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V A L O U R !

"An unarmed Peri-Urban cop stood eight paces away from a notorious gangster with a loaded revolver in each hand and told him ' Give up. You have already killed one man.' The gangster, Jerry Mashigo, ex Msomi bandit and a top Rope Gang hatchet man, slowly raised his gun. As the cop, Mr. Gilbert Sibeko watched, Mashigo turned the gun, shot himself between the eyes and fell dead at Mr. Sibeko's feet."

"Mashigo, who was wanted for murder and rape, shot dead another Peri-Urban cop, Mr. Henry Ndimande, at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, (8th January, 1963) as an unarmed 15-strong squad surrounded him in a dingy room in 22nd Avenue, Alexandra Township. The police (Peri-Urban Security Inspectors) were conducting a house to house raid for passes and permits when they confronted Mashigo. He shot Mr. Ndimande at point-blank range and then fought his way out, shooting at random."

"The unarmed cops tackled him with bricks."

"Another man was already handcuffed when Jerry started shooting."

"As Jerry Mashigo broke through he ran into a room belonging to Mr. Aaron Lekota and then ran across the (Jukskei) River towards Lombardy East. Four men led by Senior Peri-Urban cop Mr. Sibeko chased him."

"Behind them they left Henry Ndimande with his life slowly ebbing away."

"I was only about eight paces from the gunman. I pleaded with him not to make any more trouble, pointing out that he had already killed one man. As I told him that the place was surrounded and that he would be shot dead if he caused further trouble, Jerry calmly placed the mouth of his gun between his eyes and fired. He dropped down." said Mr. Sibeko to Post reporter Harry Mashabela.

The Bulletin in quoting this factual report from one of the leading newspapers on the Rand, namely the "Golden City Post" which among others covered this momentous event, acknowledged its appreciation of the objective manner in which the Press reacted to a happening which will be long remembered by the people of Alexandra.

Assistant Bantu Inspector Henry Ndimande joined the Board's service in September, 1959. He was 32 years of age at the time of his death and leaves a widowed mother, his wife and two children. A conscientious, soft-spoken, intelligent and hardworking official, he was devoted to his duties in the exercise of which he earned the respect and goodwill of his colleagues and superiors. His passing leaves a gap which will not readily be filled and the Bulletin along with many other sympathisers, wishes to extend its tribute to Henry Ndimande's sterling qualities

and its unqualified condolences to his bereaved family.

Mr. Ndimande was buried at Greytown, Natal, his original home on the 14th January, 1963.

A message from the Chairman of the Peri-Urban Areas Health Board, Mr. B. J. Muller, was read at the graveside by an official of the Department of Bantu Administration and Development.

A generous contribution from the Board facilitated the conveyance of the body of the deceased to Greytown on Saturday 12th January, 1963.

Members of the local South African Police establishment were in attendance both at the Government Mortuary and later at the home of the deceased at Alexandra prior to the departure for Greytown.

Among those who accompanied the funeral party to Greytown were Senior Sgt. Gilbert Sibeko, Assistant Inspectors E. Mnguni, Mailula and Tsotetsi.

MAY HE REST IN PEACE.

SENIOR SERGEANT GILBERT SIBEKO.

Sen. Sgt. Gilbert Sibeko "Pelepele" (Pepper) as he is called by denizens of Alexandr's underworld, is a likeable personality whose career in the service of the Security Branch of the Peri-Urban Areas Health Board's Bantu Administration has been one of remarkable experiences.

His first and most important assignment was the detailed investigation of the activities of the notorious Msomi Gang in 1958 which he subsequently helped to round-up.

Since then he has been involved in one hairbreadth exploit after another in the unceasing battle being waged by the Inspectorate to rid Alexandra of illegal and undesirable elements.

His latest feat certainly justifies his being favourably considered for the award of a suitable award of merit for bravery and devotion to duty, which, according to the Johannesburg "Star" of 11th January, 1963 could have been the Queen's Medal.

Since South Africa is now a Republic and although nothing has been officially said about the falling away of the Queen's Medal, the Star expresses the view that Sgt. Sibeko "could be considered for the award of the Woltemade Medal, which is for acts of bravery by any citizen."

With that view, the Bulletin heartily agrees.

If ever a case was made out for

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this is it.

AND NOW, OVER TO YOU MR AND MRS
ALEXANDRA RESIDENT !

What are you doing to help the authorities in their efforts to combat crime in Alexandra?

Is it nothing to you that the lives of innocent men, women and children must be wantonly terminated week after week, month after month, while you sit back with folded arms, arguing that it is none of your business?

Are you to maintain that attitude of indifference to vicious assaults and impudent robberies until you or your relatives fall victims?

For instance :

You are encouraging these anti-social activities when you harbour illegal tenants, when you receive or conceal stolen property, when you give shelter to wanted criminals, when you refuse to co-operate with the authorities in their efforts to maintain law and order.

Whatever the excuses for these crimes may be, their cumulative effect is to give Alexandra a bad, a very bad name the consequence of which may lead to the untimely extirpation of Alexandra,

NOW YOU KNOW.

R E S E T T L E M E N T .

Will those of Alexandr's residents, particularly the tenants, who are legally employed in Johannesburg take notice of the fact that in terms of the relevant provisions of the applicable laws and directives relating to Resettlement, they are still required to move from Alexandra to Diepkloof if they are lawfully married and have bona-fide dependants or to the appointed hostels if they are single, providing that they are legally resident in Alexandra. Women, whether married or single must also have permission to be in Alexandra.

Failure to observe this duty is a punishable offence. Additional consequences are forfeiture of the privileges of employment in Johannesburg and endorsement out of Alexandra.

Following are statistics of resettlement to date :

	Families Resettled	Persons	Hostel	Percentage.
To October, 1962.	8432	40826	3370	90.4
November, 1962	51	283	22	96.4
December, 1962	38	200	5	51.9
	<u>8521</u>	<u>41309</u>	<u>3397</u>	

TOTAL RESETTLED :

On Family Basis	:	41309
On Single Basis	:	<u>3397</u>
		<u>44706</u>

BOARD'S PROPERTIES.

The total number of Alexandra properties voluntarily sold to and transferred to the Peri-Urban Areas Health Board from April, 1959 to December, 1962 is 441. (Four hundred and forty-one).

WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

The offices of the Board's Alexandra Welfare Department will, as from March, 1963 be moved to the Stadium No. 2 Square, Alexandra.

Services will be provided from the existing offices at 95 - 2nd Avenue until the end of February, 1963.

Latest Welfare Department appointments include : Mr. P. Steenkamp and Mr. H. Makubire, B.Soc.Sc.(SW).

SCHOOLS HANDWORK COMPETITIONS.

Trophies for the local Bantu schools handwork competitions to be held during February, 1963 under the aegis of the Rand Inspectorate of Bantu Education have been generously donated by the Management of P.U.T.Co and the Welfare Section of the Peri-Urban Areas Health Board, according to information supplied by Mr. J. M. Sefatsa, Secretary of the Alexandra School Board.

TRANSFER OF TEACHERS.

Mr. J. G. Nkunzana, for many years principal of the Bovet Tsonga School, 53 - 16th Avenue, Alexandra and Chairman of the Board of Alexandra School Principals for the past two years, has been transferred to Diepkloof where he will take charge of the Tsonga School from the beginning of this year.

Mrs. Nkunzana who was also on the staff of Bovet School has also been appointed to a post in the same school as her husband.

P.U.A.H.B. SOCCER TROPHY COMPETITIONS.

The Annual Football Competitions for the P.U.A.H.B. Knockout Trophy commenced on the 13th January, 1963. Nearly 100 teams will take part in the competition.

XMAS PARTY FOR AGED AND INDIGENT
ALEXANDRA RESIDENTS.

Exactly 1250 (One thousand two hundred and fifty) food parcels were distributed to aged and indigent residents of Alexandra at a Xmas Party held at the Stadium on the 11th of December, 1962.

The big crowd heartily applauded the speech of the acting Chairman Mr. W. T. Lever and lustily cheered the guests of honour who included members of the Local Area Committee and Senior Officials including Mr. Hibbert, the newly appointed Public Relations Officer of the Board.

The press was represented by Rand Daily Mail reporter, Mr. Trehwella.

The function commenced with Scripture reading and prayer by Rev. S.P. Buti of the local N.G. Sendingkerk and the guests were introduced by Mr. C. H. Kotze, Manager, Bantu Administration.

The audience enthusiastically joined in the singing of hymns and the function terminated with a vote of thanks by the Chief Welfare Officer Mr. Byleveld.

The Bulletin extends congratulations to the head of the Welfare Department and his energetic and efficient staff for this very successful undertaking which was enjoyed and appreciated by the residents concerned.

LIQUOR SUPPLY UNDERTAKING.
NEW LIQUOR SUPPLY DEPOTS.

Towards the end of December, 1962 the new liquor supply depots at 99 - 7th Avenue and 107 - 16th Avenue were opened and are now in operation.

The temporary supply point at 97 - 2nd Avenue is closed.

Patronage of this undertaking has been maintained at a steady level by residents since August, 1962.

MR. Z. S. MOLETE.

An informal party was held at the residence of Mr. H. S. Molete, 46 - 4th Avenue, Alexandra on Sunday, 23rd December, 1962 in honour of Mr. Z. S. Molete of Alexandra, an Inspector of the African Homes Trust and Insurance Co. Ltd. for winning the District Manager's Efficiency Trophy for 1962, bringing to a total of four, the number of trophies won by Mr. Molete for outstanding services in the company's interest since his appointment as an insurance agent in August, 1954.

The function was attended by many well-wishers including his colleagues from various Reef localities.

ST. MICHAELS CHURCH NEW YEAR PICNIC.

Five (5) big Putco bus-loads of parishioners of St. Michael's Church, Alexandra converged on Maloney's Eye on New Year's Day 1963 for a day's outing in the open.

The picnic formed part of the social services for parishioners which have recently been organised and expanded by the Parish Priest Rev. Namo and leaders of the Congregation.

The Bulletin learns that the picnic was thoroughly enjoyed by the patrons.

NEW ASSISTANT PRIEST.

Rev. David Nape has arrived in Alexandra to take up duties as Assistant Priest of St. Michael's Church for the current year.

CONDOLENCES :

To the relatives of the following residents who, among others, passed away recently, the Bulletin extends deepest sympathy:

MR. JOHN SEBEELA of 82 - 5th Avenue and his son NKUTLOILE who passed away a fortnight after his father.

ANNA CHAUKE, aged 10, of 41 - 8th Avenue, who was knocked down by a car.

MRS. M. TABANE, of 2 - 16th Avenue.

SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE : BRAMLEY.

Colonel Rocco de Villiers has been transferred to Hospital Hill from the beginning of the year and his place as District Commandant was taken by Major L. Visagie.

VACANCIES.

Applications are herewith invited for the position of Night Watch in the Board's service. A wage of R28.00 per month will be paid.

Enquiries should be directed to the Superintendent of Liquor Distribution at the Wynberg Brewery.

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J.A.W. MEKGOE.

(Contributed by S.J. Thusi)

Over 1,000 people turned up to pay their last tribute to the late John Alfred William Mekgoe on Sunday 24th February, 1963 at the A.M.E. Church, 10th Avenue, Alexandra.

The late ~~oom~~ Johnny, as he was popularly known by all residents of Alexandra, passed away at the age of 61, on the 15th February, after a long illness.

He was an all-rounder in Sport and Social circles. He was vice-President of the Alexandra Football Association in 1944-1945, and President in 1946-47. He was Life-President of the Rangers Football Club.

When the Peri-Urban Areas Health Board took over the administration of Alexandra in 1958, he was appointed sports organiser and held this post until his death.

In Church he was class leader and Trustee. The sporting fraternity turned up in hundreds. There was a fleet of 42 cars and 4 Putco buses to carry the mourners.

Rev. S. Shuenyane of the A.M.E. Church, Tembisa, conducted the service.

DR. WILSON VISITS ALEXANDRA.

(By S.J. Thusi)

Dr. Wilson, a high official of the Pilgrim Holiness Church from Carolina U.S.A. paid an official visit to the local congregation on the 17th February, 1963.

Dr. Wilson will also visit the Pilgrim Holiness Institute at Port Shepstone, Natal; Komatipoort, Eastern Transvaal and the Swaziland Circuit. Church officials who met Dr. Wilson in Alexandra were Rev. Mathebula (Natalspruit), Rev. Johannes Humula, resident pastor, Alexandra. Evangelists William Madlanzi (Diepkloof), Reuben Mabuza (Meadowlands) and Kojama (Boksburg).

INTER-SCHOOL SPORT.

(By S.J. Thusi)

Alexandra Secondary School was scheduled to meet Krugersdorp Secondary from Munsieville, Krugersdorp on Saturday, 23 February.

The schools will compete in Football, Basketball, Tennis and Debating.

At the time of "going to Press" results were not available.

BOXING: ALEXANDRA VERSUS SWAZILAND. (By S.J. Thusi).

Alexandra Club 600 travelled to Manzini in Swaziland on Friday 8th February where they were going to fight against Swaziland Amateur Boxing Club on the 9th February.

RESULTS:

Club 600 won five fights and lost four, drew one. To add to the fun, the Swazilanders saw Joas Kangaroo Maoto, former S.A. non-white lightweight and welterweight champion in action against Joe Walcott Mahlangu, No. 3 S.A. middleweight contender in an exhibition bout.

Billy Brown Hlopane and Speedy Benny Phatsane, both pro-boxers also gave a thrilling exhibition bout.

WHAT WE READ. (By S.J. Thusi)

Below is a table reflecting the periodicals published in Alexandra:

Name.	First Issue	Circulation	Publishers	Editors
Putco Tips	1953	1,500	Public Utility Transport Corporation.	Mrs. M. Strauss.
St. Hubert's News	1957	150	St. Hubert's Catholic Parish	Misses Theresa Kgaye and C. Thiti.
Alexandra News Bulletin	1959	3,000	Peri-Urban Areas Health Board	S.S. Modise
Anglican News Sheet	1962	150	Church of The Province of S.A.	Anglican Young People's Association.

MEMORIAM OF OOM JOHNNY WILLIAM MEKGOE.

All things big and small must come to an end,
All glories and Empires must come to an end
Nothing as yet, shall out-pace destiny.

We have enjoyed and loved thy dexterity,
We have seen and adore the spark in thy eyes
Yet we alleviated not the pain in thy sufferings.

You have made many a star with thy willingness,
You have dedicated thy time to humanity and sport
Yet thou strugglest alone in the last hour of thy life.

No more shall thy twinkling eye look at us,
No more shall thy thrilling voice speak to us
But all thy deeds shall dwell in memory.

Fare-thee-well hero of our sport arenas.
Fare-thee-well star of the night that besieged us
All things must come to an end.

Thou hast journeyed thy last voyage,
Thou has fought thy last bout
All roads lead to the grave.

All temporal chastisement do come to an end,
All things big and small do come to an end
MAY THY SOUL REST IN PEACE.

By Solomon Japhta Thusi.

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TRANSKEIAN ELECTIONS.

The following information regarding the forthcoming Transkeian Election is published at the request of the Bantu Affairs Commissioner, Alexandra:-

POLLING DAY AND HOURS OF VOTING.

Polling day is WEDNESDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER, 1963.

Voting commences at 7 o'clock in the morning and closes at 9 o'clock in the evening, in areas outside the Transkei, and from 6 o'clock in the morning to 6 o'clock in the evening in the Transkei.

Voters are advised to arrive early at the voting station on election day as many people will be waiting to vote. If you do not arrive early, you may have to wait a long time before voting.

You must bring your Reference Book with you to the voting station, so that you can prove that you are a registered voter of the Transkei, and so that strangers may be prevented from voting.

THE NUMBER OF CANDIDATES FOR WHOM YOU MAY VOTE.

The Legislative Assembly of the Transkei will consist of 64 chiefs and 45 elected members.

The elected members will be chosen by the voters of the Transkei.

The following are the Transkei electoral divisions, with the number of candidates nominated and the number of members to be elected for each division.

IMPORTANT.

You may not vote for less or more candidates than the number allotted to your electoral division. If you vote for less or more candidates your vote will be disqualified.

<u>ELECTORAL DIVISION.</u>	<u>NUMBER OF CANDIDATES NOMINATED.</u>	<u>NUMBER OF MEMBERS TO BE ELECTED.</u>
DALINDYEBO	20	7
EMBOLAND	20	5
EMIGRANT TEMBULAND	10	4
FINGO	23	4
GCALEKA	29	7
MALUTI	24	4
NYANDA	10	4
QAUKENI	33	8
UMZIMKULU	11	2

It is brought to the notice of all women voters that it is not necessary for them to wait for their husbands to return home before casting their vote.

The following are the Polling stations for the North Johannesburg district:-

1. BANTU AFFAIRS COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ALEXANDRA.
2. BANTU ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, RANDBURG.

Any further information in this connection may be obtained from the Bantu Affairs Commissioner, Alexandra, 2nd Street, Wynberg. JHB.

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ANNUAL ASSIZING OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

The attention of shopkeepers and other business undertakings using scales and measuring instruments in Alexandra and surrounding areas is drawn to the following notice:-

Assizing of Weights and Measures.

PLACE: SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICES, P.U.A.H.B.
No. 2 Square, 12th Avenue and Selborne Street, Alexandra.

DATES. 3rd, 4th and 5th February, 1964.

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URBAN TSWANA NATIONAL UNIT.

In accordance with the decision expressed by the Tswana Territorial Authority for closer co-operation between the Tswana in the National Homeland and those in the urban areas, an organisation known as the Urban Tswana National Unit has been formed to organise Tswana in Pretoria, the Reef, Potchefstroom and Klerksdorp..

Regional and local Committees have, since June, 1963, been established in urban centres, townships and locations including Johannesburg, Pretoria, East and West Rand, Tembisa and Alexandra.

Further information may be had from the General Secretary, 1517 Molefe Street, Dobsonville, Roodepoort.

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FUTURE ADMINISTRATION OF ALEXANDRA.

APPLICATION FOR THE PROVISIONS OF THE BETTER ADMINISTRATION OF DESIGNATED AREAS ACT NO.51 OF 1963. (ASSENTED TO 17TH JUNE, 1963.

The Local Authority, at a Meeting held on the 5th July, 1963,

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the area described in Proclamation 50 of 1958 (i.e. Alexandra Township) and situated within the area in respect of which the Peri-Urban Areas Health Board has been designated as an urban local authority under Section 39 of the Natives (Urban Areas) Consolidation Act of 1945, be declared by Proclamation in the Government3/-

Gazette in terms of Section 2(2)(b) of Act 51 of 1963 to be designated area for the purpose of the Better Administration of Designated Areas Act, 1963.

"(b) That the following laws be made applicable in the designated area subject to the provisions of the Better Administration of Designated areas Act 1963:-

- a. All the provisions of the Natives (Urban Areas) Consolidation Act 1945, (Act 25 of 1945).
- b. The Natives Services Levy Act 1952. (Act 64 of 1952)
- c. The Urban Bantu Councils Act 1961 (Act 79 of 1961)
- d. The provisions of the regulations made under paragraph (0) of sub-section (1) of Section 23 of the Native Labour Regulations Act 1911.(Act 15 of 1911)
- e. The provisions of the Bantu Beer Act 1962. (Act 63 of 1962)

The relevant sections of the Urban Areas, Native Labour and Native Services Acts have already been published in the Bulletin.

Texts of the Acts mentioned in the foregoing resolution i.e. Act 51 of 1963 and Act 79 of 1961 will appear in future issues of the Bulletin.

The application to Alexandra of Act 51 of 1963 will take effect from the date to be fixed by Proclamation in the Government Gazette.

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ALEXANDRA PROPERTIES OWNED BY THE BOARD.

The number of Alexandra properties voluntarily sold to the Board by former owners, stood at 683 (Sixhundred and Eighty-three) on the 6th November, 1963.

More than 1000 options to purchase additional properties have been granted to the Board.

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QUESTIONABLE INTERVIEWS AND CONSULTATIONS.

In the October, 1962 issue of the Bulletin, residents were to refrain from the "undesirable and grossly irregular practice of visiting Bantu members of the Board's staff at their homes in connection with matters relating to permits, endorsements, resettlement, reference books, housing and so on.

It was further stated, inter alia, that this sort of thing was embarrassing and annoying for such employees and that it would be to the advantage of everybody concerned if all such matters were referred direct to and dealt with by the Board's Bantu Administration which is the proper and only place for business.

It would appear, however, that some people not only ignored this advice but actually went as far as getting themselves involved in transactions which landed them in serious difficulties.

Inducing public servants to do unlawful things is a crime. Both you and they may find yourselves facing serious charges of bribery and corruption and should you be found guilty by the Courts the punishment will be heavy and severe.

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INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR'S PERMITS.
(TOGT OR DAILY LABOURERS)

Conditions whereby such permits may be issued and held in terms of Govt. Notice No. 1032, dated 1st May, 1949 as amended by Government Notice 3023 of 1951, 2860 of 1952 and 328 of 1954.

Regulation 12(1) provides that - "Every male Native other than a Native who is exempt from the provisions of Chapter 2 of these regulations in terms of sub-regulation (1) of Regulation (2) who desires to work as a togt - or casual labourer or to carry on any work as an independent contractor, in the proclaimed area. (Alexandra is a proclaimed area) shall before commencing such work apply to the registering officer for a permit authorising him to do so, and the registering officer may in his discretion furnish such Native with a permit as prescribed. The period of validity of such permit shall be for the period stated therein: Provided that such period shall not extend beyond the end of the month in which such permit is issued; and provided further that the registering officer may in his discretion on application by the holder of any such permit made within seven days after its expiry renew it from time to time for a period not exceeding one month.

Every Native to whom a permit is issued in terms of sub-regulation (1), shall pay to the registering officer the relative fee prescribed (i.e. 20 cents) provided that if the first issue of such permit is made after the fifteenth day of the month there shall be payable for that permit one half of the said fees. The fee shall be paid at the time of the issue of the permit or of any renewal thereof.

8. Whenever the registering officer is satisfied that a Native to whom a permit as a togt or casual labourer or as an independent contractor has been issued as hereinbefore provided is no longer a fit and proper person to hold such permit or is no longer pursuing the occupation in respect of which the permit was issued to him, he may decline to renew such permit and such Native shall thereupon become subject to the provisions of Regulation 3 in the same manner as a Native who enters proclaimed area".

CORRECTIONS: Page 2. Future Administration of Alexandra .. to read Application OF the Provisions of
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