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SOUTH AFRICAN WAR WORK FUND

P.O. Box 1001,

Johannesburg.

19, Eleanor St., Fairview, JHBurg.
10th September, 1940.

Senator the Hon. J. D. Rheinallt Jones, M.A.,
The Senate, Cape Town.

Dear Senator Jones,

Please find enclosed copy of the letter sent Mr. Smit to-night. You will note that I have somewhat modified our request in the light of possible income from the canteens that I did not figure on in my original letter to him.

The Dry Canteen at Welgedacht is now bringing in better than £150 per week gross takings. The others at Palmietkuil North and South are just starting up, but should prosper. I believe we can expect a net profit of between 10% and 15% on gross takings, out of which we shall have to stand replacements, breakages, bioscope fees, etc., etc., but leaving sufficient to cover a large part of staff salaries and transport. If Mr. Smit can send us £1,500 now, we can get a start on a hut at Welgedacht, and, with some assistance from the Deferred Pay Board of Control, move to provide some sort of building at Holfontein.

Any push you can exert will be more than appreciated.

With cordial good wishes,

Yours very sincerely,

L. E. Thompson

*16/9/40
note: Smit
replied 17/9/40*

Copy

19, Eleanor St., Fairview, Johannesburg.
10th September, 1940.

D. L. Smit, Esq., Secretary,
Union Department of Native Affairs,
Marks' Buildings, Parliament St.,
Cape Town.

Dear Mr. Smit,

Thank you for your letter of 6th September.

I appreciate your remarks regarding the legitimacy of Native appeals to the Governor-General's Fund and any other war funds. And I regret that the situation seems to force us to look to the Native Trust Fund in this emergency for initiating these recreational services among the Native Military Police. As has been pointed out to me, however, the Governor-General's Fund does nothing in the line of recreation for anyone. It assists the Government in looking after the families of men in active service. If Native battalions are formed for active military service it may be expected that their families can appeal to the Governor-General's Fund. At the present time, however, with the public distracted with appeals from all quarters, we are in a poor position to ask for help for this service among the Native battalions on the East Rand.

We have had such a gratifying response to the services rendered at the Y.M.C.A. rooms, and the patronage of the Dry Canteens is so general, that it may be possible for us to modify our request for grant from you. I mentioned a capital grant of £1,285, and this is urgently needed for buildings and equipment. I mentioned also an annual grant of £350, toward an estimated annual expenditure of £1,338. Just how much of this expenditure can be met from canteen receipts, selling as we do as near to cost as possible, we cannot judge accurately at present. The possibility is that we shall be able to meet one-half, or thereabouts, if present indications hold good. We shall, therefore, have to find about £700 per year toward current expenditure. We ought to be able to raise in the neighbourhood of £500 from Reef sources.

If you could see your way to granting us £1,500 now for both capital and current expenditure for the next twelve months, and could give us to understand that it would not come as a complete surprise to you if we came back at the end of the year for a contribution toward current expenses, we would be able to carry on and render a valuable service to the four battalions at present rapidly filling up. I feel that the combined programme that we are putting on, comprising reading, game, and writing rooms, dry canteen, boxing tournaments, evening outdoor entertainments, weekly bioscope exhibitions in each barracks, and Bible and Educational classes organised for those who desire them, we are supplementing the work of the military officials in a fairly comprehensive fashion ---much more so than the organisations that I have seen at work at the European camps, so far as I am able to judge. We have a free hand, the officers are more than anxious to co-operate in every respect, and the Native men under training are so grateful that our staffs feel well repaid for fifteen and sixteen hours' work every day, hardly taking time for meals.

With warm personal regards,

Yours faithfully,

K. E. Kelly
Director, Y.M.C.A. War Work
in Non-European Camps.

P.S.

I discussed your letter with Senator Rheinallt Jones, who *who is on my Y.M.C.A. Committee and* may be seeing you in this connection within a few days' time.

Cape Town.
6th September, 1940.

Native Military Police :
Recreational Requirements.

Dear Dr. Phillips,

Thank you for your letter of 27th August.

I appreciate very much indeed the suggestions which you have put forward and I am dealing with the matter, but I feel a little troubled at the idea that the South African Native Trust should be called upon to provide for this expenditure. The point is that these Native units are rendering important military service to the country, and I cannot see how the Governor-General's Fund or any other war fund can wash their hands of responsibility simply because the people are Natives! As a matter of fact, Natives in various parts of the country have actually subscribed to the Governor-General's Fund, though admittedly only in small amounts. But I cannot see why any distinction should be drawn between the Native units and the European units simply because the Natives happen to have a Trust fund, which we are husbanding for other social services.

I will send you a further communication as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

D. L. Sumi

Dr. Ray E. Phillips,
19 Eleanor Street,
Fairview,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Senator Rheinallt Jones,

For your information in connection with the interview we had.

Yours sincerely,

D. L. Sumi

Senator the Honourable
J.D. Rheinallt Jones,
The Senate,
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7 NOV 1940

~~P.O. Box 1001,~~

Johannesburg.

Dear Senator Jones

Herewith copy of my letter to Col. Stubbs. If you can do any thing to advance this matter will be more than grateful.

The mtg. of sub-committee on Native Camps. Mr. Ponsford and I are trying to see Col. Martin on Friday to get his views on several matters before calling this meeting. Until we see Col. Martin such mtg. will be premature. Will let you know if, or when, and where, with every good wish.

Yours sincerely
K. E. Kiepi

Copy

5th November, 1940.

Colonel Ernest T. Stubbs, Director,
Non-European Military Services,
Potgieter Street,
PRETORIA.

Dear Sir,

As you know the South African War Work Council of Young Men's Christian Associations is conducting dry canteens and recreation rooms in the Non-European Military Barracks. At the "Y" Compound, Crown Mines and at Holfontein, Welgedacht, Palmietkuil North, Palmietkuil South and Rietfontein 11 rooms or small buildings have been put at our disposal for dry canteen purposes. At the Crown Mines a large double room is being prepared for our use at present, which will give us ample facilities for recreational purposes as well as for the canteen. At Welgedacht, Palmietkuil North and Palmietkuil South rooms have been provided for reading, writing and the provision of table games. With the filling up of these battalions the rooms provided are proving totally inadequate. The great number of men desiring to make use of the facilities, especially in the late afternoon and evening hours, indicate the urgent need for rooms several times as large as those which we are now using. A recreation hut at each of these points would be packed out during the long hours of everyday, by men who are hungry for the kind of recreational services provided.

If this is true of the points mentioned, it is even more urgently true at Holfontein where we have no room for recreational purposes and where our canteen is housed in a small garage near the entrance to the compound. The military officials have pointed out an ideal place for a hut at one corner of the compound, where existing brick buildings do not meet leaving a large space opening into the compound, which might be occupied by a Y.M.C.A. hut.

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The officer commanding, Colonel Nicholson, is especially anxious that we provide a building here which will offer leisure-time activities for the men of his battalion.

I am enclosing herewith the rough sketch of a hut which might be erected at Holfontein and which would be extremely useful. I am also enclosing a sketch of a building which might be erected immediately on the outside of the fence, on the South side of the compound, at Welgedacht. The cost of erecting the proposed hut at Holfontein of wood and iron by a private contractor, would be in the neighbourhood of £600- 0- 0; that at Welgedacht would come to from £50 to £100 more.

We have approached the Union Native Affairs Department for a grant for the erection of these buildings and have met with no success. We have been granted the amount of £1,000 by the Deferred Pay Board of Control, for the mines, but would like to keep this amount on hand for the furnishing of these buildings as they are erected. We see no opportunity for appealing to the general public for assistance. The Mayor's Fund, which provided several buildings at the European training camps for Y.M.C.A. use, has been merged in the Governor General's National Fund, and the latter fund, of course, is not to be used for purposes of this sort.

I have been asked by our Committee to write you and to put these facts before you, asking if these buildings might not be provided by the Defence Department. As indicated, the huts at Holfontein and Welgedacht are the most urgent. At Palmietkuil North and Palmietkuil South, however, we now face a very serious situation. The battalions are almost at their full strength and the commanding officers are utilising every bit of space for the troops. At Palmietkuil South our Y.M.C.A. workers have had to give up their sleeping accommodation, and are now using a corner of the small recreation room for sleeping purposes. This restricts still further the space available for games and for reading and correspondence.

We shall be glad to hear from you at your early convenience whether there is a real prospect of obtaining help from your Department in the provision of these urgently required huts. I understand that the Department has provided similar huts at Sonderwater and other points, for Y.M.C.A. use. If they can be erected at these Native camps on the Far East Rand, I am sure our Committee would undertake to provide furniture and personnel necessary for the rendering of suitable services to the men in training.

The Sub-Committee of the South African War Work Council appointed to deal with services in the Non-European Camps is composed of the following members:-

/Senator

Senator the Honourable J. D. Rheinhalt Jones, Municipal Councillors A. Immink and W. McEwan, Captain T. R. Ponsford the National Secretary of the Y.M.C.A., and myself. If you would like to discuss this matter with us personally, we would be glad to meet at a time and place mutually convenient.

Yours faithfully,

Kaye Phillips

DIRECTOR,

Y.M.C.A. SERVICES IN NON-EUROPEAN MILITARY TRAINING CAMPS.

I have been asked by our Committee to write you and to ask you to look before you, asking if these buildings right now are being used by the Defence Department, is indicated, the date of completion and the amount of the cost of erecting the proposed buildings. The cost of erecting the proposed buildings is estimated at £1,000 by the Defence Department, but would like to see the maintenance of these buildings as they are now. Y.M.C.A. use, and the letter from the Government's National Fund, and the letter of course, is not to be used for purposes of this sort.

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16th April, 1941.

Rev. Dr. Ray B. Phillips,
19, Eleanor Street,
Fairview,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Dr. Phillips,

I thank you for your letter of the 8th instant and for the trouble you have taken to reply to my letter of the 17th March.

In my original letters to Bishop Parker and to Father Knight, I said that the matter had been brought up at the non-European Committee of the Y.M.C.A. War Work Fund and in a further letter to Father Knight mentioned by me, I pointed out that the complaints refer solely to the non-European work.

As I understand the position, Father Knight holds that the Anglican chaplains do conduct services on inter-denominational lines but he holds that they should be free to provide also for their own people.

I note what you say regarding Mr. Benjamin and thank you for going into the points raised in my letter.

I am glad to learn of the flourishing condition of the Native canteens.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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19 Eleanor Street, ~~P.O. Box 1001~~,
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8th April, 1941.

Senator J. D. Rheinallt Jones,
The Senate,
CAPE TOWN.

Dear Senator Jones,

Please pardon my delay in replying to your letter of the 17th March. I have placed it before Mr. Hunt and one or two others in the Y.M.C.A. headquarters, so that they might see what the situation is with regard to the Anglican Church Chaplains. They agreed with us that there does not seem to be much hope in getting them to conduct services on interdenominational lines. I am afraid that it will take more than a world war to enlarge their vision and to shake them loose from their traditional lines of action.

The Y.M.C.A. men are a little disturbed about the references in the letters by Father Martin Knight to the Y.M.C.A. as a whole. Gathering that you raised the question with regard to the European as well as the Non-European services, they would regret very much if you gave the impression that the Y.M.C.A. was dissatisfied with the kind of co-operation which the Y.M.C.A. is receiving from their Chaplains, for in most of the Camps this co-operation is working very satisfactorily. You will note in the postscript to Father Knight's letter that he says "I gather that the question raised dealt with all soldiers and not only Africans."

With reference to Mr. Benjamin, I have taken special pains to discuss matters with him recently and do not feel that you should be unduly anxious about his health or his general attitude at the present time. With the opening up of work at the Coloured canteen at Standerton, which will be put under his general supervision, I feel that he will be able to get away from the Crown Mines canteen and it will give him the necessary change from the monotony of a one-hut job. I do not see that he is required in any capacity to assist in the Native canteens. These are in

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quite a flourishing condition, the reports for March showing some £300 as a net profit for the month. Auxiliary services at the Native camps are being pushed hard at present and additional evening programmes provided, utilising the transport which has been put at our disposal by the Witwatersrand Command. We can obtain troop carriers two or three times per week for sending parties into the military barracks.

We shall be glad to see you when you reach Johannesburg, to go into the many other matters about which we would like to speak, but which time makes impossible just now.

With warm personal regards,

I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Kay Phillips

March 17th 1941

The Rev. Dr. Ray Phillips,
13 Eleanor Street,
Fairview,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Dr. Phillips,

Y.M.C.A. WAR WORK.

I have taken up with the Bishop of Pretoria the complaint made that the Chaplains are working too denominationally, and in writing to Father Knight I mentioned the same matter. I now enclose a copy of his letter. I am informed by the Bishop of Pretoria that he has taken up the complaint with the Senior Chaplain. I am informed that Africans are now to be appointed as Chaplains so that perhaps any difficulty there may be will be overcome by then. *I enclose also copy of a letter just received from the Senior Chaplain*

You will remember that I was to see Colonel Stubbs to ask him to advise the Committee when new Camps are established. Unfortunately, despite real efforts to see Colonel Stubbs on the two days I was in Pretoria, I was not able to get into touch with him. You will remember, however, that I raised the matter with Major Mockford and I gathered from him that the Committee can be advised when new Camps are set up. May I suggest that you follow this up when writing to Colonel Stubbs?

In view of what Major Mockford said regarding the disposition of the Non-European troops in East Africa, do you still wish to take up the question of the appointment of Africans as Y.M.C.A. workers in East Africa?

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The Rev. Dr. Ray Phillips,

Johannesburg.

It had been on my mind to talk to you about Benjamin's work. I was distressed to see him looking ill and worried. As I had reasons for calling upon Colonel Morris I took the opportunity of visiting the Y.M.C.A. Canteen at Crown Mines. I gathered that Benjamin is doing his work there very satisfactorily, but I must say that I have been surprised that he has been kept at Crown Mines so long. My recollection is that the original arrangement was that he should spend a month at the Crown Mines Canteen to investigate the position and to put the Canteen on its feet. I must say that it strikes me as wasteful of Benjamin's abilities to put him in charge of one Canteen. I understand that Rathebe objected to working under one so young and comparatively inexperienced, and, if Rathebe is able to do the work there is no reason why he should. I presume that you have completely satisfied yourself that the financial and general organisation of the Native Camps are perfectly in order. Is it your intention to restrict Benjamin's work to the oversight of the Crown Mines Canteen, or have you other work in mind for him? He evidently works very hard, but possibly no harder than some others. I should say that his run-down condition is more due to a feeling of frustration. I know that there is an obstinacy in his character, but I have found him prepared to fall in with one's wishes when he has been taken into full confidence and ^{has} fully appreciated the reasons for courses of action of which he did not at first approve. I have a very high regard for his character and I know that he views everything in a high-minded way. Is it not possible to make better use of him and to draw him more into the general work?

I wish that I could have talked over Benjamin's position with you rather than to be writing in this way, but there seemed to be no suitable opportunity. I may say

March 24th 1941

J. P. Long, Esq.,
c/o Messrs. Mosenthal Bros. Ltd.,
Market Street,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Mr. Long,

Application Y.M.C.A. War Work Council
(Non-European Committee) for grant from
Gifts and Comforts Committee.

I tried to get in touch with you during the few days I was in Johannesburg recently, but I was unable to do so. I wanted to discuss with you the application of the Y.M.C.A. for a grant towards the Sports equipment supplied by the Council to the Non-European Camps.

I understand that a full statement has been sent in to the Secretary of the Gifts and Comforts Committee showing about £345. as having been spent. In November last I urged the Organiser to make an application to the Gifts and Comforts Committee, but he has been overwhelmed with work, and the result is that the Non-European Committee of the Y.M.C.A. War Work Council has incurred very heavy expenditure, which, I believe, should have, for the most part, been avoided by securing supplies from the Gifts and Comforts Committee. The Non-European work is very much handicapped because it has not large funds at its command, and in any case I feel very strongly that the Gifts and Comforts Committee should have been asked to do for the Non-European camps what it has done for the European. I quite realise that the Gifts and Comforts Committee may hesitate to make a grant, but I shall be very grateful if the Finance Committee would regard this as a special case, arising in the first place out of the
uncertainty

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J. P. Long, Esq.,

Johannesburg.

uncertainty as to whether or not the Gifts and Comforts Committee would cover Non-European troops, and in the second place by the failure of the Organiser to apply for equipment in good time.

I shall be glad if you will give this your favourable consideration.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

JDRJ/SS.

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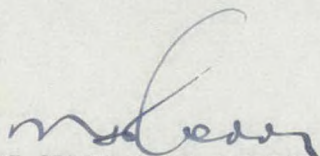
Senator Rheinallt Jones,
P.O.Box 97
Johannesburg.

Dear Senator Rheinallt Jones,

As arranged we are enclosing a copy of the list
of sports equipment supplied to non-European camps on
the Reef.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,


for ASSOC. NATIONAL SECRETARY

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17th April, 1941.

Rev. Dr. Ray E. Phillips,
19, Eleanor Street,
Fairview,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Dr. Phillips,

Y.M.C.A. War Work - Native Section.

As you may know, I am convenor of the Non-European section of the South African Gifts and Comforts Committee and, as such, I have prepared a circular which is now being sent out to all war workers organisations and which is also being sent out by the Secretary for Native Affairs to all Native Commissioners. In the covering circular the Secretary for Native Affairs informs Native Commissioners that as the Governor General's Fund and the Gifts and Comforts Committee are now caring for the Native troops, the very considerable moneys which are being brought to Native Commissioners from Chiefs and others "to help to win the war", may be distributed between the two funds.

I have asked Mr. Smit if he will include the Y.M.C.A. War Work, Native Section, also and he is favourably disposed. He asks, however, for a statement of what is being done and if you agree that the section should also benefit from the moneys paid to Native Commissioners, I shall be glad if you will send me a statement that I can hand to Mr. Smit and discuss the matter with him.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

1st May, 1941.

Rev. Ray E. Phillips,
19, Eleanor Street,
Fairview,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Dr. Phillips,

I enclose copy of a letter I have written to
Mr. Sidzumo. Thank you for sending it on to me.

I have handed over to Mr. Smit your statement
on the Y.M.C.A. non-European war work and he has promised
that an amount will be donated from the funds contributed
by Natives that are in their hands. He said that he had
just given £500 to the Gifts and Comforts Fund and I asked
for the same amount. He said he did not know if he had
the money but he would give what he could.

I hope to be back in Johannesburg at the end
of next week.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

*£250 grant
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P.O. Box 1001,
Johannesburg.
22nd April, 1941.

Dear Senator Jones,

Many thanks for your letter of 16th and 17th April. I am tearing off the statement you ask for and enclose two copies herewith.

With every good wish, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'L. E. Phillips'. The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned below the typed name. Below the signature, there is a diagonal scribble or mark.

Copy

22nd April, 1941.

Senator the Hon. J. D. Rheinallt Jones,
The Senate, Cape Town.

Dear Senator Jones,

You ask for a short statement as the basis for discussion between you and Mr. Smit.

Dry Canteen: At each of the seven Native Military Camps on the Far East Rand, and two additional at Potchefstroom and Piet Retief, Dry Canteens are operated, stocking goods required by the troops and sold as near to the actual cost price as possible. These shops are manned by carefully chosen Native men. There is a total staff now of forty-four men.

Recreation: All the camps are provided with more or less adequate recreation and game rooms. Tables, Chairs, Radios, Table Tennis Table Games of all sorts, Darts, Ring Toss, etc. are provided. This games equipment is expensive and we need help in purchasing adequate supplies.

Reading and Writing: An almost inexhaustible supply of magazines newspapers, and books is required for use by the troops--not only the African privates and N.C.O's. but the European officers who look to us for their only supply. We are obtaining some material from the Libraries and Gifts and Comforts, but the supply is totally inadequate. We need a small selected library of new books for a comparatively small but avid lot of book readers. Writing material is given free by the Y.M.C.A.

Sports: At the Native Military Camps Sports are poorly organised, due in large measure to the preoccupation of all European officers with their military duties. They are working under pressure, and the sports side of their work is perforce neglected. Hence, the organisation of outdoor sports is left largely to the Y. M. C. A. Hut workers. Sporting equipment is obtained now from the Gifts and Comforts Depot (So. Tvl. Regional), and so the needs are met here.

Music: There is great need for musical instruments at all of the camps. Bugles and drums are on the list of military issues, but none of the camps have succeeded in getting more than a very few of these. A small lot of banjos, guitars, saxophones, etc., would do a lot to make camp life more pleasant. The Gifts and Comforts cannot provide these, on account of the terrific demand on them for similar items from the North.

Entertainments: A regular programme of Concerts, Boxing Exhibitions, Bioscope Programmes, and Choir entertainments is now provided at all the camps within reach of Johannesburg. Troop Carriers are provided gratis by the Witwatersrand Command, and incidental expenses are met by the receipts from the Canteens.

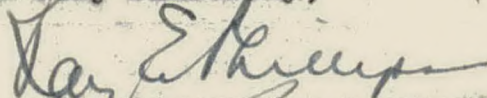
Religious: The Y.M.C.A. is co-operating closely with the Chaplains in providing daily as well as weekly religious services. The reports of the Chaplains remark on the valuable services rendered by the Y.M.C.A. here. Great needs are (1) free New Testaments and other religious literature for distribution, (2) printed song and hymn sheets for use by the men in various languages.

General: The Y.M.C.A. is utilised by the Gifts and Comforts organisations in various places as distribution centre for goods made by Native Women's organisations in various parts of the country. The Hut Workers are in close touch with the men, they are in a position to know their requirements, and they handle such goods as no other agency can do.

If the funds being collected by the Native Commissioners can be handed to the Y.M.C.A. along with other agencies providing for Native Welfare, we can guarantee wise investment of every penny handed to us.

With cordial good wishes to Mr. Smit and yourself, I am,

Yours very sincerely,



Director, Y.M.C.A. Services in
Non-European Military Training Camps.

4 - JUL 1947

Temple Chambers,
4, Dale Street,
Cape Town.

✓ Ray & Phillips

1. 7. 41

My dear Rennie

Many thanks for yours of 16th June. I've seen W. Haddon & W. Baker (Y.M.C.A., J.C. & Rotary combined) & they are prepared to run an "Allies Kitchen" or Day Canteen, leading room, place where European hosts can meet visiting non-European troops (eg. Indian, Maori, French etc) provided Government pays for building & fittings and the salaries of an European scale manager ^(monthly) & Asiatic ^{male} waiters (as and ^{where} required). The occasions may not be very frequent but the need whenever such troops are here is very obvious, and Haddon & Baker agree, very important from the Allies and an international or even Commonwealth of Nations aspect.

I'm in communication with Minister Lawrence about this - he is the channel to the Cabinet on this matter - if you care to assist, please do, but treat this as confidential.

Re Legal Aid - it is a small point but when I approached Ormond to take it on I was told the honorarium was £10 per month & told Ormond to - I find he is receiving £8 per month? Some of the practitioners (Criminal) have some objections to raise so I've asked them to draw up a memo which I'll forward to you (with my comments thereon) when received. Kindest regards yours ever Douglas

Dr Phillips
Meeting?

36 SF

Extract ✓ Roy E Phillips

10th July, 1941.

Douglas M. Buchanan, Esq., K.C., M.P.,
Temple Chambers,
4, Wale Street,
CAPE TOWN.

Y.M.C.A. WAR WORK.

Many thanks for your letter of the 1st July,
which I have found awaiting me on my return to Johannesburg
this morning.

I thank you for taking up the question of the
possibility of a hut to be run by the Y.M.C.A. etc. at Cape
Town. I take it that I should now await further communica-
tion from you, when you have heard what the Government is
prepared to do.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

24. 1890

JDRJ/NMC.

16th. June, 1941.

Douglas M. Buchanan, Esq., K.C., M.P.,
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4 Wale Street,
CAPE TOWN.

Y.M.C.A. Effort for Institute for Indian
and other Non-European Visiting Troops

At a recent meeting of the Non-European War Committee of the National Council of Y.M.C.A.'s (of which I am Chairman), there was a discussion upon the necessity for Y.M.C.A. action at Durban to provide an Institute where Indians and other Non-European Troops visiting Durban could be accommodated. It was decided to discuss with Rotary and Toc H the possibility of an Institute under Y.M.C.A. auspices. I mentioned to the Committee the position at Cape Town and also the fact that the Minister of the Interior had raised the matter with you. I was asked to communicate with you on the matter to see how far you have been able to go and to suggest that if you have not been able to make any progress and still feel that there is need for such an Institute at Cape Town ~~to suggest that~~ you discuss the matter with the Chairman of the Cape Town Y.M.C.A., Mr. J.R. Haddows. It is thought that it should be possible to get a substantial Government grant for the work. I shall be glad to have any information that you can give.

Yours sincerely,

JDRJ/ML.

about our min.
 wealth of the Transv.
 We have to thank the
 shops, not the shops fo.
 Saturday afternoon the m.
 their wives come into town to d.
 shopping. What about 12 public
 days a year in the Union, and Great
 Britain gets five public holidays a year?
 The shop assistants should go over-
 seas and see what hours and what
 wages they get. Live and let live

GINGER DICK.

POINTS FROM LETTERS

NON-EUROPEAN SOLDIERS' NEEDS

It is gratifying to learn that some of our European friends who have the welfare of the natives at heart, have organised centres in the city's municipal locations where knitting for native soldiers is practised. Further, I gather that this European committee of women supply our womenfolk wool gratis, their services being voluntary and non-remunerative. Could not the Government and the municipality jointly or independently in appreciation of the work done up north erect in the city or elsewhere a rest room or hall for native, coloured and Indian soldiers. If a group of South African native women black and white can do their bit, so might the municipality and the Government. — ECCLES B. MATHA-BATHE.

FIELD FOR RECRUITS

I would suggest another field for recruits to be explored. May it not be possible to somehow induce some of the sleek, well-groomed men of the type "successful young business men" to transfer themselves into an Army uniform. Some of these gentlemen have not been long in this country and do not feel any patriotic ardour for Africa, but they certainly carry with them a smug look of successful business in their new

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S. A. Y. M. C. A. National Council

Committee on Y. M. C. A. Services in Non-European Camps.

AGENDA:

1. Report from Crown Mines and Standerton.
Business introduced by Mr. Benjamin.
2. Report re formation of Hut work:
 - a. Quaggapoort.
 - b. Driefontein.
3. Requests for Extension of Services:
 - a. Zonderwater. *Ed. J. J. Ford. 1287 Natives & 500 eqmt.*
 - b. Modderfontein. *Ed N. 150 Natives.*
 - c. Woltemade. *N. 400 ±.*
4. African Workers for Service in Egypt.
 - a. Interview with Director N.E.A. S.
 - b. Letter to Director.
5. Soldiers' Clubs:
 - a. Johannesburg.
 - b. Springs.
6. General.

Write to Buchanan
 re Y.M.C.A. effort
 for institute for
 Bandwin & other
 non-S.A. visiting
 troops.
 Possible help from
 Rotary & Y.M.C.A.
 Committee for front

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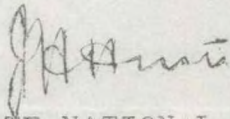
17th February, 1941.

NOTICE OF MEETING

A joint meeting of members of the Transvaal Provincial Council and other Y.M.C.A. War Work Committees in Johannesburg will be held in the Chamber of Commerce Board Room, Surrey House, Rissik Street, Johannesburg, on Friday next 21st instant at 4.30 p.m.

The chief business will be the consideration of the launching of the new appeal, the pamphlet of which is enclosed for your information.

Your attendance is urgently requested.


ASSOCIATE NATIONAL SECRETARY.

A G E N D A

1. Presentation of financial statement by the Honorary National Treasurer, Mr. A. Immink
2. Consideration of new Appeal
3. Arrangements for the Ice Rink Gala at Wembley
4. General.

JHH/MH

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Pretoria,
December 24th, 1940.

Less than a year ago I took part in the launching of the first appeal of the Y.M.C.A. and Toc H Joint War Work Fund. The response of the public was most generous, and the amount asked for for the financing of the first stage of the work has been fully provided. For that we are all sincerely grateful.

That money has been, and is being, well spent. The War work of the Y.M.C.A. and Toc H within the Union has expanded much more rapidly than was anticipated—it has undoubtedly won the appreciation of the troops served—it has also won the approval of the Defence Authorities, as is evidenced by the fact that they have asked us to extend our activities "up North." Of course we have accepted that invitation—we are already in the field.

We have embarked on this new venture in faith. It means a big expansion of our commitments, considerably in excess of the funds we have in hand. But the work is of first-rate importance—we know that the public of South Africa wants the work to be done, and we know that it will see us through financially.

That is why this Appeal is being launched—for the continuance and extension of the War work of Toc H and the Y.M.C.A., but chiefly to ensure that the men "up North" are not let down, that their needs are fully met. I feel sure that the response will be generous.

*Chairman, Y.M.C.A. and Toc H
Joint War Work Fund.*

"We must do whatever we can"

says General Smuts.

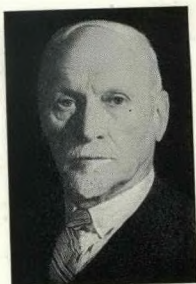


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"I have gone among our men in the camps and everywhere there are Y.M.C.A. "Huts." You will find them even towards the front line," said General Smuts when opening the new Y.M.C.A. "Hut" at Roberts Heights.

"For this fine work, with which Toc H is associated, I am happy to express my deep appreciation. The whole population is grateful for what is being done."

"I have seen thousands of our boys in some of the ugliest parts of Africa. Our troops have had to go through parts of this continent as sinister as anything you can find in the world. These fine young South Africans have given up all their comforts to go to those outposts to take their lives in their hands in the cause of humanity. We must do whatever we can for them."

Doing "whatever we can for them" also means extending Y.M.C.A.—Toc H war work "up North." Ask the men who have joined up . . . your sons, relatives, friends and employees . . . what they think of the work being done by the Y.M.C.A. and Toc H. Ask veterans of the last war about the

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