans about £9 million of their property holdings.

The memorandum submitted by the Durban Combined Indian Ratepayers' Association points out that as over 70% of the Indian people subsist below the bread line, the implementation of the Group Areas Act will mean the utter economic ruin of the Indian people of Durban.

The Association says that "cal-



AMERICA RE-OPENS LARGE-SCALE GERM ATTACKS

Belief In Cheap Success

LONDON.

DESPITE the failure of their first germ warfare offensive last year, the United States war planners appear to be convinced that this weapon can bring them quick results, at a cheap price and have in recent months opened up new large-scale attacks over both North Korea and China.

So conclusive is the evidence of the new bacterial offensive that the reports given by Peking Radio of the latest incidents have been widely reproduced by Press agencies and papers in the West.

Two lists of authenticated germ attacks over North Korea and China respectively show that the method, the insects and other materials used, and the class of disease germs disseminated are closely similar to the opening attacks delivered a year ago.

INSECTS USED

In nearly all the attacks, insects have been dropped over the fighting lines or on villages in the rear by a standard four-compartment bomb of a type used for propaganda leaflet raids. The insects isolated in six attacks over North Korea include: anthomiid flies, spiders, mosquitoes, midges, spring-tails and other varieties.

All were immediately destroyed

by sanitary squads with the exception of sample specimens sent for laboratory tests where the germs of dangerous diseases were isolated. Handbills infected by disease were also dropped in the attacks, as well as leaves infected with plant pests.

ATTACK ON CHINA

Six authenticated attacks over provinces of North China followed a similar pattern, but included a higher proportion of plant disease attacks aimed at China's food and industrial crops. After the passing of American planes millions of insects and other conveyers were discovered, often on snow-covered ground and on the ice of rivers.

A typical example was the attack on the village of Wang-chia in Liaosi Province. The planes dropped many spiders, says the report broadcast from Peking. All these spiders were found within 10 to 20 minutes

after the planes flew away, spreading on the roads, in the fields, on the trees, houseroots and telegraphic posts and on the paving around the wells. The spiders were proved to carry bacilli anthracis and bacilli dysenteriae on being examined by leading Chinese bacteriologists.

Confirmation of the use of germ war has been provided in a startling manner by two American officers now prisoners of war, captured after their plane had been shot down by ground fire last July. They are Col. Frank H. Schwable, Chief of Staff, and Maj. Roy H. Bley, ordnance officer of the first Marine Aircraft Wing.

FIRST DIRECTIVE

In their statements, they say that in October 1951 a directive was sent to Gen. Ridgway by the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff ordering wide-spread germ warfare according to their plan. They describe the detailed arrangements made at the Marine Aircraft Wing and the logistics of germ warfare. Both officers stress that fear of public censure in all parts of the world prompted the American command to lay particular emphasis on punitive security discipline aimed above all at "keeping the knowledge from our own people".

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Africans to be Uprooted

160,000 Affected by Racial Zoning

DURBAN.

"A CALLOUS disregard of the needs and aspirations of the African people is the dominating feature of the zoning plans of Durban," states the Natal African National Congress in its memorandum submitted to the Land Tenure Advisory Board, objecting to the proposed proclamation of Group Areas in Durban.

The Congress states that the group areas suggested for Africans show clearly that not a single African will be entitled to own or occupy a single house or an area of land within the Durban borough.

"If the zoning plans as advertised are implemented, Africans will lose even the meagre 105 acres of land valued at £112,180 in the borough of Durban which they own at present.

"In addition, the settled African communities at Chesterville and Lamontville Locations will also be uprooted.

"The zoning plans contemplate the removal of the entire African population numbering nearly 160,000 from the borough of Durban," states the Congress.

The African National Congress informed the Land Tenure Advisory Board that the African people are unequivocally opposed to the Group Areas Act, and reject the zoning plans for Durban in their entirety.

NO CO-OPERATION

"The African people cannot and will not co-operate in the setting up of Group areas. We cannot accept further restrictions on the owner-

ship and occupation of land," declares the Congress memorandum.

As long as the Africans are denied franchise rights and have no direct say in the making of laws in the country, for so long will measures like the Group Areas Act be enacted for the purpose of subjugating the African people and keeping them in bondage, states Congress.

The African National Congress strongly urges the Land Tenure Board to recommend to the Minister of Interior that he should not implement the plans for racial zoning in Durban.

Strong Objections to Group Proposals in Cape Town

CAPE TOWN.

Both Europeans and Non-European members of the community voiced strong protest against the proposed Group Areas plan for Cape Town when the Land Tenure Advisory Board met here early this week.

Assurances by Mr. T. H. van Reenen, a member of the Planning and Reference Committee, that "the non-White groups will have to depend on Europeans for professional services for many years to come", did nothing to allay the fears of the many European farmers and businessmen who will be adversely affected if the plan is implemented.

The plan envisages the removal of most of the Coloured population to the present Cape Flats area. Separate areas have been set aside for Indians and Malays. In both cases the land proposed for resettlement is completely inadequate and undeveloped, consisting only of bush and sand-dunes.

Africans will be driven out of Langa Township (to where they were moved from Ndabeni) and will be resettled at Nyanga, a location situated in the bush many miles from Cape Town.

Kimberley First On Group Areas List

JOHANNESBURG.

The political correspondent of Dagbreek en Sondagnuus (22.2.53) reported that the first compulsory application of the Group Areas Act was about to take place. Hitherto the Act had functioned on a voluntary basis.

Kimberley would be the first town where this occurred. The Advisory Board for land ownership would hear representations in connection with certain group areas for Kimberley. The Board would then lay its report before the Minister of the Interior who would proclaim the areas.

After that, the different races would have to leave the forbidden area within a period of not less than 12 months, unless a permit was obtained. "This is the first instalment in the final step," said Dr. T. E. Donges, Minister of the Interior, to the paper's political correspondent.

Cape Town would follow next and then Port Elizabeth and East London. The report said that voluntary co-operation hitherto had already yielded good fruits and especially in Durban, Indian penetration into certain White areas had been stopped and vice versa.

African Women For Strike Action

JOHANNESBURG.

Meeting in conference last week-end, the Women's Section of the Transvaal A.N.C. passed a resolution of support for the decisions of the Provincial branches of Congress for staging a National stoppage of work in protest against the Public Safety and Criminal Law Amendment laws which have now gone through the Union Parliament. These laws were condemned as repugnant to civil liberties and democratic principles.

Realising that the laws are calculated to crush the struggle of the Non-European people for freedom, and destroy the National liberation movements, conference resolved not to rest until freedom has been achieved for all citizens.

CLARION CALL

THE COMING ELECTIONS

If all the peoples of South Africa had the vote, irrespective of their race or colour, there would be no doubt about the outcome of the election which is to take place on April 15. Malan and his party would receive a crushing defeat. The electorate would have the opportunity of putting in power a progressive government representing all sections of our population. Colour bars, race discrimination and apartheid would be done away with and fear lifted from the minds and hearts of the people. An opportunity would be created for setting the country on to the road of peace and prosperity based on co-operation and harmony between the various races.

Unfortunately, the bulk of the people in South Africa do not have the franchise, and so the task of defeating fascism in South Africa cannot be completed at the polls. After all, in the coming election, the voters are presented only with the choice between Malan and Strauss, between "apartheid" and "segregation"; it's almost like trying to distinguish between Tweedledum and Tweedledee. And the choice is so limited precisely because the franchise is so limited.

Intense Interest

Nevertheless, one cannot take up the attitude that the outcome of the election is a matter of indifference to the mass of the people of this country. After all, the future government of the country is going to be decided on April 15, and even though the mass of the people can play no direct part in that decision, they are intensely interested in the question of who is going to govern the country, and how.

A victory for Malan on April 15 would be a disaster for the country. It would mean a victory for apartheid, with all that that means in the misery and suffering of the non-white peoples. It would mean the endorsement of the Suppression of Communism Act, the Public Safety and Criminal Law Amendment Acts, the Group Areas Act and all the other legislative monstrosities which have been foisted on the country in the past five years. It would open the doors of the concentration camps for which the Nationalists have been hungering some little while, and in which both white and black who took a stand for freedom would languish impartially. It would remove the last restraint from Swart and his police. It would guarantee fresh burdens and restrictions for all.

Conversely, a defeat for Malan at the polls would be a triumph for the progressive forces in South Africa. It would prove that Nationalist policies and practice are unacceptable even to the limited electorate, the bulk of whom are whites; that the apartheid system is not wanted; that an end is demanded to riots and shooting, and the perpetual race tension, and conflict that is the only prospect from continued Nationalist rule. It would show that the voters are insisting on a fresh start.

A People's Victory

It is a mistake to argue that a defeat for Malan would mean only a victory for Strauss, the substitution of "segregation" for "apartheid", a leap from the frying pan into the fire. A defeat for Malan would mean equally a defeat for the Strauss policy on the Public Safety and Criminal Law Amendment Acts—for if the voters supported the shameful line adopted by Strauss during the last session of Parliament, the logical result should be a landslide for the Nats. A defeat for Malan would equally serve notice on the U.P. that their policy of appeasement and drift towards Nationalism must cease. A defeat for Malan must be turned also into a warning to the United Party bosses that their tactics will no longer be tolerated.

The people of South Africa, whether or not they have the vote, can help to give the coming election this significance by demonstrating during the coming weeks that there is a substantial force for freedom which must be reckoned with. This is no time for despair, for shrugging of shoulders, for the hopeless frustration of boycott. This is a time for action, to compel the voters to make a wise choice, not negatively between the lesser of two evils, but positively to ensure that the defeat of Malanzism can be interpreted in no other way but as a victory for the people.

Long-term Task

This is a task which does not end with the coming election. Bound up with it is the necessity for so organising the forces of the people that their voice is heard during and after the election. Illusions that a U.P. victory will usher in the golden age must be destroyed. The people must be given confidence in their own strength not only to compel reactionary governments to listen, but also to break the U.P.-Nat. deadlock in our political affairs once and for all, and to place in power a true people's government which will end the nightmare of white domination and create a genuine democracy in which all will share rights and opportunities.

In such a perspective, it is true, the coming election may appear but an incident. Nevertheless the issues posed by the election must be squarely faced. No one can run away today.

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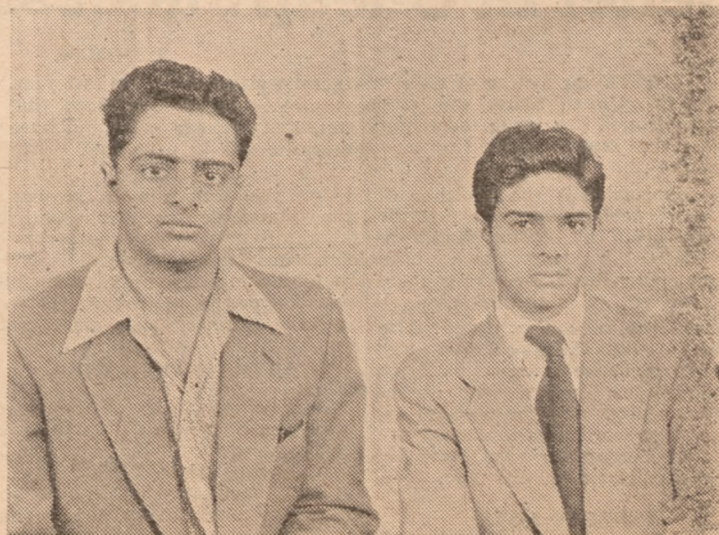


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These two young Indian school pupils were expelled from the Johannesburg Indian High School for taking part in the defiance campaign. They are Amrit Parbhoo and M. Moola.

The same week they were released from prison after serving their sentences in the Duncan batch, they were told they could no longer attend school.

An appeal is being heard by the authorities, however.



A section of the crowd which welcomed Chief Luthuli at the rally organised in Johannesburg on the occasion of Colonial Youth Day.

BAN ON MEETINGS DEFIED

P.E. Council's Order Challenged

PORT ELIZABETH.

THE Native Affairs Committee of the Port Elizabeth City Council recommended that the manager of the New Brighton township be given the right, after approval from the Magistrate in consultation with the police and an officer of the Council, to prohibit any meeting or assembly in the township "if there be reasonable ground for believing that it might provoke or tend to provoke a breach of the peace".

This recommendation was referred back to the Native Affairs Committee after it had been discussed in closed session by the City Council.

Meanwhile, the City Council still refuses to give the African National Congress permission to hold meetings at New Brighton. Mr. C. T. Harper, the chief clerk at the New Brighton administrative office, and Mr. Sokutu, the acting Chief Headman, personally delivered the Council's decision to the Secretary of the A.N.C. branch.

The A.N.C. nevertheless decided to go ahead, and on the following Sunday over 5,000 people attended a meeting at Mloteni Square, New Brighton, to protest against the Council's action and to demand that the Governor-General veto the Public Safety and Criminal Law Amendment Bills.

During the meeting, five police cars and a troop carrier full of armed police arrived at the scene. African National Congress volunteers, who had previously thrown a cordon round the gathering, refused to move when ordered to do so and the police subsequently returned to the police station. Ten minutes after the departure of the police, the meeting ended with the singing of the National Anthem.

Among the speakers were Mr. S. Ntebe, who presided, Mr. Solomon Mbeki and Mr. E. Nopote.

Mr. S. Ntebe and Mr. E. Nopote were subsequently arrested and appeared in Court charged with incitement. The case was remanded until March 12, each accused being released on £100 bail.

Another prosecution in connection with the Port Elizabeth ban on public meetings was that of Mr. Tamsanqa Tshume, secretary of the New Brighton branch of the A.N.C. Mr. Tshume was fined £10 (or 30 days), half suspended for twelve months, for addressing a meeting at New Brighton on February 1 without the consent of the City Council.

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International Women's Day Meetings Planned

JOHANNESBURG.

On March 8, International Women's Day, the Transvaal African National Congress Women's section will hold meetings all over the Province to observe this day.

LEVITAS ANGERS NATIONALISTS

Demands Equal Education for Africans

MR. BEN LEVITAS, M.P.C., recently elected Native Representative for Cape Western in the Cape Provincial Council, aroused the anger of the Nationalist members when he spoke in favour of equality in education for Africans and Europeans.

He said that a significant aspect of the debate was that while the question of Coloured teachers' salaries was considered and debated by the Departmental Committee, no one had yet spoken up for the African teachers of the Province. That was an attitude of mind, he continued, which caused some of the grievances about which the majority of our population was complaining.

Referring to the Nationalist claim that the Europeans had to pay for African education, Mr. Levitas said that that was far from the case.

"The Europeans do not pay for African education," he said. "The Africans pay for education themselves by direct taxation in the form of poll-tax and other levies. They also contribute to revenue by indirect taxation. Every article which carries an excise tax or customs duty bought by an African

Full Program For Land Tenure Board

JOHANNESBURG.

Despite the snags and hold-ups it encounters trying to decide on group areas in Transvaal country towns, the programme of the Land Tenure Board will be a full one this year.

The government gazette carries notices announcing that the Board will sit to hear representations for group areas at Balfour, Brits, Nylstroom, Witbank, Wolmaransstad, Nelspruit, White River, Zeerust, Louis Trichardt and also Pretoria, Vereeniging and the Witwatersrand.

At Lydenburg the Board will sit for the third time in April. At both the last two sessions objections held up the proceedings.

The plan is clear: to remove Indians from the country towns of the Transvaal and to break them as a trading community.

The Transvaal Indian Congress urged this week that the Indian communities affected lodge their objections to the Land Tenure Board in good time.

It asks also that the Congress be kept informed of notices announcing sessions of the Board that appear in their local papers.

U.S. FAILS TO SUPPRESS WORLD-WIDE APPEALS FOR ROSENBERGS

NEW YORK.

HIGH Government officials in the United States are deliberately concealing from the President the facts on the world-wide movement to secure justice for the Rosenbergs. This charge has been levelled against the Department of Justice following a second glaring case of an influential protest being suppressed.

American official propaganda is working at full blast to give the impression that the campaign to secure the release of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg is a "Communist" or "Red-inspired" political stunt against the U.S. The Attorney-General, McGrannery, therefore suppressed the appeal by the Pope on behalf of millions of Catholics.

Last week it came to light that the Department of Justice had kept secret an appeal by the French Rabbinate, which is the authoritative Jewish body representing all the registered rabbis in France. The plea was made to the President on Jan. 2, the religious leaders asking for executive clemency on humane grounds and "in the name of our common ideal of justice and mercy in accordance with the Bible".

Nothing more was heard of this and there is no sign that it ever reached the President or his advisers in such a way as to bear on the final decision regarding clemency.

When a request was made to the Department by the Rosenberg Defence Committee, a spokesman said it would "take too long" to discover whether the Department had ever received the plea.

DELIBERATE PLOT

The committee declared: "It is a shocking thing that the Department charged with responsibility for dispensing justice in our country admits that it treats messages from world dignitaries with either a careless disregard for their contents or a callous policy of file-and-forget." There appeared to be a deliberate plot to conceal the facts, it said.

Appeals for clemency and a new trial should still be sent urgently to President Eisenhower and to the new U.S. Attorney-General Brownell.

It will be recalled that appeals made by South Africans on behalf of the Rosenbergs were brushed aside by the U.S. consul-general in Cape Town. He informed correspondents as well as a deputation that their appeals should be made direct to the U.S. It is now evident that such appeals, together with far more important ones, are simply thrown into the wastepaper basket until widespread public action, and the publicity attached to it, forces the Washington Government to listen.)

EXPELLED FROM CONGRESS

DURBAN.

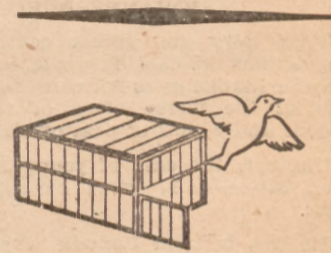
Mr. R. D. Naidoo has been expelled from the Natal Indian Congress for anti-Congress activities.

A.N.C. OFFICIALS ARRESTED

JOHANNESBURG.

Two officials of the Germiston A.N.C. Branch, Wilson Sampa, chairman, and Ismail Mofurutsi, organiser, were arrested on Sunday afternoon while organising the Natalspruit Branch of the Congress. They had gone to the Branch to explain to members the terms of the Public Safety and Criminal Laws Amendment Bills.

Mrs. Selina Molse, treasurer of the Orlando Branch of the African National Congress, and two other women were arrested on the platform of Canada station in Orlando on Saturday afternoon, following an incident with a European railway policeman. Their case will be heard this week.



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JOHANNESBURG ASKS FOR TIME

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The Johannesburg City Council has asked for more time to submit a plan for group areas to the Land Tenure Advisory Board.

An extension as already been granted, but the Council will apply for a further one of three months.

Some Council committees are pressing for an independent commission to conduct an inquiry into the application of the Group Areas Act to Johannesburg. Such a commission with an ex-judge as chairman, would cost about £12,000, it is estimated.

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N.I.C. DELEGATES PLEAD FOR ROSENBERGS

DURBAN.

The Indian Congress Conference here unanimously agreed to send, on behalf of the 35,000 Indians it represents, a cable to President Eisenhower urging him to reconsider his decision on the execution of the Rosenbergs, and to use his powers of clemency to save their lives in the interests of their two minor children and humanity.

EUROPE BUILDS HOUSES

LONDON.

During last year the combined West European countries, Britain, West Germany, Italy and France with a population of 190 million built just under 600,000 dwelling houses according to figures in the United Nations Economic Bulletin for Europe. The Soviet Union, with nearly the same population, built over one million dwelling houses in town and country, not far short of double the rate in the West.

OFFICIAL DEMANDS GRAVE NUMBERS

JOHANNESBURG.

Pass laws and influx control regulations are causing greater and greater hardships to Africans, who are at the mercy often of the moods and whims of pass officials.

There is the case of young Alfred M—, 17 years old this year.

He was born in Pimville where his parents had lived for many years. When he was a young child his father died in the Free State. Later, when Alfred grew older, he was sent to school for a while in Vredie.

This year his mother sent him to the pass office in Johannesburg to be registered as a work-seeker; his contribution was needed to help the family earnings.

At the pass office he produced a letter from the Location Superintendent at Pimville, saying that he was a bona fide resident at Pimville.

The pass official did not believe Alfred, nor the Superintendent. "Boys" who come to the pass office tell lies, he shouted. How did he, the official, know that Alfred was telling the truth when he said his father was dead and buried in the Free State?

And thereupon this influx control officer demanded that Alfred produce the grave number of his father. And in case Alfred should not understand, he wrote this instruction down on a slip of paper. When Alfred could produce his father's grave number, he should come back, said this official.

This case was taken to higher authorities and eventually Alfred was given a permit to seek work.

But it was said at the pass office that many youngsters in a similar position had also been asked to produce their fathers' grave numbers.

PASSIVE RESISTANCE IN KENYA

LONDON.

The passive resistance movement is reported to be spreading among Kikuyu farm employees in parts of the Rift Valley district, says the Nairobi correspondent of the Times. It is mainly taking the form of refusal to be photographed for purposes of identification documents which they must carry and produce when seeking work.

Jewish Red Army Hero

LONDON.

Among the heroes who received the honours of Stalingrad City on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the surrender of Von Paulus's Army group, was Lt. Col. Vinokur, the Ukrainian Jewish commander of the detachment that took Von Paulus prisoner in the basement of a department store. With him on the stage of the new theatre to share the tremendous ovation was Sgt. Jacob Pavlov who, with a handful of soldiers, held a pile of ruins on the banks of the Volga for 58 days against innumerable attacks.

"ACQUIESCE OR RESIST"

JOHANNESBURG.

A call to all democrats regardless of race or creed, to mobilise for the defeat, or the repeal in the event of their becoming law, of the Public Safety and Criminal Law Amendment Bills, was issued from a public meeting held here recently.

The meeting was organised under the joint auspices of the newly formed S.A. Peoples' Congress and the Springbok Legion. Amongst the speakers were the Reverend Trevor Huddleston, Mr. O. Thambo of the A.N.C., and Mr. Cecil Williams for the Springbok Legion.

Mr. Williams appealed for recognition by the Europeans that the great source of democracy lies with the non-White people. He said it was no longer possible to fight fascism within the framework of apartheid. He said that the Europeans were faced with two alternatives: to acquiesce in fascism and thereby "render yourself guilty of the same offences as the German people were found guilty of at Nuremberg; or to resist, to defeat Fascism".

Those people, he continued, who do not see fascism in the new Bills already "will not recognise Hitlerism when they have a concentration camp two miles from their own doorstep".

A resolution passed by the meeting called on "the people and their organisations, including the United Party, the Labour Party, the Trade Unions, the Torch Commando, and Churches, the Civil Rights Leagues, the African National Congress, the S.A. Indian Congress, and all professional, business, cultural and educational associations to join in the struggle now to free South Africa from this menace".

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Propaganda Campaign Misfiring

LONDON.

THE efforts by Western propaganda agencies to "prove" that there is anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union and the countries of East Europe are wearing extremely thin and the whole campaign is falling into pattern as part of the world war incitement in which the Jews are being used, to their own disadvantage and danger, as dupes.

A rather cold bucket of water was poured over the anti-Soviet Zionists by the former Israeli Minister to the Soviet Union, Dr. Samuel Eliashiv, who refused, in his first Press statement, to say there was anti-Semitism in Russia. He had just crossed the border after the breaking of diplomatic relations, and was in the best position to know, and absolutely free to indulge in any criticism of the Soviet Union, had he cared to do so.

But in fact Dr. Eliashiv went out of his way to draw attention to two recent events reflecting honour and admiration for outstanding Jews in the Soviet Union, the award of a Stalin Peace Prize to the writer Ilya Ehrenburg and the impressive State funeral given for General Lev Mekhlis.

NOT ANTI-SEMITISM

Dr. Eliashiv, the Israeli Minister, made his statement in an interview with the Stockholm correspondent of the Manchester Guardian immediately after crossing the border into Finland. The correspondent appears to have made a point of questioning the Minister on the issue of alleged anti-Semitism and writes:

"Of special interest was the fact that Dr. Eliashiv would not describe Russian anti-Zionism as downright anti-Semitism. It was possible, he said, that the man in the street was unable to see the difference and that anti-Zionism would foster anti-Semitism; but so far responsible people had drawn a dividing line.

"Dr. Eliashiv referred to the Stalin Peace Prize award to Ehrenburg and the remarkable circumstances in connection with the death of the Jewish member of the Communist Central Committee, Lev Mekhlis. For three days, he said, the press was overflowing with the warmest appreciations of the dead politician, and his burial was one of the most impressive displays for a long time."

FAULT OF ZIONISTS

A frank appraisal that the activities of the Zionists have brought

on the present situation, including the rupture with Israel, is given by a correspondent in the New Statesman and Nation which, on the whole, has taken up a bitterly anti-Soviet attitude on the issue.

"The Soviet breach with Israel—precipitated by the bomb outrage—was to be expected. There is a good deal of information to suggest that Israel, and the encouragement given in all sorts of ways to Zionist currents among Jews in Russia and in Eastern Europe generally, have annoyed the Soviet authorities more and more. This annoyance was liable to rebound, in varying degrees, on most Jews. Judging not only from the Soviet press, but also from a number of indiscretions coming from the American side, there is little doubt that American Intelligence was using Jewish organisations in Eastern Europe for its own ends in a fairly big way, considering these organisations as one of the 'weak spots' in the Curtain."

The hysterical and dangerous character of the Zionist campaign was well illustrated by the speech of Prof. Selig Brodetsky, president of the Zionist Federation of Britain, and former executive member of both the Jewish Agency and the Zionist Organisation, at a protest meeting called by the Board of Deputies.

Without offering a shred of evidence, he declared there was "straight, open and unashamed anti-Semitism in Moscow".

"At least the Germans allowed the Jews to go out and only killed them in wartime," he went on.

The Jewish community was in a state of panic, he said. But he wanted a big campaign of meetings all over the country to keep them in a panic.

"For God's sake don't allow this matter to be forgotten," he said. "Four weeks have passed since we protested over the Prague trial, and we have done nothing. I have correspondence showing people's doubts as to whether there was any anti-Semitic content in the Prague trial."

INHUMAN PROPOSALS

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racial zones which will lead to chaos, misery and suffering, but the provision of homes, proper civic amenities and the utilisation of vacant land in the existing Non-European areas.

"We are convinced that the Group Areas Act is the most far-reaching apartheid measure aimed at perpetuating race separation as an instrument of colour oppression."

The memorandum submitted by the Natal Indian Organisation proves to the Land Tenure Board that the group areas plan of the City Council cannot possibly be fair and equitable, and that the primary concern of the local Authority is to protect and entrench the existing vested interests of the European Burgesses and to provide ample areas for their future expansion, at the expense of the Non-Europeans.

The N.I.O. submits that if the Group Areas Act is imposed on Indians and other Non-Europeans, it will encompass the ruin of the Indians and bring about disastrous consequences, the responsibility for which will lie heavily on the governing bodies.

"The Group Areas Act is an expression of the determination on the part of the Europeans to maintain their racial, political and economic supremacy," declares the N.I.O. memorandum.

SERETSE'S RETURN DENIED

LONDON.

The Tory Government has again affirmed its colour-bar stand against the Bamangwato people and refuses under any circumstances to allow the return of Seretse Khama to Bechuanaland. This statement was made to a deputation of British M.P.'s by the Minister of Commonwealth Relations, Lord Swinton. The deputation was led by Mr. Fenner Brockway.

"If another chief were in the saddle," Lord Swinton said, "and things went smoothly, it might be possible for Seretse Khama to go back, just as Tshekedi had done, without taking part in politics".

The Seretse Khama Campaign Committee, whose chairman is Miss Monica Whateley, issued the following statement:

"Lord Swinton's new refusal will come as a profound disappointment to the British people. No one who wants to see justice done and cherishes the good name of Britain can accept this refusal as final.

"The committee pledges itself to continue the fight for the return to the Bamangwato people of their lawful chief, Seretse Khama."

RACING

GREYVILLE

The following are Tudor's selections for the Greyville Meeting:

First Race: 1. Almond Ice; 2. Ignis Feast; 3. Fire Brick.

Second Race: 1. Exit; 2. Daniel; 3. Floral Saint.

Third Race: 1. Speedway; 2. Tuck Shop; 3. Putney.

Fourth Race: 1. Juvenal; 2. Desiree; 3. Galicia.

Fifth Race: 1. Decanter; 2. Sea Sand; 3. Fruit Feast.

Sixth Race: 1. Airphibian; 2. Bowtie; 3. Angel Face.

Seventh Race: 1. Mvita; 2. Ever Rules; 3. Lady Paramount.

Eighth Race: 1. Phillipus; 2. The Rate; 3. Ambuscade.

Ninth Race: 1. Forfar; 2. Ever-sharp; 3. Castenella.

BENONI

Following are Centaur's selections for Benoni on Saturday:

Grand Stand Hcap., 8 furl.: Top Level, Shaky Boy, Breakwater.

Benoni Hcap. (C), 8 furl.: Misty Star, Busy Maid, Wind Music.

Benoni Hcap. (D), 10 furl.: Chips, Life Saver, Night Fun.

Dunswart Hcap. (B), 5 furl.: Celadon, Semi Pearl, Lucy.

Dunswart Hcap. (C), 6 furl.: Hip-podrome, Xebec, Green Song.

Dunswart Hcap. (D), 7 furl.: Paddling Pool, Clear Scotch, Opsit.

Juvenile Hcap., 5 furl.: Translate, Mango, Pink Dawn.

Maiden Plate, 8 furl.: Djarnac, Cantour, Sailor Bird.

KENILWORTH

Following are Damon's selections for the racing at Kenilworth on Saturday:

Cape of Good Hope Derby Stakes 1½ miles: Norsel, danger Flash On.

Stewards Handicap (Tops) 9 furl.: Well Away, danger Bachelor.

Stewards Handicap (Bots.) 1½ miles: Old Andrean, danger Mi Wadi.

Jvenile Handicap, 6 furl.: Yellow Sands, danger Fadeless.

Juvenile Stakes, 6 furl.: Ambrosia, danger Famous Rio.

Railway Handicap (2nd div.) 6 furl.: Mount Clova, danger Mario.

Railway Handicap (3rd div A) 6 furl.: Parole, danger Djibouti.

Railway Handicap (3rd div. B) 6 furl.: First Degree, danger Brown Olive.

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