

"Remembering the past and bearing in mind our duty for the future we must dedicate ourselves afresh for the objectives for which our organisation stands" — PRESIDENT LUTHOLI. J.M.63(c) e

Our struggle is still on; it will continue until we achieve our objectives. At one stage our struggle assumes this form and at another stage that form depending on the existing circumstances and on the demands of any particular moment.

One phase of the struggle passed and another followed but we HAVE NOT FINISHED — one other phase is approaching. The next phase of our struggle is going to be the most difficult and will demand much more organisation and self-sacrifice than we have ever given out before.

The leaders of our organisation are handling the matter in their hands and will from time to time issue out momentous decisions, directives and instructions which it should be our duty to 'accept and carry out' with the minimum of questioning. In that way the struggle will move on, and so will our goal ~~be close and close~~ be reached — an Africa free from white domination and exploitation.

Whilst we move towards this goal we must form our organisation into a very strong, disciplined and intact organism with its ^{functional} components, 'the Senior Congress, Women's Section and Youth League' as determined and ~~active~~ ^{active} as possible.

The only way to place our organisation on a sound basis in the light of changing environmental conditions, is by devising schemes and methods of organisation which will conform with the pressure from our enemies on one side and with the level of organisation in our branches on the other side. Our method of organisation at the moment is the M-PLAN — a very efficient system if properly put into practice. It is unfortunate that this system of organisation has never been practised in some branches — but when it was practised

it can be said without hesitation that Congress is strongest. I am thinking particularly of places like P.E. and E.L. in the Cape - Brakpan and Germiston in the Transvaal.

THE MANDELA PLAN (M-PLAN).

Evolved by N.E. as a result of the changed conditions in the political set-up of our country.

- (a) It is a new method of organisation for branches in order to meet the difficulty of convening meetings.
- (b) It ensures :-
 - (i) the enrolling of new members.
 - (ii) a regular and constant contact with the masses.

The group, or demand (or block) system formed the basis of what was later called the "Mandela Plan": (M-Plan). We must realise therefore that under the present political conditions in our country, wherein we are in permanent crisis and emergency, the M-Plan should be put into practice if we are to facilitate preparations for any positive action we may be instructed to carry out.

Hence this resolution :-

"That this house re-affirms its belief in the Programme of Action adopted by the A.N.C. with all its phases and what that implies; and recommends that the remaining phases of the Programme of Action be implemented. This house feels however, that the pre-requisite to positive action under the present conditions is the M-PLAN which is a highly mechanised system to vivify our Congress branches and to intensify the organisation of all the African people in all areas, (rural and urban).

AFRICA

Resolutions

LOCAL ISSUES.

(a) Paras.

Reference Books, Note Well.

Ruins.

J.S. Molefe

T. Mokoena

1 J.M. 63 (F)

Resolutions.

Orlando Branch.

- 1. That in view of the sinister plans of minister Verwoed confining himself on mass exploitation on an already landless, homeless non-whites, the people of Orlando will show their solidarity with other areas in fighting this diabolic scheme of depriving the people of their age-old Heritage-land.
- 2. The Congress should urge most vehemently all oppressed to take up the struggle for the liberation of mankind in Africa-South Africa in particular where the pass system has become more acute as such that it has become most unbearable, and disastrous to all law-abiding families.
- 3. *Res. this conference is strongly opposed to the transfer of African Education to the N.A.D.* Deplors the introduction of the Native Education Bill engineered by the Minister of native affairs which aims at taking away from the Provincial administration to the Native Affairs Dept. *Res. this is another of the Verwoerd's sinister plan to fit Af. Education into the apartheid mould.*
- 4. Congress deplors and indignantly resents the tactics used by the municipality of Orlando in collecting the monthly rents with premature warnings, and deeply resents the preparations being made for permit regulations in the Township.
- 5. Conference resolves that both the Youth League and the Womens' League be given constructive lines in the struggle particularly on local affairs for the benefit of all the freedom loving people of South Africa.

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PIMVILLE BRANCH.

In view of the S.A. Policy of "White Baaskaap" which is not only upheld by the present Nationalist Government but has been continuously practised by successive Union Governments, a policy which degrades the Majority of the inhabitants through their race and colour and deprives them of contributing towards the democratic government of the country; a policy which not only endangers the internal peace of the country but of the whole of Africa and the world at large, by its pernicious racial doctrines, this conference resolves that the struggle for its overthrow and final obliteration from the politics of the country be carried on until freedom is gained and enjoyed by all irrespective of race, colour or creed.

NEWCLARE.

The Newclare branch of the A.N.C. solidly identifies itself with the previous resolution of the stoppage of work and we are keenly awaiting to see it implemented. Contained in Res. 3

That the monetary transactions of Congress must be properly audited by an accredited accountant and made public at the Provincial Conferences.

V (+) Far from serving any educational purposes this Bantu Education Bill, as seen from its terms, is going to impose and entrench the apartheid ideology on the African child. We strongly condemn it as a barbarisation of African Education.

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