Black Politics
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Oscar Mpetha, the 81-year-old Cape Town man who is on bail of R1 after being sentenced for terrorism, is welcomed by Ms Zinzi Mandela, daughter of jailed ANC leader Nelson Mandela, at a Soweto meeting yesterday.

The frail and sickly Mpetha, his left leg in bandages, was carried on to the stage in a wheelchair at the launching of the Soweto Youth Congress (SAYCO) at the Dube YWCA.

The crowd of about 300 immediately interrupted the meeting to stand, sing and chant praises to Mpetha for at least 15 minutes.

Mpetha, who was given a five-year sentence for terrorism last month but was released on bail pending an appeal, told the crowd he had vowed not to die "before I see freedom in this country".

Mpetha is the president of the Cape Town United Democratic Front (UDF), a former regional president of the African National Congress and former general secretary of the Food and Canning Workers Union. He served a 10-year sentence on Robben Island in the 1960s.

He suffers from diabetes and according to evidence at his trial in Cape Town, has only a few years to live.

He flew to Johannesburg to attend a national meeting of UDF leaders.
By WILBERFORCE MDDA

POLICE vehicles were today patrolling the bus route between Veeplaas and Kwazakhele after a call was made to the community to boycott buses because of increased fares.

Bus company officials were also on the scene.

There was sporadic stoning of buses but only slightly more than was usual for an average weekend, according to bus company officials.

Few people seemed to be walking to work and the bus services appeared to be operating normally.

However, it was a blue Monday for pirate taxi operators who hoped more commuters would make use of their taxis because of a boycott.

Some of the operators claimed that policemen in camouflage uniforms stopped their cars and ordered passengers out. Yesterday domestic workers were seen boarding trains at Swartkops station to return to the city where they boarded buses to the various suburbs in which they are employed.

The call to boycott buses in the townships was made at a public meeting organised by an action committee of the Port Elizabeth Black Civic Organisation in New Brighton last week.

The managing director of PE Tramways, Mr Carl Coetzee, said in a statement yesterday that passenger demand yesterday and so far today had followed "the normal heavy trend usually experienced at the end of the month and on Monday mornings."

"The bus service provided has been completely normal, including the extra journeys normally needed for Monday morning peak periods," he said.

"We are consequently unaware of any boycott by bus passengers anywhere throughout Port Elizabeth, Uitenhage and surrounding districts.

"There were sporadic incidents of vandalism in the form of stone-throwing, which were slightly more than usual for the average weekend."

"Such damage as did occur was repaired immediately in terms of our normal maintenance procedure," he said.
VANCOUVER — South African Dr Allan Boesak's overwhelming popularity and electrifying presence in Vancouver was confirmed on Friday when he dominated a special Press conference on racism.

The event was one of the 800 journalists who attended the Conference to Combat Racism to Dr Boesak rather than the PCR director, the equally outspoken and able Dr Anwar Bokhary of Pakistan.

Dr Boesak is attending the sixth general assembly of the World Council of Churches (WCC) in his capacity as president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches (WARC), which is not a member. Only individual churches can be WCC members.

The Nederduits Gereformeerde Sendingkerg (NGSK), to which Dr Boesak belongs and of which he is the assessor, is not a WCC member. Although it is a member of the South African Council of Churches (SACC).

Friday's events effectively mean that Dr Boesak unofficially appeared as the chief WCC spokesman on the contentious PCR, which is a target of severe criticism recently - notably from North American and West German churches - for its financial contributions to Southern African guerilla groups.

A Reader's Digest article - distributed worldwide by the South African Government - and the United States news programme, '60 Minutes', earlier this year both said money given to the groups was used to buy weapons, and this indicated WCC support for violence. SABC-TV also broadcast an edited version of the US programme recently during the Sunday night news.

During the conference, Dr Boesak corrected a journalist who had "viciously misrepresented" him in a theological debate. Dr Boesak was involved in this during the week by suggesting his support violence. He also attacked local Canadian media for the same reason.

"The lives of people are at stake here. For that reason alone, if no other, please do not misrepresent me here," he said. On a question later during the conference on whether he expected any action from the South African Government on his outspoken support for the PCR, Dr Boesak said it was impossible to say how the Government would react.

"I do not think the church can ever support the use of violence, and there is no basis for this in the Gospel. My dilemma is that for example in South Africa, people have indeed tried all they could for peaceful solutions, but in vain."

ANC chief addresses assembly

VANCOUVER - The secretary-general of the African National Congress (ANC), Mr Alfred Nzo, was a speaker at the Sixth General Assembly of the World Council of Churches (WCC) here at the weekend.

Also attending the public forum, at which the situation in South Africa as seen through the eyes of the ANC was the subject of Mr Nzo's invited speech, were at least seven other members of the ANC, including a white woman.

The forum - "Apartheid and South Africa" - was addressed by a member of the Angolan Council of Churches, the Rev Ntoni Nzinga, who told the audience that the effect of apartheid in South Africa was not confined to this country, but also "spilled over to neighbours countries such as Angola".

He also accused South Africa and the five Western countries involved in working out Namibia's independence - specifically the United States - of blocking efforts to work out a peaceful settlement.

The president of the South African Council of Churches, Dr Manas Buthelezi, was also supposed to address the forum, but his address was postponed because of a technical hitch.

It was during a question session after Mr Nzinga's address that the ANC was mentioned and the Moderator, Ms Annette Hutchins, asked Mr Nzo to take the floor. Mr Nzo is one of two delegates from the ANC at the WCC.

The other, the Rev Barney Pityana, Anglican Church, earlier told the audience that the liberation issue had been enjoying a very low profile at the WCC.

"Most people here do not even know that there are senior representatives of the ANC present here as observers. We should play a much bigger role - if we do not something will get lost in not allowing discussion with us. We should be able to present our case if the churches are prepared to listen as they say they are," he said.

"While most news reports do indicate the impression of a high political content at the assembly, what is in fact more evident is the popularity of worship services at least three times a day and the sound theological basis of keynotes speeches in their addresses," he said.
Papal award for nurse professor

Religion Reporter

ROFESSOR PATRICIA PADDY: "Harrison, first professor of nursing at the University of Cape Town, has received the highest award the Pope bestows on a layman for service to the community.

The award, the Cross of Eclesia et Pontificii, is a Papal scroll recognizing her "many years of devoted service to nursing," were yesterday "entrusted to Professor Harrison by Owen Cardinal McCann, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Cape Town.

At a special service for 20 Cape Town area Catholic Nurses’ Guild, the Cardinal celebrated a Mass in thanksgiving for 11 that has been accomplished by nurses in the Cape Town area.

In his address Cardinal McCann said Christ required Christians to love their neighbours.

To illustrate the meaning of the word "neighbour", he used the parable of the Good Samaritan, who helped a foundered and suffering man when others would not.

"I wish to thank the nurses of this community, because they are good Samaritans," Cardinal McCann said. "You nurses are the ones who do mercy."

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Talal

UFD ‘will stand for all races’

Political Staff

THE United Democratic Front (UDF) has launched a meeting in Cape Town on August 20 in opposition to the Government's constitutional plan, will represent people of all colours and creeds, according to a statement from the movement’s leadership.

The statement today said the date for the launching was decided on at a meeting of the UDF’s national executive committee in Johannesburg at the weekend.

Policy

The purpose of the meeting was to define a common approach and policy in resistance to the constitutional proposals and the envisaged new legislation on urban blacks.

The statement said the strength of the movement in the democratic nature of its composition.

It would be made up of trade unions as well as community, women’s, student, religious, youth, sports, political, professional and business organisations and interest groups.

“All have clearly rejected the constitutional proposals and the Koeboho Bill.

Commitment

“All of us have recognised that these manoeuvres of the State are designed to weaken the people’s resistance by dividing them, while entrenching apartheid.

“We have firmly and unanimously committed ourselves to the achievement of a democratic society under the banner of the UDF through active participation of thousands of members of our organisations.

“A declaration of policy and intent has evolved and it is in the process of being finalised,” the statement read.

Grundlingh: Firearm found

Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA — Police believe they have found a firearm with which Peter Grundlingh and Dawn Phillips allegedly shot and robbed four people in the Transvaal and Natal.

A police spokesman in Durban — where the couple are to stand trial — said today the firearm was found on the East Rand at the weekend. It was reported stolen in Robertson in the Cape this year.

Ballistic tests are being done in Pretoria.

The couple, who were arrested after a countrywide manhunt last month, are to be tried in connection with the alleged murders of Mr. and Mrs. Grundlingh and Mr. and Mrs. Meyer and Mr. and Mrs. Toots.

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Lecture

Bergvliet Adult Education Centre. Lecture series of 4.

COMING EVENTS:

Meeting

Meeting at the Civic Centre, Civic Centre, on Wednesday, at 9.45 am. Tickets available: 74 4243.

Collection

Holy Cross Children’s Home urgently needs col- lectors for Cape Town and southern suburbs for its street collection on Saturday.

Dances

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Bus boycott launched in PE

PORT ELIZABETH
An estimated 500 people attended a meeting here in support of a bus boycott which was launched yesterday.

The meeting in KwaZakhele on Saturday was organised by the Port Elizabeth Youth Congress and the Port Elizabeth Black Civic Organisation.

The bus company, PE Tramways, has said services will run as usual. No spokesmen could be contacted to establish whether the boycott call had had any effect yesterday.

Speakers at the meeting on Saturday urged people to prepare for the consequences of a boycott and also appealed to the audience to exercise self-discipline during the boycott.

The Divisional Commissioner of Police for the Eastern Cape, Brigadier E. S. J. van Rensburg, commenting on the boycott call, said any form of intimidation was punishable with a jail sentence of up to ten years — DDC.
Youth group launched

By ZWELAKHE SISULU

Soweto - Mr Oupa Monareng (president), Miss Zinzile Mandela (vice-president), Mr Ephraim Motlanamera (secretary), Mr Tseko Tselo (administrative secretary), Mr Pule Tshilane (assistant secretary), Mr Manqele Nkomati (treasurer) and Mr Moshe Mshini (councillor).

The meeting was convened by the Joint Youth Action Committee (JYAC).

The youth must support the national democratic struggle that is fought by the oppressed people. Dr Ntshate Motlana told the inaugural conference of the Soweto Youth Congress (Soycl) yesterday.

The packed, enourmous charged meeting was held at the Dube YWCA and was addressed by a number of speakers, including a surprise appearance by Mr Oscar Mpetha and Archie Gumede.

Mr Mpetha received a standing ovation from the audience and gave a short, message of support from a wheelchair.

Dr Motlana urged Soycl to give clear and genuine guidance to the youth of Soweto.

Because the youth is energetic and tireless, it can be helpful in popularising the ideas of occupiers' organisations and mobilising people around important community issues," Dr Motlana said.

Soycl's executive committee includes Miss Zinzile Mandela, daughter of the imprisoned ANC leader, Nelson Mandela, and Mr Mpho Mashini, brother of Tseko Mashini.

The full executive is...
Anti-reform groups link
to unite SA

By Anthony Duigan

A national movement to link community and worker groups to oppose the Government's new constitutional proposals will be launched in Cape Town on August 20.

This latest move to mobilise support against the proposed three-tier Parliament and the new local government dispensation for urban blacks was announced in Johannesburg today by the United Democratic Front's national executive committee.

Black, Indian and coloured leaders met in Johannesburg at the weekend to “define a common approach and policy in resistance to the constitutional and Koornhof Bills”, Mrs Albertina Sisulu, wife of imprisoned African National Congress leader Walter Sisulu and a member of the UDF's national executive, said today.

The reference to the Koornhof Bills concerns the "new deal" legislation which has already been passed or is before Parliament to give local authority power to urban black councils.

UDF beginnings go back to this January when delegates to an anti-SA Indian Council meeting in Johannesburg investigated the possibilities of a more representative body to oppose the Government.
Domingo: why League rejects proposals

CAPE TOWN — The Government's constitutional proposals entrenched apartheid and discrimination and sowed the seeds for greater division in the country, the national chairman of the Public Servants League, Mr Malcolm Domingo, said here.

Addressing a national meeting of chairmen of the League's 20 branches, Mr Domingo said the League wished to reply to the people who had criticised the decision taken at its annual meeting to reject the constitutional proposals.

"Criticism has been levelled at the organisation for entering the realm of politics. Mr Domingo said the League — which was formed 13 years ago in response to the exclusion of blacks from the Public Servants Association — aimed to set right what was wrong in the Public Service and to fight for equal opportunities for all workers in the service.

"We cannot work with organisations or individuals who are accomplices of apartheid. We reject all those puppet bodies which are set up to misdirect our energies and misguide our workers," he said.

The constitutional proposals would "directly affect" League members as workers and were therefore of concern to them.

In an interview before the meeting, Mr Domingo said he believed that when the constitutional proposals became law there might be strong reaction from public servants who were "working for an intransigent employer who refuses to recognise us and tramples us as he pleases."

Despite its 27 000 membership the League is not formally recognised by the State because it does not have majority membership in all departments, said Mr Domingo — Sapa
A politics and education linked, says non-race union

By Jean Hey, Education Reporter

The prevailing myth in South Africa is said to be that education and politics are separate issues.

Until teacher organisations realise the two are linked and are an integral part of society, they have been warned, they will remain ineffective.

This is the stand of the National Education Union of South Africa (Neusa) which claims to be the country's only non-racial association of teachers.

It was formed 2½ years ago in response to the teaching crises of 1976 and 1980.

Neusa's national president, Mr Michael Gardiner, believes Neusa is proof that a nonracial education organisation can work within the apartheid system and serve a practical role.

It runs workshops for teachers to deal with common problems, and recently established an advice bureau for teachers, students and parents of all races.

"It is not just an agency for the bewildered and lost. We give guidance and show the alternatives to the problem. But the ultimate solution is in their hands," that, says Mr Gardiner.

Teaching is the most divided profession in South Africa — and South Africa's political system is largely to blame.

"It has split teachers and students by race and sometimes by language. We are convinced there is need for an organisation like ours," says Mr Gardiner.

Neusa has only a few hundred members including students, parents and educators.

"We have not campaigned for more members because we first wanted to define our stand. Now we are ready to increase our membership," says Mr Gardiner.

Recently a branch was established in Maritzburg.

Neusa's stand for non-racial education was clearly political.

"Teaching is the most divided profession in South Africa — and South Africa's political system is largely to blame.

"It has split teachers and students by race, and sometimes by language.

"We are convinced there is a need for an organisation like Neusa which gives a non-racial point of view, and which sees a strong relationship between education and the economic and social factors of society."

Neusa has been criticised for participating in political events such as the Wilson-Rowntree and Republic Day boycotts.

Its opposition to the De Lange report was also unpopular.

"We opposed the De Lange investigation because we saw it as a stalling move by the Government at a time of crisis in education."

"And we have been proved right — no significant change in education has yet come out of the report."

"Their committee also failed to represent the different communities in South Africa, and its findings reflect the interests of commerce rather than the whole South African society."

Mr Gardiner added that this stand could have cost Neusa financial support from large companies who had an interest in the report.
PRETORIA. — Two men from Mamelodi were responsible for the bomb blast which rocked Pretoria on May 20 this year.

Both were members of a safe-breaking gang and had previous convictions. Both had been publicly identified as connected with the banned African National Congress.

The men were killed in the blast. One was still in the vehicle which was parked in front of the Nedbank Centre. His body was hurled from the car by the explosion and disinterred against a lamp-post.

His assistant arrived before the explosion and was driving a combi which he parked close-by in Schubart Street.

Released

When the bomb exploded he was standing in Church Street opposite the car containing the bomb.

Details of the most intensive and comprehensive investigation in the 70-year history of the South African Police were given in Pretoria today by Major-General Frans Steenkamp, head of the Security Branch, at a Press conference.

According to a long statement the police have proof that this attack, as many others, was planned and initiated in the command and control centre of the ANC in Maputo and was carried out via Swaziland.

Three days

Because the investigation is not yet complete names cannot yet be given.

Both men visited Swaziland shortly before May 20 where they were in contact with the ANC. One of the men returned to South Africa three days before the explosion.

Police also have proof that the men had contact with ANC terrorists who were involved with the planning and execution of the assassination of Warrant Officer Pipp Salepe on November 7 last year, the attack on Voortrekkerhoogte on August 12, 1981 and the attack on Sasol 3 at Secunda, on July 20 this year.

Detentions

Benjamin Maloiso was sentenced to death in the Pretoria Supreme Court earlier this year for the murder of Warrant-Officer Salepe.

A number of people were detained in terms of security legislation (Turn to Page 4, col 7)
Mandela award ‘for representing struggle’

The Star, 13 July 1997

LONDON - Bishop Trevor Huddleston has written an appreciation of Nelson Mandela in The Guardian. He said the fact that Mandela remained in jail despite a worldwide campaign for his release suggested that the South African Government saw him as a man "so greatly to be feared that he must be kept from all contact with the world".

In an appreciation on the Unesco award made recently to Mandela and King Juan Carlos of Spain, the bishop said it was made because Mandela "represents the struggle against apartheid in all its evil forms". The bishop wrote: "He, together with his companions on Robben Island and in Pollsmoor Prison, is the victim of racial discrimination as it is practised by the only country in the world whose political, social, educational and economic structures are based on racism.

"The Unesco award is a reminder to the world of the waste and the tragedy of such a policy."

QUESTION RAISED

Mr Domingo, the increases for MPs and President’s Council members were raised a question "Has the economy recovered sufficiently for them to allow themselves such increases?"

Even if public servants were to receive salary increases, they should receive more than 27 percent because of the difference in salary structures, he said.

"If a salary increase in the public service did not exceed 27 percent, public servants would not accept it," he said.

Dr Cameron said Public Servants Association found it acceptable that the link between parliamentary and public service salaries had been scrapped and that every group was now being paid "in accordance with its own norms and criteria."

The association saw this as part of the principle of salary differentiation, he said.
ANTI-APARTHEID

men ask Britain to hammer SA

LONDON — The Anti-Apartheid Movement has urged the British Government to take a much tougher line with South Africa — including support for comprehensive and mandatory international sanctions.

In a 12-page memorandum presented to Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, the movement said it was convinced that British policies toward South Africa were not only short-sighted and dangerous, but could do no good in the long run for the people of Britain.

A major review of policy was needed — a review that would help bring independence to Namibia, combat South Africa's aggression against black states, strengthen the limited British measures to isolate South Africa and contribute to the elimination of apartheid.

The points were made when Mr Rifkind met Archbishop Trevor Huddleston, president of the AAM. Mr John Hughes, the Labour Party MP who is chairman of the movement, Mr Mike Terry, executive secretary, and Miss Jan Clements, head of the London committee.

At a Press conference after the meeting, Archbishop Huddleston made it clear that Mr Rifkind's responses did not indicate any imminent changes of policy on the part of the Thatcher Government.

However, the delegation appeared satisfied that Mr Rifkind had assured them that the British Government remained convinced that the withdrawal of Cuban troops from Angola should not be a prerequisite for a Namibian settlement.

In its memorandum the AAM said that it seemed British policy toward Namibia appeared to be aligned with the United States in insisting that Namibian independence is dependent on developments in Angola — which are not the responsibility of the Namibian people.

If the British Government abandoned its endorsement of linkage of Cuban withdrawal to a settlement, and persuaded the United States to do likewise, the last obstacle would fall away.

The memo said that Britain's most urgent task, however, was to adopt a policy designed to combat South Africa's "aggression and destabilisation" in Southern Africa.

This would require tough unilateral and collective diplomatic action — including initiatives at the UN Security Council to have South Africa's policies declared a threat to international peace and security.

This would open the way for mandatory sanctions against South Africa under Chapter Seven of the UN Charter.

The AAM also called for a ban on all forms of nuclear collaboration with South Africa, effective measures to stop the recruitment by South Africa of nuclear scientists and experts in Britain, the termination of the "no-visa" agreement, support for an oil embargo, opposition to all further International Monetary Fund loans and a stop to all new British investment in South Africa.
Mass UDF rally expected
to draw thousands of people

By SAM MABE

A MASS rally expected
to attract thousands of people from all over the
country is to be held in
Cape Town later this
month at the launching
of the United Democratic
Front (UDF).

At a Press conference
held in Johannesburg
yesterday, the UDF's
interim Publicity Secre-
tary, Mr Zak Yacoob,
announced that the
launching would take
place on August 20.

The decision to
launch the UDF nation-
ally was taken at a meet-
ing held at the weekend
by African and Indian
leaders from various
parts of South Africa.
The leaders included,
among others, veteran
worker and Cape Town
community leader Mr
Oscar Mphetha, who is
currently out on R1 bail
pending the outcome of
an appeal against a five-
year jail sentence passed
on him under the Ter-
rorism Act.
The formation of the
UDF, whose regional
branches in the Trans-
vaal, Natal and Western
Cape were launched
over the past few
months, was a direct re-

tult of the controversial
constitutional proposals
and the Koornhof Bills
against which the UDF
is rallying.

"It is a united front in
which all organisations
will keep their identity
and independence but
co-operate in opposing
the President's Council,
the new parliament and
Koornhof plans," said a
UDF press statement.

"The conscience and
the moral impulses of all
freedom-loving people
of South Africa have
been aroused. People
have been moved to re-
ject these pernicious
and evil laws which
consolidate the heresy
of apartheid.

"Whilst the UDF arti-
culates the viewpoint of
the broad cross-section
of people, we accept as
fundamental that the

main burden of exploit-
ation and discrimination
falls on the poor.

"Accordingly, the
main thrust of the orga-

nisation is directed to-
wards the participation
of working people in the
workplace, in communi-
ties and wherever they
could be.

"The grand design of
apartheid is to fragment
our people's unity. And

those who deliberately
refrain from helping us
to maximise this unity,
advance the cause of the
enemy and delay the
cause of democracy," added the statement.
Thirty-one detained

THIRTYONE students, who include four community leaders in Vryburg, near Kimberley, were arrested in predawn raids at their homes yesterday in connection with unrest at Bopsganang High School on Friday.

The arrests were confirmed by a police public relations officer in Kimberley, Major Pat Hicks, who said police were investigating possible charges of public violence.

He said that damage to the school and to teachers' property was caused in the unrest. The SOWETAN learnt that five teachers were beaten up during the unrest, which ended after 6am.

By Sam Mabe

is presently mobilising mass resistance against removal of Hlubi residents of Bophuthatswana and Mmatlala residents of Mafikeng.

The four are believed to have been arrested at about 3am after they arrived home from Soweto, where they had attended the launching of the Soweto Youth Congress.

Friday's unrest is alleged to have been caused by the expulsion of several students who were accused by the principal of instigating a street march and the damage of several police cars.

The students dispersed after the arrival of police. After the five-hour unrest, some students are said to have demanded that an

EAST RAND communities fear a wave of gangland-type killings after a gunman pumped eight bullets into a prospering KwaThema businesswoman at her home over the weekend.

A knock at the door announced the death of Mrs Lena Reginah Makalemele (51) who was watching television in her living room with her son Solomon and two family friends.

Miss Dudu Makalemele, daughter of the dead woman, opened the kitchen door for the lone killer. The killer demanded to see her mother and was ushered into the sitting room.

Moments later, Mr Makalemele screamed that she was cornered with a killer.

The gunman ordered everybody to lie on the floor and shouted at them to "shut up". Everybody did as told and the killer fired nine shots into Mrs Makalemele.

As she collapsed, the man walked out of the house and disappeared into the night.

Mrs Makalemele was dead. Blood soaked the carpet, inches from where she had earlier been sitting watching television. Dudu, her brother, Solomon and friends called the police.

Major S S Mokoena, chief of the KwaThema branch of the CID, has confirmed the killing of Mrs Makalemele who belonged to several organisations. Police, he said, were still investigating. No arrests have been made.

Mrs Makalemele, said Major Mokoena, died a terrible death. When police arrived at her home they found nine spent cartridges.
Anti-apartheid group is to go national

By ANTON HARBER
Political Reporter

THE United Democratic Front (UDF) is to be launched as a national movement to oppose the Government's constitutional proposals and the "Koornhof Bills" at a People's Rally in Cape Town on August 20.

This will bring together some trade unions and dozens of community, student and women's organisations into the broadest opposition front this country has seen for at least two decades.

At a Press conference in Johannesburg yesterday, UDF leaders from all over the country also announced they had held talks with the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo) and had appointed a delegation to approach the Federation of South African Trade Unions (Fosatu) about joining UDF.

They firmly denied a suggestion that they were a "Charterist" organisation, saying their doors were open to "all political groupings and people who have different approaches to the struggle".

The conference was addressed by Professor Zac Yacoob, Mr Yusuf Mohamed and Mr Archie Gumede from UDF Natal, Mrs Albertha Samba, Dr R A M Saloojee from the Transvaal, and Mr Oscar Mphela and Mr Trevor Manuel from the Western Cape.

The seven - representing the three regional UDFs that have been formed in the past six months - met this weekend to plan the national launching.

In a statement released yesterday, they said the constitutional and Koornhof Bills were designed to weaken the people's resistance by dividing them amongst each other.

People have been moved to reject these perricious and evil laws which consolidate the heresy of apartheid.

We have firmly and unanimously committed ourselves to the achievement of a democratic society under the banner of the UDF through the active participation of thousands of our members.

They called on all organisations to join the UDF "to further resistance to these Bills" under the slogan "Apartheid divides, UDF unites".

A declaration of policy and intent was being finalised. An interim statement of principles adopted recently declared a commitment to democracy and the creation of a non-racial unitary state undivided by racial or ethnic considerations. It also committed members to "unity in struggle regardless of race, religion or colour".

Asked what form of activity UDF would undertake, Mr Mohamed said their priorities were the education of people on the Bills. The people themselves would then decide how to react, he said.

Asked about their relationship with Fosatu, Prod Yacoob said they had no formal relationship at the moment, but the weekend meeting had appointed a national delegation to approach Fosatu.

He also said the possibility of cooperation with the Black Alliance, led by Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, was "very remote".

Any organisation that subscribed to the UDF's statement of principles could be considered for membership, Mr Mohamed said.

He gave no details of the talks with Azapo. UDF member-organisations now include the SA Allied Workers Union, the Council of Unions of SA, the Soweto Civic Association, the Western Cape branch of the Media Workers Association of SA, the Federation of SA Women, the Islamic Council of SA and the Transvaal and Natal Indian congresses.

Political Staff
CAPE TOWN. - South Africa needed less untenanted executive power and not more as proposed in the new constitution, the Progressive Federal Party MP for Gardens, Mr Ken Andrew, said last night.

Addressing a public meeting in Gordon's Bay, Mr Andrew said the outstanding features of Nationalist government over the past 35 years included abuse of power, circumventing the courts, and withholding information from the public.

It was not surprising, therefore, that the Government was asking for support for constitutional proposals that provided for a powerful executive President with autocratic powers, the specific curtailing of the powers of the courts in key areas, and a marked reduction in the ability of opposition parties to call the Government to account.

The Government had spent more than R62 000 on printing and distributing 560 000 leaflets propa
gandising National Party policy in the canvassing for support for its constitutional proposals. The leaflets were paid for by black, white, Indian, and coloured taxpayers.

The latest example of this "blatant abuse" was an information newsletter containing numerous mislead
ing statements and half-truths. For example, it stated that whites, coloureds, and Indians would have equal franchise, but no mention was made of the fact that white domination was entrenched throughout the constitution.

Mr Andrew said the Government did not desire to be trusted with additional powers. It had persistently abused its powers in the past and there was no indication of a changed heart.

"There are some astonishing provisions in the constitutional proposals. When all three Houses of Parliament have no confidence in the President or his Cabinet, they can pass resolutions accordingly. But what happens? Parliament is dissolved and the President and his Cabinet remale in office..." It is rather like having a law which says that if a jury finds a man guilty of murder, it is the jury that is hanged," Mr Andrew said.

The Leader of the Opposition, Dr Frederik van Zyl Slabbert, reports Sapa, said last night the Progressive Federal Party had studied the proposed new constitution and found it was not good enough for South Africa.

Addressing a public meeting in the Rondebosch town hall, he said a "yes" vote in the forthcoming referendum would strengthen the Right wing of the political spectrum in the Republic.

The constitutional plan of the Government had caused a split in Government ranks. "The Nats are bleeding and the only way this can stop is with genuine reform consolidating the moderates against the Right wing," Dr Slabbert said.
Dr R A M Saloojee (left) and Mr Archie Gumede at a Press conference announcing the national launching of the United Democratic Front.
Prix bike crash

Immediately, Barry Sheene, "Bionic Man" who suffered a similarly horrifying accident on the same circuit a year ago and whose legs are held together by steel and plates, was equal in worry.

He was among the riders slowed and voluntarily reduced to a halt to the race in fifth lap, before winner of the restarted 23-lap race. Kenny Roberts, said a "strange" yellow-and-red crossed flag none of the riders understood had been flown and had added to the confusion.

The race organizers have yet explained why they did not halt the event more quickly — or announce the tragedy sooner.

Silverstone has a terrible reputation for motor-cycle accidents and there was a catalogue of serious crashes including one rider suffering a fractured skull, another an amputated toe, broken wrist and foot, and another a seriously injured leg. Three other riders crashed without serious injury.

‘ANC idealist’ tried to recruit

Staff Reporter

HEADLEY Moses King, 30, an International Security Aid detained since February 7 this year, was yesterday convicted in the Pretoria Regional Court on a charge of participating in the activities of the banned African National Congress.

Mr A J Burger found that King, 27, of Gross Road, Atalante, participated in the activities of the ANC by receiving documents and money that he had submitted reports to the ANC about conditions in the Cape and that he had "introduced" a Mr Michael Benjamin Coetzer to the ANC.

The State alleged that from September to December 1982, at or near Cape Town or Maseru, Lesotho, King attended ANC meetings and tried to recruit members.

He had previously pleaded not guilty.

'Swept up'

Professor Jakes Gerwel, Professor in Afrikaans at the University of the Western Cape, said: "Mr King was swept up in the events of the seventies and was motivated by the highest idealism.”

"Questioned by the prosecutor, Mr R B Borie, Professor Gerwel said the Freedom Charter was discussed freely by students.

In mitigation of sentence Mr A M Omar, appearing for King, said King's idealism was directed by the boycotts and other events that occurred in the 1970s. He had an unselfish desire to serve people and did not advocate violence.

Mr Omar said it was also not illegal for people to subscribe to the Freedom Charter. Students were bound to become involved in idealistic thoughts and because of this, the court should sentence King with caution, he said.

'We hate them'

Lieutenant-Colonel Johannes Gribovns of the security police

Stephen Wrottesley, centre, who has ended his career with the Cape Town police force. His career was marked by controversial actions and conflicts with other police officers.

Baboon still has her dead baby

Environment Reporter

THE Cape Point baboon whose baby was hit by a car and killed on Thursday last week was seen still carrying its dead child on Sunday.

The Cape Times received several calls from people who witnessed the pitiful sight yesterday:

A photograph of the baboon carrying its dead child was published in the Cape Times on Friday. Mr John Spence, the owner of the Cape Town Zoo, said yesterday that a baboon would either desert its dead child immediately or carry it around until it decomposed.

In the meantime, we usually take the dead away, but I am not sure what occurs in the wild," he said.

Mr Spence said it was quite usual behaviour for the baboon to pick up the child's hair. It was either cleaning it or looking for deposits of salt on the hair caused by perspiration.

Names of bus smash victims

Staff Reporter

FOUR children under the age of 16 died in a Saturday's horror smash when a fully-loaded bus of day-trippers collided with a derelict stationary lorry on the West Coast Road near Atlantic City.

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Staff Reporter

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Names

The names of the 12 are: Dennis Keating, 6, Elise's River; Christopher Steenkloof, 14, Matroosfontein; Farida Andrews, 15, Bonteheuwel; Joan Lawrence, 50, of Manenberg; Anthony Esterhuizen, 28, of Elise's River; Johanna Nel, 15, Albertens Farm, 40, Adam September, 19, Victor Veira, 54, all of Clarke's Estate, Elise's River; Neville Godfrey Hartley, 39, of Bishop Lavis; David Boosen, 30, of Epping Forest and Sandra Lawrence, 20, of Elise's River.

\[CHOOSE a winner on "Follow that Star" can be tough when they're all lousy, said one television critic last night. And after the screening of the "Royal Romance," you can't blame one viewer for calling the Queen Mother "a plas tannie." Mrs I Hendricks of Greenhaven agreed with Ronnie girls and an anonymous correspondent said it was tough to choose a winner on "Follow that Star." Especially when they're all lousy," said the anonymous correspondent.

Alison Massey of Claremont chose Buckie and the Spiffies as winners of last night's "Follow that Star." They're young and talented and

council votes facilities

City last 800 the 600 the 100 the 50 the 100

Some councillors feared an adverse affect on tourism and warned that the government was not keen to open up the facilities for all races in the city. Councillors in favour of opening the facilities said the area in question, which includes the aquarium and the amusement park, were already de facto multi racial. The South Afri
cool

the work of a food technologist.

6:38 Plate de Brejitas. Johan Stemmert to record Discos for their future releases. Tonight: Veteran American bandleader Mike van Rembost and his orchestra.


7:30 Johannes Meintjes — Spel Met Maskers. This programme looks at the influence of the environment on the writer and painter Johannes Meintjes, who spent most of his life on the farm, Groot Zekieberg, in the Storrmberg.

8:00 News

8:28 Weather

8:35 News plus: An in-depth analysis of important events in the news.

8:49 Police File

9:04 Shogon, Blackmore's struggling to understand Swazi etique whilst Monique takes on the task of explaining only with the present. But the thrill to the village continues to haunt them and when Yabu refuses to rescind his decision, Blackmore attempts to commit suicide in the honoured manner.

9:53 Sergio Mendez. World-famous band leader Sergio Mendez performs some of his greatest hits.

10:44 News


TV2


T'own's Choice

TONIGHT'S CHOICE — TV1 at 7.30p.m. A look at the life and work of the painter and science writer Johannes Meintjes.

TV2 review

PROBABLY it will be quite some time before Monday offers the kind of excellently-balanced programme that was given the Greenhouse Award last year.

Sometimes one fails to understand why are we so starved of such good programmes like the one that featured a profile on academic and television producer Dorothy Maika. However, the reference to the unsung and amiable Ms Maika as one of the few black women in South Africa
to reach this high level of education, was, in my opinion, misleading. That statement alone shows that our people at Auckland Park are not doing their homework properly.

Masihlele was lively as usual. This item featured a unique occasion where old friends and fans of Leila Mbuli gathered in grand style to launch her new album in absentia. Host Bertha Sebeleke even had time to speak to the Soweto International star via a long distance call to the United States.
against reforms

Political Correspondent
A NEW national and multi-racial body opposed to the Nationalist constitutional proposals is to be launched in Mitchells Plain later this month.

The decision was taken by provincial leaders of the United Democratic Front (UDF) who gathered in Johannesburg at the weekend.

The six-month-old movement comprises a variety of organizations, formed units in the Transvaal, Natal and the Cape after a call by the Rev Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, for a united front against the government's constitutional plan.

Its other main purpose is to oppose the legislation on black people proposed by Minister of Co-operation and Development, Dr Piet Koornhof.

The UDF leadership said in a statement after the weekend meeting that the movement would be launched nationally at a "people's mass rally" in Cape Town on August 20.

A spokesman for Mr Trevor Manuel, Western Cape secretary-general of the UDF, said yesterday that the launch would actually be a two-day meeting at the Rocklands Civic Centre in Mitchells Plain.

The mass rally would be on the evening of Saturday, August 20, but delegates from affiliated organizations would meet on Saturday afternoon and conclude their discussions next morning.

The weekend statement said the UDF's strength lay in its democratic nature.

"The central characteristic of the UDF is that it is made up of trade unions as well as community, women's, student, religious, youth, sports, political, professional and business organizations and interest groups."

"These organizations represent people of all colours and creeds from all strata of South African society. All have clearly rejected the constitution and Koornhof bills."

"All of us have recognized that these manoeuvres of the State are designed to weaken the people's resistance by dividing them whilst entrenching apartheid."

"We have firmly and unanimously committed ourselves to the achievement of a democratic society under the banner of the UDF through active participation of thousands of people by means of our organizations."

A declaration of policy and intent was in the course of being finalized, the statement said.

Kronendal furniture goes for R276 000

By GWEN M MILLS
THE Kronendal Hout Bay collection of important Capé furniture was yesterday sold at auction, which attracted a record attendance, for R276 027 under the hammer of Stephan Welz of Sotheby's.

The amount makes the sale one of the most important. The collection — a museum collection of copper and a vast quantity of blue-and-white porcelain, both of which have acquired honorary African status — was assembled by the owners Malcolm Tait and Alasdair Wylie.

The classic style 18th Century Cape Dutch house at Hout Bay was restored by the owners, and the fine collection of furnishings reflects the lifestyle and good taste of these popular and well-known restaurateurs.

The amount of R296 000 — the highest bid for Kronendal manor house — was offered by Mr and Mrs John Siburn of Durban. If this is confirmed today the new owners hope to run a restaurant at Kronendal.

Slabbert: Salaries no secret

THERE had been regular communication between the government and opposition parties regarding the increase in salaries of MPs and cabinet ministers, the Leader of the Opposition, Dr Frederick van Zyl Slabbert, said in a statement yesterday.

Dr Slabbert said he wished to clarify any possible misunderstanding.

"From the evidence, it is quite clear that the same percentage increase was given to all categories and that there was regular communication between members of government and opposition parties on the negotiations that were taking place in this regard."

"It was also agreed that the matter would not become an issue of party political dispute and I wish to emphasize that I did not issue a statement in this regard."

"It would be totally unacceptable for me or any opposition party to exploit this issue for party-political gain, particularly as we stand to benefit personally from any rejustitutions," the statement said. — Sapa
Black politics has emerged from the repression of the 1960s and 1970s into a new phase of vibrancy.

This is clear from the events of the past six months and, in particular, from this week's decision to launch nationally a broad-based community movement to oppose the Government's constitutional proposals.

The United Democratic Front (UDF), which was recently formed in Natal, Transvaal and the Western Cape to co-ordinate community resistance to the proposed three-tier ethnic Parliament and the Government's "new deal" legislation giving local authority status to urban black councils, is to go national at a "Peoples' Rally" to be held in Cape Town on August 20 and 21.

This was announced in Johannesburg yesterday by the national executive committee of the UDF — which includes Mrs Albertina Sisulu, executive member of the Federation of South African Women; Mr Oscar Mpetha, veteran trade unionist; Mr Zac Yacoob of the Natal Indian Congress; Mr Trevor Manuel of the Cape UDF executive; Mr R A M Seoljee, vice-president of the Transvaal Indian Congress; and Mr Archie Gumede, Durban attorney and president of the UDF in Natal.

A national body was given impetus by the speech made on January 23 at the Transvaal Anti-SA Indian Council congress by Dr Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches.

"There is no reason why churches, civic associations, trade unions, student organisations and sports bodies should not unite in the struggle for a non-racial, democratic and unitary South Africa, pool their resources, and inform the people of the fraud that is about to be perpetrated in their name," Dr Boesak told the congress in the Johannesburg City Hall.

In a statement issued at a Press conference yesterday the UDF national executive committee said the main thrust of the organisation was directed towards the participation of working people "in the workplace, in the communities, wherever they may be."

The August 20 launch was "the first phase of the process — and a momentous step along the road to freedom."

A second black national movement, also dedicated to opposing the new constitution and government-approved bodies, was launched at the time the UDF was doing its grassroots organising.

The National Forum was set up just over a month ago when about 20 black organisations met at Hammanskraal, outside Pretoria, and endorsed the "Manifesto of the Azanian People."

The manifesto directs its opposition to "racial capitalism" and affirms the principles of "anti-racism", "non-collaboration with the oppressors and its political instruments", "independent working class organisation" and "opposition to all alliances with ruling-class parties."

The manifesto also lays down the establishment of a "Worker Republic of Azania", worker control of commerce and industry and full state involvement in education, health and the provision of housing.

Among the 83 community, student and labour organisations which have tied their colours to the UDF mast are major supporters of the Freedom Charter, a manifesto adopted by the all-race Congress Alliance which met at Kibotown, near Johannesburg, in June 1955.

The Freedom Charter, like the Azanian Manifesto, also calls for the nationalisation of commerce and industry and a redistribution of land and wealth.

But it is expressly non-racial and affirms that South Africa belongs to "all who live in it, black and white."

The Forum and the UDF follow, very broadly, the two main streams that have emerged in black political philosophy in the past few years — black consciousness and non-racial socialism as represented by the Freedom Charter.

At the same time, these national movements have seen a blurring of some differences that have driven blacks into the two, often opposing, camps in the past. Today both movements are playing down their differences which seem to centre on the roles of whites in the process of "liberation."

It was incorrect to link the UDF directly to the Charter, Mr Manuel said yesterday. The main thing was to link all truly democratic organisations working against the Government.

At the same time Dr Neville Alexander, a former Robben Island prisoner, told the National Forum conference: "There are many among the whites who are committed to the ideal of liberation and who are prepared to make sacrifices. They must be allowed to play a part in the struggle — but the leadership of the struggle must remain with the black working class."
New municipality law — the pros and cons are lining up

By Jo-Anne Collinge

The first of the "reform era" trio of Koornhof laws — the Black Local Authorities Act — came into operation this week.

Already it has attracted new participants in the official system of local politics, who are preparing to contest elections later this year.

Equally, it has drawn together a range of organisations committed to an all-out campaign for a boycott of the new institutions.

The participants argue a politics of pragmatism — a piecemeal approach to change. The opponents, who include the organisations of the United Democratic Front, insist that municipal matters are but one element in the grand design of apartheid.

They link the Koornhof laws to the debate on the constitution, and insist the issue is full representation for all in the central institutions of government.

ECONOMIC ILLS

Without conceding on principle, the critics of the law also get down to arguing the nuts-and-bolts of the scheme — and this boils down to questions of finance and control.

In announcing his decision to fight elections under the new scheme last year, the Rev Sam Buti, of the Save Alexandra Party, declared that he would be going for "a fully-fledged municipality, legal in all respects, and comparable to any white municipality — or nothing else".

He portrayed this as the solution to the economic ills of the township.

The African League, a newcomer to the political scene, has made it clear that it sees local authority control as a vital element in the economic development of black urban areas. Conceived as a black business organisation, the African League has entered the fray of local politics as a civic means to an economic end.

But the boycott proponents regard these arguments as cart-before-the-horse. The local authorities have to be financially viable, they insist, before they can contribute to the upliftment of the area in general.

Dr Nthato Motlama, chairman of the Soweto Committee of Ten, which is a member of the Anti-Community Council movement, says the prerequisites for healthy local authorities in the townships are:

- An adequate base of rateable property held by freehold title.
- Substantial industrial and commercial presence.
- Heavy subsidisation of development of infrastructure.
- Diversion of rates from cities to their dormitory townships.

Dr Motlama argues that Sowetans have contributed to the development of Johannesburg not only in “sweat equity” but by spending heavily in the city.

"It is estimated 50 percent of the Central Business District income is from Soweto," he says. "Our people are helping pave the streets of Parktown."

He regards it as a curious reversal of practices elsewhere.

"In most civilised countries it is assumed the wealthy give the poor a leg up. Look at the aid programmes for depressed municipalities in Britain, for instance."

He also speaks bitterly of the injustice of blacks footing the bill for the development backlog arising from the Nationalist view that blacks are temporary sojourners in the cities. Paying belatedly, and at much higher rates, for electricity and adequate drainage was an "unbearable burden."

BUDGET SHORTFALL

The new Act concerns itself mainly with the structures and procedures of local councils and speaks little of finance. There are indications that the income of the new authorities would be little different from that of the present community councils — based on residential rentals and service charges.

There is also the provision that debts and assets of the present councils will be assumed by the new authorities.

For the Soweto townships this does not bode well. The Soweto Council budgeted for a loss of R13.2 million during 1983/4 on an operating budget of R66.1 million. The "baby" of the Greater Soweto family, Dobsonville, will fall R1.3 million short on a R76 million budget.

Alexandra Township is likely to break even in the coming financial year, says the regional manager of the West Rand Administration Board, Mr Gert Steyn.
Support for UDF in Natal

Mercury Reporter

THERE was encouraging support for the newly formed Natal regional branch of the United Democratic Front, a movement committed to fighting for a 'united, non-racial South Africa', Prof Jerry Coovadia, branch chairman, said yesterday.

The UDF, representing black, coloured and Indian community organisations, will be officially launched as a national movement in Cape Town on August 20.

Several black and Indian leaders met in Johannesburg at the weekend to complete arrangements for the establishment of a movement which is broadly based on the principles of the Freedom Charter — a document adopted by anti-apartheid activists in 1955 and embodying a redistribution of wealth and political power in South Africa.

In Natal Mr Archie Cunode has been elected president with Prof Coovadia as chairman and Mr Virgil Bonehomme as vice-chairman.
Hendrickse and MP fight coloured removals

Mail Correspondent
PORT ELIZABETH — The leader of the Labour Party, the Rev Allin Hendrickse, says the removal of people from Willowdene, an isolated coloured area in "white" Port Elizabeth, is evil.

In an interview yesterday Mr Hendrickse said the Labour Party had fought removals from Willowdene since 1969 and was continuing the battle at ministerial level.

Mr Hendrickse said the housing shortage was so urgent that to move people from houses and demolish the houses, even if they were inadequate, was evil.

A spokesman for the Department of Community Development said yesterday that the Minister, Mr Pen Kotze, had refused a call from the MP for Port Elizabeth Central, Mr John Malcomess, to place a moratorium on the demolition of the 219 houses, the last coloured enclave in the city's white group area.

Demolition of the houses began in 1980, but was halted in 1982 on the recommendation of the then Director of Housing, Mr D J Cleary, when it became apparent that no funds for new housing projects would become available for at least three years.

Later, when the council was pressed to go ahead with repairs to the electrical wiring of the houses, the Department of Community Development halted this. Since then the department has refused permission for the work to go ahead irrespective of the source of finance.

Mr Malcomess said he would not give up the fight against the demolition of more than 200 houses in the face of the housing shortage in the city. He would seek an interview with Mr Kotze during the special parliamentary session starting next week.

"The Minister's decision is reminiscent of District Six in Cape Town, with the big difference that it is taking place in 1986 against the background of the Government's new dispensation which will give coloured people a seat in Parliament."

"Despite this they are apparently not acceptable as neighbours adjacent to a white urban area."

Mr Malcomess said that at present about 5,000 to 6,000 families needed houses.

"People are going to be uprooted whether they like it or not and as a result they will have to pay more rent and spend more on transport," said Mr Malcomess.

Willowdene was built as a housing scheme for coloured people in the 1950s. In 1969 the area was included in the white group area of the city and since then has been scheduled for demolition. In 1979 in spite of opposition from the coloured management committee the council's community services committee decided to demolish the houses as they fell vacant, as the National Housing Commission had instructed it to do.
Pretoria blast killed bombers

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shortly after the blast and the detentions were instrumental in expediting the investigation.

Teams from the Security Branch, the CID, the Counter-Insurgency Unit and the South African Criminal Bureau took part in the probe.

The scientific contributions of the Forensic Science Laboratory under the command of Major-General K P Neethling enabled the investigating team to complete the reconstruction of events.

Other facts mentioned are:

- The vehicle in which the bomb exploded was a cream 1983 model Colt Galant which was stolen on June 19 last year from private premises in Edenvale.
- The engine number of the car was obliterated by an electric grinder in Mamelodi on the morning of May 20 — the day of the blast — and police have taken possession of the grinder.
- Only one man was in the car when it was parked in front of the Nedbank Centre. The bomb exploded before he could leave it.
- His assistant arrived in a second car and took up position in Church Street opposite the car bomb, presumably to check whether everything was in order.
- Their plan was to detonate the bomb by remote control when conditions were favourable. A technical fault caused the bomb to explode prematurely, killing the driver of the car instantly. His assistant, who was standing on the northern curb of Church Street, was seriously injured in the lower half of his body and was dead on arrival at hospital.
- The combi was found parked in Schubart Street after the blast. Clothes belonging to the dead driver of the Combi were found in the combi and it was obvious that it was to be used as the get-away vehicle.
- R3 000 was found in the house of the owner of the combi and "information indicated that the money had been paid to the deceased by the ANC to carry out this dastardly act."

Many pieces of body found at the scene of the blast were used in the investigation which helped to prove that two people were responsible for the blast.

About 50 kg of military explosives of unknown origin and a quantity of shrapnel was used in the construction of the explosive device.

A forensic investigation identified human remains and debris. After a study of the whole scene, there was a strong possibility that there was at least one person in the immediate vicinity of the explosion who disintegrated almost completely.

Serological (serum) examinations of human remains showed the presence of blood groups O and MN which indicated that one person was possibly in the vehicle during the explosion.

According to the police statement, "Information received during investigation confirmed previous intelligence that terrorists are recruited more and more from the ranks of the criminal element. After a short training course they are made available for the actual execution of terrorist acts."

The statement added that the investigation was continuing and a post-mortem examination would be held soon. Information which had led to the success of the investigation so far had been obtained from black members of the community who approached the police of their own accord.

General Steenkamp said the South African Police wished to thank the public for their self-control.
Police identify Pretoria bombers

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. Brilliant police detective work has identified the bombers in the Pretoria car-bomb blast in May as two convicted Reef criminals recruited by the African National Congress, which had provided them with R3 000.

Police forensic experts matched together the fingerprints of the two men involved in the bombing — the blood-groups of the two men involved in the bombing being known because both had criminal records. It also investigated the car bomb itself. The bomb was parked in nearby Schubart street. Inside they found a remote control radio with which the bombers had planned to detonate the bomb.

Two more hired ANC "mercenaries" died in bomb blasts early this year. A number of bombs — planted at various government buildings, including courts — were found by police before they were detonated.

ANC "mercenaries" were also responsible for the bombing of the Nedbank Square. Most windows were blown out. Aluminium louvres were blown into the street.

Boot of car blown off roof of Nedbank Square (13 storeys)

POYNTON BUILDING WEST WING (10 storeys): Every window blown out

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Detectives for the first time details of the investigation into South Africa's worst terror attack, the chief of the security police, Major-General Frans Steenkamp, said yesterday.

The ANC is recruiting criminals to carry out acts of urban terror throughout the country. The recruits are given short periods of training in neighbouring States.

Several people have been arrested by security police in connection with the Pretoria blast and other terrorist acts.

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Muslims told it's a matter of conscience

Mercury Reporter

THE Jamiatul-Ulema of Natal, a committee of Muslim theologians, has come out against the Government's constitutional proposals, describing them as un-Islamic.

But some Muslims yesterday said the Jamiat had left the door open for politicians to participate in the planned new political dispensation should they consider this wise.

'We feel it must be a matter of conscience,' a senior Jamiat spokesman said yesterday when approached for further comment.

In a carefully worded Press statement the Jamiat earlier had urged South Africans to turn to prayer for 'wisdom to negotiate a just and peaceful solution' to problems facing the country.

The spokesman said that in the light of the Koran and the Prophet's guidance, the constitutional proposals were unacceptable as they violated the principles of Islam because they entrenched apartheid.

'The Jamiatul-Ulema is unequivocally committed to the principles of Islam and accordingly opposes any violation or disregard of these principles.

'The proposed constitutional dispensation, in spite of being an attempt to accommodate the ever-growing demands for political participation, represents a perpetuation of the existing system,' he said.

But he added that the Jamiat was not making a pronouncement on whether Muslims should participate in the new set-up.

As Muslims were a minority group it had been left to politicians to decide if it would be in the best interests of the community to take part.
Ngoyi to be honoured

By ZWELAKHE SISULU

THE TOMBSTONE of the legendary president of the banned African National Congress Women's League, Lil-lian Ngoyi, will be unveiled on August 14 and several events have been organised to coincide with the unveiling.

The unveiling of Mrs Ngoyi's tombstone will be part of a week's programme organised by the Federation of South African Women (Fed-saw) to mark the march by 20,000 women to the Pretoria Union Buildings to protest against the pass laws.

The organisation will have a Focus Week starting on August 7 and ending with the unveiling on August 14.

A photographic exhibition of the women's march and a discussion on the Women's Charter will be some of the highlights.

A Women's Day commemoration service will be held at Glyn Thomas at 7:30 pm on August 9 and a paper on the Women's Charter in perspective will be delivered at the YWCA at 7:30 pm on August 10.

A statement issued by Fedswa highlighted the plight of women under the pass laws.

"In South Africa women do not have what is considered basic rights throughout the world; the right to live with their husbands and lead a normal family life," the statement said.

Women were used as a pool of labour with limited education and skills and forced into taking menial jobs.

Women, the statement added, were also subjected to various forms of discrimination. "Besides racial discrimination African women in South Africa are subjected to a system of sexual domination which is reflected in many institutions," it read.
ANC activist gets 1 year

By RONALD MORRIS

HEADLEY Moses King was sentenced in the Paarl Regional Court yesterday to an effective 12 months' imprisonment for taking part in activities of the African National Congress.

Mr A J Burger sentenced King to 18 months, but suspended six months for four years on condition that he does not contravene Section 13 of the Internal Security Act again.

Mr Burger found that King, 27, of Gross Street, Athlone, participated in the activities of the ANC by receiving documents and money, submitting reports on the Cape to the ANC and "introducing" a Mr Michael Benjamin Coetzee to the ANC.

The State alleged that from September to December 1982, at or near Cape Town or Maseru, Lesotho, King attended ANC meetings and tried to recruit members.

He previously pleaded not guilty.

'Mercy'

Passing sentence in a courtroom packed with friends, relatives, and policemen, Mr Burger said: "It is not the aim of the courts to destroy a person, but to show mercy.

"His conduct should be seen in the atmosphere of youthful idealism. He is the product of the prevailing circumstances and the living conditions of other people."

"There has been evidence that his conduct was only the tip of an iceberg in the intricate machinery of the ANC. He played a minor role, but the end result could have been the horror - such as the Pretoria bomb blast - which cracks at the fibres of a civilized society.

"One must, however, guard against seeing the accused as the personification of the ANC's militancy."

Mr R B Rorich appeared for the State. Mr A M Omar instructed by Mr R Vassen, of Omar Vassen, Abercrombie, Somn and Co appeared for King.
Statements valid in terrorism trial

ZWELITSHA. — Pre-trial statements by three accused in a terrorism case had been made voluntarily and were admissible as evidence, the Ciskei Supreme Court in Zwelitsha ruled yesterday.

Mr Justice D S de Wet gave the ruling after defence counsel claimed that the statements by Mr William Duna, 31, Mr Dumisani Manjiva, 31, and Mr Luyanda Mayekiso, 33, had not been voluntary.

They and Mr Bayi Keye, 32, have pleaded not guilty to charges of taking part in terrorist activities, being members of the banned ANC, recruiting people to undergo military training in Lesotho and being in possession of banned literature.

Mr Justice De Wet said Mr Duna was evasive when questioned. He denied that some questions were put to him by the magistrate during the taking down of the confessions.

"Both magistrate and court interpreter gave evidence to this effect and I accept their evidence as true."

The judge said Mr Manjiva's evidence was vague under cross-examination, and Mr Mayekiso was an unsatisfactory witness.

Judgement will be passed today. — Sapa.
By CHRIS OCKERS

AN EXTRAORDINARY story of elaborate police detective work has identified the Pretoria saboteurs as two convicted Reef criminals recruited by the African National Congress and paid R3 000 for the terror blast.

Police forensic experts matched together tissue and bone recovered at the scene of the car bomb blast in their painstaking identity analysis lasting more than a month.

Disclosing details for the first time of the investigation into South Africa's worst terror attack, Chief of Security Police, Major-General Frans Steenkamp, revealed yesterday that:

• The ANC is recruiting criminals to carry out acts of urban terrorism throughout the country. Recruits are given short periods of training in neighbouring states before being dispatched by white organisers of the sabotage missions.

• Several people have been arrested by Security Police in connection with the Pretoria blast and other terrorist activities, and are still being held.

• The leader of the South African Communist Party, Joe Slovo, based in Maputo, was named as the mastermind of the Pretoria blast.

• One of the terrorists virtually disintegrated in the blast. Part of his body were flying out of the car while the other saboteur, who was standing across the road, was lacerated by shards of glass and debris, and died on his way to hospital.

• The ANC launched a rocket attack on the Sasol oil refinery at Secunda just two weeks ago before fleeing back to Swaziland. At least one of these terrorists was involved in the rocket attack on Vooitrekkerhoogte Military base in August.

• Two more hired ANC "mercenaries" died in bomb blasts early this year. A number of bombs — planted at various Government buildings, including courts — was found by police before they were detonated. ANC "mercenaries" were also responsible for the bombing of an Africam bank in the Cape.

Police investigations began within minutes of the blast. Police combed the area, in which 19 people died and 217 were injured, collecting human remains and debris.

Then, in a remarkable feat, detectives headed by Major-General Dr Forensic Bureau, literally pieced together the evidence. First, police found a Kombi parked in nearby Schubart Street. Inside, they discovered a remote control radio device. Wireless experts had planned to detonate the car bomb.

In the Kombi they also discovered clothing belonging to the as-yet-unidentified driver of the car in which the bomb was placed. They also located fingerprints in the Kombi and matched them with the prints of a known convicted burglar — an expert safe-breaker.

This gave police the identity of one of the saboteurs. His body was found in the Pretoria area. Within hours, Mr. Slovo was alleged to have paid the two men involved. The police found a Kombi to place in the Kombi and recover the evidence. Metal filings from the car engine were found on the griddle.

The car had been stolen in the East Rand on July 21 and months before the blast.

Establishing the identity of the second man was far more difficult, and it was here that complicated forensic work eventually paid off.

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The device was a car bomb, according to police. It had been fitted with a remote detonator and the radio to send out a signal to detonate the charge, one expert said.

When police found the van, its doors were still open and the radio was inside, but its passengers were never to come back — like the many other victims who left Pretoria West shortly before 4.25pm on May 29 this year.

The deceased were members of the Vlakplaas gang and had been wanted for crimes.

Their names could not be released at this stage, as the police investigation into the blast had not yet been finalised.

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52 bombings in 3 years

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Doubts that ANC used hired killers

By PATRICK LAURENCE
Political Editor

THE police statement on the use of criminals by the outlawed African National Congress in the Pretoria terror bomb attack was yesterday regarded with scepticism by Mr Tom Lodge, of the University of the Witwatersrand, but considered plausible by a usually well-informed foreign observer.

Mr Lodge, who has made a detailed study of the ANC and the Pan Africanist Congress and who has given evidence as an expert witness in security trials, was reacting to the statement by Major-General Francois Steenkamp, Chief of the Security Police, that the terror bomb was placed by two members of a safe-breaking gang.

"Information which came to light during the investigation confirmed previous intelligence that terrorists are recruited more and more from the ranks of the criminal element," General Steenkamp said.

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The police investigation was a team effort involving the Security Police, the CID, the Counter-Insurgency Unit, the SA Criminal Bureau and the Forensic Science Laboratory, General Steenkamp added.

But Mr Lodge said of the struggle between the Security Forces and the ANC: "In a conflict of this nature, any objective analysis should be very cautious of propaganda generated by both sides."

He found it "unlikely" that the ANC would recruit criminals, given its access, as previous police statements have made clear, to highly-trained and highly-motivated insurgents in its camps.

It made no sense, he contended, to use criminals for a terror attack when there were men specially trained in insurgency, assassination and terror (in the Soviet Union, East Germany and Angola, according to the Robie Commission).

He said General Steenkamp's statement conflicted with earlier expositions by top police officers of ANC methods, which, according to police accounts, involved sending in small specialist units to fulfil specific tasks, including information-gathering on the target, hiding of arms and explosives and execution of the attack.

"Police have previously suggested tasks set by the ANC commanders are carefully graded and then entrusted to people with specialised training," Mr Lodge added.

Gen Steenkamp told newsmen that R3,000 had been found in the home of one of the criminals who, he said, died when the car bomb they were assigned to plant exploded prematurely.

Gen Steenkamp added: "Information indicates that the money had been paid to the deceased by the ANC to carry out this dastardly act."

Mr Lodge commented: "If the men were safebreakers it is reasonable to assume that the money came from safebreaking."

A foreign observer said, however, he found the police report on the use of hired criminals credible.

Commenting on the Pretoria bomb blast, in which 19 people were killed and more than 215 injured, he said: "It didn't fit the pattern of previous ANC attacks. It was more like a hired gun operation. It was consistent with that."

A European intelligence agency was at one time even convinced that the ANC had gone to Europe to get professional henchmen for the attack, he continued.

He had no reason to question the police statement and had admiration for their competence. "They did a pretty good job. When you crack this sort of thing in so short a time it is pretty good."

But, he said, the police statement about the use of hired criminals by the ANC had important implications.

"It calls into question the belief that the ANC has a lot of highly trained and motivated recruits at its disposal. It may mean that the ANC is weaker than Pretoria says it is and that the total onslaught is weaker than it is said to be."

In an apparent reference to South Africa's raids into neighbouring countries which host ANC cadres, he said: "It means that the South African Government is not in so much trouble that it has to be nasty. It can afford to play it cool."

General Steenkamp could not be contacted for comment yesterday, but he told SABC-TV last night that the ANC was holding back its best men and using criminals for gruesome attacks because criminals were conscienceless.
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**Wrab to abide by ruling**

THE West Rand Administration Board announced yesterday that it was going to implement the Rikhotso Supreme Court ruling which gives qualifying migrant workers the rights to live permanently in urban areas.

At a Press conference held in Johannesburg, Mr John Knoetze, said he was perturbed by insinuations by "certain organisations" that Wrab was dragging its feet in implementing the ruling.

He said the Supreme Court's decision was "absurd" and that workers were entitled to the rights if the qualifying periods ended after the dates of "independence" of these states, as certain provisions in the Urban Areas Act appear to negate this.

Mr Knoetze also said that applications from such workers were processed and kept on record until clarity is obtained from Pretoria.

He said that so far endorsements to remain in the urban areas have been granted to 2 355 workers employed in Wrab's area of jurisdiction and that in the Johannesburg office, 130 cases were being dealt with per day.

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Racing results

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SAMORA MACHEL
"You who have no work speak.
You who have no homes, speak.
You who have no schools, speak.
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Let us share our problems so that we can solve them together.
We must free ourselves.
Men and women must share housework.
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Night home and out in the world.
There are no creches and nursery schools for our children.
There are no homes for the aged.
There is no one to care for the sick.
Women must unite to fight for these rights.
I opened the road for you, you must go forward."
Women focus on their lot

By ANTON HARBOR
Political Reporter

The Federation of South African Women is to hold a series of meetings as part of a "Focus on Women" week, climaxing in the commemoration of National Women's Day next Tuesday.

National Women's Day is the anniversary of the day in 1956 when 20,000 women from all over South Africa marched on the Union Buildings in Pretoria to present a petition to the Prime Minister.

The petition opposed the pass laws, which were being applied for the first time to women as well as men.

The main meeting will be held on Sunday and will be addressed by the president of the FSAW, Mrs Albertina Sisulu, as well as Mr Curtis Nkomo and Ms Zinzi Mandela.

The meeting, according to a statement issued by the FSAW, will focus on forced removals, health problems, child care, pass laws, maternity leave, wages and the effect of the Rikhotso judgment on women in rural areas.

The meeting, to be held at the Dube YWCA at 12.30pm, will also look at the Women's Charter, a document adopted in 1956 at the same time as the Freedom Charter.

Next Tuesday, veteran woman's leader Mrs Helen Joseph will address a meeting at the University of the Witwatersrand and an FSAW meeting will be held in the evening at Glenn Thomas House, Baragwanath Hospital.

On Wednesday at 7pm, Mrs Sinna will address a meeting at the Dube YWCA focusing on the Women's Charter. Ms Amanda Kwaiti, a prominent FSAW leader, will speak at Wits University on next Thursday.
Mailed threats':
Man's bail estreated

Staff Reporter

BAIL of R300 for a Woodstock community worker, Mohammed Cloete, was yesterday finally estreated after he failed to appear before a Cape Town Regional Court to face charges involving the alleged posting of threatening letters to security policemen.

Mr Cloete, of Duke Street, allegedly contravened section 27(2)(b) of Act 7 of 1958 by sending threatening letters to certain Cape Town security policemen in December last year.

In previous court appearances, Mr Cloete said he was a community worker for the Church Urban Planning Commission and had been employed by them for 18 months when he was arrested while working on a project near Crossroads.
Azapo wants end to inter-group friction

Political Reporter

THE Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo) has committed itself to "creating a climate conducive to reducing friction among organisations of the oppressed."

This, coming the day after the United Democratic Front appealed to other organisations to join it for the sake of unity, may signify an improvement in relations between the two major black opposition groups.

The two groups — broadly defined as supporters of black consciousness and supporters of the Freedom Charter — have held talks recently and these are expected to continue.

On Monday, UDF leaders said at a press conference they were not a "Charterist" organisation and appealed to all those who subscribed to their broad declaration of principles to join them.

Reacting to this yesterday, Mr. Ismael Mkhabela, publicity secretary of Azapo, confirmed that they had held a formal meeting with UDF leaders.

Azapo, the leading exponent of black consciousness, was waiting for the UDF leaders to come back to them for further talks. The last round of talks have been delayed.

Mr. Mkhabela said Azapo would be bound by its commitment to reduce friction between the groups, whatever the outcome of the talks.

"We won't go around trying to score points off them. The ideal for which we strive is more important than some people would like it to be," he said.

Azapo is a member of the National Forum (NF), a body that brought together mainly black consciousness groups and which was launched at roughly the same time as the UDF.
ANC rejects blast claims

From JOHN BATTERSBY

LONDON. — The African National Congress, in a statement issued in Lusaka, has denied that "ANC mercenaries" were killed in the bomb blast which killed 19 people in Pretoria in May this year.

Responding to the South African Police claim that those involved in the May 20 attack were "hired ANC mercenaries" whose device exploded prematurely and killed them, the ANC statement said: "The SA Police and defence forces, continuing their psychological warfare, are once again peddling a blatant fabrication about the Umkhonto combatants in the May 20 Air Force HQ attack.

"Having failed to turn the South African people against the ANC by convincing them that the ANC are killing the oppressed, they now seek to convince us that the ANC is killing itself.

"We reiterate once more that those killed were essentially SAAF and military personnel, which might explain why some have to be passed off as 'ANC mercenaries' as the regime cannot publicly acknowledge their employment in its secret services," the statement said.

A spokesman for the ANC office in London said yesterday that it had not yet received the Lusaka statement but that it sounded authentic.

It was unlikely that the London office would add to the Lusaka statement, he said.
Mandela is still a candidate, says lawyer

Own Correspondent

DURBAN — Nelson Mandela has not turned down his nomination as chancellor of the University of Natal, his Johannesburg legal representative said today.

Mr Ismail Ayob said: "Through past experience, I know Nelson Mandela would have accepted the nomination."

He said he had told Maritzburg SRC president Mr Cormac Cullinan yesterday that Mr Mandela had not withdrawn his nomination.

Mr Cullinan had said that while the Maritzburg campus would stick with its nominee Dr Alan Paton, Mr Mandela was still a candidate as the Durban campus and the medical school had chosen him.
Press given synopsis of closed hearing

Pietermaritzburg Bureau

IN A surprise move yesterday, Pressmen at the trial of an alleged terrorist were given a synopsis of evidence given in camera by three State witnesses.

An order in terms of the Criminal Procedure Act has barred spectators and the Press from hearing any evidence in the trial of alleged terrorist, Mr Siphiwe Makhathini which started in the Supreme Court here this week.

Mr I Slabbert, the prosecutor, said the orders were made to protect the identities of his witnesses.

In making a formal application for the gist of the evidence to be released yesterday, defence counsel Gerald Alexander, SC, said: 'The Press is concerned about the lack of information from these proceedings. I have discussed this with Mr Slabbert and we ask you to change your ruling so that information can be given to the Press, respecting at all times the need to protect the identities of the witnesses.'

Mr Justice van Heerden authorised counsel to issue a written synopsis of the evidence, saying the intention of the in camera order had not been to place a veil of secrecy over the proceedings, but to protect the identities of the witnesses.

The statement read later to the Press said evidence had been led that the accused had arrived in Tanzania and received no training.

'Evidence was also heard that the accused and an accomplice took up residence in a black township near Durban during April and May 1982.'

'It was claimed the men possessed machineguns of Czechoslovakian origin and explosives, and that they admitted to being members of the ANC who had entered South Africa.'

'According to evidence the accused and his accomplice were responsible for an explosion at the labour offices in Moodie Street in Pinetown in May 1982.'

'The same day the accused left for Durban in possession of what was described as a "cheese-like substance".'

'The following morning, Saturday, there were reports in the Natal Mercury of two explosions the previous day - one of which was in Pinetown.'

Activities

'There was evidence to the effect that the bomb had been planted in Pinetown when the building was vacant.'

'It was contended on behalf of the accused that he had no knowledge of his companion's plans or activities.'

Mr Makhathini, 26, from Kwa Mashu, is facing 18 counts relating to terrorist activities and three bomb blasts in the Durban area last year.

On Tuesday Mr Makhathini pleaded not guilty to 16 of these charges, but admitted having possessed a gun and ammunition without a permit.

He also admitted having been in Tanzania, Angola and Mozambique between 1977 and 1982, but said he had not undergone training of any sort.

The hearing resumes at 10am today.
5 sue SWA security policemen for death

By TONY WEAVER
Mall Africa Bureau
WINNIPEG, Three South Africa security policemen are being sued for a total of R10,000 following the death of Mr. Johannes Kakuva in August, 1980.

In June this year, Mr. Justice Chris Mouton ruled that Mr. Kakuva, a farmer from Koxkloa, be declared dead and that his body be buried while in Security Police custody.

The three policemen are Captains Patrick King, who was in charge of the Security Police Centre at the Koxkloa police station, and Lieutenants Johannes Harmse and Sergeant Ruben Japie, both of whom were stationed at the centre at the time of Mr. Kakuva's death.

Five people are suing the policemen.

Mr. Ursanka Kakuva, wife of the dead man, and her brother-in-law, Mr. Wilipard Kakuva, are suing as guardians of the Kakuva's nine children.

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Rand Daily Mail

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The three policemen are Captains Patrick King, who was in charge of the Security Police Centre at the Koxkloa police station, and Lieutenants Johannes Harmse and Sergeant Ruben Japie, both of whom were stationed at the centre at the time of Mr. Kakuva's death.

Five people are suing the policemen.

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AMERICAN civil rights leaders have invited Dr Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, to address a gathering of more than 300,000.

The huge crowd is expected to gather at the foot of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington on August 27 to commemorate the 1963 civil rights march on the capital.

Dr Boesak will be the only foreign speaker at the gathering, which is to be attended by some of the most important political and religious personalities in the United States.

Widow

Among the American speakers will be Mrs Loretta King, widow of the Rev Martin Luther King jun, spiritual leader of the American civil rights movement, who delivered his now famous "I have a dream..." speech on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in 1963.

Such champions of the civil rights movement as Senator Edward Kennedy are expected to be among the small group of selected American speakers.

Dr Boesak confirmed today that he would be addressing the gathering and said: "I am greatly honoured, and I am also humbled."

The ceremony is to be televised live by all three major national networks in the United States, reaching an audience of more than 80-million there and many more elsewhere in the world.

Parts of the ceremony will also be broadcast internationally by the Voice of America and other radio networks.

In 1963, more than 300,000 people from all parts of the United States converged at the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, which stands at the one end of a broad mall opposite Congress, to press for improved black civil rights.

Guarantee

The gathering followed protests throughout the country and led eventually to the passing of the Civil Rights Act which guaranteed equality for all Americans and made provision for programmes to improve the living conditions, educational facilities and work opportunities of black Americans.
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OWN CORRESPONDENT JOHANNESBURG—Relatives have said that as far as they were aware the taxi-driver concerned with the police of having planted a car bomb which killed 19 people in Pretoria in May had no political affiliations.

The taxi-driver’s niece—her uncle cannot be identified on the instructions of the police—said he was dedicated to his family and had no interest in politics.

She said her uncle left his home on the afternoon of May 20 to transport people to Mamelodi from a roofing company.

He had parked his car in a street a stone’s throw from the scene of the bomb blast because he and his family were not in the vicinity of a nearby department store.

His body was discovered by his family at the government mortuary on May 31.

The niece also denied that police had found R3 000 hidden in his house, as stated in newspaper reports this week.

However, she claimed that the man’s wife had been detained by the police for questioning since June 20. She was still in detention.

Her uncle is survived by his wife and five children.

A hawk-eyed Mamelodi who was identified by the police this week as one of the ANC members responsible for the Pretoria bomb blast was described by family members as a quiet man.

The man—whom the police say cannot be identified because investigations are continuing—was said by the police in Pretoria this week to be one of the ANC saboteurs.

His body was mangled by the blast and his family identified him by a snakeskin belt and a shirt.

He was identified at the Pretoria govern-ment mortuary on June 16. The bomb blast took place on May 20.

TUNING into the news last night proved horrifying for one viewer who believed the mayhem in front of her until she was told it wasn’t for real. But she had already feared for the lives of her family and friends...

Getting no reply from the SABC in Cape Town last night, Mrs D Strata of Cape Town phoned Televiews. "I was totally appalled at last night’s coverage of the surprise civil defence exercise."

"Can you imagine the shock and horror when I saw a bony elderly people, turned on the TV during the news. I realized where it was taking place and feared for the lives of my family and friends."

"There was no caption indicating it was a civil defence exercise unless a person had watched from the beginning they had no way of knowing it was not in fact reality," she said.

Mrs J Riley of Rondebosch asked why the SABC didn’t broadcast their continuity announce.

“People are getting upset about the colour of the skink for her brother’s leather jacket had been found in a parked taxi belonging to a friend."

She added that during the search for her brother, the family had to consult a lawyer in order to make inquiries with the security police.

Students vote for Paton

MARITZBURG—More than 1 000 students of the University of Natal here yesterday supported the nomination of author Dr Alan Paton as Chancellor.

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The black struggle

WHILE white women were fighting a ladylike and legal battle for the right to vote, black women were already opting to go to jail in a very different struggle.

For blacks in the early 20th century, enfranchisement of women was not an issue. The issues that did concern them were far more basic — rents, prices, housing, work and the many laws that discriminated against the black community as a whole.

The longest battle blacks have fought has been against the pass laws, the mechanism through which the State controls black labour, and under which people have to submit to a mass of bureaucratic restrictions on their movement — or face arrest.

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These women were among the first casualties in the arduous anti-pass campaigns that raged over the next four decades and which saw thousands of women jailed and many others detained and banned.

The organisations involved in uniting women and planning the many demonstrations were either banned outright, as in the case of the African National Congress Women's League (established in 1943 and banned in 1950), or, like the Federation of South African Women (formed in 1953), they went into a decline as their leaders were banned, jailed or placed under house arrest.

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Mama Zibangu's first two political campaigns were over strictly bread-and-butter issues. In the 1950s there was only one third-class carriage on trains to Langa. The rest were first or second class, and reserved for whites, a fact which incensed township residents as "there were no European going to the townships."

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Afterwards, she threw herself into the anti-pass campaign that was spreading throughout South Africa and that was to reach a climax with the march of 20,000 women to the Union Buildings in Pretoria on August 9, 1956. Mama Zibangu, no longer afraid of being involved in politics, was among those who went.

In her words: "I felt now there was nothing to be afraid of; it was better to say something. I felt we had to fight these books because they were ugly..."
POLITICS

Rise of the UDF

One of the most broadly-based political movements in SA since the Congress Alliance of the Fifties is to be launched nationally under the banner of the United Democratic Front (UDF) at a "people’s rally" in Cape Town in a fortnight.

Opposed to government's constitutional plans for coloureds and Indians, and against the "Koomhof Bills" affecting urban Africans, the UDF says "these manoeuvres of the State are designed to weaken the people's resistance by dividing them whilst entrenching apartheid." The front is committed to the creation of a democratic, non-racial, unitary state in SA.

Its coming campaigns seem set to have an important influence on the outcome of government's possible referendums to test coloured and Indian opinion on the constitutional proposals.

In the background, however, is another would-be popular organisation also pitched against government's constitutional proposals — the socialistic-cum-black consciousness (BC) influenced National Forum Committee (NFC). The extent to which their existence will fracture the black cause — specifically for the "hearts and minds" of the people in a broader context — remains to be seen.

The apparent UDF-NFC friction (Current Affairs July 15 and 29) has been seen as a fundamentally "charterist versus BC" fall-out. The UDF rejects the label "charterist" and points out that some of its constituents, like the Islamic Council of SA, could hardly be so described. "All political groupings and people who have different approaches to the struggle have a place in the UDF (provided they accept UDF principles)," it explains. "The UDF is an organisation that unites all freedom-loving people who reject apartheid."

The NFC says, similarly, that it is not necessarily a BC organisation and that it is open to groups of different ideological persuasions. However, it excludes whites (for the present). The UDF does not.

Trade unions

According to UDF spokesman, Zac Yacoob, "there are no antagonistic forces and feuds" between the two camps. In fact, "We do see the NFC as making a contribution," he added. "The UDF is committed to working together on a day-to-day basis, campaigning and gathering organisations who combine to reject the President's Council proposals and the Koomhof Bills... We do not see the NFC as opposed to us." Yacoob said the NFC "wrongly assumed that the Freedom Charter was the basis of the UDF." He did rule out co-operating with them "later."

The difference between the two groupings is that the UDF has been built up regionally and has been developing a programme of action over the past six months, whereas the NFC has so far only convened one conference (at Hammanskraal), explained Yacoob.

Among the array of civic, political, students, women's and church groups affiliated to the UDF's regional branches in the Transvaal, Natal and the Cape, are various trade unions such as the SA Allied Workers (Sawu) and the Council of Unions of SA (Cusa).

The UDF plans to formally approach the 100 000-strong Federation of SA Trade Unions (Fosatu), the best organised non-racial union federation in SA. Although UDF sources say that Fosatu has "indicated that they are supportive," whether they will "actually affiliate is the question."

The NFC, too, claims allegiance of a number of similar organisations and takes an overtly more "workerist" stance.

Cusa, interestingly, serves on both the NFC and UDF. Cusa general-secretary, Fireshow Camay, says that his federation's policy is "to participate in all organisations opposed to the constitutional proposals since our membership is spread across BC and so-called 'charterists.'" He explains that Cusa's founders were firmly committed to a non-racial society in SA that would "basically be achieved through black leadership."

OWEN HORWOOD
Gossip victim again?

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MUSLIMS DIVIDED

The government's new constitutional proposals are threatening to split SA's Muslim community. The Islamic Council of South Africa (ICSA), the national body to which most Muslim groups are affiliated, has rejected the constitution because it claims it entrenches ethnic and does not meet the aspirations of blacks.

But several influential Muslim groups are now saying that the ICSA has no right to meddle in politics. Trustees of the Juma Musjid Trust, the body which controls the Grey Street mosque, as well as the Sydenham Muslim Association, have resigned from the council in protest.

Executive director of the ICSA, Ibrahim Bawa, denies that the constitution is polarising opinion in the Muslim community. He says Muslims throughout the country generally support the stand taken by the ICSA and those that don't are motivated mainly by self-interest. Several of the breakaway trustees are members of the South African Indian Council and could be in line for seats in the proposed Indian chamber of deputies in the tri-cameral parliament.

Says Bawa: "These people are partly motivated by the glitter of office and the opportunities it opens up for them." According to him, the ICSA made its position on the constitution known as far back as 1977 when it rejected the government's original proposals. On the question of the ICSA making political pronouncements, he says: "Islam is a way of life. It governs everything that one does. It contains economic doctrines as well as religious and political ones."

However, dissent in the Muslim community runs deep. Prominent Durban businessman, Mohamed Suleman, recently warned that the Muslim community could find itself out of step if it heed the ICSA's call to reject the proposals. "The Muslim community, small as it is, is part and parcel of the Indian community. And if the new constitution is pushed down the throats of the Indian people, as may well happen, Muslims faithful to the ICSA call will find themselves at a grave disadvantage." Bawa, however, says the ICSA took its stand on a matter of conscience. He says there is no compulsion on Muslims to accept its viewpoint. Further affirmation of the ICSA's position came last week when the powerful Jamaat-e-Ulema, a school of Muslim theologians, also rejected the government's proposals as "un-Islamic". Some say the Jamaat-e-Ulema's decision draws the debate to a close. For, while Muslims could turn their backs on the ICSA, they cannot do the same to the Jamaat, which is the supreme Muslim authority on Islamic matters in Natal.
A clearer picture of the 'new diplomacy'

By Peter Sullivan, Political Correspondent

There are two traumas in South Africa's "new diplomacy" essential to any understanding of it: we are destabilising our neighbours, and the military men have taken over from the diplomats.

With these two guiding principles, the picture of what South Africa is doing in southern Africa is clearer.

"This decade's diplomacy differs from others because it follows the collapse of the Portuguese empire coupled to the emergence of Zimbabwe.

Zimbabwe, Angola and Mozambique won their independence through the barrel of a gun. Violence and revolution succeeded, whereas in Lesotho, Swaziland, Botswana and even Zambia peaceful independence was won.

South Africa elected a new Prime Minister and achieved black trade unions.

Mr. F W Botha injected power into the State Security Council and gave it the benefit of co-ordinated intelligence.

CYNICAL

Military men had started their ascendance over diplomats, and events in neighbouring states assured the military aA continued rise.

Why destabilise? This is a question which puzzles all observers. The idea of having your neighbours fighting off attempted coups simply to stop them fighting you seems too cynical to be true.

South Africa's destabilisation is aimed at showing its neighbours the perils of internal resistance movements.

This is a way for them to learn the South African Government's feelings about the African National Congress (ANC).

While all the countries have unwritten permission from the OAU to trade freely with South Africa, they plead they cannot react against the ANC because of OAU pressure.

REALISTIC

South Africa says it is time to be realistic.

"Our neighbours are attempting to destabilise us by helping the ANC to blow up Sasol, railways and civilians in Pretoria," the Government's argument goes.

"All we are looking for is an agreement on non-support for subversive movements."

And that, in a nutshell, is the reason for destabilisation.

And the State Security Council? It will continue to run African diplomacy until the patterns change, and neighbours realise the complexity of government in the real world.

All-pervasive security is needed to allow internal changes within an orderly structure; this is the Government's argument.

It realises the danger of having to support foreign regimes should "client" subversives be involved.

It believes neighbours will live in peace under agreements not to support subversives.


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Historic march to be recalled

By SAM MABE

The historic march to Pretoria in 1956 by about 20,000 women who were protesting against the issuing of passbooks to black women will be commemorated at a service to be held at Jiswa Centre in Lenasia on Sunday.

The service, to mark the 27th anniversary of the protest march, is scheduled to start at 3.30 pm and will be addressed by Mrs Rita Ndzanga, of the General and Allied Workers' Union (Gawu), and Mrs Vesta Smith, a Noordgesicht community leader who is also a member of the Anti-President's Council Committee.

Another service will be held at the Duhe YWCA at 11 am and on Sunday at 12 noon. On Tuesday evening at 7 pm another service will be held at Glynn Thomas.

In a statement released yesterday, the Federation of South African Women called on all women to attend the services to remember the "defiant and courageous protest march by mothers, wives and all South African women who stood up and demanded that they be treated with dignity."

The statement said further that it was for this reason that August 9 would always be remembered with pride as a day on which "we struggled for a free and democratic society."

- A regional council meeting of the United Democratic Front will be held at Khotso House tomorrow at 2 pm where preparations for the national launching of the organisation on August 20 will be made.
Sacos boss on permit charge

A SECURITY policeman conceded that Mr Frank van der Horst, president of the South African Council on Sport (Sacos), was within five meters of the boundary of New Brighton, an African township in Port Elizabeth, when he was arrested and charged with being in an African township without a permit.

This admission was made by Detective Warrant Officer N Coetsee during cross-examination at a hearing at the Port Elizabeth Magistrate's Court where Mr van der Horst appeared on Friday on a charge of contravening the Urban Areas Consolidation Act.

Mr Coetsee told the court that the blue car Mr van der Horst was about to enter was parked a short distance from the pre-cast wall which formed the boundary of the New Brighton railway station.

He admitted that the railway station was not part of the township. Mr Coetsee said that he doubted the area beyond the railway station was railway property.

Mr van der Horst appeared on Friday on a charge of contravening the Urban Areas Consolidation Act.

He told the court: "People were selling fruit outside the wall, and railway police would not allow this on railway property."

In reply to a question from Mr S Desai, who appeared for Mr Van der Horst, Mr Coetsee said he had not checked the title deeds of the property and that he did not know the exact boundaries of the railway station.

Earlier in the hearing, Mr Coetsee said that he had received an order to be on the lookout for a blue Opel Kadett and had noticed this car was travelling with a red Ford Escort.

Another security policeman, Captain D Hattingh, told the court he had followed the national organiser of the Motor Assemblies and Component Workers' Union of South Africa, Mr Government Zini, who was driving a red Ford Escort to the airport.

He said: "I saw Mr Zini enter the airport and I also saw somebody in the Escort signal the driver of the Opel Kadett. The Escort then drove off."

"I followed the Escort to the foot of the bridge which crosses the New Brighton police station. Here Mr van der Horst climbed the steps of the bridge. I relayed a message to policemen to be on the lookout for Mr van der Horst."

The case was adjourned to August 25.

The charges stem out of an incident on April 10 when Mr van der Horst was arrested for allegedly entering New Brighton. He was to be the guest speaker at the third annual congress of the Motor Assemblies and Component Workers' Union of South Africa.

Mr J L Kitchener was on the bench. Mr H S Goosen appeared for the State and Mr S Desai represented Mr van der Horst.
PFP to take up the issue of PC salaries

Political Correspondent

THE Progressive Federal Party is to take up the issue of President's Council salaries following a government refusal to confirm reported increases for the advisory body.

The 55 councillors have in the past received the same salaries as members of Parliament, while the five committee chairmen have been paid at the same rate as cabinet ministers.

Both ministers and MPs received a 27 percent increase on July 1, but neither the President's Council nor the government departments responsible will say whether this also applies to the council.

After a council spokesman had refused to give any information on the issue, the Cape Times approached the Minister of Finance, Mr Owen Horwood and was referred from there to the Prime Minister's Department, which is responsible for the President's Council.

A spokesman for the Prime Minister's Department said yesterday that it was not the task of the department to give out information of this nature.

Mr Tian van der Merwe, PFP MP for Green Point and opposition spokesman on the issue, said he would take the matter up in Parliament unless the President's Council salaries were published before session resumed next week.

'No excuse'

'There is no excuse for this secretiveness,' he said in a statement.

'President's Councillors receive their salaries out of taxpayers' money and the public is entitled to know what they are paid.'

Mr Van der Merwe said recent salary adjustments for parliamentarians had quite correctly been announced, because the government was in the difficult position of having to decide its own salaries.

'It is no less than correct that full details be made public so that members of the public who feel they are overpaid can take a tough line against them. It makes no sense to spare President's Councillors this criticism,' he said.
ANC show of solidarity for SA women's day

London Bureau

LONDON. — The women's section of the African National Congress will dominate this year's celebration of South African Women's Day on Tuesday.

The ANC women have organised a meeting-cum-cultural event to be held in a hall in London's Red Lion Square. The occasion, which is intended to be an international day of solidarity with the women of South Africa, will be celebrated with speeches, a number of songs by the ANC choir, and a dramatic presentation of the "women's struggle against oppression and exploitation in Southern Africa".

The speakers include Eleanor Khanyile, Shirley Mashiane, former labour MP Joan Lestor, and Bience Gwanda of Swapo.

August 9 marks the anniversary of the march on Pretoria in 1956 by 20,000 women protesting against the pass laws.
Revelations from the ‘fifth horseman’

Colonel Gaddafí, often called the fifth horseman of the Apocalypse, does not usually give interviews to Western press. But after inviting President Mitterrand to Tripoli, and with Libya’s policies on Chad and the PLF internal split under fire, he spoke to Eric Rondeau of Le Monde.

Q. What would you propose to President Mitterand so that France could today take a positive role in resolving the conflict in Chad?

A. I would like to state that I recognize no role for France in Chad or anywhere else on the continent. The situation in Chad and of Africa is for Europeans. The anachronistic concepts which inspired the interventionist policy of France are not testable to our people and will fail. The fundamental interest of the Third World, France can, of course, develop friendly and cooperative relations with all countries in the world with all countries. But France cannot act as a guardian and impose its moral and religious standards on any country, not even the Chad north to the Christian south. The GUNT was set up democratically under the umbrella of the Government of National Unity of African Unity of France is sufficient. The only possible way out of the present conflict is to seek the help of the legitimate President of Chad.

Colonel Gaddafí went on to propose a resolution to the internal conflict between him and his government. He ruled out a political solution, but rather proposed a military solution, which would involve the deployment of French troops into Chad.

On Thursday, Colonel Gaddafí was seen riding a horse near the Chadian capital, N'Djamena. He was accompanied by a group of supporters and was seen addressing a crowd of Chadians.

The Chadian government has officially denied any involvement in the Crisis, but many analysts believe that Gaddafí is using the situation to strengthen his position and gain international support.

The crisis in Chad has sparked widespread concern among the international community, with many calling for a peaceful resolution to the conflict. The United Nations has also expressed concern over the situation and has called for an immediate halt to all military action.
Motlana talks
1.30pm.
A spokesman for the organisers, Mr P Madlala, said the meeting would focus on the formation of a civic organisation, the Mabopane East technikon issue and the proposed phasing out of Putco buses in the area.

Crossroads
HUNDREDS of Crossroads residents huddled in the rain yesterday as demolitions in the squatter camp continued for the third successive day.

At least 16 official vehicles, including armoured personnel carriers, surrounded the sprawling shanty town and one resident claimed more than 40 vehicles were involved in the raid which started early yesterday and continued through the morning.

The squatters who huddled in the rain said they were legal residents of Crossroads.
Congress claim is rejected

By SELLO RABOTHATA

Police have rejected "with contempt" an African National Congress denial that two of its members were among those killed in the Pretoria car-bomb blast on May 20 this year.

A senior Security Police spokesman said in Pretoria yesterday the ANC had made the denial because they felt ashamed that they were using criminals to do their "dirty work".

In a statement issued in Lusaka on Wednesday, the congress denied that two ANC saboteurs were among the 19 people killed in the Pretoria blast.

They also denied that the saboteurs were convicted criminals hired to plant the bomb.

Shoot

Meanwhile, the South African Police would not go into details on their planned approach to roadblocks in view of a reported instruction from the ANC to its members to "shoot their way out" if confronted by police at roadblocks.

A police Public Relations Division spokesman in Pretoria said yesterday that the head of the Security Branch, Major General F.M.A Steenkamp, had dealt with the aspects of ANC members "shooting their way out" at his Press conference this week, and had nothing to add to that statement.

The Security Police chief had said that the SAP had proof that the ANC had instructed its members to shoot their way out if confronted at a roadblock or by the police.
Guilty in ANC trial

TUTERBERG - Two former Turffoop students, Peter Mokaba, 24, and Jerome Joseph Maake, 20, have been convicted of offences under the Internal Security and Terrorism Acts and will be sentenced next Friday.

Mokaba was found guilty on five counts, including being an ANC member, receiving military training outside South Africa and setting up a dead letter box.

Maake was convicted on eight counts, including having a handgrenade and receiving military training.

A third accused, Miss Portia Nhlapo, was acquitted.
TWO friends—a former housebreaker who hawked clothes and a safecracker turned taxi driver—are the men, police say, who were paid by the African National Congress to plant the car bomb which killed 19 people in Pretoria on May 20.

Their families claim neither man was at all interested in politics. But police said this week they had proof that both had contact with ANC members in Maputo and Swaziland and with the ANC insurgents involved with the planning and execution of an assassination of a Security Police man and rocket attacks at Voortrekkerhoogte and Sasol III.

The Rand Daily Mail set out this week to talk to family and friends of the dead men, who may not have been identified.

Those who were prepared to talk did so cautiously. In other instances people were suddenly not available after previous arrangements had been made to speak with them or had "gone to church" extremely late at night.

Some of them were scared. One of them was questioned by the Security Police. Of those interviewed, all acknowledged that the two men had had criminal records, and served time in jail. They were not, however, prepared to accept that they had been working for the ANC.

A sister of one of the dead men, the housebreaker—who was 33, married, with two foster-children—told the Mail: "I cannot believe my brother could have done such a thing. He was not that kind of person. We were always very quiet and never talked about politics."

"In all these years, he never mentioned the ANC or any other political organisation. He was not a political man at all."

"They say that three days before the bomb my brother went to Dalinton to see his friend."

"I think he went there to try to hawk clothes," she said.

Apparently he did tell his wife he was going to Dalinton to see a friend.

When he did not return the family went to local hospitals in case he had met with an accident. It also appears that his leather jacket was found in a taxi belonging to his dead friend.

The family found no trace of him. Eventually the police visited the family to tell them he was dead. They asked his widow to identify his badly mangled remains—she was too distraught to do so.

So his mother was to be brought from Dalplaat for the grisly task.

Practically the only identification available was a moko-keia belt and a shirt.

"It was only this week that we heard that the police say he was connected with the ANC," said the sister.

The man's sister said their father, who had had two wives, had died several years ago. The marriages had yielded six children—four sisters and two brothers.

Her dead brother had been born in Badplaat in the Eastern Transvaal and had gone to a government school but left after Standard Five. At 16, he went to Mamelodi where he worked as a labourer in the sprawling township and became a lift repairman. Later he was convicted of housebreaking and served five years for his crime.

After his release he took to hawking clothes for a living.

The man's sister said the family had greeted the allegation with shock and disbelief.

His widow was not available for comment.

The hawker's partner was a 43-year-old taxi driver married with five children. The eldest is 15 and the youngest nine.

His widow has been detained by the police since June 20.

Relatives told the Mail he had been born in Nelspruit. His father and mother had died some years ago. He had one brother and two sisters. He had spent four years in jail for safecracking but had never spoken of politics, they said.

One relative said he had left his home on the afternoon of May 20 to take people from a rooiling company to Mamelodi. The relative claimed that the former safecracker had parked his car in Schubart Street, close to the scene of the horror blast, because he had been in the habit of buying groceries from a nearby department store.

His body was eventually identified by the family at the Government Mortuary on May 31.

Another relative said the dead man had been a devoted family man with no political background and even an interest in politics.

Relatives have called on the police to release the man's widow.
MISS AMANDA KWADI, an executive member of the Federation of South African Women, and two others appeared in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday, charged with participating in the activities of the African National Congress.

The other two were Mr. George Mollova, 32, an executive member of the Mahla- keng Civic Association, and Mr. Samuel Tsele, 31, of Krugersdorp.

They were not asked to plead and the case was postponed until August 31.

In terms of a certificate supplied by the Attorney-General, Mr T. Nothing, the three are not eligible for bail.

They are charged with participating in ANC activities in terms of Section 13 (1) of (iv) of the 1982 Internal Security Act, and with an alternative charge under the same Act.

They were arrested yesterday morning. No further details were given.

The accused were represented by Mrs Priscilla Jana and Mr. Graham Dixon.

MISS Kwadi is a prominent Soweto leader and has been detained a number of times by Security Police.

She has been a key figure in organising meetings next week to commemorate National Women's Day and was due to speak at meetings in Soweto and at the University of the Witwatersrand.
Mabasa gets first official trip abroad

In THE first 'official' visit overseas by a South African black consciousness leader, Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo) president Mr Lybon Mabasa arrived in Vancouver yesterday to attend the assembly of the World Council of Churches.

Azapo revealed details of Mr Mabasa's 'hush-hush' visit only after he left Johannesburg on Friday.

Mr Mabasa is also co-convenor of the National Forum Committee, which was launched at Hammanskraal recently.

In a statement yesterday, an Azapo spokesman said Mr Mabasa would hold a "watching brief" at the WCC assembly, where he will join South African religious leaders Dr Allan Boesak, Bishop Manas Buthelezi and Bishop Desmond Tutu.

"Our religious leaders are at the WCC assembly. Mr Mabasa will speak to delegates from the political perspective," the spokesman said. "His visit is therefore supplementing that of the religious leaders."

Mr Mabasa is also expected to visit Europe and the United States.

He is a founder-member of Azapo, which was launched as the main black consciousness organisation in 1978 after the SA Students' Organisation (Saso) and Black People's Convention (BPC) were outlawed in the massive government crackdown of October, 1977.

Shortly after Azapo's formation, Mr Mabasa was detained with other executive members, and then banned.

None of the previous presidents of Azapo, Saso and BPC — the late Steve Biko, Mr Ilaku Rachidi, Mr Curtis Nkondo and Mr Khehla Mthembu — travelled abroad in their official capacities.
MASERU—Chief Gatska Buthelezi of KwaZulu flew into a tense Maseru yesterday afternoon for a three-day official visit.

This is believed to be his first visit as an official guest of the Government.

Chief Buthelezi is understood to have had several important meetings including a courtesy call on the king during the afternoon.

Observers believed it would be surprising if the question of an ANC presence in Maseru were not one topic to be discussed.
UDF UNITES!
APARTHEID IVIDE!!

THIS IS OUR CALL TO UNITY!
THIS IS OUR CALL TO ORGANISE!
THIS IS OUR CALL TO FREEDOM!

We are now at a critical stage in our struggle for a free, democratic and non-racial country. More than ever before, the hour demands unity and organisation. That hour has come. Thousands of our people are going to Cape Town On August 20 to launch a national UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT.

Workers, students, priests, teachers, youth and leaders of all races will come to this great founding rally from all corners of our land. To create one united force for freedom is an urgent task. It cannot wait. The government is passing a new constitution and Kooenhof’s laws which threaten our freedom struggle. We know why the government is passing these new laws. It is because it cannot rule us in the old way. Through our organisations we have become too strong for them to do that anymore.

The government says the new constitution gives Coloured and Indian people a say in the running of the country. But this is not true. Apartheid will stay for the benefit of the few.

We reject this government plan.

The new constitution will try to divide us along racial lines — Africans on the one side, Coloureds and Indians with the whites on the other.

We must oppose this attempt to divide us. We have done so before, and we will do so again. We must unite to oppose Kooenhof’s new plans. If these plans become law, they will make the law worse. It will be impossible for any of our African people to live in the cities without a house or a job. Kooenhof also wants to strengthen his puppet community councils that rule the townships.

We must oppose these attempts to control us.

We have long battled to cleanse our country of oppression, racism and exploitation. Our history speaks proudly of our opposition to apartheid’s pass laws, Group Areas Act, resettlement, low wages and poor schooling.

We have rejected the Matanzas and the Mphuphos.

To the Coloured Representative Council, we said no. And we refused to vote for the South African Indian Council or for the community councils.

The oppressors’ bulldozers, bullets and brutality have hurt us. But they have not stopped us.

We have made progress. More and more people have joined the ranks of our struggle.

Our organisations have united our people inside the factories, within the townships, in the countryside and in the schools and universities. We have organised as women, as believers and as sportspeople.

Now we have made ourselves still stronger.

In the Transvaal, Cape and Natal, our people’s organisations have joined together in new organisations — a United Democratic Front in each province.

Our historic task now is to bring together all these organisations and all freedom-loving people into one national UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT.

Our duty is to form one united force for freedom, marching under one banner with tried and tested leaders.

The UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT says NO to the plans to entrenched minority rule, to divide us and strengthen the sell-outs to send our people to starve in the Bantustans.

"UDF is a breakthrough for the people of this country in our struggle for justice, peace and freedom. UDF will shake the pillars of Apartheid. United we will win ..." — Albertina Sisulu, Federation of South African Women.

The UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT says YES to a UNITED DEMOCRATIC NON-RACIAL SOUTH AFRICA.

WE MUST ORGANISE FOR OUR RIGHTS!
WE MUST STRENGTHEN OUR ORGANISATIONS!
WE MUST UNITE WHERE WE ARE DIVIDED!
FORWARD TO A UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT!
UNITE!
STOP THE STATE’S PLAN TO DIVIDE US

THE government’s new plans are the President’s Council, (PC), parliament and Koornhoef’s laws.

These plans try to fool us, divide us, control us through sell-outs, and make Coloured and Indian youth fight in Botha’s army.

The government is determined to keep us oppressed. But more and more of us are opposing it.

Strikes and demonstrations, school, bus and rent boycotts, have been occurring all over the country. Our people are realising the need for united and strong trade union organisations.

The government is worried. It wants to stop our people marching to freedom.

It responds with detentions, teargas and even bullets. Now it is also trying to fool us so that it wants to improve our lives.

But there is only a new form of exploitation and oppression in the PC, the new parliament and the new magistracy.

Some of the PC and the new parliament are a government plan to try to divide us.

The government wants to trick us that Coloured and Indian will share in Apartheid’s power and privileges. But they only want to use the masses of our Coloured and Indian people.

There will be four whites to every two Coloureds and one Indian in the racist parliament.

So Apartheid will stay. A tiny group of sell-outs will be rewarded.

Coloureds and Indian sellouts in the racist parliament will control Coloured and Indian houses, rents and education.

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Paying for oppression

The new parliament will be able to set extra taxes. Coloured and Indian people will have to pay for Hendrikx’s and Rajbansi’s rewards.

WHAT THE PARLIAMENT WILL MEAN TO US ALL

PC and the new parliament mean...

The government tries to divide us.

It will look as if Coloured and Indian people are part of the apartheid government.

Coloured and Indian youth sold-out

The new parliament could offer Coloured and Indian youth to fight in the army.

Apartheid stays

The pass laws, the Group Areas Act and other unjust laws will remain. The second-class Coloured and Indian vote cannot change this.

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WHAT THE UDF IS ALL ABOUT

WHAT IS THE UDF?

The UDF unites all freedom-loving people who reject apartheid. We show our strength in this broad front.

People with different approaches to the struggle have a place in the United Democratic Front.

It is the duty of all of us to build this powerful and representative unity.

Organisations will keep their independence in the UDF. But we will work together to oppose the President’s Council, the new parliament and Koornhoef’s plans.

HOW DID THE IDEA OF A UDF ARISE?

Allan Boesak’s call for unity and action against the government’s new plans planed the seed that is growing into a massive national United Democratic Front.

The call was made at the Anti-South African India Council (Anti-Sai) conference on January 23 this year and has echoed countrywide since then.

WHAT HAS BEEN THE PROGRESS TO DATE?

Natal was the first region to launch a regional United Democratic Front. More than 40 organisations elected an executive committee in May. At its head is Archie Gumede.

Soon after this, nearly 40 community, worker, student and other organisations agreed to form the Transvaal United Democratic Front. A leading person in the consultative committee is Mrs Alison Sisulu.

On July 24, Western Cape organisations launched their regional United Democratic Front with Oscar Mpetha as president.

The Eastern Cape continue their work to build a regional UDF.

Many more organisations are joining the regional UDF, WHAT ARE THE TASKS AHEAD?

The task now is to form a national United Democratic Front. This will unite all the regional UDFs and their organisations.

HAS THIS HAPPENED BEFORE?

In 1936, many people’s organisations met in the All African Convention to demand a united front against apartheid. These laws took away the vote and 75% of the land from Africans.

The Congress of the People was held on 26 June 1955 in Johannesburg to draw up the historic Freedom Charter. The Congress Alliance that called the Congress of the People included all major powerful front in our history.

HOW WILL THE UDF WORK?

Within each regional UDF, area committees are being formed. These committees will be in direct contact with the grassroots. This makes it possible for every section of our people.

The national conference will elect the national leaders.
ONS ROEP VIR EENHEID!
ONS ROEP VIR ORGANISASIE!
ONS ROEP VIR VRYHEID!

Ons is in 'n moeilike tyd vir ons gevest in 'n vry en demokratisie land. Dit het tyd geword dat ons saamstaan en organiseer.

Die tyd het nou aangebreek.
Mense wat vryheid belie het sal in hul duiende op 21 Augustus in Kaapstad saamkom om die nationale UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT te stig.

Werkers, studente, huisvroue, predikante, onderwyseres, seun en leiers van alle rasse van dwarsoor die land sal hierdie konferensie bywoon.

Die belangrikste taak is om 'n enkele sterk mag op te bou. Hierdie taak is dringend. Dit kan nie uitgestel word nie.

Die regering is besig om 'n nuwe grondwet en wete te maak wat ons stryd vir vryheid bedreig.

Ons weet waarom die regering nou met hierdie nuwe wette wil kom. Die ou masjier wat hulle gebruik het om ons te onderduik, werk nie meer nie. Die mag van ons organisasie het dit onmoontlik vir hulle gemaak om so aan te hou.

Volgens P.W. Botha, die nuwe wette sal "Kleuringe" en "Indiërs" se plek in die regering gee. Maar Botha wil versterk dat Apartheid sal voortbestaan.

Ons win die impak van die verfde teengestaan en ons sal dit weer doen.

Ons moet saamstaan om Koornhof se nuwe planne te staan.

Sondag hierdie planne wou raak, sal hulle die parwer-
te seisiger maak. Hulle wil dat 'n Afrikaner' in die "tuislande" van honger sterf, liewer as om werk in die stede te soek. Dit sal onmoontlik vir die "Afrikaners" wees om in die stede te woon sonder goedkeurde behuising.

Die maat het alredders die pypnet 'Community Councils' tot verwerp. Maar nou wil die regering vir hulle seisiger maak.

Ons kan nie toelaat dat ons so gebruik word nie.

We refer to the commitment to democracy and non-racialism which are the cornerstone to total worker control in the worker struggle.- Dennis Moer - Secretary of the Congress of South African Trade Unions.

"Now is the time for a democratic organisation nationwide to combine their strength as part of the UDF and with a united voice say No to Apartheid in whatever new form." - Max Philip, President of the UDF.

"Our day-to-day problems of housing, rents, and transport cannot be solved by the government's proposals. We must continue to commit ourselves to collective action and the non-racialism of the anti-apartheid movement." - Prof. Thabane Mohomed, Chair of the Anti-Apartheid Workers Committee.

"UDF is the only organisation to bring together individuals and organisations who do not necessarily subscribe to the same political objectives but who object to the Apartheid government's policies, and educate and mobilises for national action." - Thapelo Ogwenyana, President of the SAAWU.

Ons veg al lank om ontskak te raak onderdrukking, rassisme en uitbuiting. Ons gekismaat met sterk weerstand teen die apartheidse paaette, groep areas, laas lopies van swak oorweging.

Ons het die Massatimba's en die Mpepha's verwerp. Ons het geweier om te stem vir die C.R.C., die S.A.I.C. en vir Community Councils.

Die regering het ons wel besig met hul boudoe, hul carpeere en hul weêrede. Maar hulle het ons nie gekeer nie!

Ons het hul oorwinning gehad. Al hoe meer mense ondersteun daglikkies ons stryd vir vryheid.

Ons organisaasie verenig ons in die fabriekte, in die lokasies en in die skole. Ons organiseer as vroue, as gelowiges en as sporterspersone.

Nou is ons selfs sterk.

In die Transvaal, Kaap en Natal is daar 'n samenskyn van ons organisasie in 20 nuwe organisasie, die UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT, in elke provinsie.

Die tyd het nou aangebreek dat al hierdie organisasies almal mense wat vryheid hieft, saam moet kom in 'n nasionale Unie Geregte Front.

Ons tek is om 'n verenigde mag vir vryheid te bou.

Die UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT is NEE! Vir net wat sal het dat werkers hongerleer verdien dat mense in die "tuislande" van honger sterf en dat die minderheid reger.

Die UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT see IA! Vir 'n verenigde, demokraties, nie-rassistiese Suid Afrika.

ONS MOET ORGANISEER VIR ONS REGTE!
ONs MOET ONS ORGANISASIES VERSTERK!
ONS MOET SAAMSTAAN WAAR ONS VERDEEL IS!
VOORVAARTS MET DIE UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT!!!
I UDF I YADIBANISA
I APARTHEID I YAHULULA

OLU LUMEMEZO NOBITO
LOMANYANO!
OLU LUMEMEZO LOM-ZABALazo!
OLU LUBIZO
OLUSINGISELE
ENKULELEKWEWI!

Nqoko sifikilele kwindima ebaluleleke
kumvubhazalo oluqumza fokuza izimwe
letwa, ekukulelekele, izithunzi lokukhuze
ekukulelekele.

Nqoqo sibane yokuncane isebeni
menele fokusizwa nje unye.

Shukkux Nqomose
Chair

August 1983

Umkhulu yasebebe unye

"Umkhulo yasebebe unye." - Oscar Mphela, presi-
dent Western Cape UDF.

The PC propuesta and Kornhoff's bill
will bring greater
hardships and
future divisions.
We reject
them." - Wilfred
Rhodes, chair
CAMC.

"Let all democratic
people reject these
plans. Let no man
divide us.
Joseph Marks, vice-
premier. Western
Capetown UDF.

We reject the PC's contribution
plan.

"We reject the PC's contribution
plan." - Dorethy
Zilwngwe, chair
United Women's
Organization.

Shukkux Nqomose
Chair

"Umkhasaba ngamandisa.
Nqoko ngqembelele
alosendela kwinkwelo asejolwe
kuzimo."
- Oscar Mphela, presi-
dent Western Cape UDF.
Support for UDF growing

BY SYLVIA VOLLENHOVEN

SUPPORT for the United Democratic Front (UDF) is growing and, on the eve of its national launch, this body has the backing of about 100 South African organisations.

The Front was born after a dramatic call for unity by Dr Alan Boesak, leader of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, at an Anti-South African Indian Council conference in January this year.

"All political groupings and people who have different approaches to the struggle for democracy have a place in the United Democratic Front," says a UDF statement issued this week.

The Front will be launched in Cape Town next week and delegates from all over the country will attend the two-day gathering.

The aim of the UDF is to mobilise opposition to the President's Council, the Constitutional Bill and the "Koornhof Bills".

Inequalities

"They do not begin to redress the intrinsic economic and social inequalities, which have been the deliberate result of centuries of white domination," says the UDF statement.

Since January, the Front has grown into a national organisation with broad-based regional branches. It has support from civic, political, youth, church, labour and women's organisations.

Supporters in the Western Cape include the Cape Areas Housing Action Committee (Caahac), the United Women's Organisation (UWO), the Muslim Judicial Council (MJC) and the Cape Youth Congress (Ceyco).

Mr Trevor Manuel, the UDF's Western Cape secretary, said that contrary to newspaper reports, the Front has support from both black and white bodies and is not an opposition grouping to the National Forum Committee — backed by the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo) — which met in the Transvaal recently.

"There are on-going discussions between Azapo and the UDF.

"The Forum is basically a forum for discussion, whereas the Front has been set up specifically to oppose the proposals.

"We will have an open-door policy to the National Forum, but definitely not to bodies like the Black Alliance.

"The Labour Party is part of the Alliance and our fundamental policies just differ too much".

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HUNDREDS of people from all corners of the country are making arrangements to travel to the mammoth people's rally and national launching of the United Democratic Front in Cape Town in two weeks time.

More than 400 people are expected from the Cape and Natal alone to form the front, dedicated to fighting the Government's new constitution and the so-called Kromhoff Bills.

The Transvaal UDF general council is meeting on Saturday to elect an executive to lead the province's official delegation of about 80 people to the conference.

At least 100 more people from Transvaal UDF member organisations are also expected to make the trip to the people's rally.

At Monday's press conference in Johannesburg, Western Cape UDF secretary Trevor Manuel told newsmen the Freedom Charter was not the basis for UDF unity. Observers interpreted this as leaving the door open for participation by organisations like Azapo in the UDF at some later stage.

Although it is understood there have been informal talks between leading Azapo and UDF members in their private capacities in recent weeks, Azapo's attitude still appears to be hostile.

Foremost the minds of delegates to the Cape Town conference will be the development of policy and a programme of action against the new constitution and the "Kromhoff Bills".

The first challenge likely to confront the UDF will be the forthcoming community council elections in the townships, and this issue should be near the top of the agenda.
US honours Boesak

AMERICAN civil rights leaders have invited Dr Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, to address the more than 300,000 people who are expected to gather at the foot of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington on August 27 to commemorate the 1963 civil rights march on the US capital.

Dr Boesak will be the only foreign speaker at the huge gathering, which is to be attended by some of the most important political and religious personalities in the US.

Among the American speakers will be Mrs Lorettta King, widow of the Rev Martin Luther King, spiritual leader of the American civil rights movement.

Such champions of the civil rights movement as Senator Edward Kennedy, are also expected to be among the small group of selected American speakers.

Dr Boesak confirmed that he would be addressing the gathering and said: "I am greatly honoured and also humbled."

The ceremony is to be televised live by all three major national networks in the US, reaching an audience of more than 80-million in the US and many more elsewhere in the world.

Parts of the ceremony will also be broadcast internationally by the Voice of America and other Radio networks.

BOESAK—Honoured.

In 1965 more than 300,000 people from all parts of the US converged at the steps of the Lincoln Memorial to press for improved black civil rights.

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Mortar attack

ISRAELI troops near Beirut came under grenade and mortar attack early yesterday as Shi’ite Moslem villagers in southern Lebanon began a day of protest against the Israeli occupation.

Military sources said four rocket-propelled grenades and a number of mortar bombs were fired at an Israeli position near the town of Hadath, on the eastern outskirts of the capital.

One of the grenades landed close to the nearby base of British troops serving with the four-nation Beirut peace force, the sources said.

The Israelis replied with tank and cannon fire directed towards the Hay El-Silom superb of Beirut, which is patrolled by the multi-national force.

An Israeli military spokesman outside Beirut confirmed the attack on the position, but said there were no casualties.

In southern Lebanon, Shi’ite Moslems gathered in Mosques and halls for a day of peaceful protest against the 14-month-old Israeli occupation of the south. The demonstration was called by the Shi’ite paramilitary organisation, Amal, against the arrest of an Amal militant from the village of Kfar Melki. 12 km east of Sidon. — Sapa-Reuters.

Curfew lifted

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Politics and the worker interests

Relations between unions and political groups has been in the news of late.

Two bodies formed to fight Government constitutional proposals, the United Democratic Front and the National Forum Committee, have both seemed eager to win the membership of trade unions.

Last week the UDF said it had appointed a committee to approach the biggest emerging union group, Fosatu, to request it to join.

Since the unions are the biggest focus of black mobilisation in the country, winning their support is obviously crucial to the new bodies.

In some cases they have succeeded — the Council of Unions of SA has joined both groups and unions like the SA Allied Workers Union have backed UDF.

But they are certain to find unions like Fosatu, the General Workers Union and the food and canning unions much harder to woo.

These unions fear that, by joining a particular group, they could alienate members who do not support it. But there is another reason for their stance.

For some time, Fosatu in particular has argued that previous black union movements made a mistake by allying themselves directly with political movements.

These movements are, of course, made up not only of workers but of professionals, business people and the like.

Unionists argue that, because the "elite" have more education and time at their disposal than workers, they usually come to take up the key leadership positions in the political movement.

This, they add, means worker interests take a back seat and unions may be called on to take action which fits the priorities of the "elite" leaders of these movements, but may conflict with worker priorities.

So groups like Fosatu tend to prefer independent action on these issues, while building up leadership skills among workers.

So in Cape Town the unions have organised their own campaign on the constitution.

Of course, this is not a universal view among emerging unions. Some argue that unions who fail to join political movements are turning their back on the political aspirations of blacks.

Whether this will become a bone of contention in the present union unity talks remains to be seen.
TALKING of union views on community issues, a little-heralded development in Fosatu's East Rand local may have major ramifications for the factory floor.

Shop stewards at at least one Fosatu plant in the area have begun taking up community issues with their employer, with some success.

They say they are using factory muscle to persuade employers to take up township issues because the townships exist to serve industry and employers have a duty to see that the quality of life in them is improved.

As a result, Fosatu's local in the area now wants union members at other plants to take up community issues.

As part of this effort, they plan to form "zone committees" comprised of workers representing each area of a particular township.

The idea is that these would tell the unions which issues are worrying residents in their area and stewards would then take them up. How much success they will have remains to be seen.

But this does confirm again that community issues are becoming part of the bargaining agenda.
ANC behind temple blast

SP Chief

By EMELIA JAROSCHEK
Crime Reporter

A COMMUNIST limpet mine was used in the explosion at the Temple Israel in Hillbrow, Johannesburg, at the weekend, Security Police said last night.

Major-General Frans Steenkamp, Chief of the South African Security Police, said information he had indicated that the African National Congress was behind the attack.

The blast, which occurred on Saturday, damaged large portions of the temple — hours before the State President, Mr. Marais Viljoen, and top dignitaries were to have attended a religious ceremony there.

Gen. Steenkamp said last night: "Remnants of a limpet mine of communist origin were found at the scene.

"Similar types of limpet mines have been used only by the ANC in previous attacks in this country so far.

"This leads me to believe that the ANC was behind the explosion. However, investigations are at an early stage and far from complete so I cannot comment myself," Gen. Steenkamp said.

He said no arrests had been made so far.

Reports from London shortly after the attack were that the ANC had denied responsibility.

The explosion occurred at 5.35am on Saturday.

The blast may have occurred prematurely: Mr. and Mrs. Viljoen were to have been seated at 10am and other dignitaries were to arrive even earlier. They included the Administrator of the Transvaal, Mr. Willem Ouwagen and the Mayor of Johannesburg, Mr. Alan Gadd.

The occasion was a Gold Jubilee Service to mark the 50th anniversary of Progressive Judaism in Johannesburg.

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Cold will linger longer

Mail Reporter

COLD front conditions which caused weekend temperatures in the Transvaal to drop will continue today with showers and fog patches.

The Weather Bureau predicts cloudy cold conditions in the Pretoria/Witwatersrand area with scattered rain clearing partly later.

Minimum and maximum temperatures for Johannesburg are 5C and 14C and for Pretoria, 6C and 16C.

The rest of the Transvaal will be fine to partly cloudy and cool but cold in the north and cloudy over the south and east with early showers or fog patches clearing later.

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DURBAN — The nomination of Nelson Mandela as Chancellor of the University of Natal will stand unless Mandela rejects the nomination, says Mr Jonathan Taylor, president of the Students Representative Council on the Durban campus.

Responding to conflicting reports about whether Mandela would accept the nomination, he said Mandela's lawyer, Mr Ismail Ayob, had told him today that Mrs Winnie Mandela was applying for travel documents to enable her to travel to Pollsmoor Prison in Cape Town where her husband is being held.

"She will discuss the issue of the chancellorship with him and then give a Press statement as to whether Mandela accepts our nomination."

"We are disregarding the telex message the university received from lawyer P J De Waal to the effect that Mandela would not accept the nomination," Mr Taylor said.
Police reply to questions on blast

By WIM VANVOLSEM

QUESTIONS about details released at a police conference last week on the investigation into the Pretoria car-bomb blast were put to the SAP's Directorate of Public Relations yesterday by the Rand Daily Mail and these are the answers supplied by Colonel Chris Coetzee of the directorate.

- MAIL: What proof do the police have that the exiled leader of the SA Communist Party, Mr Joe Slovo, was behind the planning of the blast? (Police named Mr Slovo — based in Maputo — as the mastermind of the attack.)

SAP: We know that the ANC are responsible for the blast. We also know that ANC planning is handled by Mr Slovo. Whether Mr Slovo was personally involved in the planning of this particular attack, we cannot say. We assume that he was involved in the planning.

- MAIL: What proof do the police have that the R3 000 found at the house of the bombers was money paid to them by the ANC for doing the job?

SAP: Information received indicates that the two bombers were paid R3 000 by the ANC, and that money was found in their house.

- MAIL: What do police think is the reason for the ANC now using hired criminals to do jobs for them? At the press conference police said the two bombers were convicted Reef criminals recruited by the ANC to carry out the blast.

SAP: Experts on terrorism have pointed out that it is a worldwide phenomenon that terrorist organizations recruit criminals to carry out the mean jobs for them so that their own people wouldn't get hurt. It is done all over the world.

- MAIL: Will those who have been held in connection with the blast be charged and if so when?

SAP: They are being held under the Internal Security Act. (This means that the police may hold them for a lengthy period without bringing charges against them).

Police release pictures of car-blast pair

Pretoria Bureau

THE names and pictures of the two Mamelodi men police say were responsible for the Pretoria Church Street car-bomb blast in May were released to the Sunday Times at the weekend.

The two are Freddy Butana Shongwe, 35, and Bakasi Ezekiel Maseko, 42. The Sunday Times said permission was obtained from the Commissioner of Police, General Johan Coetzee, to publish the names and pictures of the two men.

Early last week the police prohibited newspapers from publishing the names because they were still investigating.

The police said both men had criminal records and were paid by the banned African National Congress to plant the bomb which killed 16 people and injured more than 120 on May 28. Both men were killed in the blast.

EZEKIEL MASEKO

Killed in blast

FREDDY SHONGWE

Killed in blast

Soldier killed by landmine

DEFENCE Headquarters have announced the death in a landmine explosion in the Operational Area by Friday of Rifleman Johannes Jacobus Christoffel Stols, 20.

He was the son of Mr F P Stols, of Regent's Park, Johannesburg. — Sapa.
Sisulu elected

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Mercury Correspondent

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tion to the national

launching of the UDF in

Cape Town in two weeks.
Striking rock

August 8 1983

TODAY'S WOMAN

FAIRBAIRN RIGHTS

WAYI THINT' OBAFAZI
WAYI THINT' IMBOKOTHO...
(YOU HAVE TAMPERED WITH THE WOMEN.
YOU HAVE STRUCK AGAINST ROCK....)
EVERYBODY knew the protest song, but no-
body knew who had composed it. Msilazana
Dlamini, chairwoman of the United Women's Or-
apisation, remembers how, through this song, the
20,000 women who went to the Union Build-
ings in Pretoria on August 9, 1956, expressed
their anger at the Government over the exten-
sion of passes to women.

The Nationalist Government had come to
power in 1948 and its new apartheid measures
were most forcibly felt by women. In 1952 the
Natives (Abolition of Passes and Co-ordin-
aton of Documents) Act passed through Parlia-
ment, extending passes under the new name of refer-
ence books, to women.

The reaction was furious. Unrest spread
around the country as successive municipalities
announced that they were to begin registering
women and enforcing other new influx control
measures.

Demonstrations

The Women's League of the African National
Congress (ANCWL) organised demonstrations
and rallies in Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, Oud-
shoorn, Stellenbosch and many other towns.

The resistance spurred the formation of the
major women's organisation of the 50s, the Fed-
eration of South African Women (FSAW), which
held its inaugural congress in the Trades Hall,
Johannesburg, on April 17, 1954.

Delegates and observers from women's or-
organisations all over the country came, and to
free the women's energies for the conference,
men volunteers were relegated to the kitchen to
do the catering.

Ida Mtwana, presi-
dent of the ANCWL,
was elected vice presi-
dent, and trade unionist Ray
Alexander, who had
played a key role in or-
organising the confer-
ce, became its secre-
tary.

Among the committee members were Dora
Tamana, Albertina Sisulu, Helen Joseph, Fatima
Meer and others well known for their involve-
ment in women's organisations, trade unions
and politics.

The conference set out its aims in a Women's
Charter calling for women's rights, but also
stressing unity with men: "Women do not
form a society separate from men... As women
we share the problems and anxieties of our men
and join hands with them to remove social evils
and obstacles to progress."

With other organisations, it took up cam-
paigns against the destruction of the township of
Sophiatown, outside Johannesburg, under the
Group Areas Act, and against the introduction of
Bantu education.

Anti-pass campaign

But its real work began after the announce-
ment by the Government that it intended to
start issuing women with reference books from
January 1956, which was met with vehement
resistance from women all over the country.
The anti-pass campaign was to rage on until the
early 60s.

Passes were first issued in Winburg, and two
months later, the burnings began. Many Win-
burg women were arrested and charged with
theft. There were huge demonstrations by wom-
un of other towns — Pretoria, Evaton, Durban,
Klerksdorp, Brakpan and Bethlehem were
among those that saw rallies and marches as
anger mounted.

With other organisations, the FSAW began
planning the Pretoria demonstration. Mama Zhi-
langa recalls the mood at the time: "We hated
these books. We wouldn't take them, so they
locked us up. We felt we had to burn these books
because they were ugly."

To see Strijdom

She was one of the ANCWl delegates chosen
to represent the women of the Western Cape in
Pretoria on August 9. "We sent our deputation
there and many others went. Church people
everone, because this reference book was
something that could hurt us. Our aim was to
see (Prime Minister) Strijdom."

Mama Zilianga remembers the long train
journey and the exhaustion of the many women
who made it. She remembers how many died
off in the sun while they were waiting in the
amphitheatre in front of the Union Buildings for
Strijdom to come out.

"We never saw him. I don't know how he left
or if he was not there, but we never saw him.
We were all singing 'Strijdom! Wayi thint' aba-

VIOLENT CLASH

The anti-pass campaign continued in 1956 there was a violent clash be-
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on the Reef and in Natal until the

The news of Sharpeville, where testers were shot dead, shook
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Ray Alexander, banned, went to
Zambia.

Regroupings

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emerging, with relations with the new organisations in Port Elizabeth, East London, Dlareef.

In 1981, the United Women's Organisations launched a new organisa-
conference in Cape Town, a growing organisation with 19
about 600 members in the Western
Cape, which is a trend in Cape Town, which is a growing organisation with 19
years ago.

Chairwoman Mama Zilianga was present at the meeting, and
women for the future: "To
Africa, if we unite we will create a new South Africa."
This is the final instalment of JEAN FAIRBAIRN’S series on the fight for women’s rights. The period covered marks the high point of women in politics in South Africa.

i wayi thint‘ imbokoto’, our beautiful song, everybody knew that song, but I don’t know who composed it.

The people were cross, more at not seeing Strijdom. I don’t know why he didn’t come... I think he was frightened. It was a huge crowd, we couldn’t find your friends in it.

After a long wait, the women collected thousands of individually signed petitions which were taken into the Union Buildings. When all protests had been delivered, the women stood in silence for half an hour, before singing African national anthem, Nkosi sikelel ‘rika.

That was August 9;” said Mama Zihlangu. Afterwards, although we were angry, we felt we had done something. We came back and told people that we didn’t see Strijdom. And we never worked so hard and organised more and more... did not want to take the reference book.”

Violent clash
The anti-pass campaign continued. Late in the day there was a violent clash between police and women in Lichtenburg. Two people were killed. Rural women in Zoutpansberg went to jail en masse for either refusing to accept or burning their passes, and there was massive resistance in the Reef and in Natal until the 1960s.

The news of Sharpeville, where 69 pass protesters were shot dead, shocked the entire country.

That the campaigns were backed by the WL and the FSAW did not go unnoticed by the Government. The ANC was banned in 1960, with it the Women’s League. Helen Joseph, banned in 1957, was banned again in 1962; a Ngqotsho was banned and confined to Orla-township in 1961; Florence Matomela was in the same year and later charged for furthering the aims of the ANC. Alexander, banned, went into exile in 1963.

Regroupings
With its leadership severely depleted in theROWN which the women’s movement only really began emerging, with regroupings and formation of new organisations in the Cape, Elizabeth, East London, Durban and the country.

In 1961, the United Women’s Organisation held a national conference in Cape Town. Today it is growing organisation with 19 branches and 800 members in the Western Cape. The National Women’s Day to commemorate the struggles of the past and the march to Pretoria 27 ago.

Mama Zihlangu will be recalling the past at the meeting, and had this message for the future: “To the women of Africa, if we unite we will be able to create new South Africa.”

Albertina Sisulu

Helen Joseph
Mandela won’t accept nomination, and that’s official

Mercury Reporter

The University of Natal has been told officially that jailed African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela had declined to accept his nomination for chancellorship.

Mrs Winnie Mandela instructed her lawyers to send a telegram to the university confirming the decision, which came after widespread confusion over whether her husband was to stand for the post.

Mrs Mandela asked her lawyer’s wife, Mrs P J de Waal, to send the telegram on her behalf to the rector of the university, stating that it was both her and her husband’s wish that the nomination be turned down.

Mrs de Waal said last night Mrs Mandela had contacted Mr Mandela about two weeks ago and apparently based the decision on what she had heard from her husband.

Last week author Alan Paton announced that he would withdraw his nomination for the chancellorship if Mandela stood for the post.

He refused yesterday to comment, beyond referring to an earlier statement that he knew he would distress his supporters, but he could in no circumstances enter into competition with Mandela.

The president of the SRC, Mr John Taylor, said it was now certain that Dr Paton would succeed Dr B Armitage as chancellor.
Ailing Mpetha 'satisfactory'

CAPE TOWN — Veteran trade unionist and community leader Oscar Mpetha was in a satisfactory condition in Groote Schuur Hospital today.

A hospital spokesman said Mpetha's condition was no different to that when he was admitted yesterday.

Mpetha (75), a diabetic, was given a five-year sentence for terrorism last month but was released on R1 bail pending appeal. — Sapa.
Magistrate refuses bail for Mrs Sisulu

Mrs Albertina Sisulu, wife of jailed African National Congress leader Walter Sisulu, appeared in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court today charged with furthering the aims of a banned organisation.

She appeared with Mr Thami Mali before Mr H Van Heerden and bail for both accused was refused.

Her case was postponed to August 17 when a provisional trial date is to be set.

The case was to have been heard at the Krugersdorp Magistrate's Court today but the venue was changed at the last minute.

Mrs Sisulu, president of the Transvaal United Democratic Front and the Federation of South African Women was arrested by police in Soweto on Friday.

Shortly after her arrest police in Pretoria said she was been held in terms of the Criminal Procedure Act.
A job for Albertina

Mrs Albertina Slabber, arrested under the Criminal Procedure Act on Friday, was elected Transvaal president of the United Democratic Front in Johannesburg at the weekend.

A 27-member executive committee was formed to manage the fledgling political group which will be launched on August 20 in Cape Town.
Detained Mrs Sisulu is elected party TVL chief

By ANTON HARBER
Political Reporter

MRS ALBERTINA SISULU, who is in custody after being arrested by police on Friday, was elected Transvaal president of the United Democratic Front at the weekend.

The Transvaal regional council of the UDF elected her unopposed "as a great homage and as a warning to the State" at a meeting in Johannesburg.

Mrs Sisulu, who is due to appear in the Krugersdorp Magistrate's Court today, will replace Dr R A M Soljoje, who headed the interim committee that established the UDF.

According to a police statement, Mrs Sisulu is being held in terms of the Criminal Procedure Act. Police said at the time of her arrest that she was being charged for involvement in the activities of the banned African National Congress.

Mrs Sisulu is the president of the Federation of South African Women and is the wife of Walter Sisulu. The ANC leader now serving a life sentence for activities of the organisation.

She recently had her banning order lifted after spending 17 years under house arrest or other restrictions.

Dr Soljoje told the meeting that he announced the arrest of the "mother of our nation," with "bitter resentment."

"At a time when there seems to be a belief that the State is softening up, we find the heavy hand of oppression being brought down on us once again."

"The State has thrown down a gauntlet to the oppressed to marshal themselves to oppose harassment," he said.

Mrs Sisulu will now head the Transvaal delegation to the national launching of the UDF in Cape Town in two weeks' time - provided she is no longer in custody.

The meeting also elected five vice-presidents. They are the Rev. Frank Chikane, Mr Kurus Nkonko, Mr H Shabangu, Dr R A M Soljoje and Mr Hans Kgalelewa.

Mr Mohammed Valley and Mr P Molefe were elected joint secretaries and Mrs Ria Ndizango and Mr Eric Moloi were elected joint treasurers.
Azapo at WCC assembly

The president of the Azanian People’s Organisation, Mr Lybon Mabasa, is at the World Council of Churches Assembly in Vancouver “to keep a watching brief on proceedings as far as they affect the internal position in South Africa”.

Azapo’s publicity secretary, Mr Ishmael Mkhabela, confirmed today that Mr Mabasa had left for Vancouver on Friday.

Mr Mkhabela did not expect Azapo would get an opportunity to address the conference, but Mr Mabasa’s visit would provide invaluable contacts for Black Consciousness organisations.
Mrs Mandela seeks to discuss varsity post with husband

MARITZBURG — Mrs Winnie Mandela will ask permission to visit her husband, the jailed African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela, to discuss his nomination as the University of Natal's Chancellor.

According to the family lawyer, reports that Mandela had refused to stand for election were the result of a "misunderstanding".

The lawyer, Mr J Ayob, said that neither he nor Mrs Mandela had been able to communicate with Mandela to find out whether he wished to stand as chancellor, it had been decided that Mrs Mandela should visit her husband at Pollsmoor Prison.

Mr Ayob added that Mrs Mandela was to apply immediately for permission. She is banned and restricted to her home in Brandfort in the Free State.

The president of the Durban campus's Students' Representative Council, Mr Jonathan Taylor, said the university had agreed to wait until August 26.

A telegram received by the university last week, which said Mandela did not wish to stand, had since been retracted.

Author Dr Alan Paton, who has also been nominated for the chancellorship, said he stood by his earlier announcement that he would withdraw if Mandela stood.

Dr Chris Saunders, the joint chairman of the Tongaat group and Hulett's Corporation, had also been approached as a potential nominee. He declined because of his business commitments.
Pass March remembered

By MZIKAYISE EDOM

The Daveton women's group will commemorate the historic march to Pretoria in 1956 by about 20,000 women, who were protesting against the issuing of pass books to black women, at a service to be held in Daveton near Benoni this evening.

The service, to mark the 27th anniversary of the protest march, is scheduled to start at 6.30 pm and will be held at the Presbyterian Church in Mponimple Street.

A spokesperson for the Daveton women's group said she was appealing to the community of Daveton to attend this service as it marked a great day in the lives of all black women throughout the country.

The four women who led the crowd — Helen Joseph, Lilian Ngoyi, Sophie Williams and Rahima Moosa — went into the Union Buildings to see the Prime Minister, taking with them a petition signed by thousands of women calling for the rejection of the pass laws.

Meanwhile 400 people attended a meeting held at the Dube YWCA on Sunday to commemorate the march by the women.

The meeting was part of a week-long programme organised by the Federation of South African Women to highlight the march.

The Rev Frank Chi-

kane told the meeting that the detention of leaders would not stop the struggle for liberation. "If our sisters can be part of the struggle then we shall be closer to our goal. We shall be more victorious than before," he said.

Other speakers at the meeting were Mr Curtis Nkondo and Mrs Mavis Daniels from the Noordgesig Women's League.

Another meeting, which forms part of the Focus Week, will be held at Glyn Thomas today at 7 pm.
No bail for Sisulu

By SAM MABE

Mrs Albertina Sisulu and a Soweto school teacher, Mr Thami Mali, made a brief appearance in the Johannesburg Magistrate’s Court yesterday where they faced charges under the Suppression of Communism Act.

The two, who are alleged to have engaged in activities of the banned African National Congress, were not asked to plead and the magistrate, Mr H.S van Heerden, postponed their hearing to August 17 for the setting of a date of trial.

A certificate from the Attorney-General opposed the granting of bail and the two have been remanded in custody.

The hearing, originally scheduled for the Krugersdorp Magistrate’s Court, was suddenly switched to Johannesburg yesterday morning, disappointing several spectators who had gone to Krugersdorp to attend the hearing.

Both Mrs Sisulu and Mr Mali were arrested on Friday at their respective places of employment.

Only about 24 hours after her arrest, Mrs Sisulu (66), who is an executive member of the Federation of South African Women (Fedsaw), was elected in absentia as Transvaal president of the United Democratic Front (UDF).

Mrs Sisulu’s husband, former secretary general of the ANC, Mr Walter Sisulu, is currently serving a life imprisonment sentence.

Three other people — Ms Amanda Kwadi, a social worker and member of Fedsaw, the Rev Samuel Tsele of the Lutheran Church and Mr George Moiwa, a Kngiso civic leader — appeared at the Johannesburg Magistrate’s Court on Friday last week.

The charges are also related to the ANC and their hearing was postponed to August 31 after they were refused bail.
Zimbabwe dissident ‘abducted to SA’

HARARE - An dissident, wounded in a gun battle with Zimbabwean security forces, told the high court here yesterday that he had been abducted in Zimbabwe and taken to South Africa.

Mr. Benson Dube (21), of the Tsholotsho district in Matabeleland, told the court he had been on his way to look for work in Bulawayo when he was abducted by armed men who took him to South Africa.

White men in South Africa told him he would be sent to a camp where he would be trained as a "soldier". He was taken to a camp where he underwent six months' training. At the end of this training four men from Zimbabwe visited the camp to inspect the work done.

BEIRUT - Tension continues throughout Lebanon after fresh inter-Palestinian fighting and the shooting down of an Israeli plane by Syrian forces.

After a weekend in which about 60 people died in bomb attacks, fighting erupted yesterday in the Bekaa Valley between Palestinian rebels and supporters of PLO leader Yasser Arafat.

The clashes, which artillery was used, lasted for two hours in the Shtoura area before Syrian forces imposed a ceasefire.

Syrian forces also exchanged fire with a Lebanese army outpost at Ayoun Siman, a former ski resort in the central mountains, but there were no reports of casualties, the Christian Phalangist radio reported.

Earlier the Syrians shot down a missile, Israeli. close to th Israeli mini the drone ground-to-t from Syria.

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Guard against bombs, temples urged

By ANN PALMER

SECURITY at Johannesburg synagogues should be re-examined in the wake of the bomb blast in Hillbrow's Temple Israel.

The Johannesburg chairman of the Jewish Executive Women's League, Major Roy Chevedden, said yesterday committees from the various synagogues should contact him for advice on stricter security arrangements.

"With the holy season only a month away, security should be checked as there will be hundreds of people flocking to places of worship.

Major Chevedden said the league could only act in an advisory capacity and any manpower for security would have to come from the congregations.

The chairman of Temple Israel, Mr S Epstein, said in a statement yesterday that Saturday's bombing of Temple Israel - the mother temple of progressive Judaism in South Africa - had left the congregation shocked and saddened.

The president of the United Progressive Jewish Congregation of Johannesburg, Mr S Bergman, declined to comment yesterday on the security measures taken by Temple Israel before the bomb blast.

"We have a responsibility to other synagogues not to reveal the security arrangements," he said.

He said they had liaised with the Security Police and questions on the security should be referred to them.

Sabbath services will be held in the Temple Israel hall.

The daily evening service has been moved temporarily to Temple Emmanuel, Parktown, while the service for senior citizens, which would have been held on Wednesday will be held at Temple Shalom, Highlands North.

ANC, SA Reds responsible

Commmunist mines used in temple blast

By EMELIA JAROSCHEK

Crime Reporter

TWO limpet mines of communist origin were used in Saturday's attack on Temple Israel in Hillbrow, the head of the Security Police, Major-General Frans Steenkamp, said yesterday.

He said the mines were placed next to a door at the back of the building.

Gen Steenkamp reiterated his belief that the African National Congress and the South African Communist Party were behind the attack.

He said the ANC's denials of responsibility did not surprise him, and claimed there was evidence that certain units of Umkhonto We Sizwe - the military wing of the ANC - were operating under the direct instructions of the SA Communist Party.

He said also that the ANC and the Palestine Liberation Organisation were identifying themselves with a United Nations conference to expose links between the Republic and Israel.

The ANC and the PLO were taking part in the current UN World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination in Geneva, Switzerland, he said.

Its aim was to condemn Zionism, as well as the "so-called apartheid system", as racism.

The PLO and the ANC had identified increasingly with each other's causes in recent years.

"ANC leaders have publicly expressed support for the PLO and joined in denunciations of Israel. The bombing of the synagogue may thus very well have been seen as an attack on Zionism and an attempt to intimidate South African Jewry and the State of Israel against overtures of goodwill towards South Africa.

"Press reports of an ANC denial of involvement in this desecration of a house of worship come as no surprise at this stage.

"Evidence of lack of communication between the ANC hierarchy and their terrorist units, as well as the increasing lack of effective control by the ANC leadership over all units of Umkhonto We Sizwe, is nothing new.

"This came to light clearly with the delay and conflicting statements made by the ANC about responsibility for the Pretoria car-bomb outrage." Gen Steenkamp said.

Gen Steenkamp said police investigations were continuing and no arrests had been made.

No-one was injured by the blast at Temple Israel, but extensive damage was caused to the synagogue, reception hall and furniture.

The Rand Daily Mail was phonied yesterday by a man claiming to represent the "Black Rage Movement", which claimed responsibility for the attack. The caller said his movement was "an offshoot of the ANC."

The Security Police were notified of the call.
Policeman: I hid at secret base

By Rashid Chopdat

A security policeman who defected from the banned African National Congress hid at a secret police training base for two days after he shot dead a man whom he believed was a terrorist, a Rand Supreme Court judge heard today.

Constable Jeffrey Bosigo (24), address given only as Soweto, was appearing before Mr Justice P H Grosskopf on a charge of murdering Mr Daniel Kgogo on December 17 last year.

The policeman, who joined the Security Police 4½ years ago, pleaded not guilty.

He said that on the day of the shooting he was driving in Soweto when the driver of a car, whom he said was Mr Kgogo, tried to force him off the road.

He said: "When Mr Kgogo forced me off the road the second time I saw a pistol in his hand. I think his passenger had a hand grenade. I feared for my life.

"I already had the gun near me and released the safety catch. I fired a shot — a blind one. I do not know if the bullets struck any person.

"I did not fire a second shot. Things were happening too fast.

"The only reason I believed Mr Ngogo was a terrorist was because he had a gun.

"I sped off and stayed at a secret base used for the training of policemen for two days."

Constable Bosigo said he was on the "hit-list" of the ANC. Earlier this year a colleague, who was also a former ANC member, had been killed.

The night before the shooting, Mr Bartholomew Hlapane and his wife had been killed.

He and Mr Hlapane had given evidence before the Denton Sub-committee on Terrorism and Communism in Southern Africa.

They had also given evidence at various other terrorist trials.

The case is proceeding.
Mandela request to see husband

MARITZBURG - Mrs Winnie Mandela is to request permission to visit her husband, jailed African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela, to discuss his nomination as chancellor of the University of Natal.

The family lawyer says reports that Mandela had refused to stand for election were the result of a "misunderstanding".

The lawyer, Mr J Ayob, said that as neither he nor Mrs Mandela had been able to communicate with Mandela to find out whether he wished to stand, it had been decided Mrs Mandela should request to be allowed to visit her husband at Pollsmoor Prison, Cape Town.

Mrs Mandela is banned and restricted to her Brandfort home in the Free State.

The president of the Durban campus Students' Representative Council, Mr Jonathan Taylor, said that the university had agreed to give the Mandelas until August 26 to decide.

A telegram received by the university last week saying that Mandela did not wish to stand has been retracted.

Author Dr Alan Paton, who has also been nominated for the chancellorship, said he stood by his earlier announcement that he would withdraw if Mandela stood for the post.

Dr Chris Saunders, joint chairman of the Tongaat group and Huletts Corporation, was also approached as a potential nominee but declined owing to business commitments. — Sapa.
Estate agent summoned in PE township

By SHIRLEY PRESSLY

A PORT ELIZABETH estate agent, Mr. Arthur Arnott, was twice issued with a summons for entering a proclaimed area without a permit when he tried to attend a commemoration service at a church in New Brighton on Saturday.

Mr Arnott said that he, his wife, Jane, children aged six and three, and a black girl aged 14, whom they were giving a lift into New Brighton, were stopped by uniformed police in Mati Road on Saturday afternoon.

They were on their way to a commemoration service at the Arthur Wellington Church in New Brighton. The service commemorated the march to Pretoria by a group of women.

Mr Arnott said he told police he was a Christian and on his way to attend a church service.

He said he believed that bona fide churchgoers of other race groups did not require permits to attend church meetings in the townships.

Mr Arnott said the police handed him and his wife a summons carrying an admission of guilt for R30 each and advised them to drop the 14-year-old black girl at that point and turn back.

Mr Arnott turned back and entered New Brighton through another back entrance which was not under surveillance.

He drove to the church. Inside the church grounds, he said, he was stopped by a security policeman who had been present when he was stopped earlier.

Mr Arnott said he got involved in a debate with the security policeman who contacted the uniformed police at New Brighton who arrived and escorted him back to the New Brighton Police Station.

There he was given a second summons carrying a R30 admission of guilt fine for being in a proclaimed area without a permit. His wife was also given a second summons.

Mr Arnott said he did not believe he could be stopped from attending a church service in any area.

He commented on statements made last year by Mr Louis Koch, Chief Director of the East Cape Administration Board, which said “because of the impracticability of issuing permits to the large number of people who attend church meetings in the townships it has been decided not to insist on people applying for them”.

In a subsequent report, however, Mr Koch said permits for white and coloured people to enter Port Elizabeth’s African townships were a legal requirement, even for church services.

Major Gerrie van Rooven, police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, said 22 summonses were issued on Saturday to people for being in a proclaimed area without a permit.
MRS ALBERTINA SISULU was charged in the Johannesburg Regional Court yesterday with taking part in African National Congress activities while she was banned.

Mrs Sisulu, 55, of Orlando West, Soweto, was charged with Mr Thami Mali, 25, of White City, Jabavu, Soweto, under section 3 (1) (a) (iv) of the old Suppression of Communism Act of 1950.

Section 3 of the 1950 Act is similar to section 13 (1) (a) (iv) of the new Internal Security Act of 1982, which replaced the 1950 Act.

In terms of a certificate signed by the Transvaal Attorney-General, Mr J E Nothing, on Friday last week, Mrs Sisulu and Mr Mali were not eligible for bail.

They will be held in custody until Wednesday next week, when they will appear again.

Mrs Sisulu is the wife of ANC leader Walter Sisulu, who is serving a life sentence.
ANC clothes, colours, slogans lead to prison

By Gavin Engelbrecht, West Rand Bureau

A man who was found in the possession of clothing bearing the colours of the banned African National Congress (ANC) was sentenced to an effective eight years' imprisonment by a Krugersdorp magistrate yesterday.

Isaac Genu (39) of Kagiso, Krugersdorp, was convicted of being a member of the ANC, taking part in the activities of the organisation and the possession of banned literature. He had pleaded not guilty before Mr G J la Grange to all the charges.

At a previous hearing the court heard that the Security Police had searched Genu's house and found a shirt depicting a woman with a gun, men carrying spears and ANC slogans.

Also found were a shirt with a map of Africa, two children's shirts bearing ANC slogans, "Viva Mandela" and "Aliuta Continua" (the struggle continues) and two head scarfs. All the items bore the ANC colours.

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This was disputed by an Inkatha representative.

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He added there was no dispute that the colours, emblems and slogans were used to engender support for the ANC, and the wearing of these garments was done with the sole goal of getting support for the movement.

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The case continues.
JOHANNESBURG – Mrs Albertina Sisulu, the veteran black leader who is in custody after being arrested by police on Friday, was elected Transvaal president of the United Democratic Front on Saturday.

The Transvaal regional council of the UDF elected her unopposed “as a great homage and as a warning to the state”, at a meeting at Khotso House, in central Johannesburg.

Mrs Sisulu, who is due to appear in a Krugersdorp Magistrate’s Court this morning, will replace Dr R. A. M. Saloojee, who headed the interim committee that established the UDF.

According to a police statement, Mrs Sisulu is being held in terms of the Criminal Procedure Act. Police said at the time of her arrest that she was being charged for involvement in the activities of the banned African National Congress.

She was recently released from her fifth banning order after spending 17 years under house arrest or other restrictions.

Dr Saloojee told the meeting that he announced the arrest of the “mother of our nation” with “bitter resentment”.

“At a time when there seems to be a belief that the state is softening up, we find the heavy hand of oppression being brought down on us once again.

“The state has thrown down a gauntlet to the oppressed to marshal themselves to oppose harassment,” he said.

Mrs Sisulu will now head the Transvaal delegation to the national launching of the UDF in Cape Town in two weeks time... provided she is no longer in custody. — DDC.
Special squad will fight Lenasia crime

By Yussaf Nazeer

Police have appointed a special anti-burglary squad to deal with the spate of housebreaking and theft in Lenasia and Eldorado Park, the District Commandant of Police for Protea-Soweto West said in Lenasia at the weekend.

Addressing a public meeting, Colonel J C Smit said the new anti-burglary squad was going all out to apprehend those suspected to be involved in the thefts of TV sets and video recorders from homes.

The colonel emphasised that the new squad would make speedier progress with the help of the public. Burglaries should be reported to the police immediately they were discovered.

Several people complained to the colonel that they had been making such reports but the Lenasia police did not act promptly.

The colonel replied that the Lenasia police contingent was small and understaffed and also had to cope with other crimes.

Colonel Smit praised the residents for their Home Guard Patrol Squad recently formed in Lenasia and Eldorado Park.

He said that people who acted responsibly in apprehending criminals were welcomed by the police. But he emphasised that the residents should undergo the B-Group reservist training to learn to guard their homes effectively.

The new and larger police station being built in Lenasia was expected to be ready in about 12 months, the colonel said.

The Extentions 3 and 5 Home Guard Squad has reported that it has been winning the battle against burglars since it began patrolling the neighbourhhood 10 days ago.

But reports were being received that housebreaking and car theft were still rife in extensons which had no patrols.

Six Boksburg workers reinstated

Labour Reporters

In a statement released yesterday, the company said the workers had been re-employed to fill vacancies that had arisen through staff turnover.

They start work today.

During the negotiations between management and the Paper, Wood and Allied Workers Union and the South African Typographical Union, the six were on full pay.

Shopowner ran for his camera

A Johannesburg shopowner arrested a man on Saturday after he allegedly tried to steal a camera.

When Mr Johannes de Beer tried to stop the man from taking the camera the man produced a knife and threatened to stab Mr de Beer.

The man fled down Bree Street, Mr de Beer chased him and caught him.

Irate player punches ref

CAPE TOWN — Rugby referee Captain G V Wickens of the Military Academy, Saldanha, sent off a player during a game between Velddrif and Paarl Teachers Training College at Velddrif.

After the game, the player went up to him and punched him, breaking his nose.

Velddrif lost the game 11-16. — Own Correspondent.

Nursing council raises fees R10

The South African Nursing Council's annual registration and enrolment fees have been increased from R5 a year to R25.

Nursing News, its newspaper, says the council is planning certain developments to enable it to provide a more effective service.

Over past years it has been hindered by lack of funds. — East Rand Bureau.

City cafe
At Tamana funeral, 2,000

Staff Reporter

A multi-racial congregation of more than 2,000 people attended the funeral of veteran community leader, Mrs. Dora Tamana, 83, at the Roman Catholic Hall in Guguletu.

Nine organisations were represented at the service at the weekend.

Mrs. Tamana's coffin was carried on a horse-drawn cart from her home to the church and from the church to the Guguletu graveyard.

Members of the United Women's Organisation (UWO), dressed in green and black, led the procession.
NATIONAL WOMENS DAY AUGUST 9

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we thank the women

A WOMENS MOVEMENT PUBLICATION
National Women’s Day Aug 9

Strijdom, you have struck a rock...

IT WAS 27 YEARS AGO THAT 20,000 WOMEN MARCHED ON THE UNION BUILDINGS IN Pretoria to protest against the extension of the pass laws to women.

They had come to see Strijdom, the Prime Minister, with thousands of pass holders. When he refused to see them, they stood in silence for half an hour.

They broke the silence with the famous song composed for the march—"Strijdom, you have tampered with women, you have struck a rock!"

The call to all women who could not go on the march was, "If you can't go to Pretoria, go to your nearest Native Commissioner." In Cape Town, 200 women gathered at the offices of the Native Affairs in Salt River. They also held a silent protest, and carried placards which read "We don't want passes. We have seen the hardships these passes have brought to our men."

The organizer of these demonstrations against passes for women was the Federation of South African Women. This was a non-racial organization to which many other groupings were affiliated. The F.S.A.W. began in 1954, where it adopted the Women's Charter.

We commend National Women's Day as a high point in the proud history of resistance to injustice in South Africa. It is a special day also because it encapsulates the degree of organization and militancy of South Africa's women. We remember on this day how the majority of South African women suffer because they are women, because they are black and because they are working-class.

We also remember and learn from the non-racial and united stand of the women. In the statement they gave to Strijdom it was said—"We are women from every part of South Africa. We are women of every race."

We come from the cities and the towns, from the reserves and the villages. We come as women united in our purpose to save the African women from the degradation of passes...

For to us, an insult to African women is an insult to all women.

Women's Organisation: lessons from the past

South African women have found it difficult to be everything a Feminist: Pro-Priate to their situation. Western-style radical feminism fails to provide an adequate analysis of our society. Its aims fall short of national liberation. For Western Feminism, the family is a site of oppression yet in South Africa the destruction of family life is one of the most awful crimes of apartheid.

At the formation of the African National Congress in Bloemfontein in 1912, women were accorded auxiliary membership. This meant that they had no vote at the Annual Congress.

However, the militancy of women in the Orange Free State, evident in campaigns against the pass laws passed by Municipalities showed that they were worthy of much more. In 1913, six hundred women signed in their passes to the mayor of Bloemfontein. They were arrested and sentenced to imprisonment with hard labour. It was this kind of concerted action and determination that led to the formation of the Anti-Pass League in 1928. It was founded by a young teacher, Charlotte Maseru, a well-educated and highly articulate woman. Many of these women identified with the British suffrage movement and cries of "votes for women" were to be heard at protests and meetings.

Their aims and actions reflected the general policy of the A.P.L. at that time. They wanted women to be treated with propriety and recognized as citizens of the empire.

To achieve this they sent deputations to ministers. These were either ignored or not received.

During the 30's, the women's League virtually collapsed and it was only in 1943 with the new leadership of the Anti-Pass League, like Mabel, Sisulu and Tambo, that the Women's League was revitalized.

As the A.N.C. grew to be a mass-based political party, women were given full voting rights. Yet the women's main task was seen as that of "nation building"; instilling children with a new brand of South African nationalism.

The widespread organization of the 50's drew many women into the Women's League. In 1954, it joined with other women's organizations to form the non-racial Federation of South African Women.

It was this body that drew up the women's Charter, a list of women's demands, to be presented at the Congress of the People at Kiitown in 1955. Many of their demands are also enshrined in the Freedom Charter.

The F.S.A.W. led women's resistance to passes in 1955. Their protest would continue for another 4 years. The most widely publicized event of this campaign was the march of 20,000 women on the Union Buildings on August 9, 1959.

In this campaign women played the central role. In their report on the campaign the F.S.A.W. observed: "Women await with impatience the active entry of men into the anti-pass campaign." When the A.N.C. went underground and the Umkhonto we Sizwe (the Spear of the Nation) was formed both women and men were included.

The 80's have seen the formation of democratic women's organisations and many women have been drawn into these organisations around struggles over basic issues, like childcare and housing.
I opened the road for you, you must go forward

Mama Dora Tamana: We Salute You!

Dora Tamana was born in Gqamakwe in the Transkei. During the Second World War, she moved to Cape Town, and it was here that she began involving herself in issues affecting women. She set up a creche to care for the children of working mothers, feeding them and teaching them to read and write.

Throughout the early 50’s, Dora became increasingly drawn into political activity; she participated in the campaign to restore to the African children their school feeding scheme. She was a member of the delegation sent to the Minister to protest the increase in bread prices; she became the secretary of the local branch of the ANC and was active in the Communist Party and the Peace Committee.

Dora Tamana supported the Defiance Campaign and was leader of the campaign against the removals of Africans during the mid-50’s from the Western Cape.

In November 1954 Dora was elected National Secretary of the Federation of South African Women. The following year she was chosen along with Lilian Ngoyi to attend a world congress of mothers in Lausanne. Later she was invited to China, Mongolia and the Soviet Union. On her return she was subjected to long periods of banning, detention and police harassment as a result of her political activity.

In 1980, Dora was a founder member of the United Women’s Organisation and delivered a speech at the inaugural meeting.

On Saturday 23rd July, Dora Tamana died, aged 83. She gave her life to fight for a better future. She opened the road for us to go forward, united and strong. Mama Dora Tamana, we salute you.

You who have no work, speak.
You who have no homes, speak.
You who have no schools, speak.
You who have to run like chickens from the vulture, speak.

Let us share our problems so that we can solve them together.
We must free ourselves.
Men and women must share housework.
Men and women must work together in the home and out in the world.
There are no creches and nursery schools for our children.
There are no homes for the aged.
There is no one to care for the sick.
Women must unite to fight for these rights.
I opened the road for you.
You must go forward.

WOMEN’S MOVEMENT SEMINAR PROGRAMME 3rd TERM

25.7.83 'Rosie the Riveter' Video and discussion
1.8.83 Women in Mozambique - slide and tape show
8.3.83 National Women's Day seminar - Jenny Schreiner
15.8.83 Women in Cuba
22.8.83 'Union Maids' - video and discussion
29.8.83 Seminar drawing together the above programme
Women Who Resisted

Brief Biographies

**Nomiskele Simu1u** played a notable part in both the ANC Women’s League and the Women’s Federation, and worked closely with Lilian Ngoyi. She was often arrested and threatened by the police, particularly when her husband, Walter Simu1u (formerly national secretary of the ANC, now serving life imprisonment on Robben Island) was in hiding. She has endured long years of banning orders and house arrest, but has still managed to get her children educated and is always remembered for her calm strong personality.

**Mama Baard** was a former leader of the ANC, a leading member of the Food and Canning Workers Union and of SACTU’s Local and Management Committees, was sent into banishment in the Transvaal. One morning in 1948 as she walked to work, she saw men lying in puddles of water because they had nowhere to sleep. “I wept and resolved that something had to be done.” She joined the ANC and was soon organizing the Women’s League.

She was arrested in the big 1956 sweep and put on trial for treason. She was detained again in 1960, and in 1961 was kept in solitary confinement for a year before her trial. “I nearly went off my mind.” Paza Baard spent five years in prison, and was banished to Babhaha, a place where she had no relatives and knew nobody. Her family was evicted from their home in Port Elizabeth and scattered. She is now over 80 and not able to move around, but undaunted spirit remains. She says, “I have survived.”

**Florence Matembele** was born in England, and after the war became politically involved in the Congress of Democratic, the non-racial Garment Workers’ Union and the Women’s Federation.

She served two years in prison and was detained in 1960. She returned home in 1963 and was again sent to prison. In 1966, she was sentenced to 15 years imprisonment and is due for release in 1982.

**Lilian Ngoyi** became president of the Federation of South African Women in 1944 when it was established in 1944. As president of FAW, as well as of the ANC Women’s League, she led a march of 20,000 women on 9 August 1956 to the Union Buildings in Pretoria to hand in their petitions. Charged soon afterwards in the massive Treason Trial, she was one of the first victims of the new 90-day detention without trial legislation when she was held for 71 days in solitary confinement. Since then, Lilian Ngoyi has been banned almost continuously and prohibited to attend any social gathering. When she died, she was two weeks away from the end of her fourth banning order.

**Mary Mothibedi** is still “Auntie Mary” to thousands of people in Waterville Township in Benoni. A solid supporter of the Congress and trade union movement, she was arrested in 1963. When she was released, the whole township turned out to welcome her. Today she is banned and restricted, but her spirit blazes as brightly as ever.
Unite and Organise!

Why People Organise:
There are many reasons why people organise. The most basic is that through organisation people can change the material conditions of their lives and the structure of society. In particular, people have little power, but as a collective unit people can make gains and effect change. Organisations also provide a forum for educating people about their situation. People can thus develop insight and an alternative way of viewing their lives. In organisations, people can also actively participate in making decisions which directly affect them.

Why Women Organise:
The nature of women's oppression differs and multiplies for different strata of women. While white women are most directly affected by issues such as rape, abortion and pay inequalities, working-class women suffer the additional burdens of pass laws, perpetual minor status and lack of child care facilities. Different strata of women thus organise separately around issues which most directly affect them. This will thus determine the form of the organisation.

Although women are oppressed in unique ways, the struggle of South African women is linked to the broader struggle against apartheid and for democracy. Most women are thus not only oppressed as women, but also as workers, as members of poverty-stricken communities, as students and as parents. To mention just a few concrete examples:-
1. Working-class women in South Africa have the worst paid, most unskilled jobs. They have very little social protection and also form a large part of the unemployed.
2. Women from the bantu-stani and it is almost impossible to find work in the urban areas. They remain in the poverty-stricken rural areas, often existing only on money sent from migrant workers.
3. In urban areas, women usually have to return home from a full day's work to prepare supper and do all the housework. They therefore have little free time.
4. Women are brought up to believe that they are inferior to men and that they must be passive and subordinate.

There are many practical problems which women experience in attempting to organise to change their lives. They have very little time, housewives tend to view their problems as individual rather than social because they are isolated. Women also feel that politics and involvement in organisation does not concern them.

The work of a women's organisation is to overcome these difficulties, the immediate problems which women have as such are child care, health care and high prices must be tackled.

Through organisation women can overcome the lack of confidence and passivity which many feel about their lives. They can also develop confidence in themselves through gaining organisational skills and experience. In addition, women can be educated around issues which directly affect them. Through the development of strong women's organisations, women can fight for the democratic rights of women and the liberation of society as a whole.

"We the women of South Africa, wives and mothers, working women and housewives, Africans, Indians, Europeans and Coloured, hereby declare our aim of striving for the removal of all laws, regulations, conventions and customs that discriminate against us as women, and that deprive us in any way of our inherent right to the advantages, responsibilities and opportunities that society offers to any one section of the population." (Women's Charter, 1954)

South African Women demand:

IN 1954, THE WOMEN'S CHARTER WAS DRAFTED BY THE FEDERATION OF SOUTH AFRICAN Women (FSAW). It arose out of the conditions and experiences that black women, in particular, were being exposed to, subject to the most severe forms of discrimination and deprivations. Black women began organizing themselves to combat their oppression.

In the 1940's, a rapid migration of African women to the towns, was a direct consequence of the final breakdown of the reserve economies and the tribal system. In an attempt to control this influx, the Government passed The Natives (Urban Areas) Act of 1952 and The Natives (Abolition of Passes and Co-Ordnation of Documents) Acts. Many women participated in the 1952 Defiance Campaign and demonstrated that women could play an active and central role in the struggle for liberation.

The events of the 40's and 50's had set the stage for the development of a specifically women's political organization. There was a growing awareness by many women that neither the removal of racial nor class discrimination would necessarily eradicate all those disabilities to which, they as women, were subject. Thus when a circular was distributed in 1953, summoning a non-racial national meeting to discuss all forms of discrimination against women, it was met with an enthusiastic response.

At the inaugural conference of the F.S.A.W., a wide cross-section of black, white and coloured women were present, including Bette du Toit of the Garments Workers Union, Helen Joseph of the Congress of Democrats and Lilian Ngoyi of the African National Congress Women's League. From this momentous occasion arose a document known as the 'Women's Charter', which lays down the minimum requirements of women in a truly democratic society.
BECAUSE WOMEN ARE NOT DIRECTLY AFFECTED BY THE ARMY — WE ARE NOT CONSCRIPTED — we often tend to distance ourselves from military matters. Yet we should be equally concerned with the activities of the SANDF and with the direct effects of militarisation on ourselves and others.

Not long ago there were rumours that "white" women were to be conscripted into the army. This proposal seems to have been dropped, and with the proposed new Constitution, it is likely that attempts will be made to extend conscription to so-called coloureds and Indian men before any women. It is also likely that propaganda specifically aimed at encouraging women to voluntarily join the army and civil defence will be stepped up.

We need to examine the whole question of defence. We can consider this on both an individual and a societal level.

Firstly, self-defence is generally not seen as a priority for women. Contrary to men, we usually do not learn to fight or protect ourselves from an early age. We are taught to rely on males to defend us. Yet the frighteningly high statistics of the rape of women should lead us to questioning this notion.

There is therefore a very strong case for women to learn some form of self-defence; firstly to protect themselves, and secondly to free themselves from the fear that so many women experience of being alone (walking, driving, even at home, especially at night.) Confidence in one's ability to protect oneself would lead to a more fulfilling and independent existence.

Now when looking at defence on a societal level, the issues are not as clear cut. Questions arise as to what we are defending and who is the aggressor? A society which is worth defending and protecting should be protected by all who live in it. In that case, women should take equal responsibility for participation in defence.

A problem arises when on the one hand, women wish to take on responsibilities in society — one aspect being defence — and on the other hand, because of the nature of that society, we would not wish to defend an "indivisible" system.

Our responsibility then becomes to examine society: in South Africa, the apartheid system. Who is the SANDF fighting? Are they an outside enemy or as many people in SA believe, are they young South Africans who have taken up arms to fight the system? Is South Africa's presence in Namibia illegal? Is the "total onslaught" against SA or against a minority government?

Can we afford to ignore these questions amidst the growing conflict in our society? It is part of our social responsibility to take these issues seriously, although they may appear not to directly affect those of us not conscripted. "White" women do play a significant supportive role for "the boys on the borders" and are often given as the reason for males involvement in the army. Hence, "the reason why I fight has blond hair, blue eyes and puts kisses on the bottom of her letters," places as full a responsibility on women to question conscription.

Conscription means no choice and no questioning as to where one stands in the struggle for a democratic South Africa. The Black Cash (supported by Churches and MEGAM) is calling for an end to conscription. This is not a matter for men only. It is time to recognise and assume our responsibility.

women's advice bureau

On Monday 8 August, campus will see the start of the student women's movement innovation - the WOMEN'S ADVICE BUREAU.

Open to all men and women, it offers information and advice concerning women's issues. If you need a particular contact, would just like someone to speak to or are troubled about something, such as:

- contraception
- health
- sexual harassment
- pregnancy
- work
- loans
- accommodation

COME AND SEE US!

We're open Monday - Friday from 1-2 p.m.
On the Student Union red level (near SASTS office)
We, the People of South Africa, declare…….

The Freedom Charter

WHILST RESISTANCE TO AN UNJUST SYSTEM IN SOUTH AFRICA IS AS OLD AS THE APARTHEID SYSTEM ITSELF, the 1950s is particularly significant in this regard. In 1955, the Congress of the People on 26 June declared the Freedom Charter. It was presented to the Congress of the People on 26 June 1955 at Kliptown, outside Johannesburg.

Many were prevented from attending as police stopped delegations on route to Kliptown and the state bureaucracy used obstructionist tactics to prevent the people from attending this historic gathering. The delegates consisted of representatives of all the people in South Africa. “African”, “Coloured”, “Indian” and a small number of white democrats. The delegates were workers, peasants, housewives and teachers, doctors, lawyers and traders. Together they discussed the draft of the Freedom Charter at what would become the most representative national gathering of all the people of South Africa. It is from this that the Charter draws its strength and importance.

At Kliptown the Charter was adopted as a set of aims and as a vision of the freedoms drawn up by the people.

The Freedom Charter in its clear and simple words is to the people of South Africa a bold expression of their aspirations and demands for a free and democratic South Africa.

The main idea that runs throughout the Freedom Charter is the rejection of all forms of racial discrimination and oppression and the call for a people’s democracy. It declares “That South Africa belongs to all who live in it, black and white, and that no government can justly claim authority unless it is based on the will of the people.” For this reason it demands that “the people shall govern” and that “every person shall be able to participate in the running of the country regardless of colour, race, sex or belief.”

The Charter demands the removal of Bantu authorities, racism in the Courts and laws of the land; the abolition of pass laws and low wages, of group areas, ghettos and townships. The call goes out for an equal education for all, for the land to be redivided amongst those who work it, for the mines, factories and banks, the natural wealth of our country, the heritage of all South Africans to be restored to the people. The Charter states that the people must take back that which is rightfully theirs, the wealth created by the exploited work force in the factories, in the mines and on the farms.

At the Congress of the People it was explained that “the mines will be transfered to the ownership of the people, that wherever there is a gold mine there will no longer be a compound boss, there will be a committee of workers to run the gold mines…… that wherever there is a factory and where there are workers who are exploited…… the workers will take over and run the factories.”

The Charter rejects racism and calls for democracy and argues clearly that where there is conflict between the interests of the people and the interests of capital as there must always be, then the interests of the people must triumph.

The Charter is a set of aims outlining the minimum demands of the people. It has been termed a package deal illustrating that at no time can one demand be isolated and examined out of the context of the document as a whole and that the peoples call goes out for all the demands to be met.

Whilst the Charter outlines the kind of society in which we would like to live it does not say how this is to be achieved; it does not outline the road along which we are to travel in order for these demands to be met. However, the Charter is a manifesto for the unification of various classes and groupings of people to take up the struggle and work together for the aims outlined in it for the purpose of achieving democracy. The Charter is not simply a call for reforms in the Charter has been met but as more and more people and organisations unite around this historic document, so the democratic movement is strengthened by people willing to declare that “These freedoms we will fight for side by side throughout our lives until we have won our liberty.”

Free votes for all

Down with Bantu Educa
The Freedom Charter

We, the People of South Africa, declare for all our country and the world to know:

that South Africa belongs to all who live in it, black and white, and that no government can justly claim authority unless it is based on the will of all the people;

that our people have been robbed of their birthright to land, liberty and peace by a form of government founded on injustice and inequality;

that our country will never be prosperous or free until all our people live in brotherhood, enjoying equal rights and opportunities;

that only a democratic state, based on the will of all the people, can assure to all their birthright without distinction of colour, race, sex or belief.

And therefore we, the people of South Africa, black and white together—equals, countrymen and brothers—adopt this Freedom Charter. And we pledge ourselves to struggle, sparing neither strength nor courage, until the democratic changes here set out have been won.

THE PEOPLE SHALL Govern!

Every man and woman shall have the right to vote and to stand as a candidate for all offices which make law.

All people shall be entitled to take part in the administration of the country.

The rights of the people shall be the same, regardless of race, colour or sex.

All bodies of minority rule, advisory boards, councils and authorities shall be replaced by democratic organs of self-government.

ALL NATIONAL GROUPS SHALL HAVE EQUAL RIGHTS!

There shall be equal status for the bodies of state, in the courts and in the schools for all national groups and races.

All people shall have equal right to use their own languages, and to develop their own culture and customs.

All national groups shall be protected by law against insults to their race, name and pride.

The preaching and practice of national—race or colour discrimination and separateness shall be a punishable offence.

All apartheid laws and practices shall be scrapped.

THE PEOPLE SHALL SHARE IN THE COUNTRY’S WEALTH!

The national wealth of our country, the heritage of all South Africans, shall be owned by the people.

The mineral wealth beneath the soil, the banks and monopoies industry shall be transferred to the ownership of the people as a whole.

All other industry and trade shall be controlled by the well-being of the people.

All people shall have equal rights to trade where they choose, to manufacture and to enter all trades, crafts and professions.

THE LAND SHALL BE SHARED AMONG THOSE WHO WORK IT!

Restrictions of land ownership on a racial basis shall be ended, and all the land redeemed amongst those who work it, to banish famine and land hunger.

The war—shall help the peasant with implements, seed, tools and credits to build the till and raise the tillers.

Freedom of movement shall be guaranteed to all who work on the land.

All shall have the right to occupy land where they choose.

People shall not be robbed of their land, and forced labour and farm prison shall be abolished.

ALL SHALL BE EQUEAL BEFORE THE LAW!

No one shall be imprisoned, deposed or restricted without a fair trial.

No one shall be condemned by the order of any Government official.

These laws shall be representative of all the people.

Improvement shall be for the benefit of the whole nation, and shall aim at redistribution, not vengeance.

The police force and army shall be open to all on an equal basis, and shall be the protectors of the people.

All laws which discriminate on grounds of race, colour or belief shall be repealed.

ALL SHALL ENJOY EQUAL HUMAN RIGHTS!

No one shall be denied the guarantee to all their rights to speak, to organise, to meet together, to publish, to preach, to worship and to educate their children.

The privacy of the house from police raids shall be protected by law.

All shall be free to travel without restriction from country to country, and from province to province, and from South Africa abroad.

Peace Laws, permits and all other laws restricting these freedoms shall be abolished.

THESE SHALL BE WORK AND SECURITY!

All who work shall be free to form trade unions to elect their officers, and to enter into and abide by agreements with their employers.

The state shall recognise the right and duty of all to work, and to draw full unemployment benefit.

Men and women of all races shall receive equal pay for equal work.

There shall be a forty-hour working week, a national minimum wage, paid annual leave and sick leave for all workers, and maternity leave on full pay for all working mothers.

Women, domestic workers and workers and civil servants shall have the same rights as all others who work.

Child labour, compound labour, the lot system and contract labour shall be abolished.

THE DOORS OF LEARNING AND OF CULTURE SHALL BE OPENED!

The government shall discover, develop and encourage national talents for the enhancement of our cultural life.

All the cultural treasures of mankind shall be open to all, by free exchange of books, ideas and contacts with other lands.

The aim of education shall be to teach the youth to love their people and their culture, to honour human brotherhood, liberty and peace.

Education shall be free, compulsory, universal and equal for all children.

Higher education and technical training shall be opened to all by means of state allowances and scholarships awarded on the basis of merit.

Adult literacy shall be ended by a mass state education plan.

Teachers shall have all the rights of other citizens.

The colour bar is cultural life, in sport and in education shall be abolished.

THESE SHALL BE HOUSES, SECURITY AND COMFORT!

All people shall have the right to live where they choose, to be decent housed, and to bring up their families in comfort and security.

Duped housing spaces to be made available to the people.

Rent and prices shall be lowered, food plentiful and no one shall go hungry.

A permanent burial place shall be run by the state.

Free medical care and hospitalisation shall be provided for all, with special care for mothers and young children.

Clean shall be demolished, and new suburbs built where all have transport, roads, lighting, playing fields, cinemas and social centres.

The aged, the orphans, the disabled and the sick shall be cared for by the state.

Rest, leisure and recreation shall be the right of all.

Frozen building and properties shall be abolished, and laws which break up families shall be repealed.

THESE SHALL BE PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP!

South Africa shall be a fully independent state, which respects the rights and sovereignty of all nations.

South Africa shall strive to maintain world peace and the settlement of all international disputes by negotiation and not war.

Peace and friendship amongst all our people shall be secured by upholding the equal rights, opportunities and status of all.

The people of the protectorates—Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland—shall be free to decide for themselves their own future.

The right of all the peoples of Africa to independence and self-government shall be recognised, and shall be the basis of close co-operation.

Let all who love their people and their country now say, as we say here: "THESE FREEDOMS WE WILL FIGHT FOR, SIDE BY SIDE, THROUGHOUT OUR LIVES, UNTIL WE HAVE WON OUR LIBERTY."
WHY WE REJECT BOTHÁ'S NEW DEAL

The ruling class in South Africa is finding it more and more difficult to rule the country in the old way. They are faced with serious problems in every sphere of life.

They cannot control the economy of the country. All around we have the signs of their crisis: unemployment as never before (more than 2,000,000 people cannot find work), rising prices especially of our most necessary foodstuffs, bus fares, train fares, rents and clothing. The workers are forced to eat less simply to stay alive. Their children die in large numbers (as many as 3 out of 10 die before they are 5 years of age in the "homelands"). Even white workers complain loudly that their living standards are falling. The system seems to be falling apart.

The black workers resist the attempts of the capitalist bosses and the apartheid state to make them pay for this crisis of the system. They stand together in trade unions, tenants' and civic associations and in many other organisations. They go on strike, boycott, demonstrations, and resist in many other ways. More and more the black working class and its organisations have taken the lead in the liberation struggle of the oppressed and exploited.

The workers and peasants of the countryside will be the masters of their own destinies. The long suffering and oppressed blacks of the "homelands" will be allowed to live in the cities on a permanent basis. They will be allowed to own houses and land. They will be given community councils that will have some kind of municipal powers. But they will be kept separate from "Whites", Coloureds and Indians as well as from "homeland blacks". The vast majority of the African workers will be condemned to live in "homelands" where there is no work. There are too many people, where starvation and much oppression is maintained by a greedy gang of "ethnic" leaders such as the Sebes and the Matanzimas.

THEIR ANSWER TO THESE DIVIDE-AND-RULE SCHEMES IS UNITY NOW AND UNITY AGAIN.

We must destroy in practice the separation and the prejudices that keep us divided. We must join forces on all levels: in the factories, on the farms, in the mines and in the offices, in our sports clubs, our music groups and in all our organisations.

WE ARE ONE PEOPLE AND WILL NOT BE DIVIDED.

"NEW DEAL" RECRUITS SOLDIERS
class and its organisations have taken the lead in the liberation struggle of the oppressed and exploited people of South Africa. This struggle of the black workers against the ruling class has become so intense that even the middle classes of teachers, shopkeepers, lawyers, doctors, etc., have been forced to choose sides. This was seen most clearly in Soweto uprising of 1976 and again in 1980.

“NEW DEAL” BUYS OFF THE BLACK MIDDLE CLASS

The “NEW DEAL” is an attempt to buy off the black middle class in order to weaken the resistance of the black working people. It is an attempt to make the oppressed and exploited people believe that they can get their “freedom” by constitutional and community councils.

These running dogs of the system will be their masters’ voice. They will do the dirty work for the state. They will become a part of the ruling group. If we want to see what this will mean in practice, we need only look at the disaster in the Ciskei, Venda, Transkei and Bophuthatswana. There, the Bantustan “leaders” have shown that the black arm of the apartheid state can be as brutal as the white arm.

WE REJECT THE “NEW DEAL” BECAUSE IT WILL CHANGE NOTHING. Our condition of life in the townships and locations will not change. Poverty will remain, unemployment and misery will continue to be forced upon us. Those who will gain are a few thousand middle-class families who will be given more comforts and privileges to defend in the “new” apartheid system.

“NEW DEAL” DIVIDES THE WORKING CLASS

The rulers know that apartheid has failed. We have been forced to live in separate group areas, locations and townships. This has not stopped us from acting together more and more. The black workers have come together in non-racial organisations (trade unions, sports bodies, students’ organisations, churches, mosques, etc.) They have more and more rejected the official labels of “Black”, “Indian” and “Coloured”. They have realised that by standing together they become strong and can challenge the capitalist bosses and their apartheid state. This unity and solidarity of the working class spells doom to the system.

THE “NEW DEAL” IS AN ATTEMPT TO STOP THIS UNITY OF THE BLACK PEOPLE FROM SPREADING.

The rulers want to force the oppressed people to think of themselves as different “ethnic groups”, i.e., as Coloureds, Indians, Xhosa, Zulu, Sotho, Tswana, etc., etc. For this reason “Coloured” and “Indians” are being given separate kitchen “parliaments”, dummy bodies just like the previous C R C and S A I C.

For this reason, the Koornhof Bills want to divide the African people not only into “ethnic groups” but also between “permanent urban blacks” and “rural black people” and “nomadic black people”. To defend the system.

“NEW DEAL” RECRUITS SOLDIERS

Southern Africa is on fire. In Namibia, the colonised people are fighting for independence and freedom under the leadership of SWAPO against the racist forces of South Africa. In Angola, Zimbabwe, Mozambique and in the other smaller neighbouring countries the African governments are hard put to keep the South African lion out of their fold. The rulers are fighting with their backs to the wall. Young students and workers who fled the country in 1976 and later are coming back as guerrillas and are a threat to what the rulers call the “peace and good order” of South Africa.

The state is using this threat in order to put the country on a war footing. But the white population alone cannot provide the manpower needed to patrol the borders and to attack the African states. Until recently, the whites have been the skilled workers of the country. It is therefore difficult simply to withdraw them in large numbers for military service without weakening the economy. And so, certain sections of the black population have to be recruited.

THE “NEW DEAL” WILL GIVE US A SECOND-CLASS VOTE SO THAT OUR SONS AND DAUGHTERS CAN BE PUT IN UNIFORMS TO DEFEND APPARTEHID AND WHITE DOMINATION.

We will NOT allow this to happen. We will NOT allow the black working class and their allies to fight against other African peoples. We will NOT fight against our own sons and daughters, our own brothers and sisters. We will NOT become a willing partner to the rape of Namibia and of other African states.

WE DEMAND

A new constitution drawn up by a CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY elected by all the people of South Africa/Azania on the basis of one person, one vote.

An immediate end to all pass laws, resettlement schemes, group area removals and acts of terror against “squatters”.

An end to all Bantustans. Ours is ONE COUNTRY and we do not accept that it shall be divided to serve the interests of the ruling class.

The immediate withdrawal of all South African troops from Namibia and from any African state.

FIGHT THE COLLABORATORS!
UNITE TO BURY THE “NEW DEAL”!
Cape Action League

WHAT WE STAND FOR

The C.A.L. is an alliance of over 40 organisations of the exploited and oppressed people of the Western Cape. It was the very first alliance of organisations in South Africa to oppose the President's Council proposals and the Koornhof Bills. The programmes of the C.A.L. are characterised by political mobilisation, mass support and organisation. We believe that the only way to solve the problems we face is through mass action. The struggle of the oppressed is the struggle of all. The movement of the poor is the movement of all. We are determined to defeat the enemy by employing all the means at our disposal.

In the U.D.F., worker organisations have NO independence. Point no. 3 of the Draft Principles of U.D.F. states: “All meetings, publications and activities in the name of the...Front will be in accordance with the principles embodied in the Programme of the organisations which make up the movement.” Thus the U.D.F. has no independent position. Its strength lies in its support of the power structures and their policies.

MESSAGE TO SACOS CONFERENCE ON SPORT AND LIBERATION

The Cape Action League (formerly known as the D.B.A.C.) expresses its wholehearted support for the heroic stand taken by SACOS in its struggle to bring about a genuine and just sports dispensation in our country. Our organisation identifies in a very real and sincere way with the sentiments and ideas of the SACOS slogan: “There can be no normal sport in an abnormal society.”

Our organisation grew out of the need to fight the Koornhof Bills and the Presidents' Council proposals, which seek to strengthen the system of exploitation and oppression. We therefore associate ourselves with the struggle of all sportspersons against the system which gives rise to inferior, inadequate and segregated facilities and for the right of all persons to have the opportunity and means to participate in sports activities not only at competitive level but also for leisure and recreation.

Our point of departure is the fact that the black working class is not only prevented from participation in sport because of inferior and inadequate facilities but also, because of starvation wages. The fact is that large numbers of people simply cannot afford to take part in sport.

We recognise, therefore, that the struggle of the sportspersons in SACOS is an integral part of the overall movement for liberation in our society. We trust that this conference of SACOS will contribute to the solution of some of the problems and injustices that exist in this field.

About 1 000 people packed the Galaxy Cinema, Bishop Lavis at CAL's MASS MEETING against the Government's Housing Policy and New Deal.
The struggle of the workers is against this system. The difficult task needs the unity of the organisations of the exploited and the oppressed.

The United Democratic Front (U.D.F.) also claims to stand for unity.

WHAT ARE THE FACTS?
The organisations that formed the U.D.F. (such as CAHAC and U.W.O.) left the D.B.A.C. (now known as C.A.L.) to form the U.D.F. So it is the U.D.F. that divides and the C.A.L. that unites.

HOW DOES THE C.A.L. DIFFER FROM THE U.D.F.?
POPULAR FRONT
The C.A.L. believes that the interests of bosses and workers can never be the same. Therefore, an alliance between workers and bosses (Popular Front) can only serve the interests of the bosses. The U.D.F. is such a popular front. It includes workers' organisations such as CAHAC and organisations of the bosses, such as the middle-class Western Cape Traders' Association and the children and wives of factory and mine bosses (NUSAS and Black Sash).

Such an alliance will only oppose apartheid. They say "Let us build unity and oppose apartheid" (U.D.F. News).

INDEPENDENT WORKER ORGANISATIONS
The C.A.L. also opposes apartheid. But we do not believe that it is possible to fight against apartheid without fighting the capitalist system which breeds it. We believe that only the working class can lead the struggle against economic exploitation. Thus the C.A.L. believes that "Our primary task is the building of INDEPENDENT worker organisations, independent of bosses."

Under these conditions the workers' organisations within the U.D.F. will lose their voice and will not be able to fight for working-class demands. Instead they will simply be supporting voices for middle-class demands.

We, in the C.A.L. say

"that our co-operation is based on PRINCIPLED UNITY by which all tendencies have the right to propagate their programme and the right to criticism..."

In this way the workers' organisations cannot be hijacked by organisations opposed to the real interests of the working class.

ETHNIC ORGANISATIONS
The U.D.F. promises to fight against racial and ethnic divisions, yet ethnic organisations like the Transvaal Indian Congress and the Natal Indian Congress are part of the U.D.F.

C.A.L. rejects any kind of ethnic organisation. Point 2 of the C.A.L. principles states:

"That non-racialism and anti-racism will not only be an AIM but a METHOD of struggle."

AGAINST THE “NEW DEAL” THREE-CHAMBER PARLIAMENT!
AGAINST THE NATIONAL CONVENTION!
FOR THE CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY!

The Cape Action League has pledged itself to work for a genuine United Front of all people's organisations, including sports organisations, on the understanding that such a front shall be led by the black working class and does not include liberal or ruling-class organisations. It is for this reason that we believe that the double-standards resolution in fact ensures the independence of the sports organisations affiliated to SACOS.

We wish the conference every success in its deliberations and its stated aim of providing the real reasons for the exclusion of South Africa from international sport and to expose Craven's "International" conference as a mere sham designed to mislead the world as to the true position in sport in this country.

FORWARD TO A UNITED BODY OF SPORTSPersons IN A SOUTH AFRICA/AZANIA FREE FROM EXPLOITATION AND OPPRESSION!!

(Cape Action League)

NATIONAL CONVENTION OR CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY?

Where is the U.D.F. going. The U.D.F. claims that it hopes to create a "united, non-racial democratic South Africa". But they call on the apartheid state to convene a NATIONAL CONVENTION. At this convention, representatives of the four "racial" groups are supposed to work out the new constitution for South Africa.

We in the C.A.L. say that this is NOT the way to solve our problems. We say that only a CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY elected on the basis of one person, one vote AFTER THE PRESENT SYSTEM HAS BEEN REMOVED will be able to create for our people and our country a constitution which will be acceptable to all.
THE SPIRIT that fired 20,000 women with an unyielding resolve to protest against passes in the August 1956 march will be recalled at the weekend when the tombstone of Lilian Ngoyi is unveiled.

Three years after her death and 27 years after that historic march, the name of MaNgoyi represents the championing of women's rights in South Africa.

Able, willing and fiery, this Pretoria-born daughter of a mine-worker who grew up to become a powerful trade union and political leader, fought against great odds to assert the dignity of women.

In a sense she represented a new breed of black women who would not cower, in tribal fashion, or meekly accept Government legislation that rendered women mere appendages of the migrant labour system.

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The trauma of subjugation of black women gave birth to Lilian Ngoyi who, 27 years ago led 20,000 women on a protest march against the issuing of passes to women. Political bureau Chief ZWELAKHE SISULU takes a retrospective look at the life of "The Heroine of our time."

On August 9, 1956, women from all parts of the country marched to Pretoria; they went there on foot, on buses, trains, any available form of transport, and marched through the city, converging at the Union Buildings.

The coffin bearing the body of Mrs. Lilian Ngoyi was carried for most of the way to the cemetery when she was buried three years ago. The funeral was attended by well over 3,000 mourners who chanted freedom songs all the way to the cemetery.
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MARCH

That march, the biggest South Africa had ever seen, ended at the Union Buildings in Pretoria when the then Prime Minister, Mr J G Strijdom refused to meet the women's delegation led by MaNgoi.

In spite of that, that march was a resounding success; the Government stalled the introduction of passes for women for 10 years.

To mark that march and the role played by MaNgoi, the Federation of South African Women, of which she was founding president, this week organises a Focus Week to highlight the situation of women in South Africa.

The Focus Week also concentrated on the Women's Charter, which MaNgoi was instrumental in drawing up.

The Women's Charter was submitted to the Congress of the People in 1956, and today some of its clauses are enshrined in the Freedom Charter.

The Women's Charter called for the removal of racial and class discrimination, the right to vote, the right to education, medical care and proper homes.

Fittingly, Focus Week will end with the unveiling of MaNgoi's tombstone.

It was the defiance campaign which catapulted Lillian Ngoyi to leadership. In 1952, at the start of the defiance campaign, she led an extraordinary thing for a black woman of her time, she led a group of five women to the whites only counter at the Jeppe Post Office and asked to be served.

They were not served, instead they were promptly arrested for their audacity — and there began one of the most tumultuous political careers in South Africa.

After her schooling in Pretoria she attended the Kilnerton Training Institute.

Settling in Johannesburg, she became a seamstress at a factory and became an active member of the Garment Workers Union, where she was introduced to political activity.

She worked in close collaboration with the Young Turks of the banned ANC Youth League, such as Nelson Mandela, and mobilised for the support of the Youth League's Programme of Action which was aimed at revitalising congress.

Any issue that threatened the position of women Lillian Ngoyi fought against: "We don't want men who wear skirts under their trousers. If they don't act then we will change garments and take the initiative," she warned after the introduction of Bantu Education.

Still working closely with members of the Youth League who had gained ascendancy in the national struggle, in 1954 she became president of the ANC Women's League, taking over from the equally fiery Ida Mtswana.

In 1956 she became president of the Federation of South African Women which constituted the Congress Alliance.

In the same year a Joint Planning Committee of the Fedsaw and the ANCWL was formed to plan the march of August 9. At that time passes for women had become the burning issue of the day.

Anti-pass campaigns were organised and in Winburg in the Orange Free State women marched to the Magistrate's offices and burnt their passes.

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SONG

The march was led by Lillian Ngoyi, Helen Joseph, Rahima Moosa and Sophie Williams. At the Union Buildings when Strijdom refused to meet the women, the crowd broke out in song: "Strijdom wat' abafazi wat' imbokodo uzakufa" — "Strijdom you have touched the women, you have struck a rock, you shall be destroyed."

MaNgoi went up the steps of Union Buildings, with the petitions women had signed protesting against the passes, lifting her arm in the congress salute, 20,000 arms went up with hers.

And so they remained for the next half hour.

In December that year, MaNgoi, Helen Joseph, Frances Baard, Bertha Mashaba and Martha Mathlaku were arrested and charged with high treason. With 152 other people they were part of the marathon Treason Trial.

In 1960 when the state of emergency was declared and the ANC and PAC banned in April, she was detained. She was also detained in 1961 under the 90 Days Clause.

Following the acquittal of the 156 people in the Treason Trial, Lillian Ngoyi was banned and would remain banned except for a period from 1972 to 1975.

During her hectic life, MaNgoi visited the Soviet Union, China and several European countries, including Switzerland where she was a delegate at the World Mother's Congress.

At her funeral in 1980, a large poster carried by a group of young people told the entire life story of Lillian MaSediba Ngoyi. It read: "She was the heroine of our lifetime."
Mabasa visits Canada

By SAM MABE

THE OVERSEAS trip undertaken last week by Azapo’s president, Mr Lybon Mabasa, is part of the organisation’s attempt to add their voice in giving an international perspective to the liberation struggle in South Africa.

According to Azapo’s publicity secretary, Mr Ishmael Mkhabela, Mr Mabasa was going to have a watching brief on discussions at the World Council of Churches (WCC) Assembly which ends in Vancouver today.

Mr Mabasa, who left South Africa quietly on Friday, is expected to visit the United Kingdom and various other European countries on his way back to South Africa.

Mr Mkhabela said he did not know what passport Mr Mabasa was using.

He said among other things, Mr Mabasa would also try to clarify the position of the National Forum Committee to other international personalities and organisations that have an interest in South African issues.

“It has been our policy in Azapo that our struggle should be related to other struggles in Third World countries where people are fighting to release themselves from the shackles of colonialism.”

Mr Mkhabela also said that Azapo supported the WCC’s pursuit of truth, justice and freedom.
MISS Zinzi Mandela, daughter of imprisoned ANC leader Nelson Mandela, warned yesterday that there could be bloodshed in South Africa unless whites held hands with blacks to work for meaningful change.

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Sharing the platform with Miss Mandela at the National Women's Day service was a Durban leader Mrs Ella Ramgobin who is an executive member of the Natal Indian Congress and the United Democratic Front.

She said black women were suffering discrimination from three fronts. They were oppressed because of their race, the country's exploitative capitalist system and the inequality of men and women before the law and in society.

The other speaker at the service was Mrs Helen Joseph, the veteran political activist who played an active role in the women's defiance campaigns of the early 50s which culminated in the 1956 march to Pretoria when the pass system was extended to black women. As a listed person, Mrs Joseph cannot be quoted.

The packed Great Hall of the university burst into prolonged ovation when tribute was paid to Mrs Albertina Sisulu, president of the Transvaal United Democratic Front, who has been charged under the country's security laws.

Another service was to have been held last night at Glynn Thomas students residence at Baragwanath Hospital.
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The hearing continues today before Mr Justice H Grosskopf.

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The federation speech which I delivered in Cape Town in 1974 to which Professor Giliomee refers, was made in the context of the understanding that this country must have one legislature for all people. I still believe that the notion of independent homelands is a contradiction.

I do not understand why my Hoërnek meeting on federation was dropped into Professor Giliomee's article on my pronouncements on participation in black local councils. I am opposed to the exclusion of all Africans regardless of whether they are urban or rural.

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I have just returned from a very successful European tour. The Dutch Foreign Minister, Mr Hans van den Broek, after my visit to Holland, says volumes in this respect. He said in the Dutch Parliament that from now onwards they will not make any decision between the external mission of ANC and Inkatha, as far as giving us support is concerned.

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I reminded the Minister that whites had town councils, and that in the rural areas there were councils and other civic bodies, which are not a substitute for their representation in national parliaments. I had the Minister that after reading what the handout says about community councils in South Africa, he would now be in a position to encourage my people to support them.

I reminded the Minister that what we want is participation in the final decision-making bodies of our land. I added that the Buthelezi Commission was the measure of our rejection of the American democracy. I demanded a public withdrawal of Parliament from what the information said. This has never been done.

I have raised the issue at various meetings, including the Kwazulu Assembly of the Lebowa Legislative Assembly, South African Black Alliance meetings, and at a rally in Swaziland. Recently I raised the issue again in my policy-making body, which is the Inkatha national general conference.

Because there was not enough time for conference to deliberate the issue, I suggested that it be referred to the Inkatha central committee for discussion and final decision. While it is my duty to guide the movement which I lead, I always look to the people for their views.

In the circumstances, it is quite wrong for Professor Hermann Giliomee to pontificate on the views of the KwaZulu people. But when the government excludes Africans from the new political dispensation, it is not responsible for the support participation in the new black local councils, even after the government has been in power for a considerable length of time.

It is common cause that the structure of the KwaZulu homeland as a legislative assembly was imposed on the existing framework of Zulu traditional administration, in which I had a traditional role at national level, and at the Zulu national level.

I was begged literally by the Zulu people at the time not to abandon them when that framework was imposed on them. I understand why Professor Giliomee tries to compare the incomparable.

I am not aware of any debate or discussion involving the Zulu nation. Participation of black local councils in the new political dispensation is being considered by other race groups in provincial, town and city councils.

In Legislative Assembly as well as in the constitutional proposals, the government has indicated that it will participate in the final decision-making body, which is Parliament.

I am embarrassed that a professor of history should, in his day and age, write about what he described as my "willingness to accept" a KwaZulu homeland, when he should know better.

How does one "accept" a place which is part of an area in which all his ancestors are buried, and where his family has lived for hundreds of years?

Zulus, after all, govern themselves under a system of laws and institutions. I warned long before Pieter Retief approached King Dingane at Mngundlovu with requests for land that the whole country was theirs.

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Indeed, by refusing to accept independence, he has become a bulwark against the proposed denationalisation of all Africans. For these reasons Chief Buthelezi, in several instances, has attached himself to my words that I did not intend.

By referring to the Chief Buthelezi "willingness to accept the KwaZulu homeland," I simply meant that he is prepared to use it as a base for fighting against the exclusion of Africans from the ANC. I have in mind the movement's claim to be the heirs of the ANC as it functioned before its split in 1960. Chief Buthelezi notes quite correctly that the government has put him in an impossible position with respect to the new black local government structures.

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Women of all races throughout South Africa were urged on yesterday to unite and fight for the broader struggle for democracy in South Africa.

Three prominent women leaders, including veteran civil rights campaigner Mrs Helen Joseph, addressed close to 800 people at a meeting in the Great Hall at the University of the Witwatersrand.

The meeting was held to commemorate National Women’s Day — the day 27 years ago when 1,000 women marched on the Union Buildings in Pretoria to protest against the pass laws. Mrs Joseph was one of the march leaders.

An executive member of the National Indian Congress, Mrs Ela Ramgobin, urged women not to work for change in isolation, but to unite with other groups.

She said black women in South Africa had to fight oppression on three levels. They were oppressed through discriminatory laws and because of their race. They were also oppressed as a class because of South Africa’s “exploitative capitalist system”.

Speaking on the same platform, Miss Zinzi Mandela, daughter of jailed Nelson Mandela and banned Mrs Winnie Mandela, accused Afrikaners of driving the different races of South Africa apart.

Extreme white nationalism had caused an equally extreme black nationalism.

"Whether white or black, nationalism is abhorrent and detrimental to any cause it purports to serve,” she said.

Describing white Afrikaners as “settlers without a conscience”, Miss Mandela accused them of ensuring black women remained subservient.

Whether farm, factory or domestic workers, they were exploited and lacked political clout, she said. They could not strike because they would lose their jobs, and in the eyes of the law they remained minors.

Appealing to the largely white audience, Miss Mandela said whites in South Africa must work for meaningful change to avoid bloodshed.

A representative of the Wits Women’s Movement also addressed the meeting to announce its support for Mrs Albertina Sisulu and Mrs Amanda Kwadi, who are being held in police custody.

They were both scheduled to address meetings this week in commemoration of National Women’s Day.
Coloured parties differ on new deal

Political Correspondent

TWO coloured political parties differed sharply about the proposed new constitution in their evidence to the parliamentary select committee considering the measure.

The Labour Party and the Freedom Party both accepted the proposals as a potential "starting point" towards an acceptable constitution, but the Labour Party demanded major changes while the Freedom Party largely agreed with the measure as it stood.

The Rev Allan Hendrickse, leader of the Labour Party, and the national chairman, Mr David Curry, took strong issue with many aspects of the proposed legislation. They told the committee the Constitution Bill would increase conflict rather than resolve it unless major changes were made.

They objected to the powers of the executive president to decisions on "own affairs" and "general affairs" and to the principle of having matters limited to the jurisdiction of one of the three chambers in the first place.

"We look upon this not in terms of the end product but in terms of a beginning. As the bill stands, and as the guidelines were, they were generally non-acceptable in terms of the decision taken at our conference at Eshowe," Mr Hendrickse said.

Mr Curry said the Labour Party was participating in the constitution as a "transitional stage" to one supported by a majority of South Africans.

The Freedom Party said it had no objection to the basic principles of the measure, including the introduction of three separate chambers for white, coloured and Indian people and the exclusion of black representatives.

It was however, the "essential minimum" and would have to evolve if it were to satisfy the aspirations of coloured people. The party's reservations included the lack of democratic equality, the limited basis for electing the executive president and the yardstick for appointment of members of the president's council.

Mr C S Julies said the proposed constitution was acceptable to the vast majority of coloured people, at least as a starting point, but that possibly a year would be needed to inform people of the provisions.
Mpetha to have leg amputated

CAPE TOWN — Veteran trade unionist and community leader Oscar Mpetha (right) has pneumonia, and a leg will be amputated when his condition improves, according to family sources.

Mphethe (75) was admitted to Groote Schuur Hospital on Sunday in "great pain".

A spokesman for the family said his diabetic condition had resulted in very poor circulation in his left leg, which will have to be amputated.

Mpetha was released on R1 bail last month pending an appeal against a five-year sentence for terrorism.

-Sapa.
Women urged to join fight for change

By HELENE ZAMPETAKIS

NO CHANGE is meaningful without the help of whites, and women's liberation cannot be isolated from the broader political struggle. This was said by Ms Zinzi Mandela, Mrs Helen Joseph and Mrs Elsa Rampolin at a National Women's Day service at the University of the Witwatersrand yesterday.

Recalling the march of 20,000 women to Pretoria 27 years ago to protest against the extension of passes to women, the speakers called on Wits students to form women's organisations and to join national democratic movements.

Mrs Joseph, who may not be quoted, received a standing ovation from students after outlining the 1956 mass protests.

Ms Mandela said South Africa faced a bloodbath if whites failed to help bring about meaningful political change.

To applause, she said it was only logical that extreme white nationalism would give rise to extreme black nationalism, which was detrimental to any cause it served.

"No change will ever be meaningful if it doesn't come from you, our white counterparts, because it is you who entrench racism psychologically in the minds of your husbands, your sons and your daughters," she said.

Mrs Rampolin, Natal chairman of the United Democratic Front and grand-daughter of Mahatma Gandhi, said black women suffered from oppression because of their race, their class and their sex.

"Exploited women must join hands with men for liberation," she told students. They must also reject the new constitutional proposals which were designed to divide people along racial and rural-urban lines, said Mrs Rampolin.

Women needed to work with other democratic organisations and their struggle should not be isolated from the broader political struggle.
ANC recruiting draft dodgers, says SP colonel

By Mike Cohen and Pretoria Correspondent

Young white South Africans and conscientious objectors who have fled the country to avoid national service are being recruited and used by the African National Congress and similar organisations to spread anti-South African Government propaganda, says a Security Police colonel.

Lieutenant-Colonel Andrew Joubert told the forum of the Unisa Women's Club in Pretoria yesterday that criminals were also being used by the ANC to do their "dirty work" — carrying out acts of terror within South Africa.

Colonel Joubert said that young white South Africans were being urged to defy their parents, leave school, avoid national service and join the ANC. Pamphlets addressed to these people were being sent from London to private residential addresses in South Africa, the colonel said.

"The pamphlets urge them to oppose the Government and to avoid doing their national service," Colonel Joubert said.

The recruitment of criminals by the ANC was highlighted by the Pretoria bomb blast in which 19 people died. Security Police found that two of the dead had been criminals hired by the ANC.

Colonel Joubert said the reason for recruiting the criminals was that the training of the organisation's own men cost a great deal of money and it was a setback when trained men were killed or arrested by the South African Police.
3 years' jail for playing ANC tape

Mail Reporter

A DIEPLOOF man convicted of participating in the activities of the African National Congress by playing a cassette recording of ANC songs and slogans was jailed for three years yesterday by a Johannesburg regional magistrate.

In the same trial a qualified schoolteacher employed in the Anglican Church was jailed for one year after being convicted of possessing a cassette tape-recording of an interview with Oliver Tambo, president of the ANC.

Jacob Mashego, 25, of Dieploof, Soweto, who was convicted under the Internal Security Act, was sentenced to five years, of which two were suspended for five years.

He was also jailed for one year, which will run concurrently with the other sentence, for possessing the tape-recording of ANC songs.

Peter Thabo Moloi, 26, of Dube, Soweto, was jailed for two years of which one year was suspended for five years for possessing an ANC cassette tape.

Moloi is employed as an assistant in the Johannesburg headquarters of the Anglican Church.

The magistrate, Mr J.J. Luther, found that Mashego had played the cassette for three friends in the bar of the Dieploof Hotel on November 8 last year.

He said by playing the cassette, which he said encouraged the violent overthrow of the Government in its songs and slogans, Mashego was participating in ANC activities because one of the aims of the ANC was to spread its ideology.

Moloi, on the other hand, had not played the cassette to anyone and so was convicted only for possession of an ANC publication.

Moloi and Mashego were released on R1,300 and R3,000 bail respectively pending an appeal against conviction and sentence.
UDF rejects reforms

THE UNITED Democratic Front (UDF) has rejected the latest proposed amendments to the constitutional proposals and has described them as an attempt to pacify people.

The interim public relations secretary of the UDF, Mr. Zac Yacoob, was reacting to amendments suggested by the Parliamentary Select Committee on the Constitution this week.

The proposed amendments have been described as being of a technical nature.

"The amendments do not redress the grievances of the vast majority of our people," Mr. Yacoob said in a statement.

The UDF is going to be launched nationally at a two-day conference in Cape Town on August 20 and 21.
Pac man hits West

HARARE — The Pan-African Congress' permanent observer at the United Nations, Mr. Gora Ebrahim, opened his 10-day visit to Harare with a hard-hitting attack on the West's continued support for South Africa.

Mr. Ebrahim, whose organisation's bitter internal divisions have seriously crippled its ability to take an active role in the South African revolutionary conflict, said mandatory sanctions against South Africa would be a telling blow against Pretoria.

He told the local Herald newspaper shortly after his arrival on Monday that the Pretoria Government would not be so "arrogant" with the Frontline States if Western countries made a positive decision to withdraw their support for South Africa.

SNS.
Reforms under fire

The government's constitutional proposals entrenched apartheid and discrimination and sowed the seeds for greater division in the country, the national chairman of the Public Servants League, Mr Malcolm Domingo, said in Cape Town at the weekend.

Addressing a national meeting of chairman of the league's 20 branches, Mr Domingo said the league wished to reply to the people who had criticised the decision taken at the annual meeting to reject the constitutional proposals.

Criticism has been levelled at the organisation, which represents some 27,000 State employees, for entering the realm of politics.

Mr Domingo said the league — which was formed 13 years ago in response to the exclusion of blacks from the Public Servants Association — aimed to set right what was wrong in the public service and to fight for equal opportunities for all workers in the service. — Sapa.
SOUTH Africa's most controversial detainee, Mr Mordecai Mothibi Tatsa, who has since his detention in 1979 also served a one-year prison sentence, was released yesterday but immediately served with a three-year banning order.

Mr Tatsa (28), of Orlando East and the first person known to have been banned this year, is also house-arrested between 7 pm and 6 am during weekdays and from 3.30 pm to 6 am on Saturdays and public holidays.

Five other people, who include Thami Mazwai, news editor of The SOWETAN, are to be freed today after serving 18 months for refusing to be State witnesses in the trial of former student leader, Khotsi Sethloho.

The other four are Thabo Ndabeni, an official of Azapo, Sipho Somacele, Solomzi Selenile and Martin Seleke, all of whom are officials of the Azanian Youth Unity (Azanyu).

Mazwai was detained in 1981 with Sethloho, president of the South African Youth Revolutionary Council (Sayro), who entered South Africa from Botswana where he had been living in exile after skipping the country, while he was president of the now banned Soweto Students' Representative Council (SSRC).
A MEMBER of the Natal Leather and Allied Workers' Union, an affiliate of the South African Allied Workers' Union (Sawun), Miss Ntombi Mpheka (21), was detained by police at her home yesterday.

Another woman, known only as Pumla, who is a member of the Congress of the South African Students, was detained and later released by the police, according to a spokesman for a Durban firm of lawyers yesterday.

According to a report, the police came to Miss Mpheka's home at 4.30 pm and detained her. They did not explain the reason for her detention.

She is an active member of the union and also a member of the Lamontville Rent Action Committee.

Pumla was also detained but later released. It is understood that she was questioned about her activities in the student movement according to the spokesman.

A spokesman for the lawyers said that they were investigating reasons for her detention as well as trying to establish under which laws Miss Mpheka was being held.

Chef of the Durban Security Police Brigade Van der Hooft denied any knowledge about the detention and referred The SOWETAN to the Police Directorate in Pretoria.

The South African Police could not confirm the detention of Miss Mpheka in terms of security legislation, according to the Police Directorate in Pretoria.

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**Power failure**

Atteridgeville—Saulsville residents are up in arms against the daily electricity power cuts which they say has led to them losing thousands of rands through the amount of food they are forced to throw away.

Residents interviewed by the SOWETAN yesterday said there was a total electricity blackout every day after 5 pm. They blamed the authorities for not giving immediate attention to the problem.

Mrs S Mokone said for the past four months she has been throwing away food in large quantities. She said authorities did not seem to be concerned about the welfare of the com-
Two jailed for banned tape

By NKOPANE MAKOBANE

TWO Soweto men were yesterday jailed by a Johannesburg Regional Court magistrate after being convicted of furthering the aims of the African National Congress (ANC) activities.

Jacob Mashigo (25) of Diepkloof was sentenced to five years, two of which are suspended for five years, for furthering the aims of the ANC. He was also jailed for another year for possession of a tape cassette of a song by exiled Miriam Makeba and American singer Harry Belafonte that supports and promotes the aims of the organisation. One year will run concurrently with the three years.

His co-accused, Peter Thabo Moloi (29) also of Diepkloof was sentenced to two years, one of which is suspended for five years, also for possession of a tape cassette that contained the message by Mr Oliver Tambo, the president of the ANC. Both men had pleaded not guilty.

At the end of the trial, their defence counsel, Advocate G J Marcus, successfully applied for bail pending appeal on conviction and sentence which was granted by Mr J J Luther.
Bikers set off in the cold

HARRISMITH - With frost lying as thick as snow and temperatures way below freezing point, the first motorcyclists left Harrismith this morning on the three-day 1,300 km second Total Motorcycle Economy Run.

First away of the 82 competitors among them five women riders was the former world

Shot man 'stood steady'

A Springs man told a Johannesburg court yesterday that he fired a revolver in a scuffle in Hillbrow.

The shot man ‘stood steady’ and fired several shots at the man for disturbing his peace.

Mr Marjan Jelic (34) address given as Goddell, Springs, pleaded not guilty to a charge of culpable homicide.

He said that on December 18 he went to a nightclub in Hillbrow. At the entrance steps he met Mr Trifun ‘Ramone’ Mrkonjic.

When I was about to pass him he blocked my way and grabbed me by my jacket. He then thrust his hand into my jacket pocket and I struck him with a fist.

A fight followed, during which Mr Jelic’s revolver fell to the ground. He tried to retrieve it but Mr Mrkonjic continued hitting him.

I produced my spray gun, which was on him. I then retrieved my gun and tried to leave, but he followed me. He grabbed me and tried to hit me again,” said Mr Jelic.

They both scrambled for it, but Mr Jelic said he reached it first.

He said that he had been provoked many times by Mr Mrkonjic.

The hearing continues on August 16.
A response by Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, president of Inkatha, to the article by Professor Hermann Giliomee published in the Mail recently.

I demanded a public withdrawal of the statement by Dr Koornhof or another Minister. This has never been done. I have since raised the issue at various meetings and at our policy-making body, the Inkatha annual general conference.

Because there was not enough time for the conference to debate the issue I suggested that it be referred to the central committee for debate and final decision. I always leave final decisions to the people themselves. I do so as a democrat.

It is quite wrong for Prof Giliomee to pontificate on the issue on behalf of Inkatha and myself without bothering to ascertain what the central committee thinks. I thought that relations between Prof Giliomee and I were amenable. He helped in the Buthelezi Commission and I have high regard for him.

To speak for me, as the Professor does in the column, and imply that I objected to and vetoed the constitutional proposals for what whites call the "urban African," is a distortion of my views.

I have never regarded rural and urban Africans as separate and distinct entities. No other race group in South Africa or any nation in the world is a separate and distinct entity along those lines.

Why must this apply only to Africans? If the Government has no right to mislead the public by suggesting that I was arguing against the exclusion of so-called "urban African." I am opposed to the exclusion of all Africans, regard- less of whether they are urban or rural. I am also dismayed that Prof Giliomee concluded that we never at any time accepted responsibilities in the regional legislatures, such as the KwaZulu Legislative Assembly, to make up for the denial of full political rights for Blacks, including participation in Parliament.

In fact I am embarrassed that Prof Giliomee should in this day and age write about what he describes as my "ill-will to accept" a KwaZulu Legislative Assembly, as if he should know better.

Prof Giliomee should know that at various meetings and at current events that my leadership in KwaZulu was not created by what he describes as "accepting the KwaZulu Homestead." How does one "accept" a piece of land which is part of an area in which all your ancestors are buried, and where your people are housed and where your children are educated.

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I have never attacked the external mission, except to defend myself or to put the records straight, but I do not accept their campaign of vilification directed at Inkatha and myself rather than at Mr P W Botha or the National Party government.

Our target in Inkatha is the minority regime and not other political parties. It is often forgotten that the OAU, the Frontline Presidents and other heads of State, including the President of Nigeria, have tried for 24 years to influence the external policies of the ANC and the PAC to merge or at least to work together without any success.

I am disappointed to see an academic I respect like Prof Giliomee quoting Prof Feroz Sethi to support his arguments.

It is common knowledge that Prof Feroz Sethi, the University of Lusaka, Prof Southall aligned himself with the external mission of the ANC in the beginning and was spokesman at every Conference of Black Studies, a Congress of Inkatha.

His alignment to the external mission is ideologi- cal and personal, and has nothing to do with any academic impartiality that people often erroneously assume to be an attribute of academics.

As for what Prof Giliomee calls my "troubles," I would not have them if I did not form these troubles have taken.

The recent Inkatha conference was one of the worst ever. Thousands of delegates and observers attended as far afield as Cape Town and Johannesburg. I have also just returned from a very successful European tour. The statement by Mr Han van den Berke, the Dutch Foreign Minister at the Hague, after my visit to Hol- land, was very welcome. Mr Van de Berke told the Dutch parliament that from now on they would not make any distinction between the external mission and Inkatha giving us support.

I would be interested to hear of someone who thinks that I have missed an opportunity to get a base on the Witwatersrand. There is no one richer or more experienced than myself, who for the last 10 years has annually ad- ministered billions of rand of black people in Soweto.

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I am opposed to the exclusion of all Africans, regardless of whether they are urban or rural.

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"How does one "accept" a place which is part of an area in which all your ancestors are buried, and where your family has lived for hundreds of years?"

Zulus after all governed themselves under a monarchical system long before Pieter Retief approached King Dingane at Magungundlovu with requests for land.

It is common cause that the structure of a "KwaZulu Homeland" in the form of a Legislative Assembly was imposed on the existing framework of Zulu traditional administration in which I had a traditional role at local and national level.

I was literally begged by the Zulu people at the time with Dr Nelson Mandela's views in "No Easy Walk To Freedom" which I would quote if newspapers were prepared, like me, to break the silence in support of my argument.

I have not changed my views. But when the government excludes Africans from the new political dispensation, and then expects me to support participation in the new black local councils, even after the government has stated that these local councils are not just local civic bodies, but a substitute for African exclusion in Parliament under the new political dispensation, it becomes too much.

Participation by other race groups in provincial, municipal and village management boards has not been given as a pretext for excluding them in Parliament under the new constitutional dispensation.

Why does the Prof try to confuse such a clear-cut issue with red-herrings?

The federation speech which I delivered in Cape Town in 1974 and to which Prof Giliomee refers, was made in the understanding that this country must have one legislature for all people for the very reason that I have never accepted independent homelands, to Pretoria, as the final solution for South Africa's political problems.

I therefore do not understand why my Johannesburg Memorial lecture on federation was dropped into Prof Giliomee's column.

As I said in my letter to Dr Koornhof, the Buthelezi Commission itself and in which Prof Giliomee participated, is the very measure of the Zulu people's rejection of apartheid and its consummation through independence.

I was not prompted by any fear of losing credibility as Prof Giliomee suggests, in taking the stand which I took at the Inkatha annual conference.

I am a pragmatic politician, and I am not always prompted by ideological considerations in taking my political stances. I am always prompted by what I consider to be in the interests of all South Africans. I am the servant of the people and interpret their wishes and aspirations.

Inkatha has a presence in Soweto and other Reef townships in "trouble", whatever that is supposed to convey.

We still have a coloured representation in the South African Black Alliance even after the defection of the Labour Party. Not all coloureds agree with the decision of the Labour Party on participation in the Tri-Cameral Parliament without African participation.

I take very strong exception to Prof Giliomee's statement that I have never at any time tried to promote Inkatha as the internal wing of the ANC.

I have always stated that Inkatha is rooted in the ideals of the ANC as propagated by the founding fathers in 1912. We follow the strategy of non-violence which the ANC pursued right up to the time it was banned.

When we went to London in 1979 to meet Mr Oliver Tambo, we had been requested by him to do so. We were not doing so to curry favour with the external mission of the ANC, headed by Mr Tambo.

After all the external mission of the ANC was established by our late President, General A J Luthuli, to do international diplomatic work for our people.

The decision to go into the armed struggle was taken independently by the external mission of the ANC.

In spite of this, I have always stated that Inkatha has the same goals as the external mission, to bring about a non-racial democratic government in South Africa. We differ only on strategy.

We went to London on that understanding. It is indeed quite wrong to state that I wanted Inkatha to be the external wing of the external mission of the ANC.

The latter is committed to an armed struggle, Inkatha espouses non-violence.

People join Inkatha voluntarily. This presentation of Inkatha as a strategy and people support us on that basis.

We never use strong-arm methods - such as burning houses and maiming or killing people - to intimidate them into supporting or joining us.

I have never understood why the external mission of the ANC wants to write on me and Inkatha in 1979.

I think the reason was that Inkatha and I agree to be a surrogate of any other opposition arguments.

It is common knowledge that even before he left the University of Lesotho, Prof Soutshula aligned himself with the external mission of the ANC, and has since been their spokesman at every Conference of the ANC.

He is a real-activist of Inkatha. His alignment to the external mission is ideological and has nothing to do with any academic impartiality that people often erroneously attribute to him as an attribute of all academicians.

As for what Prof Giliomee claims about Inkatha members, I would be glad to know what form these troubles have taken.

The recent Inkatha conference was the best ever in the history of the Inkatha movement.

Thouths of delegates and observers attended from as far afield as Cape Town and Johannesburg.

I have also just returned from a very successful European tour at the invitation of Mr H van den Broek, the Dutch Foreign Minister at the Hague, after my visit to Holland in 1978.

Mr Van den Broek told the Dutch parliament that from now on they would not make any distinction between the external mission and Inkatha giving us support.

I would like to know why Prof Giliomee thinks that I have missed an opportunity to get a base on the European continent. There is no other leader other than myself, who for the last 10 years has annually addressed tens of thousands of black people in Soweto.

How is this possible if I have no base on the Witwatersrand?

It is the South African government which has put me in an impossible position with their information sheet.

I would like to ask why the blacks are always expected to bend backwards and break the backbone of the Government without the reverse ever occurring? In this case we do not even have the grace for bending backwards.

It is time White South Africa realised that even we blacks have only two cheeks. We have turned the other cheek in compliance with the Christian ethic and we have none left for another slap.

There is no doubt that the proposed tri-cameral parliamentary system is a step in the wrong direction. There is a need that all people must assume responsibility for their own administration at local level.

But if this is put out as a substitute for representation in Parliament, then even the black local councils are a step in the wrong direction.

If Prof Giliomee thinks that I am going into the wilderness today, I must say he is wrong. I am a Christian and, then, I can only say that other men in South Africa, like General Hertzog, took a step into the wilderness when a people and the future of his people were at stake.
Blacks 'will never accept Govt proposals'  

African Affairs Correspondent  
The Chief Minister of KwaZulu and president of Inkatha, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, says black South Africa will never accept the Government's constitutional proposals.  

In an address to the inner council of the central committee of Inkatha at Ulundi, Chief Buthelezi said blacks would never give their political, economic and social birthrights away to enable white greed to satisfy itself at the expense of making black children suffer.  

He said blacks rejected the constitutional plan because it assumed whites had the right to the exclusive control over 87 percent of South Africa in perpetuity.  

He said the proposals assumed that the only legitimate black political rights were to be found in the so-called self-governing and so-called independent states in South Africa.  

They assumed that ethnic differences among white South Africans and among Indian and coloured South Africans and ethnic differences between whites, Indians and coloureds were politically irrelevant but that ethnic differences among black South Africans and between black South Africans and other South Africans were so profound that the various black ethnic groups had to be separated from each other and from white, Indian and coloured South Africans by international borders.  

Chief Buthelezi said the plan assumed that a minority race group in a country could only be guaranteed freedom from persecution by majority forces by constitutional insularity.  

'We see the constitutional choices of Afrikaner-led white South Africa as despicably dishonest,' he said.
Family’s roads

We thank the Lord he saved us, but now we are stranded here because Ford has broken down and we don’t have the money to fix her.

Halfway down the highway to Pretoria, matters went awry.

The Ford slumped in the wet about half a kilometre from the Lanseria Airport oval ramp and crashed over the bridge,” said Mr Krieger, “I ended up in the mud about 1.5km from the road.”

The Krieger family — Willem, Piet, Jake, A W J, Susanne and Mr Johanes Scholtz — survived with a few cuts and bruises.

Somewhat an understatement. The family of six have not eaten since Monday. Mud-splattered, hungry and broke, they have been waiting for much-needed help.

On Monday the Army arrived with a crane to save the Ford. But and so world, to leave their roofs inside but happen...

So far...

Hunt for daredevil cop turned desperate

Threat to lives of top policeman and NIS agent

By CHRIS OOCKERS

FORMER police captain Andre Stander, sentenced to 75 years for armed robbery, was still at large late last night — and may be burning for the top policeman and an intelligence agent who put him behind bars three years ago.

Stander, armed with four pistols, is with a habitual criminal, Peter McCall, and police warned that the men were “extremely dangerous”.

A country-wide search for them is under way.

Stander, 36, the son of a retired police general, and McCall, 34, overpowered three prison warders at the consulting rooms of a Collin physiotherapist yesterday morning and took their service pistols and ammunition.

Both were serving prison terms at the Sonderwater Prison near Cullinan and were among seven prisoners who were taken to the consulting rooms for treatment.

After attacking the warders the two fugitives

• Stole the therapist’s car.

They were last seen about 10km south of Cullinan and 80km north of Pretoria.

Mr Stander, who was sentenced to 18 years in 1984, was not involved in the armed robbery.

Mr McCall, sentenced to 20 years, is accused of being a member of the NIS intelligence agency.

A top official of the Intelligence Agency told The Citizen yesterday that the two men were “serious offenders”.

Mr Stander is wanted in connection with a murder in 1980.

His brother, also a police officer, was killed in an armed robbery in 1980.

By ANTON HARBER

Political Reporter

Mr David Mthobe, a Mozambican citizen held by the South African Police since being captured during a Defence Force raid on Maputo early last year, has been released and returned to Maputo.

A police spokesman said yesterday that Mr Mthobe was released from Modderbee prison and flown back to Maputo on Monday at his own request.

He has been held by the South Africans for over 30 months. He has faced no charges.

Mr Mthobe, 28, was held by the SADF during their raid on African National Congress headquarters in Mozambique in January 1981.
Court told that Sactu is ANC political front

THE Ciskei Supreme Court heard this week in a terrorism trial that the South African Congress of Trade Union (Sactu) was a political front of the banned African National Congress (ANC).

Under cross examination by defence counsel Mr MTK Moerane, expert witness Mr Daniel de Vries, of the RAU political science department, agreed that statements of the Sactu and the ANC were propagandist in nature. Mr de Vries qualified his claim that Sactu was a front by saying its members joined Umkhonto We Sizwe, the military wing of the ANC.

Appearing before Mr Justice D S de Wet and two assessors were Mr William Duma (31), Mr D Dumisani Maningiwa (31), Mr Bayi Keve (52), and Mr Luyande Mayekiso (23). They had previously pleaded not guilty to charges of being engaged in terrorist activities, being members of the ANC, recruiting people to undergo military training in Lesotho, and being in possession of banned publications.

PROCEEDING.

Sapa.
Thami Mazwai released

By ZWELAKHE SISULU

The SOWETAN news editor Thami Mazwai and four student leaders were yesterday released after spending 18 months in jail.

The five were jailed after refusing to give State evidence at the trial of Khotso Seathlolo, president of the South African Youth Revolutionary Council (Sayco), in 1982.

Those released with Mazwai are: Mr Thabo Ndabeni, a leading member of the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo), Mr Solomon Selani, an organiser of the Azanian Youth Unity (Azanyu), the organisation's president, Mr Carter Seleke and Mr Sipho Somasele.

Mazwai was yesterday adamant he had taken the correct stand by refusing to testify: "If today I am called again to give evidence against another person, I would still refuse.

A journalist relies on his integrity to exercise his duties to the fullest and this is why it would be against journalistic ethics for me to be a State witness," he said.

While in prison his family moved into their new home in Pimville and he was seeing it for the first time: "It is a great relief to be back with my family and I appreciate the support they received in my absence," he said.

When detained Mazwai was general secretary of the Media Workers' Association of South Africa (Mwas). Mr Seleke said although it was a relief to be free, he felt bitter about those who were still imprisoned: "It's good to be free and I intend pursuing my goals from where I left off. I have no intention of merely being a cheerful robot," he said.

"I have no regrets about the stance that I took. In fact I would do it all over again," he added.

His elder brother died while he was still in prison.

Mr Selani said: "I have not been intimidated by imprisonment. I still hold the same beliefs and principles as when I was jailed. In fact, I am more determined now."

Putco may reduce prices after fuel cuts

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Azapo to meet

THE SOWETO branch of the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo) will hold an anti-community council rally on Sunday at the Bridgeman Memorial Hall in Zola from 2.00 pm. Speakers will talk on the Local Authorities Act, influx control with special reference to the Rikhoto judgment, the 99-year leasehold and the recently implemented housing sales. One of the speakers will be Mr V Siqwebu, a veteran former advisory board member.

The Alexandra branch of Azapo will also hold a meeting on Sunday at the Methodist Church which is situated at 12 Second Avenue. It will start at 2 pm.

The meeting will discuss the impending community council elections, the Putco fare hikes and the National Forum. The guest speaker will be Khehla Mthembu.
GATSHA BUTHELEZI

Behind the Maseru talks

Last week's talks in Maseru between Lesotho Foreign Minister Evatristus Sekhonanya and Inkatha leader Gatsha Buthelezi could herald major new moves to block Pretoria's plans for a southern African Confederation constellation of states.

Buthelezi was asked by Sekhonanya to go to Lesotho for an on-site inspection of its "operational area" now apparently being extended from its north-eastern and northern borders with SA to its south-eastern borders with the Transkei as the Lesotho Liberation Army (LLA) steps up its efforts to overthrow Prime Minister Leabua Jonathan. Lesotho officials said Buthelezi's "high credibility" would help them put across their side of the "destabilisation" story to SA and the outside world.

Though Pretoria spokesman said Maseru's allegations that it succeeds the LLA, Buthelezi's own experiences incline him to believe them. He has claimed that the former Bureau for State Security, the Eschel Rhoode/Connie Mulder combination, and other Pretoria agencies were involved in financing "bogus" parties like "Shaka's Spear" in efforts to destabilise his own leadership.

Common cause

Buthelezi told Sekhonanya the "prime purpose" of his visit was to discuss what he could do to help, and he promised to talk to influential people on his return to SA. At mid-week, he scheduled a press conference in Durban to present some of Lesotho's allegations.

Ironically, Pretoria's confederation ambitions have given Buthelezi and Sekhonanya further common cause. It is no secret that Pretoria finds Inkatha's rock-hard refusal to accept "independence" for KwaZulu at any price a major stumbling-block for its plans to denationalise all black South Africans - a stance for which Sekhonanya and his colleagues made their admiration abundantly clear during the Buthelezi visit.

Buthelezi is also sworn to thwart Pretoria's plans to prise SA's "homelands" into a confederation, since the confederation is based on four fundamental principles that Inkatha flatly rejects: "homeland independence"; denationalisation; permanent exclusion of blacks from Parliament; and permanent denial of black claims to a say in how Pretoria allocates its budget each year.

One of Buthelezi's right-hand men, Inkatha secretary general Oscar Dlomo, charges that Pretoria's proposed confederal relationship with the "homelands" is much the same thing as the Kremlin's relationship with its eastern European satellites.

The problem for Buthelezi is how to stop it - four homelands have already accepted "independence" and regularly go to the Union Buildings for "summit" confererences. Neither the violent policies pursued by the African National Congress (ANC) nor the current fashion of black boycott politics have succeeded in doing anything about this process.

The perception is that new strategies must be devised before it is too late.

What gives Inkatha, as the largest black political voice in SA's history, and the governments of Lesotho and other front-line states common cause is Pretoria's apparent intention to lever them into confeder- ation with it, too. This, at any rate, is the price Sekhonanya told Buthelezi Pretoria wants Lesotho to pay for a more co-operative approach to current problems Maseru is experiencing with the southern African customs union, which Pretoria dominates.

Buthelezi believes Lesotho's suspicions are well-founded. Indeed, he told Sekhonanya: "The purpose of Pretoria is to reduce Lesotho, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Swaziland and Mozambique to the status of Transkei, Bophuthatswana, Venda and Ciskei."

Significantly, Buthelezi gave Sekhonanya a full briefing on his current series of negotia- tions with Transkei and other leaders, which are designed to block further progress towards confederation. Equally significantly, the negotiations were initiated by Transkei, because, so Buthelezi believes, "it is finding the contradictions of confederalism impossible to live with."

In his remarks to Sekhonanya, Buthelezi made no bones about the fact that he is treading extremely warily with Transkei - which he believes betrayed blacks by leaping into "independence" in 1976. But he believes no effort should be spared to reverse the process of balkanisation of SA and leave open the door for denationalised blacks to regain their SA citizenship.

Lesotho officials were evidently impressed with the progress that Buthelezi was able to report after no less than 11 rounds of talks with Transkei and other black leaders since November last year. Transkei: Gazankulu, Lebowa, QwaQwa and Kangwane have thus joined KwaZulu in a "declaration of intent," one of whose main commitments is "the re-unification of those whom apartheid divided" so that a "non-racial" and "non-ethnic" democracy can be established.

Lesotho ministers did not fail to appre- ciate that Transkei's signature on the declara- tion was in fact a repudiation both of its own conduct in taking "independence," and of Pretoria's entire policy of ethnic homelands.

How to lay the foundations for putting SA back together again politically - the high aim Buthelezi has set himself - is obvious- ly an immensely difficult exercise, as he frankly told Sekhonanya and his colleagues.

"The struggle for liberation in SA will yet be a long and bitter struggle," he said, and there was a "need to evolve over time the approaches which are mutually benefi- cial for us." Lesotho and other states would clearly be doing black SA a great service if they supported practical (as opposed to merely rhetorical) initiatives to thwart balkanisation and denationalisation.

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Buthelezi also gave the Lesotho government a briefing on Inkatha's relationship with the ANC, following the "disastrous" talks between the bodies in London in October 1979. The Lesotho government — which recognises both Inkatha and the ANC as legitimate organisations — may attempt a reconciliation.

Buthelezi said that he believed an "interface" between "black SA and free states in southern Africa" would become more important in blocking Pretoria's confederation/constellation plans. Though the "interface" would essentially be between blacks inside SA and neighbouring states, the ANC would also have to be included, he believes.

Buthelezi's initiatives require great courage and supreme staying-power. Their success will also require all the considerable qualities of statesmanship he has shown himself to possess.
SISULU ARRESTED

Albertina Sisulu, the detained newly elected president of the Transvaal branch of United Democratic Front (UDF) (Current affairs, August 5) is to have her trial date set in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court next Wednesday for charges under the Internal Security Act.

Sisulu (66) is the wife of life-imprisoned African National Congress (ANC) figure, Walter Sisulu, and an executive member of the Federation of SA Women. She and a Soweto teacher, Thami Maxhali, were charged in the Johannesburg Regional Court last Monday after being arrested the previous Friday. They are being held in terms of the Criminal Procedure Act. An Attorney General's order opposed the granting of bail.

Sisulu's unanimous election at a meeting of the UDF's Transvaal regional council came a day after her arrest and two weeks before the UDF's national launch.

The FMs article on the UDF last week contained an error in quoting its spokesman, Zac Yacoob, which gave the impression that the UDF ruled out talking to the National Forum Committee at a later stage. Yacoob wishes to point out that he did not rule out the possibility.
A spokesman for the two organisations said their speakers would focus on alternatives to the present community council structures and on the Government's sale of houses.

- In Dobsonville, Mr. Steve Nkatio, a community councillor, will hold a residents' meeting at the Senyamo Lower Primary School on Sunday starting at 8am. The meeting will discuss the merger of the three Soweto councils.
Post Reporter

THE chairman of the Port Elizabeth branch of the Congress of South African Students (Cosas), Mr Zola Mtase, admitted yesterday that he was involved in the recent stoning of a bus in Port Elizabeth's black townships.

This emerged during a bail application in the Port Elizabeth Magistrate's Court brought by Mr D Chetty for Mr Mtase and nine other men and two youths charged with public violence.

The bail application was refused by the magistrate, Mr J de Kock, on the grounds that there was an increased risk the men and youths would abscond.

The State alleged they had stoned buses during the bus boycott from July 31 to August 3 in Port Elizabeth this year.

The men and youths had pleaded not guilty to the charge.

They are Mr Bonile Mbikanye, 22, Mr Wellyan Jawuka, 23, Mr Xola Maka-pela, a committee member of the Port Elizabeth Black Civic Organisation, Mr Fuadile Mafongoni, 21, secretary of the Port Elizabeth branch of Cosas, Mr Phindile Nkanti, Mr Samuel Mapoza, 21, publishing secretary of Cosas, Mr Andile Williams, 21, Mr Zandile Dayile, 18, Mr Mtase, and two youths.

Charges against Mr Mzolisi Dyasi and a youth were withdrawn by the State prosecutor, Mr M le Roux.

Supporting the application, Mr Mtase, 21, said he was a matric pupil at the KwaZakhele High School. He was due to write examinations in September and would like to be allowed bail so that he could prepare for them.

He said he did not intend leaving the country and would stand trial.

Mr Mtase admitted he was involved in the stoning of a bus, but this was not connected to a call for a boycott.

He said that during discussions concerning bail with the investigating officer, Capt C Rooolofse, he was told that if he, Mr Williams and Mr Maka-pela admitted guilt, the others would be released.

The hearing was postponed to September 13 in the Port Elizabeth Regional Court.
Pamphlets
--- 4 held

Staff Reporter

FOUR members of the United Democratic Front are being held for questioning by railways police after allegedly distributing pamphlets on railway property.

The officer commanding the railways police, Brigadier Danie Malan, confirmed that four people had been arrested at 6.30 pm last night at Mitchell’s Plain railway station.

Mr E Moosa, an attorney acting on behalf of the UDF, said he had confirmed that Mr Goolam Aboobaker and Miss Shaheida Sedick were in custody, but he could not confirm the names of the other two people.

A spokesman for the UDF executive said this was the fourth incident in which UDF members had been “harassed” this week.

“We see this as part of a campaign of State harassment and an attempt to silence opposition to the constitutional proposals,” the spokesman said.

It was also reported that a further six people from the UDP had been held for questioning for two hours after being arrested at Kraaifontein while handing out newsletters.

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APPLICATION MUST REACH THE INST...
Lesotho forced to evacuate SA blacks

By ALLISTER SPARKS
JOHANNESBURG - Lesotho has alerted the United Nations and several Western governments that it will soon start evacuating up to 50,000 black South African refugees living there because it can no longer withstand South African military and economic pressures.

The Lesotho Foreign Minister, Mr. Evanus Sekonyana, confirmed this in a telephone interview from London after officials of the government had met their South African counterparts in the United Nations last night.

Sekonyana said Lesotho had been put under tremendous pressure by South Africa and that the situation was deteriorating rapidly, with South Africans demanding that blacks leave the country.

The action is for the protection of South Africans, Sekonyana said, adding that a number of his countrymen had been killed by blacks who had gathered in thousands.

He said weapons badly needed by the stretched Lesotho security forces were also being blocked by South African troops.

Sekonyana said the AMU was using Lesotho as a launching pad for insurgent attacks, and began imposing a border blockade after the Pretoria and Johannesburg car-bomb explosions.

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Postcard
Bishop Evans

Puzzle Club
Winners

Junior Club
Winners
UDF workers arrested by railway police

Staff Reporter

FOUR members of the United Democratic Front (UDF), an organization launched three weeks ago to oppose the new constitutional proposals, were arrested at the Mitchells Plain station yesterday for allegedly distributing pamphlets.

They are being held for questioning at the Philippi railway police station. Two names have been released. They are Shahieda Sedick and Goolam Aboobaker.

The railway police press liaison officer, Brigadier Donie Malan, last night confirmed the arrest.

"Four people are being held for questioning at Philippi railway police station in connection with the distribution of pamphlets, which is an offence on railway premises," Brigadier Malan said. He said it was "just an offence in respect of which an admission of guilt is payable."

"There is nothing sinister about it." It is alleged that a further six UDF members were taken to the Bellville railway police station from Kraaifontein, held for questioning until 8pm and then released.

"This is not the first time they've acted against us," said UDF treasurer Mr. Rashid Sera. "The people held tonight were distributing newsletters publicizing the national launching of our organization in the Rocklands Civic Centre in Mitchells Plain on Saturday, August 20."

He said 40,000 newsletters — UDF News — had been confiscated by police at a roadblock in Paarl last Sunday but released after attorneys had been instructed to bring an urgent interdict against the police.
Rowdy students halt seminar

ULUNDI — Over 100 students at the University of Zululand disrupted a seminar on black political thought at Ngove yesterday afternoon.

Spokesmen for the students said the demonstration was directed at the presence on Inkatha at the seminar.

One of the speakers was to have been Dr Oscar Thambo, secretary-general of the movement.

The first speaker, the Reverend Buthi Thulugale of equal opportunity scholarships, had just started speaking on the black consciousness movement when students began chanting and clapping.

He was unable to continue.

Students chanted slogans in favour of Nelson Mandela, the jailed political leader, and Oliver Tambo, the exiled London head of the African National Congress. They also shouted disparaging remarks about Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, president of Inkatha.

The organiser of the seminar, Professor Absalom Vilakazi, head of the centre for research and documentation at the University of Zululand, termed the action of the students "disgusting."

He said the seminar would go ahead today as scheduled, but at another venue.

Prof Vilakazi said the president of the Azanian Students Organisation (Azaso), Mr Joe Pauha, and Mr Archie Gumede, chairman of the Free Mandela committee, had declined to attend the seminar at the last minute.

They were to have spoken on the Azaso perspective.
10 men transferred to island

Staff Reporter

Ten men convicted of murder in the Mphetha trial, of whom nine were also convicted of terrorism, have been transferred from Pollsmoor Prison to Robben Island, a spokesman from the Detainees Parents' Support Committee said yesterday.

The spokesman said a lawyer had been informed of the move while helping one of the men's relatives to apply for a prison visit.

The men who the lawyer said were moved are: Christopher Sidlayiya, Morgan Mabuza, Aaron Tshangana, Vusumzi Kube, Johannes Hlapo, Bongani Mapondo, Jeffrey Baardman, Philip Nyongwana, Alton Sabuwa and Vuyisile Diba.

Their sentences range from seven to 20 years. The ten are "D status" prisoners allowed one visit a month by one person, and may send and receive one letter each month, the DPSC spokesman said.
MYSTERY OVER NO' CLAIM

Leaders all deny sending 'coloured homeland' letter

'The point is that we really have to discuss the issues like Mr. P.W. Botha, Bantu Education, and the National Party. These are totally opposed to the main principles of the party. Why would the white Congress be willing to talk with the black party?'

Mr. Peters, leader of the SACP, said: 'We have always been against a so-called coloured homeland.'

Mr. Charles Du Toit, leader of the National Party, said: 'Again and again, we have always been against the coloured homeland idea. We are always against a so-called coloured homeland. We will not be in any association with the Free South Africa.'

Mr. Peters said: 'We are not in the least interested in these coloured homeland ideas. We are always against any other kind of homeland. We will not be in any association with the National Party.'

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The mystery had deepened by the weekend when all known leaders of the coloured parties -- and some relatively unknown ones -- denied any contact with Dr. No.'
SOUTH AFRICAN history is littered with the corpses of organisations formed to fight apartheid.

And, while many died under the iron fist of the Government, others are plain ole dead, boredom, man.

And that's something the current generation of black political organisations would do well to remember.

The question is: Once you've formed an anti-apartheid movement, just what the hell do you do with it — if you want to be effective and still survive?

The ANC was effective, but it didn't survive legally, and has now made its particular choice.

Inkatha is a slumbering giant, but quite what it can legally do if it wakes up is anybody's guess.

There have also been a whole range of "dialogue" organisations which, while very good at issuing angry Press statements, have yet to prove they can really organise and represent people.

The emerging trade union movement stands alone in really being able to develop a programme of legal action over the past 10 years which has been effective in pursuing its members' interests.

These lessons should not be lost on the leaders and delegates to the national launching of the United Democratic Front as they travel to Cape Town for their massive conference and "people's rally" on August 20, just a week away.

Presumably, some of them believe they have a pretty good idea of what programme of action they can and need to develop.

The slow, step-by-step way in which the UDF has built its momentum since Dr Allan Boesak's clarion call in January for unity between progressive worker, community, religious, student and other organisations gives cause for some hope on this score.

The demand of the time, he said, was for a united front to oppose the new constitutions and the "Koornhof Bills".

UDF unity has not just been "declared"; instead, it has been built — first with a Natal UDF, then a Transvaal UDF, and finally a Cape UDF. Now comes the big Cape Town conference and "people's rally", at which the national glue is to be applied.

The strength of the UDF will depend on the strength of its member organisations, the quality of the central UDF leadership and its ability to co-ordinate opposition to the Government's new plans.

But some of the UDF's 100-edd member organisations are weak. Some are little more than groups of spokesmen who, while they might speak for millions, do not have organised constituencies to whom they are responsible.

The fact that Fosatu, the General Workers' Union, and the Food and Canning Workers' Unions have decided to stay outside the UDF is a grave blow. These union groupings are arguably the most effective in the country.

The attitude of these unions is understandable. In Natal and the Cape, these unions could be ripped apart if they were members of the UDF, and the UDF became involved in verbal battles with Inkatha or the remnants of the old Non-European Unity Movement. The reason is that these unions draw members from all political allegiances.

In addition, these unions fear their own democratic decision making processes could be overruled by other interests in the UDF.

These unions have not declared any hostility towards the UDF. Rather, they have indicated they largely support it. They are also involved in their own inter-union unity talks and fear membership of the UDF could adversely affect these moves.

But major compromises would be necessary on both sides for there to be any hope of building a powerful worker base to the UDF. For one, the UDF would have to restructure itself so that the stronger organisations, for example, the unions, have far more say than groups of unproven spokesmen.

For the moment, the best that unionists and these absent unions can hope for is that they work together in parallel to oppose the Government's new plans.

For their part, the unions would not mind the development in the communities, universities and professions of strong organisations which can be respected for their organised memberships and democracy rather than merely for the big names who head them.

And strengthening member organisations in this way is what the UDF will have to be about if it is to have any chance of success.
A MYSTERY telegram this week -- almost certainly attempts to get imprisoned African National Congress (ANC) leader Nelson Mandela elected chancellor of the University of Natal.

The president of the Free Mandela Committee, Archie Gumede, said the telegram -- said to have been sent by lawyers representing Mandela's wife Winnie -- had created "intense confusion" among campaigners for Mandela's election.

Mr Gumede said there had been a "blatant attempt" to create the impression that Mandela had withdrawn his nomination, an event which resulted in the election of a second candidate, author Dr Alan Paton.

The origins of the telegram had been particularly strange, he said, as there had been no contact with either Mandela or his wife, who is banished to Brandfort.

The controversy around the election of a chancellor for the university's Durban and Maritzburg campuses erupted two weeks ago when the Maritzburg SRC unanimously endorsed Mandela's nomination.

The students made it clear they had nominated Mandela -- who is serving a life sentence in Pollsmoor Prison near Cape Town -- because he was a symbol of the mass rejection of Pretoria's apartheid policies.

But confusion crept into the issue when the SRC was informed by telegram that Mandela had withdrawn his nomination.

So informed, the students withdrew Mandela's name and proposed Alan Paton.

However, a later statement from Mandela's lawyer in Johannesburg, Ismael Ayob, scotched these reports. Ayob said he had received no indication from Mandela that he wished to withdraw.

He said Winnie Mandela had made an urgent application to see her imprisoned husband so they could discuss the issue. Until then, Mandela would remain as a nominee.

Since then, the university's Durban SRC has also endorsed Mandela's nomination, saying the university authorities had discounted the telegram from the wife of Mrs Mandela's attorney, P J de Waal.

Also, Dr Paton has withdrawn his nomination, saying he would not enter into a contest against Mandela.

Mr Gumede congratulated the students for not being "distracted" by what was obviously a calculated campaign against Mandela.

He said there had been a "blatant attempt" to create the impression that Mandela had withdrawn his nomination. This had been worsened by Natal newspapers' wide coverage of the rumour of Mandela's withdrawal.

Meanwhile, a Labour Party member of the European parliament, Richard Balfe, has described Mandela as South Africa's "president-in-prison".
DUAL ATTACK ON ELECTIONS

By KHULU SIBIYA

A two-prong attack on the community council elections has been planned by the Azanian People’s Organisation and the Anti-Community Council Committee.

The two organisations are to oppose the elections at two separate meetings to be held on Sunday afternoon.

Azapo will hold theirs at the Bridgeman Memorial Centre in Zola and the ACC at the Moddi-Yo-Boise Church in Diepkloof.

The theme at both meetings will be “anti-participation in the community council elections,” and various organisations have been invited.

Azapo has invited the Council of South Africa (Mwasa), Black Lawyers Association, Black Women Unite, Chamber of Commerce, Committee of Ten, Barco, Sabsa and Azamm.

Mr Isaac Mogasi, an executive member of ACC, said other issues like housing and the electrification of Soweto would be discussed.

Azapo’s legal secretariat will also discuss Workmen’s Compensation, the Unemployment Fund and the Motor Vehicle Association, with the workers.
New look for FP's Julies

By NORMAN WEST

FREEDOM PARTY (FP) leader Mr. Charles Julies has emerged from the Uitenhage unity talks with the People's Congress Party (PCP) with a tougher political image.

Prior to the talks with Mr. Peter Marais's PCP, his party had virtually unconditionally accepted the principles of the Constitution Bill.

Now, he has qualified his possible active participation in the proposals.

Joint plan

This new, tougher stance follows his party's agreement with the PCP to a joint three-pronged plan, and puts his party in a new light.

The FP and the PCP have decided to continue discussions next month in Cape Town.

If these talks are as successful as the leaders say last week's ones were, they will have a further meeting in Durban in December to finalise a merger.

In the meantime, however, the two parties have decided:

- In principle, to reject apartheid and racial discrimination as the chief obstacle to achieving an evolutionary political settlement in South Africa;

Optimistic

- In future, to insist on joint talks with the Government on political issues; and,
- In the case of a merger, to refuse to participate in elections for the "coloured" House of Representatives, unless the Government issues a Declaration of Intent to phase out all racially discriminatory laws.

Both Mr. Julies and Mr. Marais this week expressed their optimism that they would find enough common ground to emerge as a unified force at their talks scheduled for Durban in December.

They said they realised their intention must still be ratified by their provincial and national congresses and that they would have to work out a constitution acceptable to both and a suitable new name.
IN 1956, 20,000 women marched on the Union Buildings in Pretoria to protest against the new pass laws. Here they are seen in the amphitheatre.

Remember all our women

By Sarah Crowe

This week National Women’s Day became National Women’s Week...

For the first time since that memorable day, 27 years ago — when 20,000 women marched on the Union Buildings in Pretoria in protest against pass laws — South African women showed their force of numbers by turning up in large numbers for commemorative meetings, which took place throughout the week.

Regarded as an ‘awareness week’ by participants — it was stimulated by the fact that the Federation of South African Women and many of its leading members were recently unbanned.

It was wonderfully encouraging to see so many young women, especially white women, at the meetings which were held this week. It was many, many more than other years,” said Amina Cachalia who was one of the women who helped create that day.

For many years South Africans have been quite unaware of what Women’s Day was all about, and even last year the mention of the day would conjure up pictures of old ladies hanging the drum and collecting money for some or other charitable organisation.

This week, however, women and men packed halls — some were even turned away — in an attempt to hear speakers urge them to stand up and be counted.

Meetings were held at the University of the Witwatersrand, at Duve TWCA Hall in Soweto and a community hall in Lenasia.

Speakers such as Zinzi Mandela, Helen Joseph and Lilangobini (Mahatma Gandhi’s granddaughter) participated.

The event they commemorated was the day South African women raised their united political voice for the first time...

It was on August 9, 1956, when 20,000 women from all over the country marched in protest against the new pass laws.

The march was not an act of resistance but a peaceful petition and has gone down in the annals of South African history as the biggest women’s protest march that has taken place in the country.

The protest was lead by four women, Lilian Ngoyi, the president of the Federation of South African Women, Helen Joseph, the Federation’s national secretary, Sophie Williams, and Rahima Moosa. Amina Cachalia, then treasurer of the Federation, and Albertina Sisulu, were also present.

The women — some in tribal dress with babies strapped on their backs, others in smart western clothes — had converged to Pretoria to “voice their anger” against the pass laws.

“I was living in Vrededorp at the time and was heavily pregnant with my first child. We arranged to meet at my place and go from there, by whatever means possible, to Pretoria. “But the young Indian men of the area got together some cars and kombas and took us to the Union Buildings where we met the other women,” Mrs Cachalia told me this week.

“It was a magnificent sight. Seeing all the women march up the hill as one.”

They entered the grounds and went into the amphitheatre where a small delegation was permitted into the building to hand over 1000 petitions to the secretary of the Prime Minister, Mr. J.G. Strijdom.

They then stood in silence for half an hour with their fists raised in protest.

The petition read in part...

...We are women of every race, we come from the cities, from the reserve and the villages. We come as women united in our purpose to save the African woman from the degradation of pass laws. We want to tell you what the pass laws mean to African women... homes will be broken up... children will be left uncared for and mothers will be torn from their babies for failure to produce a pass. Women will lose their rights to move freely from place to place. We are here today to protest against this insult to all women.

When they were told that the Prime Minister was not there to see them, the president of the Federation, Lilian Ngoyi, announced: “Strijdom has run away from the women.”

But their protest fell on deaf ears.

Their slogan on that day has now become the rallying cry for women’s organisations: “Now you have touched the women, you have struck a rock — you have dislodged a boulder, you will be struck.”

Women’s unity was at its peak in the 50s and 60s and many of the militants were detained, banned and jailed for their actions.

The song which the women sang in those days was repeated in commemoration this week.

It went like this...

“Remember all our women in the jails,
Remember all our women in campaigns.
Remember all our women over many fighting years.
Remember all our women for their triumphs,
And for their tears.”

We don't back Govt's proposals, says SAIC

Tribune Report:

The Indian Council this week urged participation in a referendum to test the attitude to the Government's plan for power-sharing.

But the council emphasised at its plenary meeting in Durban this week that its call for participation did not imply endorsement of the constitutional proposals.

The SAIC will go along with the majority decision of Indians participating in the referendum.

Amichand Rajbansi, executive chairman of the SAIC, told the Sunday Tribune: "Every Indian should vote, negatively or positively, at a referendum. There should be no boycott of the referendum."

"If the Indian people reject the proposals at a referendum, we would accept that decision," he said.

Yesterday, several members of the official opposition in the council, the Democratic Party, denied newspaper reports during the week that the constitutional proposals had won the qualified backing of the SAIC.

Jayantilejl Bhaila Patel, leader of the DP, said his party had not accepted the proposals because the preconditions it laid down before it could accept the proposals had not been met by the Government.

"Until all discriminatory legislation is repealed, Africans are included in power-sharing plans, and a referendum is held, the DP will continue to oppose the proposals," Mr Patel said.

Mr Rajbansi denied the SAIC gave qualified support for the Government's new deal.

"Certain deliberations at the session were reported out of context."

"We are prepared to accept the proposals with its separate chambers only as an interim measure, but provided Africans are included."
Mandela — 21 years in jail

By Staff Reporter SHANNON SHERRY

LONDON has named streets after him, Dublin has erected a bust in his honour, he has been nominated as chancellor of universities in South Africa and broad and he has been awarded the freedom of various cities.

Former British Prime Minister James Callaghan, giving a public address in the House of Commons, said he had long been an admirer.

But Nelson Mandela has now spent 21 years in jail after being convicted of charges involving sabotage.

Royal family

In spite of his removal from society, Mandela’s presence is still strongly felt in South Africa. Yet many South Africans now very little about him.

Born into the Tembu royal family on July 18, 1918, he, according to tribal custom, the ince of both Chief Kaizer Mzimba, president of Transkei and Paramount Chief Sabata Dalindyebo, now in exile after spells of detention in Transkei.

Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela’s youth was marked by rebellion.

Boycott

In the third year of his B.A. studies at Fort Hare University, he and Oliver Tambo, now president of the banned African National Congress (ANC), were suspended for organising a boycott of an election for a “puppet” students’ representative council.

When his family tried to arrange a marriage for him by tribal custom, he fled to Johannesburg where he worked as a mines clerk, a servant and as a factory worker.

In 1942, however, Walter Sisulu, former ANC secretary-general, now also serving a life sentence, got him a job as an articled clerk with a legal firm.

Two years later he joined the ANC. Along with Tambo, Sisulu, future Pan-Africanist Congress (PAC) leader Robert Sobukwe, and Anton Lembede, an Africanist theorist, he became a key figure in the ANC’s youth league.

The youth league was to persuade the ANC to a far greater degree of militancy. Their 1949 programme of action gave rise to strikes, boycotts and civil disobedience.

The Defiance Campaign of 1952 saw an estimated 8,500 people convicted of offences or jailed. Mandela received a nine-month suspended sentence.

President of ANC

Then in legal partnership with Tambo, Mandela was elected Transvaal president of the ANC. In December, however, he was banned and later ordered to resign from the organisation.

During his banning the ANC put the “M-plan” or “Mandela-plan” into operation to develop a mass-based membership across the country. This resulted in the historic “Congress of the People” at Kliptown in 1955 from which came the “Freedom Charter”, still the ANC’s minimum programme.

A year later, Mandela, Tambo and the then-president of the ANC, Chief Albert Luthuli, were among 156 people tried in the famous Treason Trial. Five years later, all were acquitted.

Sharpeville

During this period, activists of all races met and formed strong links. But, in 1956, the PAC, differing in the ideological treatment of racism in South Africa, broke away.

In March 1960, 69 people were killed and 176 wounded in Sharpeville in a PAC-organised demonstration against the pass laws. The government declared a state of emergency and the PAC and ANC were banned.

In 1961, when his banning order expired, Mandela once again started active organisation. With the announcement of the creation of the Republic of South Africa scheduled for May 31, he emerged as the leading speaker at the “All in Africa Conference” in Maritzburg to resist the “whites only” republic.

Underground

Going underground, he travelled extensively through South Africa, to other parts of Africa and to Britain, meeting heads of state and officials. Eluding capture by the security police, he became known as “The Black Pimpernel”.

At this stage he organised and was appointed commander in chief of Umkonto We Sizwe (The Spear of the Nation), which was to become the military wing of the ANC.

After about 18 months underground, however, he was arrested in Natal and convicted of incitement to strike and leaving the country illegally. He was sentenced to five years with hard labour.

Months later, in July 1963, the hideout of the underground ANC and Umkonto We Sizwe was discovered on a farm in Rivonia, north of Johannesburg.

Taken from prison, Mandela became accused number one in the Rivonia Trial. Seven others, Dennis Goldberg, Ahmed Kathrada, Govim Mbeki, Raymond Mhlaba, Andrew Mlangeni, Elias Motsoaledi and Walter Sisulu were given life sentences with Mandela.

Mandela, Mhlaba, Sisulu and Mlangeni were transferred from Robben Island to Pollsmoor prison in Retreat last year.

Mandela has two daughters, Zeni, now married to a Swazi prince, and Zinzi. His wife, Mrs Nomzamo Winnie Mandela, is now banned and banished to the small Free State town of Brandfort.
Mamelodi party split grows wider

By ALINAH DUBE 15/8/85

THE six-month-old squabble in the Mamelodi Vukani-Vulamhlo People's Party took a dramatic turn on Saturday when the feuding leaders, Mr Bennet Ndlazi, a former president, and Mr Joe Hlongwane held separate rallies.

Mr Hlongwane held a meeting of his supporters at the Rethabile Hall where allegations of witchcraft were made against certain individuals. But while the meeting was on, Mr Ndlazi held a gathering of mostly his supporters next to the Emtunzini beerhall.

SPLIT

The split in the big civic body started about six months ago and culminated two weeks ago with both leaders agreeing before a Pretoria commissioner to officially disband. The court ruled that a ruling body be elected by popular vote yesterday.

But on Friday Mr Hlongwane applied for an urgent court application for the postponement of yesterday's elections. Instead Mr Hlongwane called a meeting of his supporters at the Rethabile Hall.

Asked if he knew of the application by his rival, Mr Ndlazi said that would not stop residents from voting for their rightful leader.
African Affairs Correspondent

The outside world would have to discard the notion that there would be a reversal of political power overnight in South Africa through explosions or terrorist warfare.

This is the view of Prof Herbert Adam, professor of sociology at the Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada.

He was one of the speakers taking part in a seminar at the weekend on black political thought organised by the Research and Documentation Centre at the University of Zululand.

Prof Adam said that high stakes of international capitalism were involved in South Africa and it also had global and strategic importance.

Part

One of the strengths of the South African regime was that international connections would not allow the area to fall into the hands of competitors.

He said South Africa had become an integral part of a wider world economy.

The country would have to follow the laws of the global economy and would not be tolerated as a potential threat.

Prof Adam said that the ruling group in South Africa, under threat, had split and had not closed ranks.

Costs

This kind of cleavage had allowed initiatives of various types to come forward.

Turning to the banned African National Congress, he said the South African Government would have to sit down and negotiate with the ANC when the costs outweighed the benefits of maintaining white rule.

Prof Adam said the ANC had gained a legitimacy and credibility even among conservatives in the West which was underestimated in South Africa.

The ANC had perpetuated the 'myth' that the real and genuine black leadership was in jail or in exile so that black South Africans who travelled abroad on South African passports were now suspect.
Pule released from detention

By SAM MABE

A SENIOR member of the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo), Mr Pule Pule, was freed at the weekend after spending 82 days in detention without trial.

Mr Pule (31) of Zola, Soweto, was taken by Security Police from his sister's house in Rockville on May 22, about two weeks after he had escaped death following an incident in which shots were fired at him by men driving in a white kombi.

At the time of his detention, Mr Pule was in the process of seeking legal advice on the incident.

He told The SOWETAN yesterday that three black Security Policemen arrived at his sister's house in the middle of the night to fetch him. He said he was taken to John Vorster Square Police Station, then to Protea Police Station and later to Krugersdorp Prison where he was held until his release on Friday.

"The three men who fetched me were driving a white kombi and it was after quite a squabble that I agreed to go with them because there were a number of issues on which I took them to task since I had seen one of them before somewhere," said Mr Pule.

He added that he was happy to be out of detention and vowed that he would continue from where he left off in his pursuit of justice and truth in South Africa.

"I had thought that I was going to be charged for having committed a crime or something, but my time was wasted and I believe that even the people who detained me wasted their time. There are more important things they could have done for this country instead of holding innocent people like myself whose only crime is their quest for liberation," he said.

Other information given to The SOWETAN by Mr Pule concerning what happened at the time he was taken by the three policemen and on what happened to him while in detention cannot be published in terms of the Police Act.
'Follow lead of MaNgoyi'

THE TOMBSTONE of former ANC member, Mrs Lilian Masediba Ngoyi, who was described by speakers as "the mother of the nation," was yesterday unveiled at a short ceremony marked by revolutionary slogans and the singing of freedom songs.

The unveiling at Avalon Cemetery was the climax of services held at various parts of the country during the past week to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the protest march of August 9, 1956, by 60,000 women who were opposing the issuing of passbooks to black women.

Mrs Ngoyi, who was then the president of the Federation of South African Women (Fedsaw), is remembered for the leading role she played in organising women of all races from all over South Africa to march to the Union Buildings in Pretoria.

The then Prime Minister of the Union of South Africa, Mr J G Strijdom, refused to meet the women's delegation, but over 1,000 petitions were left with the Prime Minister's secretary.

At a vigil at Mrs Ngoyi's Mzimhuphe home on Saturday night, members of Fedsaw, members of the Congress of South African Students (Cosas) and of the newly-formed Soweto Youth Congress (Soyoco), praised Mrs Ngoyi's dedication to the liberation struggle and urged other women to follow her lead.

Yesterday morning mourners left Mrs Ngoyi's home for the Duve YWCA where a short service was held before mourners were taken by bus to Avalon Cemetery.

The Rev F Mawela, who conducted the service, said Mrs Ngoyi was loved by many and hated by others for the work she was doing. He said there were people who had lost hope in the struggle, but stressed that better days are still to come and that blacks will be conquerors yet.

Mrs Rita Ndazanga, an executive member of Fedsaw, called for all oppressed people to unite around MaNgoyi's ideals and to continue the work she was doing.

"We have been discriminated against on the factory floor because we are workers and we have also been discriminated against because of the colour of our skin. It is for us to stand up and march forward for freedom by adopting the courage of MaNgoyi," she said.

A family representative said God was aware of the sufferings of black people and that he would liberate them as he had liberated the children of Israel from Egypt.

Throughout the service at Avalon Cemetery, white policemen filmed the service from two police cars parked nearby.

The day I committed myself to my trinity

Ndlozi was to have his
Lesotho may shrug off exiles

- The Star's Foreign News Service

MASERU — There are strong indications that Lesotho may give in to Pretoria's pressure on its borders by sending about 3,000 South African refugees to a new host country — if one can be found.

But, says a Foreign Ministry statement from Maseru today, the exiles will not be sent back to South Africa, as that would be "inhumane".

About 300 of the exiles are members of nationalist organisations such as the ANC, the PAC and the Black Consciousness Movement.

The statement said that South Africa had repeated its demand that the refugees be returned home or expelled from the kingdom as they constituted a threat to its security.

Lesotho was left with no alternative but to consider that its primary duty was to the Basotho people, the statement said.

The statement reaffirmed Lesotho's commitment to accept political refugees in terms of the UN convention.
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By THAMI MAZWAII

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12 1982 was my day of commitment.

It was not my commitment to prison, but my commitment to my profession, my family and my community - what I refer to as my trinity.

After spending 26 months behind bars - 18 months my sentence - I had had time for reflection and am in no doubt that the decision I made was the only decision my colleagues, family and community expected me to take.

I will not be back, but wait until my two recent friends at 13 and 15 months' sentences.

The story of this was my appearance before magistrate Mr A.H. Barlow on February 12 when Khotso Sellohoto, former president of the banned Student Representative Council (SSRC) and former student leader Masabata Loite, appeared on charges under the Terrorism Act.

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Imagine my wife quarrelling with another woman and the inevitable: "My husband is not a sell-out like yours", comes out. I could not make this real.

Part three of my trinity is my community. My arrest prayers were held and there was general concern. I refused to thank my community for their concern by giving evidence.

I could not disappoint the numerous organisations that took up the cry when I and many others were arrested. Giving evidence against Khotso and Masabata would have been a kick in the teeth for all these concerned organisations, and the numerous people who are deeply concerned.

Also, as a journalist I am part and parcel of my people and cannot turn against our aspirations simply because the going is tough.

Today it is easy for me to describe my decision in these cold facts, but believe me, at the time it was a brave step.

Ntsiki, was to have her first birthday within four months and just the previous day she had started crawling — what I describe as "her voyages of discovery" as she discovers that pots and pans must not be put away, but strewn all over the floor and hit with a mug.

There are so many niceties of family life, the depredations of the little rascals, the unfailing belief by wifey that without her you would hardly be able to keep your trousers, despite the fact that you survived primary, secondary and boarding schools without her?

I could have gone back to this life on February 12 - but the scrutinising stares of my family, my colleagues and my community made sure I did not blunder in that direction.

I had to make the decision that I made — and one can only thank a power greater than all of us for giving me the strength to do it.

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I will not be all bravado, but will admit that these 26 months were a traumatic period.

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Had I given evidence I would have disgraced my profession — and this would be a betrayal of the first part of my trinity.

I met with Khotso at a meeting in Soweto when he had slipped into the country. This was on June 17.

I was told of some issues, and was there in my capacity as a journalist. A number of the issues were strictly "off the record."

When a journalist is told something "off the record" it means he may not publish it. He was given the information for his information only as a briefing precluding further developments.

For a journalist to publish or disclose something told him "off the record", is a betrayal of the most fundamental ethic of our profession.

Any journalist is honour-bound to protect his informants, and to respect a contact's decision to keep certain matters "off the record".

The Prime Minister knows this and he does disclose delicate issues to the editors of the country's newspapers saying the information is "off the record".

I accept it is the duty of each citizen to protect his country when it is threatened. But I am not a citizen.

The system itself has made that clear to me. Does it really expect me, refused citizen status to assume citizen responsibilities?

How imbicile do they expect me to be?

But one must let this pass. My second class status is not the issue — the issue is my ethics and my commitment to respect a pledge to somebody I interviewed.

Part two of my trinity is my family. This includes my wife, two daughters, mother and all my relations.

Can one imagine a scene at a school where one of my daughters or both cannot join in some game, or are skulking away, as the rest of the kids refer to them as the "children of a sell-out"?

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Also, as a journalist I am part and parcel of my people and cannot turn against our aspirations simply because the going is rough.

Today it is easy for me to describe my decision in these cold facts, but believe me, at the time it was agonising, for on the Wednesday of my arrest I had clinched a house with the Urban Foundation and had to get to their offices the next Monday to sort out details.

My younger daughter, Nosiki, was to have her first birthday within four months and just the previous day she had started crawling — what I describe as "her voyages of discovery" as she discovers that pots and pans must not be put away, but strewn all over the floor and hit with a mug.

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Lastly, one must also express content at the reception we received from our community on our release last Thursday. It gives one a feeling of fulfillment.
'Freedom' declaration likely as UDF launched

Staff Reporter

SATURDAY'S national launching of the United Democratic Front (UDF) is expected to endorse a declaration proposed by the Western Cape branch which rejects the Government's constitutional proposals and the "Koornhof Bills" and pledges to fight for "freedom in our lifetime".

The final draft declaration will be decided on at a meeting of the provincial executives on Saturday morning, shortly before the launching at Mitchell's Plain.

However, as the Western Cape version is regarded as the simplest and most easily understood — while including principles in the Transvaal and Natal declarations — it is expected to form the basis of the declaration to be put to the meeting.

This reads:

We, representatives from trade unions, civic, women's, student, youth, religious and sport organisations, hereby declare:

1) South Africa belongs to all who live in it.
2) That the Government must be based on the will of the people.
3) That we believe in a single South Africa free from racial, ethnic and sexual divisions and free from economic exploitation with a common citizenship for all.

In accordance with these beliefs we reject the Constitutional and the Koornhof Bills.

And note that:

a) These Bills can only lead to the separation and division of the oppressed.
b) These Bills are being forced upon us without regard for the demands of the majority of the people of South Africa.
c) These Bills do not even begin to change the economic and social inequalities that exist.
d) These proposals in fact entrench racial oppression and economic exploitation and strengthen the apartheid state.

The UDF will hold a Press conference tomorrrow evening.

The main speaker at Saturday's launching meeting will be Dr Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches.
Coloured leader presses on with Treurnicht parley

Political Correspondent

ARRANGEMENTS were going ahead for a meeting between Dr A P Treurnicht, leader of the Conservative party, and a coloured leader.

Dr Treurnicht said today the meeting was taking place at the request of a coloured person who had written to him asking for a meeting.

This person appeared to be the leader of a group of coloured people.

INTIMIDATION

Dr Treurnicht declined to name him and said there appeared to be attempts to intimidate him.

The person had written to him to express concern over certain tendencies, including liberal ones, in current politics.

There has been speculation that the person who wrote to Dr Treurnicht may be Mr Arthur Davis, of Mitchell's Plain.

At one stage he was chairman of the Constitutional Action Committee and he describes himself as a conservative.

He has so far declined to comment, but said today that he may say something at a later stage, after he had consulted with others.
Staff Reporter

POLICE have denied allegations by the United Democratic Front (UDF) — a broad alliance formed in opposition to the Government’s constitution plans — that security policemen tore down UDF posters in Oudtshoorn.

Mr Trevor Manuel, regional secretary, said today that about 30 posters had been torn down.

The posters publicised a national rally the organisation is to hold at Mitchell’s Plain on Saturday, with a slogan: UDF Units – Apartheid Divides.

“We were told that security policemen tore the posters down yesterday,” he said.

NEWSLETTERS

A police liaison officer, Major Vic Heyns, denied the allegation, which came a week after 40 000 UDF newsletters were seized at a roadblock by Security Police at Parel.

The police were told an interdict would be applied for if they did not release the newsletters, which were later collected by UDF officials at police headquarters.

A police liaison officer for the Boland said the publication had been seized as a routine investigation to establish whether security legislation had been contravened.
Pretoria puts squeeze on Lesotho over ANC

South Africa's relations with Lesotho are not likely to improve until Maseru convinces Pretoria it is taking effective steps against the ANC. Pretoria's pressure on Lesotho is now heavier than before. South Africa refuses to admit the Basotho who used to pop in every week for jobs, shopping and business.

It has impounded Lesotho-bound arms at Durban under Article 16 of the Custom Union Agreement which allows it to prohibit imports "in the interests of security." In addition, South Africa is said to wield the threat of the Lesotho Liberation Army. This band of anti-Maseru guerrillas, reportedly no more than 300 strong, is apparently operating from the Free State.

When a Lesotho-SA security meeting in Bloemfontein ended in failure on June 23, only three days passed before the LLA launched the heaviest offensive of its four-year war.

The bottom line in South Africa's relations with Lesotho is the degree to which Pretoria believes the ANC is using Lesotho as a base. Lesotho has a long-standing policy of accepting refugees and denying refuge to guerrillas. But Pretoria says there has been a gap between Maseru's policy and its practice.

We don't say Lesotho affords the ANC "bases" in the sense of military camps," said a Pretoria source. "We accuse them of allowing the ANC to use private houses for planning sabotage and for giving instructions to trained people.

"Often the trained men are not armed. They may fly into Maseru from Maputo, stay in these houses and then infiltrate South Africa - where they pick up their weapons at secret caches.

In Maseru last week I put this to Mr Joe Kossoukane, a former Lesotho Foreign Minister who is now head of the civil service and Cabinet Secretary. After conferring with his security colleagues, he replied: "If South Africa is aware of houses being used for planning sabotage, then we invite them to identify such places and we can take appropriate action. We would prefer this to their attacking us in the night.

South Africa has very long borders. We are surprised Pretoria should pick on Lesotho as being the most dangerous entry point. We don't believe Lesotho is a main conduit for the ANC." Pretoria replies:

- First, it does not supply the addresses of ANC homes to Maseru because "before you know it, the birds would have flown" and SA intelligence would have to start afresh.
- Second, it is restricting traffic on Lesotho's border as far larger numbers cross that boundary than cross its boarders with Mozambique and Botswana.

However, the restrictions are not hitting the ANC directly. Guerrillas do not use the customs posts, they slip across the shallow Caledon River at night.

South Africa's controls seem designed to make those Basotho who are thwarted from entering the Free State turn to their government to demand rapprochement with Pretoria.

This may be working. "People are suffering," said Archbishop Alphonse Morapeli, head of the Roman Catholic majority, "for what, they don't know."

There are signs Maseru is trying to get the border clamps lifted.

Radio Lesotho has toned down its attacks on SA in the past two weeks and the Government seems to view the border squeeze as a delicate affair.

What Pretoria wants is a Landdrost-style agreement that is well and truly implemented. On June 3, Foreign Ministers Mr Pik Botha and Mr Kvaristus Sekhosyana told the Press at the Landdrost Hotel in Johannesbur that South Africa and Lesotho had agreed to stop "any subversive elements" from attacking each other.

But the follow-up meeting in Bloemfontein was a failure, and LLA attacks resumed, and the border curbs were introduced on July 19.

In implementing a Landdrost agreement, Lesotho has a problem. It can hardly stop ANC members from plotting a bomb attack with a street map.

"Low-level planning and transit facilities are not the sort of thing that can be controlled by a government," said Mr Tom Lodge, a politics lecturer at Witwatersrand and an expert on the ANC.

"This sort of activity can just as well be carried out in Soweto. If the South Africans cannot control it within their own country, they can hardly expect Lesotho to do so."

From evidence led in SA security trials, Mr Lodge has found Lesotho is not very valuable to the ANC. "South Africa has excellent communications. To get to Cape Town the ANC does not have to travel via Lesotho. If Lesotho were to expel all members of the ANC, it would be a inconvenience, not a major setback."

But Pretoria evidently thinks otherwise.

Not only do ANC bombs kill people, Pretoria argues, but they make it more difficult for the Government to proceed with constitutional reform.

South Africa seems content to maintain the current pressure until Lesotho succumbs. If it fails, it could always curb the traffic into Lesotho as it did in May when, by withdrawing border-post staff, it severely delayed the supply of coal, meat and other perishables.

With Lesotho's massive dependence on South Africa, there is little doubt that by twisting the screw one thread at a time Pretoria will get its way.
ANC defector will testify in camera

ZWELITSHA — The Ciskei Supreme Court ruled yesterday that an African National Congress defector, currently working for the South African security police, should give evidence in camera in a marathon terrorism trial.

The Attorney-General, Mr W F Jurgens, applied to the court for permission to call a witness whose identity should not be disclosed.

Mr Jurgens asked for an extension of an order given by Mr Justice D de Wet on May 10, 1982, that the trial be held in camera.

"He must be sworn in as Mr X and the place where he attended school and when he left the country should not be divulged to the public," Mr Jurgens said.

Major Hermanus de Pieters, of the Port Elizabeth security police, supporting the State application, told the court Mr X would be assassinated if his identity was revealed.

Mr M T Moerane, for the defence, had said it would not be able to cross-examine Mr X adequately if it could not identify him.

Mr William Duma, 31, Mr Dumisani Manjinjwa, 31, Mr Bayi Keye, 52, and Mr Loywanda Mayekiso, 23, are charged with participating in terrorist activities, being members of the ANC, recruiting people to undergo military training in Lesotho, and being in possession of banned publications. They have pleaded not guilty to all counts. — Sapa
Warriors on black aspirations

The question of political rights for Indians and coloureds was a secondary matter and the Government must first come to terms with the black majority, Mr Jayantilall Patel, leader of the South African Indian Council's opposition Democratic Party, said yesterday.

And an advocate, Mr T K Skweyiya, has warned that Indians accepting the constitutional proposals would 'land the Indian community as a party to the oppression of blacks'.

Mr Patel said the exclusion of blacks in the planned new dispensation was one of the 'most sensitive issues' causing considerable concern to all South Africans.

The argument of the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis, that blacks have their own institutions is not valid, and we have suggested the creation of a fourth chamber in Parliament for blacks as an interim measure.

Reform

We urge the Government to review its policy and negotiate with blacks to find a solution to their aspirations to avoid polarisation.'

Mr Patel said that to gain Indian support for the constitutional plan the Government would have to repeal all discriminatory laws, including the Group Areas Act, include blacks in the process of constitutional reform and hold a referendum among Indians to determine their views.

Mr Skweyiya told a meeting of the Durban Indian Child Welfare Society at the weekend that blacks saw the new proposals as 'further entrenching ethnic divisions' and also the National Party's overall position of power.

'The tragedy is that the Indian community at large may well accept and endorse the proposals in the same way that the coloured people have done.'
Own Correspondent

DURBAN — The nomination of Nelson Mandela as chancellor of the University of Natal took a new turn yesterday when it was reported that Mandela would after all accept his nomination.

A letter from Mandela to Durban sociologist Mrs Fatima Meer was yesterday handed to the principal of the university, Professor D Clarencce, who confirmed receipt of the letter but added, however, that he could not take cognizance of a letter addressed by Mandela to a third party.

"I must conclude that there has been no official change in the situation. Letters must be addressed to the registrar of the university, and those are the only letters that can be acknowledged."

Mrs Meer said yesterday that Mandela’s letter to her was in response to an urgent telegram she had sent to the jailed ANC leader as a result of the confusion about whether he had accepted the nomination or not.

"He has a high regard for Natal University, and I was sure that he would be pleased to accept."
Ciskei 'terror' trial adjourns

ZWELITSHA — The State has closed its case after Mr X, who defected from the African National Congress last year, gave evidence in camera in the Ciskei Supreme Court.

Mr Justice D S de Wet ruled Mr X's identity could not be disclosed. The trial has been proceeding for two years.

The accused are Mr William Duma, 31, Mr Dumisani Manjewu, 31, Mr Bayi Keye, 52, and Mr Luyanda Mayekiso, 23, all of Mdantsane.

They have pleaded not guilty to charges of terrorist activities, being members of the banned ANC, being recruited to undergo military training in Lesotho and being in possession of banned literature.

The trial was adjourned to August 22. — Sapa
BIG RALLY FOR UDF LAUNCHING

ABOUT 5 000 people from all over South Africa are expected to gather at Rocklands Civic Centre in Cape Town at the weekend, where the national launching of the United Democratic Front (UDF) is to take place.

According to Mr Zac Yacoob, interim publicity secretary of the UDF, 200 organisations will be represented by 400 delegates and a grand signing ceremony of the UDF's declaration of policy and intent will be witnessed by over 5 000 people who will attend a rally on Saturday afternoon.

Dr Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches (WARC) and Mr Thozamile Gqwetha, president of the South African Allied Workers' Union (Saawu), will be main speakers at the conference.

Mr Yacoob said Mrs Albertina Sisulu, president of the Transvaal region of the UDF, will be another speaker — if her bail application succeeds when she appears in court today.

He also said that Mr Oscar Mphetha, Western Cape's president of the UDF, who is currently undergoing treatment in Grootte Schuur Hospital, has indicated that he will ask his doctors to free him so that he can address the conference.

The one-day conference will be held at the Rocklands Civic Centre starting at 9.30am, and is expected to end at 4pm before the mass rally and the signing ceremony starts.

Mr Yacoob said the 200 organisations which will participate in the conference will include all race groups and people from all walks of life.

Zwelakhe Sisulu, president of the Media Workers' Association of South Africa (Mwasa) will represent Mwasa as an observer at the conference.

Mr Yacoob said the UDF has received messages of support from several international organisations in Europe and the United States.

Meanwhile it has been reported in Durban that several thousand pamphlets advertising the UDF's conference were confiscated by police in Cape Town and Durban, and that Security Police were threatened with court action if they did not return 40 000 copies of UDF pamphlets seized at a roadblock in Paarl.

The pamphlets are said to have been returned after lawyers acting for the UDF set a deadline for the return of the pamphlets.
Anti-constitution body to be launched

Staff Reporter

AT LEAST 4 000 people are expected at the Rocklands Civic Centre in Mitchell's Plain on Saturday for the launch- ing of the United Democratic Front (UDF).

This will be the culmination of a campaign directed against the Government's constitutional plans and the three "Koornhof" Bills affecting urban blacks.

The campaign has cost about R65 000 nationwide, organisers told a Press conference in Cape Town last night.

Much of this money has come from traders, as well as from professional and academic sympathisers.

About R25 000 came from the Western Cape, according to Mr Andrew Boraine, a former Nusas president and one of the local treasurers.

More than a million pamphlets and newsletters have been distributed nationally, 350 000 of them in the Western Cape.

Since the beginning of this year, the UDF has obtained the support of about 400 organisations, many with large memberships.

About 30 buses will carry many of the supporters to the Mitchell's Plain meeting on Saturday. Up-country delegates will sleep in church halls.

Among points made at the Press conference were:

- The UDF does not advocate or condone violence, although it recognised that a violent situation existed in South Africa because of apartheid. Imam Hassan Solomon, a member of the Western Cape executive said. However, if civil disobedience meant opposing unjust laws, then there would be civil disobedience, he added.

- The UDF would not adopt such platforms as socialism or acceptance of the Freedom Charter because the many organisations under its aegis had different views on these matters.

- The UDF regarded the Government structure as undemocratic and looked at parties that participated in this structure, including the Progressive Federal Party, in this light. However, the UDF believed in unity as well as democracy. If the PFP fully accepted the UDF declaration to be formulated on Saturday, "that will be the course of events", joint Western Cape secretary, Mr Trevor Manuel said.

- The UDF was still approaching such groups as trade unions to join, but it recognised that ideological differences do exist and certain organisations will not join at this stage.
Front mobilises to oppose new plan for S A

Mercury Reporter

THE United Democratic Front is all set for its official launching as a national movement opposed to the new constitutional dispensation for South Africa.

With the establishment of regional bodies countrywide, the UDF is set to become a national movement with its launching in Cape Town on August 20 and 21.

Mr Zac Yacoob, the UDF's Natal spokesman, said yesterday that the movement would co-ordinate and unite the efforts of 'all individuals and organisations in the fight for freedom'.

It would bring together all freedom-loving people who rejected racially discriminatory legislation.

Mobilise

'Organisations in each province are joining the regional committees. Within each region, a number of area committees are being organised, which will be in direct contact with the people at grassroot level.

'The structure of the UDF will make it possible to mobilise every section of our people.'

The UDF would comprise representatives of trade unions, community, women, student, youth, sport, political, professional and business organisations representing all race groups.

A statement by the UDF national executive said: 'All have clearly rejected the constitutional and Koornhof Bills. All of us have recognised that these manoeuvres are designed to weaken the people's resistance by dividing them while entrenching apartheid.

'We have firmly and unanimously committed ourselves to the achievement of a democratic society under the banner of the UDF through the active participation of thousands of members.'
Daughter of convicted saboteur David Kitson speaks on the struggle to fight SA’s race laws

AMANDLA Kitson, the daughter of David Kitson, who was sentenced to 20 years’ imprisonment for sabotage in 1964, was in South Africa recently to visit her father.

Amandla was barely 18 months old when her father was detained and subsequently sentenced for various acts of sabotage and for being the link between the high command of Umkhonto We Sizwe and its cadres.

After he was convicted his family moved to Britain where they have conducted persistent campaigns to highlight the plight of political prisoners in South Africa.

One such campaign last year outside South Africa House in London led to the transfer of white political prisoners from Pretoria Central Prison to Leeuwkop Prison.

During her visit to this country, Amandla saw her father on 10 occasions: “It was good to see him again and the visits gave me strength and determination to help mobilise international support against apartheid,” she said.

She was also able to visit Mrs Winnie Mandela in Brandfort and had the opportunity of meeting various youth leaders.

ENCOURAGED
“I admire Mrs Mandela greatly and I have been encouraged by the spirit of determination that is displayed by the youth,” Amandla said.

In Britain she is involved in organising the youth and is also active in the Anti-Apartheid Movement.

“In Britain the youth have come to realise that the fight against apartheid is important. They have come to realise that the struggle against racism is inter-related because the enemy is one, be it in South Africa, London or New York. It is the problem of capitalism,” she said.

The youth in London, particularly the black unemployed and the working class youth, were beginning to identify with the struggle in South Africa.

During her visits to South Africa the only changes she had observed were merely cosmetic: “This government still detains and bans people such as Mrs Mandela. But in spite of all this one has been impressed with the amount of courage that has been shown by people such as Mrs Mosotodi,” she said.

Her father, David Kitson, was charged with three other people including Wilton Mkwayi and Laloo Chiba with more than 58 acts of sabotage and in Durban, Port Elizabeth and Johannesburg.

BOMBS
They were also charged with manufacturing bombs, preparing for guerrilla warfare and charged under the Suppression of Communism Act.

Mkwayi was sentenced to life imprisonment, Kitson to 20 years and Chiba to 18 years. Chiba has since been released.

Amandla felt it was incorrect to refer to the unrests in the predominantly black suburbs of London as “race riots”. “Rather, they are the reaction of the working class to the conditions they have to live under,” said Amandla.

AMANDLA KITSON: The daughter of David Kitson visited the Republic recently.
Political Correspondent

THE United Democratic Front (UDF), a multiparty movement opposed to the government's constitutional plan, expects more than 4,000 people to attend a rally to mark its national launch meeting in Mitchells Plain this weekend.

UDF spokesmen set out the movement's aims and objectives at a press conference in Cape Town last night. It was described as a non-violent, mass movement of "extra-parliamentary opposition" formed to prevent implementation of the Nationalist constitutional proposals, including legislation on blacks introduced by the Minister of Co-operation and Development, Dr Fiet Koonrhof.

'Grand design'
The Western Cape publicity secretary, Mr Baba Ngokoto, read out a UDF statement which said that holding the launch meeting in Mitchells Plain was symbolic of the failure of the government's grand design for the coloured people.

The government was not changing the constitution and introducing the 'Koonrhof Bills' to benefit the people. Under local and international pressure, it was changing some things while controlling others more tightly.

A draft declaration for Saturday's conference states the UDF's commitment to "a united, non-racial and democratic South Africa".

It rejects Nationalist constitutional legislation as separating and dividing oppressed people, entrenching racial and economic exploitation and strengthening "the apartheid State".

More than 1,000 delegates representing about 400 community, labour, church, student, and other organisations are expected at the national meeting. This will be followed by a "mass rally" in the Rocklands Civic Centre on Saturday evening.

The national UDF will unite branches formed in various parts of the country after the call by Dr Allan Boesak in January for a united front against the government's constitutional plan.

Mr Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, will be one of the speakers at the rally. Others include Mr Thomas Kgema, president of the South African Allied Workers' Union, Sheikh Nazoem Mohammad, president of the Muslim Judicial Council, and Mrs Helen Joseph, former secretary-general of the South African Women's Federation.

Mr Ngokoto said yesterday that the UDF was not a political party and did not subscribe to any political philosophy, although some member organisations might do so.

While rejecting violent opposition to the government, UDF spokesmen acknowledged the "structural violence" of the situation in South Africa.

Imam Hassan Solomon, chief imam of a Claremont mosque and an executive member of the Muslim Judicial Council, did not rule out civil disobedience.

Mr Andrew Boraine, the formerly banned student leader and a member of the regional UDF executive, said the UDF's immediate objective was to prevent the government's constitutional plan being implemented.

He believed it could be stopped if representative coloured or Indian leaders refused to participate in the proposed system.
NP blind to wish for a peaceful SA, says Boesak

Religion Reporter

THE Government is refusing to accept the fact that the majority of South Africans want to work together for a peaceful South Africa and therefore reject the constitutional proposals, says Dr Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches.

Dr Boesak, who will speak at Saturday's United Democratic Front meeting in Cape Town, said the Government did not appear to recognise the nature of the mistake it was making.

"The Government's constitutional proposals are based on its argument that this sort of cooperation between all peoples in South Africa cannot happen. Yet we are all telling the Government that this is exactly what South Africa wants."

By pushing ahead with its proposals the Government would merely be adding another problem to those that already exist — "It will solve nothing, but will exacerbate existing problems".

Dr Boesak, who earlier this year called for a united front against the NP proposals, said the creation of the United Democratic Front was a response beyond his expectation.

"We came together not simply to resist Government policies, but to demonstrate our willingness to work together for an open democracy in which the human dignity of all will be recognised and respected."

He regarded the UDF as the most significant "people's movement" since the 1950s. It would demonstrate to the Government that black and white were prepared to work together in an organisation open to all, committed to non-violence in attaining a non-racial democracy in South Africa.

It would also prove to the Government the desire for a national convention.

"My position as a Christian is that we should be working for a society in which racialism is a thing of the past, to build a South Africa that will belong to all its people. To me that is basic," Dr Boesak said.
By MIKE PITEO

MASERU — The leader of the opposition United Democratic Party, Mr. Charles Motsel, has accused the Communist Chinese of interfering in Lesotho's internal affairs.

Mr. Motsel yesterday said the Chinese had been recruiting Basotho youth to prepare them for elections so that the ruling Basotho National Party could be returned to power.

The Chinese arrived in Lesotho two weeks ago and have visited sites where they are to assist Lesotho in agricultural production after an embassy has been opened in Maseru.

Mr. Motsel challenged the Prime Minister, Chief Lesiba Jonathan, to announce a date for general elections.

He said his party would contest all 60 constituencies and if he won, he would establish diplomatic relations with South Africa because such relations would benefit both countries.

Meanwhile, it has been revealed that the four members of the African National Congress detained in Lesotho on Tuesday are being held under the Internal Security Act which entitles the police to detain people for up to 60 days without recourse to the courts.

Their detention follows talks between South Africa and Lesotho in Pretoria to find ways of implementing an agreement on the harbouring of terrorists. The agreement was signed by the Foreign Ministers of the two countries in Johannesburg in June this year.
No bail for Mrs Sisulu

Mrs Albertina Sisulu, alleged to have taken part in the activities of the African National Congress (ANC), will be tried in the Krugersdorp Magistrate’s Court on October 17.

Mrs Sisulu (66) appeared before a Johannesburg magistrate yesterday with Mr Thami Mali (25), who faces the same charge. They were not asked to plead. No evidence was led.

Immediately after entering the dock Mrs Sisulu embraced her grandchildren, who were in the well of the court.

She is the wife of former ANC secretary-general Walter Sisulu, who is serving a life sentence. Mrs Sisulu is an executive member of the Federation of South African Women.

Mrs Sisulu and Mr Mali were not granted bail.
Moderation is an option

The most widely known, shrewd and charismatic public figure among SA's black leaders is, arguably, Chief Mangosuthu Gatsha Buthelezi, of KwaZulu. His political mass movement, Inkatha Yenkuleleko Yesiwe, is the largest in the land.

Buthelezi founded Inkatha in 1975, three years after he took power in the newly created KwaZulu Legislative Assembly. An experienced politician, as well as a hereditary chief, Buthelezi perceived that SA-created homeland structures could be turned against Pretoria to resist independence. However, in his view, they could not form a credible powerbase among blacks because of their ethnic basis. Traditional Zulu structures of authority had similar drawbacks.

Inkatha's fundamental tenet is rejection of the homeland independence process, which deprives blacks of SA citizenship. It also opposes the new constitutional proposals because they exclude blacks. But — and this is where Buthelezi parts company with many militants — the commitment to non-violence is equally firm.

Inkatha, like Buthelezi, is committed to the politics of pragmatism and negotiation, coupled with tight local-level organisation.

This emphasis has made it among the more effective political organisations in SA. Like the black unions, which it rivals in membership, its great advantage is that it is able to provide short-term objectives and programmes which can be met. While it supported the Fattis & Monis boycott, it avoids precipitate boycott actions.

Because it treads so carefully, its potential as a threat gives it weight in a variety of spheres.

Grassroots programmes

KwaZulu administration support is an advantage to Inkatha, though it denies that it uses this to boost membership. Unlike many organisations, it can go beyond rhetoric to supply, at the least, positive gains for members through grassroots programmes, while benefiting from its proclaimed stance as a national movement with cross-ethnic membership.

According to Buthelezi, Inkatha's numbers now exceed 750,000, more than double the 1981 figure of 300,000.

In KwaZulu and Natal, Inkatha is indisputably a tightly organised force. Despite some analysts' account of a rise in ANC support since 1980, coupled with Inkatha's highly ambivalent relationship with the ANC (see box), membership is growing in the Transvaal, and Inkatha is opening bridgeheads in the Cape and even the OFS.

Two important questions can be asked about the movement's future:

☐ Is it not time for Inkatha to consolidate an urban power base through contesting the upcoming community council elections — particularly in Soweto?
☐ If Inkatha participates in massive labour stayaways or consumer boycotts, as it may well do, will it be able to control its hot-heads? As in black politics as a whole, Inkatha has to face up to rising militancy in its ranks.

Inkatha's central committee still has to make the final decision on whether to contest the Soweto council elections — which will probably be held towards the end of this year. There are a number of options: whether to participate at all; whether to allow members to participate independently; or whether to throw the party machine behind a full-scale campaign.

"I have no qualms of conscience about participating in principle," Buthelezi told the FM. But a Foreign Affairs Department statement has, in his view, compounded the problem. Explaining why blacks are excluded from the proposed tricameral parliament, it declares that this is reasonable because blacks have access to community councils and "their" homeland legislatures.

"If Inkatha participates (in community council elections), is that read as accepting exclusion from central government?" Buthelezi asks. "They're tying my hands not on the basis of ideology, but on the basis of this new interpretation."

Essentially, possible participation by Inkatha in Soweto's elections is a bargaining counter for Buthelezi. A higher percentage poll would be guaranteed, and the councils as a whole would gain greater legitimacy among blacks — or be presented as such by Pretoria. But such participation could be made conditional, by Inkatha, on further consultation with blacks on the Coornhout bills for urban blacks, for example.

Inkatha has some 30 branches in Soweto, and its rallies are certainly well supported. But Soweto politics is a minefield. Systematic opposition from within the council itself to administrative rent increases, and promotion of popular projects, might well win an incumbent group more support.

Again, participation would also bring down condemnation on Inkatha's head from the numerous groups that would support an election boycott. This could easily damage Inkatha's international image.

Whether Soweto will continue to receive subsidies is another important issue. Being held responsible for massive escalations in living costs as Sowetans pay for various township projects won't do any incumbent party much good. Inkatha has consistently argued that there should be greater clarity on the financial future of the townships.

Relations with other black organisations, such as those based on black consciousness ideology, are often strained by accusations...
that Buthelezi, and Inkatha, are “collaborationists.” Buthelezi rebuts this: “Accusations of collaboration have become a parrot cry for those who think rhetoric rather than hard organisational work is an easy option.” He adds that there is no black in SA who can truly claim to be outside the system.

“Unlike people who are not prepared to speak to government on moral grounds, I encourage negotiation. One must work to forge links at various levels, from the homelands to nationalist movements, and to win some whites to our point of view. Then we need to get around the table.

INKATHA AND THE ANC

A cautious diplomatic initiative to repair the damaged relations between Inkatha and the so-called “external mission” (EM) of the African National Congress (ANC) has been launched following Chief Gatsha Buthelezi’s recent visit to Lesotho a fortnight ago.

Inkatha insiders are not over-optimistic about the chances of a successful outcome, since the EM’s relations with other organisations are affected by its own internal tensions. A recent issue of the London-based Africa Confidential thus notes that the “very strong” and “disproportionate” representation of the SA Communist Party (SACP) within the EM is “often criticised by more traditional nationalists and is a constant cause of factionalism.”

Inkatha has never publicly revealed what transpired at its meeting with the EM in London in October and November 1979. But it came away with the strong impression that the EM delegation – all of whose members were black – had decided that what the EM was saying in public: that Inkatha was a legitimate organisation working for the same goals as the ANC (one man, one vote) but through non-violent means as opposed to violent means.

This decision was reversed in 1980, evidently because factions within the ANC opposed what Oliver Tambo’s delegation had decided at the meeting with Inkatha.

Buthelezi has since made it clear that he believes black Africa has a responsibility to attempt to make peace between Inkatha and the EM. The latter, he told the Lesotho government, “has great accomplishments to its credit in rallying world opinion behind the struggle in SA against oppression.”

What Inkatha strongly deplores, however, is attempts by the EM to set itself up as sole authentic representative of black South Africans. It is tragic, Buthelezi says, that the OAU credits only with SA exiles and that the UN gives the EM the status of a government in exile.

Inkatha’s policy is to have a multi-strategy approach,” Buthelezi says.

However, the issue of black unity is extremely important to Buthelezi: “Apartheid in this country exists on the borrowed time which black unity and unity, the fact that black people — as workers and consumers — have a stranglehold on the economy of this country would be decisive.”

He is willing to consider co-operation on some issues with the United Democratic Front (the recently formed body which adheres to the Freedom Charter of the Fifties). He, and Inkatha, also maintain contact with bodies such as Nafcor: a number of trade unions, and he is the leading figure in the SA Black Alliance.

As Chief Minister of KwaZulu, Buthelezi has been conducting intensive talks with six other homeland leaders. They recently signed a declaration of intent which repudiated “independence” and exclusion from SA’s central government. While several homelands have banned or harassed Inkatha on their territory — Transkei was one, until recently— it’s clear that Buthelezi sees a unified resistance to further denationalisation as overriding other considerations.

Whether the group of “rebel” homelands will be able to withstand Pretoria’s pressures is another question (Transkei would have to renounce “independence”). But it is interesting that two non-independent homeland leaders, Gazankulu’s Hudson Ntsinwane and Emona Mabaza of KaNgwane, have both started Inkatha-style organisations.

Basis for prestige

Buthelezi’s talks last week in Lesotho may — if he can prove instrumental in ending Lesotho Liberation Army incursions against Basutoland from the Transkei — boost his, and Inkatha’s, prestige at home and internationally. A functional counter-constellation of homelands, opposed to PW Botha’s, could be extremely effective, especially if an internationally-recognised independent country like Lesotho is party to it.

Inkatha is willing to use all feasible non-violent strategies in its campaign for a black voice in SA’s government. Containing rising military that looks beyond such means, Buthelezi says, is a matter of survival organisation, and the realisation that “it’s a long and hard road to liberation.”

He has said: “We cannot convey to the people an illusion that by burning down schools, or posting in cathedrals, or supporting braggart journalists, or by symbolic gestures at international forums we can topple Pretoria tomorrow.”

Buthelezi stresses, though, that Inkatha’s non-violence is a matter of pragmatism, concerning the hopelessness of armed insurgencies against the overwhelmingly powerful SA State as a means of precipitating change. But he and other Inkatha leaders like Oscar Dlomo often assert that Inkatha policy is ultimately the expression of its constituency. Too much frustration could bring militancy to a pitch where the leadership has to choose between taking up arms or making way for those who will.

This alone should surely make Pretoria responsive to Buthelezi’s overtures — such as the constitutional recommendations of the Buthelezi Commission. As a credible, moderate figure with mass support, it would be extremely short-sighted of government to forget that he represents a meaningful alternative to increased black radicalism. Yet he has not had talks with any senior SA Cabinet ministers, let alone with PW himself, for the past three years.
of Angolan oil from the Cabinda enclave — money that helps Angola to pay, in fact, for Soviet and Cuban military assistance in keeping Savimbi at bay.

Spotlighting the Angolan factor in moves towards a Namibian independence settlement, and in the East-West tug. Marcum said that Luanda's imports from the US amount to around $60m yearly.

Angola's trade pattern is in fact strongly Westward and its economy is disarray from the impact of war and the, exports of 300 000 Portuguese after independence. It now imports 90% of its food needs, and the Benguela Railway is essential to this.

Unita's strategy, therefore, could be to pre-empt any accord between the MPLA and the West which may exclude it from power.

**DIPLOMACY**

De Cuellar's dilemma

At midweek, UN Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar had still not made up his mind on whether or not to go to southern Africa to speed up the Namibian independence process. The UN chief was given a mandate by the Security Council to report back, no later than August 31, on the results of his talks with all parties concerned. However, with much diplomatic activity surrounding his office on the 30th floor of the main UN headquarters building, Perez de Cuellar was still keeping all his options open when the FM went to press.

He faces two main problems. If he returns empty-handed from SA, Namibia and Angola will face criticism from members of the African group and Swapo for not

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**GATSHA BUTHELEZI**

'A long and hard struggle'

Gatsha Buthelezi is chief minister of KwaZulu, and leader of Inkatha (see cover story). He outlined his views on a number of issues to the FM.

I have been in SA politics for three decades, and that should make anyone a realist. I believe that there cannot be a solution in this country foisted by blacks on whites any more than there can be one foisted by whites on blacks.

That is why I encourage negotiation. It is highly simplistic for other black political groupings to say that they are morally not prepared to speak to the government until they can speak to it at a national convention.

It is a long and hard struggle, and a long, hard road. We need tight organisation and long-term strategies. Half-baked plans are no use. Nor is whipping up feeling just to intimidate the government or whites, or saying something is about to happen when it's not. I never deceive members of Inkatha that results can be achieved instantly.

In 1960 everyone thought it was the beginning of the end of white supremacy. It wasn't. Again in 1976-1977 in Soweto, some groups even began to see themselves as an alternative government. I was sad but amused, knowing it was a misreading of the SA situation.

Many people fell into this rut of miscalculation after the struggle and independence of Mozambique, Angola and Zaire. But the situation in SA is completely different. Whites in this country are a large, not a small minority, and they are not expatriates. However much you might want to sink them in the sea because of their stubbornness, you can't — you have to deal with them and the power they wield.

In spite of the fact that we Africans are in the majority, I cannot see a formula that will bring about a united SA without the backing of whites. Not necessarily all of them, but significant sectors of whites and other racial groups must be involved.

But we cannot change the views of whites by simply talking to them. A time will come inevitably when we must use non-violent pressure. The consumer power of black people is increasing at a terrific rate, so consumer boycotts become an important strategy. And worker power, in conjunction with trade unions, is also a potent weapon. We believe that we will ultimately be forced to use such means.

Meanwhile, many of our problems must be combated now. In the preamble to Inkatha's constitution, we state that poverty, ignorance and disease are some of the great handicaps which black people face. While the struggle for political emancipation goes on these should be combated within the limits of the status quo.

So Inkatha runs a development office in KwaZulu, teaching people how to mobilise their savings, for example in using bulk-buying schemes, and how to run co-operatives. Mobilising black finance is important to us. The KwaZulu government was among the first to invest in the African Bank, for example, and we have links with the National African Federated Chambers of Commerce (NaFoCo).

Since I don't see that any other economic system is better, or a more potent force for development, I support the free enterprise capitalist system. But it has no future in this country after liberation if it operates as a whites-only club, with only a few fringe benefits for blacks.

Meanwhile the outlook for armed insurgency is poor. If you look at the logistics, at SA's actions — bombing Maputo, bombing Maseru, bombing Angola and destabilisation in southern Africa — it is clear that for the foreseeable future any person who takes up arms will not have a secure base. They would have to operate in dribbles and drabs with people coming through to plant a bomb here and there.

It won't topple the regime. People can adjust to a high degree of political violence in daily life, until it becomes a way of life and they shrug it off. And I fear many normally moderate whites will feel that PW Botha's laager is warm and safe, and go into it. As of now, violence has no chance of success.

Black unity is what we must work for now. We do need links with as many black organisations as possible. I applaud moves towards unity like those of the United Democratic Front. Anything that forges links of unity is good, for all concerned.

But I feel a terrible anguish about the disembossing between groups supporting the Freedom Charter and those who subscribe to black consciousness. It is tragic and unproductive that people should conflict on the basis of strategies — the difference is not really one of principle. That kind of conflict and dissent is really fiddling while Pretoria burns.

If the rising tide of opposition to the constitution is successful and we are left with a version of the old system — well, the Buthelezi Commission report is our contribution to the constitutional debate, and it is still on the table. The fact that government has so far not accepted it does not mean that is the end of it.

KwaZulu's Regional Assembly has appointed a committee to study the five sections of the report. It is preparing five papers on practical implementation of the commission's five sections, which we still plan to lay formally before government.
MORE than 40,000 newsletters of the United Democratic Front were confiscated by security police on Sunday, only hours before they were to be distributed.

However, 60,000 were circulated in the Peninsula.

Officials of the UDF had collected the newsletters, UDF News, at printers in Paarl when they were stopped outside the town at the Huguenot and NI intersection.

Their car was searched and all copies of UDF News were removed.

A Major Le Roux of the Paarl security police led the operation during which no reasons were given for the confiscation. This is according to Mr Trevor Manuel, secretary of the Cape branch of the UDF.

WAITING

He added that the security police had been waiting on the highway.

The UDF was formed by a number of organisations to oppose the government’s plans on a new constitution and the “Koornhof Bills”, which have been condemned as a tightening up of influx control.

The security police action was confirmed by Major George Kershoff, police liaison officer for the Boland.

The step was taken to check whether security legislation had been contravened by the publication of the newsletter and a decision would be forthcoming by Monday afternoon, Major Kershoff said.

An attorney acting for the UDF, Mr Essa Moosa, said he had been instructed to apply for an urgent interdict for the return of the newsletter.

The security police were to reply by Monday afternoon to his initial enquiries and a decision on further action would be taken then, Mr Moosa said.

Mr Manuel said the move was seen as part of a general harassment of the UDF, nationally.

Mrs Albertina Sisulu, wife of jailed ANC leader Walter Sisulu and herself a prominent UDF leader, is currently in detention.

DETAINED

Recently Mr Saleem Badat, a student leader and UDF activist, was also detained outside Paarl where he had conducted workshops on the constitutional proposals.

Several leaders of organisations affiliated to the UDF have also reported that they had been questioned by security police.

The newsletter outlines the reasons for the formation of the UDF and advertises a national rally for August 20 in Cape Town where the national UDF will be launched.

It contains articles on why the constitutional and “proposed Koornhof measures” have been rejected. The main point was that the measures further divided the people of South Africa and thus made it easier for the government to co-opt and rule.

The measures should be fought and, in so doing, the greatest weapon of the people was their unity: “If with open hands we beg the apartheid animal to stop its plans, our fingers can easily be broken. But if we clench a fist, then we are strong,” UDF News states.

The distribution of the newsletters in Cape Town coincided with similar actions throughout the country.

The newsletter was simultaneously printed in the major centres last week and distributed over the weekend.
Mandela is not close to Cardiff

The Star Bureau

LONDON — Plans to name streets in a new housing estate in Cardiff after South African personalities and places are likely to be thrown out now that the Conservative Party controls the city council.

Names proposed by the former Labour administration included Mandela Avenue, Biko Close, Luthuli Close, Sharpeville Road and Soweto Close.

None of the names was approved formally. The issue is to be discussed next month.

The new council leader, Mr Ron Watkiss, says he does not think street names should be political.

The council ran into trouble over the naming of streets in the Thornhill estate after Welsh servicemen killed in the Falklands campaign. The idea was withdrawn after residents complained that it would cause confusion.

Footnote: Last month the Greater London Council approved changing the name of Selous Street in Camden, North London, to Mandela Street in spite of objections from local residents.
Hoax pamphlets slammed as bid to sabotage UDF rally

By ZWELAKHE SISULU

Mysterious pamphlets purporting to have been issued by the United Democratic Front (UDF) announcing the postponement of the UDF rally in Cape Town tomorrow are a hoax.

The national secretariat of the UDF has described the pamphlets as a hoax meant to confuse the people and sabotage the rally.

The pamphlets were distributed in the Newclare-Bosmont area in Johannesburg. The pamphlets were flung from a speeding car and in other areas posters announcing the postponement of the rally were displayed.

The pamphlet read: The interim national executive of the UDF has decided, with much regret, to postpone the national rally which was to have been held at Cape Town on August 20, 1983."

The rally, the pamphlet said, was being postponed because of "expected State action."

The secretariat of the UDF said in a statement: "Thus is the action of those who fear the growing unity of our people under the banner of the UDF."

"These malicious manoeuvres by those who seek to divide our people are sure to fail as has happened in the past. Nothing, but nothing, will stop this great march towards unity and freedom."
Genu jailed for eight years

By NKOPANE

THE CHAIRMAN of the Kagiso Residents’ Organisation (KRO), Isaac Mosotho Genu (30), was sentenced to an effective eight years’ imprisonment by a Krugersdorp regional magistrate yesterday after he was convicted on charges to do with the outlawed African National Congress (ANC).

Mr T J Le Grange jailed Genu for four years for membership of the organisation, another four years for taking part in activities of the ANC and six months for possession of an ANC publication, “Mayibuye”. The six months will run concurrently with sentences on the main and second count. He had pleaded not guilty to all charges.

In passing sentence, the magistrate said the offences were of a serious nature and that is why even the legislature had introduced a minimum sentence of ten years each for membership of and taking part in the ANC activities.

He rejected the defence counsel’s submission that a suspended sentence be imposed because it would in itself act as a deterrent not only during the period of suspension but for the rest of Genu’s lifetime. He also rejected a plea that for the purpose of sentence, the offences be taken as one.
When the church succumbs to the temptations of power and identifies with a powerful establishment, then we see that church when that system is overthrown. When the powerless, the poor come into their own. That church will go down with that system as happened to the Roman Catholic Church in Mozambique and the Anglican Church in Zimbabwe," he said.

Bishop Tutu called on the Dutch Reformed Church to be converted to its true vocation as the Church of God and to stop giving its spurious biblical support to the most vicious system — apartheid — since Nazism.

On May 6, 1976 Bishop Tutu wrote to the then Prime Minister of South Africa, Mr. John Vorster, warning him of his fears of impending bloodshed and violence in South Africa unless something drastic was done to bring about change.

He told the Prime Minister of the violence he saw in Jerusalem between Jews and Arabs in 1966 before the Six-Day War, and of the street riots of Addis Ababa which preceded the overthrow of Emperor Haile Selassie.

Just over a month after the letter, on June 16, violence erupted in Soweto and it spread to all parts of the township, resulting in the deaths and injury of several hundred people.

Bishop Tutu also does not attend American Embassy functions as a personal protest against actions of the Reagan Administration, neither does he see Reagan Administration people.

In a taped message to the Trans-Africa Forum in the US in February 1982, the Bishop said blacks have been deeply hurt by the Reagan Administration's friendship with the Government of South Africa.

Quoting Dr. Chester Crocker in saying that in the struggle between black and white in South Africa the US would not take sides, Bishop Tutu asked: "How can you be impartial in a situation of injustice and oppression?"

He said that to be impartial and not to take sides is indeed to have taken sides already. It is to have sided with the status quo.

He describes the South African/American friendship as a case of blood being thicker than water, a case where whites cannot be trusted because when it comes to the crunch, whatever the morality involved, whites will stick by their fellow whites.

The Bishop's sermons and speeches, compiled into a 149-page book, are indeed a commendable effort by Mothobi. Those who know that when Bishop Tutu speaks, leaders in South Africa and the international community listen, will agree that the compilation is long overdue.

The sermons and the speeches, over 20 of them altogether, were made at various parts of the country, while others were taped and sent to places like Kenya and the US, when Bishop Tutu was unable to travel after his passport was withdrawn by the Government for statements he made in Scandinavian countries about apartheid and his call for diplomatic, political and economic pressure to be applied against South Africa.

The book is, according to its publishers, selling like hot cakes at the moment at R4.95 (soft cover) and R9.95 (hard cover).
Blacks 'are opposed to tripartite rule'

By PATRICK LAURENCE
Political Editor

The proposed inclusion of coloureds and Indians in the central Parliament would increase black opposition to the system, Dr Hennie Kotzer, of Rand Afrikaanse University, said yesterday.

Research at RAU showed that blacks were more opposed to the prospect of tripartite rule of South Africa by whites, coloureds and Indians than they were to unracial rule by whites, he told the Political Science Association congress in Pretoria.

More than 80% of opinion-forming blacks were opposed to the idea of a governing partnership between the three main non-black minorities against 67% who were opposed to control resting solely in the hands of whites, he said.

The proposed new dispensation of triad rule was even more unpopular than government by Afrikaners alone, or by the National Party on its own, where the opposition ratings were 70% and 63% respectively.

At another seminar at the congress, Dr Michael Sinclair, of the University of the Witwatersrand, told participants that black Africa would not recognise any South African dispensation as legitimate unless it included the outlawed African National Congress as a partner, or was endorsed by the ANC as legitimate.

Dr Sinclair said of the relationship between black African states and the ANC: "ANC performance and credibility is gauged by the extremes of violence which that organisation is able to perpetrate."

At a third seminar a questioner noted that blacks had rejected "racial capitalism" and then asked Professor Noel Manganyi of the University of the Witwatersrand, whether blacks would accept capitalism if it were purged of racism.

Prof Manganyi replied that the black experience of capitalism in South Africa was of a "nominal capitalism" which prevented them from opening shops in Pretoria and which "preselected its cohorts".

Prof Lawrence Schlemmer, of the University of Natal, said separate development could be used to secure a degree of legitimacy for the system if it promoted regional government in black areas which did not involve the loss of South African citizenship for deprived blacks in the region of access to the common areas.
UDF Sends Perez an Invitation

Staff Reporter

THE United Nations Secretary-General, Dr. Javier Perez de Cuellar, has been invited to meet the national executive of the United Democratic Front (UDF) when he is in South Africa.

A UDF spokesman said today a telex had been sent to Dr. de Cuellar. The organisation is to be launched in Mitchell's Plain tomorrow.

SAME STRUGGLE

Mr. Zac Yacoob, a member of the Natal UDF, said the invitation had been issued to Mr. de Cuellar because "we believe that the struggles of our people in South Africa are the same struggle as the people of Namibia."

Mr. Yacoob said it was "inappropriate for the UN Secretary-General to limit his consultation on Namibia to the undemocratic South African Government alone."

Meanwhile, buses carrying more than 1,000 people have already left various centres in the country to come to Cape Town for tomorrow's national launching.

Fraudulent pamphlets were distributed in Cape Town.

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Service told issue is not with Sebe

MDANTSANE — Mdantsane residents were not at issue with the Ciskei Government but with Pretoria. An audience of more than 1 000 was told at a service in Duncan Village.

“We are not concerned with Sebe and his government,” said Mrs J. Hobana, an executive member of the Border branch of the National Women’s Association (NWA) which organised the service to commemorate the 1965 march by thousands of women on Pretoria.

“The Pretoria government, Sebe’s masters, are the people who created apartheid and they must answer for what is happening now.” Mrs Hobana, who is also president of the NWA’s Mdantsane branch continued, to shouts of “Amandla.”

“We are not visitors in South Africa. We were born here and we are here to stay. Our rights are our children’s rights. We must fight for them,” she said.

Various speakers touched on the three-week-old bus boycott in Mdantsane, the political turmoil in Ciskei, and apartheid in South Africa.

Mrs N. N. Mgabela, said the NWA, an affiliate of the non-racial South African Federation of Women, was to embark on a drive to organise white women.

She said it took her an hour every morning to get to a railway station from her house in Mdantsane.

“but we as residents started the bus boycott and we are the people who will decide when to call it off. Shotings and killings will not deter us.”

She urged people to try to get to work even if it took them the whole morning.

“We have got to show our employers that this is not a boycott by hooligans. It is a peaceful protest by disciplined people.”

The Reverend Alf Dlamini, vice-president of the Border Council of Churches asked the audience to pray for a sense of evaluation among black people.

“We have got to know where we stand. This is not a blacks-only struggle. Everybody who is moved by apartheid, racism and injustice must get on the wagon,” he said. — DDC
Biggest alliance since the fifties

By Staff Reporter DAVID BREIER

with a clear ideological platform.

Such a step would inevitably alienate some groups within the UDF.

For example, a socialist stance would appeal to many members but would not go down too well with the Western Cape Traders Association.

Instead, the UDF has adopted a rallying call which will not fail to appeal to both workers working outside the Government system.

Resistance to the constitution and to the Koomhof Bills is the lowest common denominator that binds all these contrasting groups together.

The formula has even succeeded in obtaining support from the Azanian Peoples Organisation (AZAPO) which is committed to the National Forum, an anti-Government grouping with a strong black consciousness bias.

As long as the Government persists with the constitution and the Koomhof Bills, the UDF will be able to use these issues to good effect to maintain unity.

The declaration likely to be accepted will be a revised version of a Western Cape declaration calling for a single South Africa with no divisions and rejecting the constitutional proposals and Koomhof Bills.

Any thought of resurrecting the Freedom Charter dating from the Congress movement in the 1950s is taboo as the issue is divisive.

At this stage of its existence, the UDF will stick to this populist message and keep off dangerous ideological grounds.


d by HUGH ROBERTSON, Staff Writer

DEPENDING on whom you speak, the number of people who are members of organisations already affiliated to the United Democratic Front total anywhere between 1 000 000 and 3 000 000. Whatever the real figure might be, the undeniable fact is that the UDF is not just large, but enormous.

It has more than 400 affiliated bodies, some of them turn having hundreds of branches and sub-affiliates. They include most of the major organisations in the black, coloured and Asian communities as well as many multi-racial bodies and even a few predominantly white groups.

In the Western Cape, the church is a major player, and in turn has hundreds of branches and sub-affiliates. They include the United Women's Organisation, with its 19 branches, the Western Cape Civic Association with its 30 branches and all black townships in the region, including the KTC squatter camps.

Church youth

The Inter-Church Youth organisation, with well over 200 affiliated clubs in the Western Cape alone, is a member of the UDF as is the multi-racial Cape Youth Congress with 38 affiliated; the Mid-Cape Judicial Council and the Azanian Students Organisation, with approximately 20 000 members.

The major industrial unions have so far not joined the UDF, but they too, by ideological disputes between members who support the multi-racial Congress of South Africa (COSA) and members who support the black consciousness movement, are infinitely smaller National Front.

Others have given their public support to the UDF, both in principle and in practice.

The Congregational Union of South Africa, which claims 50 000 paid up members, they include the Council of Unions of South Africa, which claims 50 000 paid-up members.

the South African Allied Workers' Union has an estimated 60 000 members, mainly in the Eastern Cape and the hospital and general workers union which almost para legislates in Johannesburg with a strike two years ago.

Nusas and Sash

Among the mainly white groups linked to the UDF are Nusas and a Black Sash, which through the UDF gains much of its multi-racial character from the many multi-racial bodies - notably church bodies - which have joined.

The and women who will wield the power in the new national executive will have to come up with a solution that will work for all.

The National Launching Committee, which has already selected the next leader, has also chosen a nominal 11 editorial board which has already selected the next leader, has also chosen a nominal 11 editorial board.

Any editorial member of the National Women's Organisation.

Two vice-presidents, one is Gershom Tanke, who first rose to prominence in 1985 during the defence campaign for the anti-apartheid newspaper The World. He went on to play a key role in the UDF's successful mobilisation for the 1986 and 1987 elections. He is the leader of the Anti-apartheid Movement and has been a member of the UDF executive for several years.

The other is Mr Joseph Marks, a general and bearded vice-chairman of the Anti-apartheid Action Committee and a lawyer by trade. He has long

A former Nusas president who was recently indicted, Mr Andrew Boshoff, is one of the founders of the UDF in the Western Cape. He was detained for lengthy periods during the 1980s, in prison and the anti-apartheid campaign in 1989. The other treasurer is Mr Sasol, who is the editor of the Cape Town and the Sunday newspaper and chairman of the Community Network.

There are several other prominent Western Cape members of the UDF. Among them are Mr Bamba Ngoboko, former national organiser of the Azanian Students Organisation, and Mr Solomon, an executive member of the National Executive Council and chief representative of the South African students in the Conference of Students (INSA) in last year's Congress. Mr Trevor Grieson, president of the Cape Youth Congress and a former editor of the South African National Educational Network (SAINE) and member of the Anti-apartheid Action Committee.
THE head of the United Democratic Front (UDF) in the Western Cape, Mr Oscar Mpetha, is in a satisfactory condition after being admitted to hospital at the weekend.

The Groote Schuur Hospital’s medical superintendent, Dr M G Heath, although confirming Mr Mpetha’s hospitalisation, would not say what his ailments were.

Mr Mpetha, 74, a trade unionist and community leader, has been hospitalised several times in recent years. He is a diabetic and has been troubled by gangrene in his left foot.

On June 29 Mr Mpetha was released on R1 bail following an appeal against his conviction on terrorism charges. By that time, Mr Mpetha, a national organiser with the African Food and Canning Workers Union and Food and Canning Workers Union as well as chairperson of the Nyanga Residents Association, had been in prison for almost three years.
Winnie to apply to visit Nelson

Mrs Winnie Mandela is to request permission to visit her husband, jailed African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela, so that they can discuss his nomination as University of Natal chancellor.

According to the family lawyer, reports that Mandela had refused to stand for election were the result of a "misunderstanding".

The lawyer, Mr I Ayob, said that as neither he nor Mrs Mandela had been able to communicate with Mandela to find out whether he wished to stand as chancellor, it had been decided Mrs Mandela should visit her husband at Pollsmoor Prison.

Mr Ayob added that Mrs Mandela was to apply immediately for permission.

Meanwhile author Dr Alan Paton, who has also been nominated for the chancellorship, said he stood by his earlier announcement that he would withdraw if Mandela stood for the post.

Sapa.
PAC seeks to widen links

From ANDRE VILJOEN

HARARE. — High-level Pan Africanist Congress delegations were poised to visit frontline States with which the PAC had no diplomatic relations, the organization’s permanent observer at the United Nations, Mr. Gora Ebrahim, said in an interview here yesterday.

He said the PAC had been invited officially by the Mozambican Government to visit Mozambique at a time suitable to both parties and had followed a recent suggestion by the Angolan Foreign Minister, Mr. Paulo Jorge, and applied in writing to send a delegation to Angola.

He expected the PAC would visit Mozambique this year.

He said the ruling United Independence Party of Zambia had undertaken to discuss the PAC at its next central committee meeting. “I do not see why they should not talk to the PAC when they talk to Botha (the South African Prime Minister, Mr. P W Botha),” he said.

He said that at a central committee plenary session in Tanzania last month, the PAC had decided to try to brief all frontline States about its strategy and tactics and misunderstandings between them.

He said serious internal divisions which had been crippling the PAC in the late 1970s had been patched up under the leadership of former Robben Island prisoner Mr. John Nyati Pokela, who took over in 1981.

Tanzania, where the PAC has its headquarters and Zimbabwe which has old connections with the PAC, both appear to treat the PAC and the African National Congress even-handedly. The other frontline States have strong diplomatic relations with the ANC but none with the PAC.

The United Nations and Organization of African Unity both recognize both South African nationalist movements, but internationally the ANC enjoys considerably greater recognition and material aid.

Mr. Ebrahim said the PAC would like the frontline States to play a role in uniting the ANC and PAC. ANC spokesmen have consistently rejected PAC unity overtures.

Mr. Ebrahim said Mr. Pokela would lead a senior PAC delegation on a 10- to 14-day visit to China starting on Sunday. He rejected any suggestion that a recent successful visit to China, traditionally the PAC’s most important international ally, by the ANC president, Mr. Oliver Tambo, signified a weakening in PAC-Chinese relations.
Staff Reporters

Meetings were held by the United Democratic Front in the Peninsula last night to swell grass-roots support for the movement before its national launching in Mitchell's Plain tomorrow.

A meeting in Nyanga attracted 700 people, and another in Observatory drew about 350.

A senior Natal member of the UDF, Mr Mosiwa "Terror" Lekota, told the mainly white audience in Observatory: "It is significant for any black to be invited by white opponents of apartheid. "Generations of whites in the future will be grateful to you. The bitterness felt in the country will be mitigated by your participation."

He said whites should participate fully in events and not play second-fiddle.

"You must come into the struggle on a free, non-racial, democratic basis."

The Western Cape co-treasurer, Mr Andrew Boraine, said the Labour Party would be "found guilty of furthering the aims of apartheid."

Mr Trevor Oosterwyk, president of the Cape Youth Congress (Ceyco), said: "We are not a bunch of radical communists, but an organisation of people against apartheid."

REJECTED

The Nyanga meeting rejected the proposed moving of blacks to Khayelitsha, which was described as "a concentration camp."

It also undertook to boycott the community council elections to be held in November.

The UDF's Western Cape publicity secretary, Mr Baba Ngcokoto, said the front was expanding while the Government's support was shrinking.
Thousands expected at Cape launch of UDF

By Jo-Anne Collinge

Internal liberation politics are expected to reach a high tide mark this weekend with the Cape Town launch of the nationally organised United Democratic Front. As busloads of supporters from four provinces head for the Rockland Civic Centre, organisers are readying themselves for a crowd of 5,000 at tomorrow’s public rally to launch the UDF into national politics.

The event is a culmination of resurgent political interest expressed through scattered township residents’ organisations and labour bodies over the last four or five years. UDF, the creature born of this process, is quite unlike other radical opponents of apartheid — past or present.

In contrast to the Congress Alliance of the 1960s, which was a close grouping of well-established national organisations, the Black Consciousness bodies, which operated as individual units, the UDF is a loose association of over a hundred organisations, large and small.

Affiliates range from localised tenants’ groups to large labour bodies — such as the Council of Unions of South Africa and the General and Allied Workers’ Union. UDF has emerged from provincially-based political bodies, like the Natal and Transvaal Indian Congresses, to student organisations, such as the Azanian Students’ Organisation and the Congress of South African Students.

What binds them together, according to a statement of principle to which all affiliates subscribe, is the belief in a future “non-racial, unitary state” in South Africa, uncondemned by racial or ethnic considerations as formulated in the bantustan policy and in a united struggle of “all democrats regardless of race, religion or colour” to achieve this vision.

Although UDF leaders have repeatedly stressed that the organisation is a front — a coming together of independent organisations in a specific line of action — and that members retain autonomy, the success of UDF will lie in holding the active allegiance of its many and varied members.

Commenting on this on the eve of the national launch, a spokesman for the national secretariat said he believed strong UDF regional organisations, established in the seven months since the organisation were believed to be the key to cementing the front.

He said provincial bodies had been set up after months of consultation with members and prospective members in the Western Cape, Transvaal and Natal. Interim committees existed in the Eastern Cape and Free State, he added.

The tasks of the weekend’s gathering will be to adopt a national constitution, to elect a national leadership, to revise the declaration of principles and to draw up guidelines for a programme of action.

The constitution is expected to be based on existing regional structures. It is understood to allow for a symbolic leadership — by way of patrons — as well as practical leadership. In a recent Transvaal UDF council meeting it was suggested that patronage would be reserved for those who were barred by practical considerations from participating — exiles, the banned and imprisoned.

Three front runners seem to have emerged for presidency of the front — veteran Cape trade unionist Oscar Mpeha, Natal lawyer Mr Archie Gumede and Transvaal women’s leader Mrs Albertina Sisulu, wife of jaled African National Congress leader Walter Sisulu.

The fact that Oscar Mpeha is a serious contender despite facing a prison term for a Terrorism Act conviction, and Mrs Sisulu, despite being in custody and facing charges under the Internal Security Act, is a measure of UDF’s determination to retain links with the resistance tradition that dominated the pre-Sharpeville era.

Yet the UDF has been careful to point out that it does not view itself as a simple successor to the Congress tradition; nor is it bound by the Freedom Charter, which “the Congress Alliance formulated.

The cornerstones of the UDF are non-racial, democratic beliefs. “Although the declaration of principles will be revised at the national meeting, its essence will not change,” the spokesman asserted. The programme of action is also expected to retain central features of the guidelines set out in January when UDF was first mooted. Prime among these was resolute opposition to the Constitution Bill.
1,000 attend UDF youth festival

THE brass band of the Moravian church in Genadendal (above) blew their way into the hearts of hundreds of young people at a youth festival in Rocklands at the weekend.

The festival was part of the build-up to the national launching of the United Democratic Front (UDF) to be held in the Rocklands Civic on Saturday.

More than 1,000 people attended the Saturday afternoon festival which was held under the theme: "Apartheid divides — UDF unites."

A number of entertainers took part in the festival, including singer Jessica Scherman from Johannesburg, jazz group Trevor Parker and Friends, singer Vicky Sampson and saxophonist Basil Coetzee.
Boesak for UDF launch

ABOUT 5 000 people are expected to pack the Rocklands Civic Centre on Saturday for the national launching of the United Democratic Front, a broad alliance of organisations opposed to the Government's constitutional proposals and "koornhof" bills.

Dr Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, will be the main speaker at Saturday's meeting, which will start at 5 pm after a whole day national conference of organisations affiliated to the UDF.

Busloads are expected to attend from other centres in South Africa.

The UDF meeting referred to in certain quarters as "the people's parliament" — comes as parliament meets this week to debate a new constitution for South Africa.

Saturday's meeting is expected to adopt a declaration rejecting this constitution and pledging to fight for "freedom in our lifetime".

The UDF has rejected the proposed constitution as "an attempt to separate and divide the oppressed and to entrench racial oppression and economic exploitation".

Close to half a million UDF newsletters were distributed throughout the country and a youth festival was held in Rocklands over the weekend as part of a major build-up to Saturday's meeting.

About 5 000 posters were pasted up all over Cape Town and some areas, like Mitchell's Plain, had been pamphleteered twice, according to a spokesman for the UDF in the Western Cape.

About 100 000 copies of the UDF's Western Cape newsletter were distributed over the weekend.

HARASSMENT

The spokesman said UDF posters in Oudtshoorn had been carefully cut down and torn into small pieces. He saw this as part of the campaign of harassment of the UDF.

Four people were arrested at the Mitchell's Plain station on Friday afternoon and held for questioning in connection with distributing newsletters. They were later released.

Six people were also briefly arrested in Kraaifontein last week while distributing the UDF newsletters.

Earlier in the week, about 30 UDF posters were confiscated by police in Kensington. The posters were not returned.
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Parents say: ‘Talk to us!’

THE school committee of Mountview Senior Secondary School has called a meeting of all concerned parties in an attempt to diffuse the three-week-old boycott by pupils.

Vice-chairman, Mr. Armin May, said the committee wanted to bring an end to the boycott and show the pupils that they were on their side.

Reports by Ryland Fisher

"What the pupils are saying is not true. We have tried to help them but they have just ignored us," Mr. May said. "The school committee asked the pupils to attend a meeting of the committee, the principal and the Student Representative Council, but the pupils refused. They said they had no time. We are still prepared to speak to them. We would also welcome a meeting with the other parents.

"We are calling a meeting on Sunday at 3 pm at the school."

Asked what the committee was planning to do, Mr. May said, "We are trying our best to help solve this problem, but nobody can solve anything if there is no cooperation. We need the support of the principal, the parents and the pupils. At the moment, the school committee is going out of its way to solve the matter."

Mr. May said the school committee had the power to reinstate the pupils.

"The pupils also had the opportunity to appeal to us, but they did not."

not to expel one. The Department can override any decision of the committee.

"In all sincerity, we would like to have the children back at school, because they are no longer tolerated. We don't want them to see us as working against them. We would like to look after their welfare."

About the support shown by other schools for the Mountview pupils, Mr. May said, "What happened at Mountview is a domestic matter. What do they think other people can do to help them? They must get help from the people immediately involved."

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A number of pupils from other schools who had gone on a one-day boycott in support of the Mountview pupils, attended the meeting.

The half-day programme started with a march from the main hall to the student hostels, through lecture blocks and the administration department.

The march lasted for almost one hour before students returned to the hall.

ENTRENCH

Professor Jakes Gerwel, dean of the Faculty of Arts at UWC, said the President's Council (PC) proposal would entrench and constitutionnalise the undemocratic nature of the South African society.

"The PC is asking us to become part of minority rule. I give my fullest support to democrats uniting in the UDF," he said.

Mr Andrew Boraine, a former president of the National Union of South African Students, and a present executive member of the UDF in the Western Cape, called on people to attend the national launching of the UDF at Rocklands on Saturday.

"The UDF stands for the unity of all the people of South Africa," he said.

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A Mountview pupil told the meeting of the reasons for their boycott. Several messages of support for the Mountview pupils were read at the meeting.

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The declaration calls for a nonracial, democratic South Africa where the people themselves will govern.

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"We are calling a meeting on Sunday at 3 pm at the school.

"We asked why they did not attend public meetings called by pupils. Mr May said: "The pupils have called meetings twice, but they did not invite us. How can they expect the school committee to bend down for them if they don't come forward in a proper manner?"

"They must also understand that the pupils are the children of parents who make up the school committee and not vice versa.

"We have always been prepared to talk. How can they now say that the school committee is not on their side?"

EXPULSION

On the school committee's expulsion of four pupils, Mr May said: The majority of the school committee was in favour of expelling the four pupils under the circumstances. They were part of the group of pupils who were suspended by the principal earlier this year and then reinstated by the committee.

"With the information and the evidence we had, we decided to act accordingly. This does not mean that we are against the pupils. If the parents and the pupils came together to help us, this thing might never have happened."

Mr May said the committee expelled the pupils because they 'misconducted, used abusive language and disobeyed the orders of the principal.'

We were informed of their offences by the principal. We first heard their case when they were involved with the other pupils. When we reinstated them, we warned that they mus-
From BARRY STREEK

THE Labour Party tried hard, but made only one real impression on the Nationalist-dominated Parliamentary Select Committee on the constitution — it gained an amendment which laid down that at the time of the party's appointment, a minister "in the opinion of the President" should "have the support of the majority in the House consisting of members of that population group."

The party had said that, after its experiences in the Coloured Representative Council, the minister should come from the majority party, and that the appointment of the CRC chairman and his executive who did not have majority support was "one of the main reasons for that body's collapse" and it resulted in "utter frustration and immense bitterness".

For the rest, Mr Curry and the Rev Alan Hendrickse, the party leader, had little impact. They had wanted the proposals to be considered as an amendment to the existing constitution, rather than as a new constitution.

DEFUSING

Mr Hendrickse said in evidence: "We feel it could help in defusing the situation and bringing a greater sense of interest if the proposal of the Bill before Parliament could be seen as an amendment and an extension of the existing constitution. That creates the atmosphere of an ongoing process." That approach was, however, rejected and the amendment proposals are called the "Republic of South Africa Constitution Bill."

The major demand for change by the Labour Party was for the powers of the President to decide what were "own affairs" and what were "general affairs" to be limited.

It wanted the Supreme Court or a Constitutional High Court to decide on the distinction between own and general matters because this would "inspire much confidence and create an atmosphere of trust and compromise, whereas under the present provisions where such discretion is left exclusively to the President, suspicion and resentment must of necessity be expected."

UNITY

The President should be a symbol of unity, not of conflict.

But the Select Committee still left the power to the President.

In its memorandum to the committee, the Labour Party also hit at the transfer, without amendment, of the existing powers of the President over black people into the new constitutional proposals.

But other than to delete the word "reserves" to describe land occupied by black people for the first time since Union, the clause dealing with the "Administration of Black Affairs" remains the same, and the Labour Party plea was ignored.

Another failed plea was for education under one Minister.

"Then we can have the same standards of education, the same standards of university training and at school level."

"I am not pleading for it, I am just saying that if I had the opportunity to negotiate education, I would negotiate it as a general affair for all races."

But the Select Committee, instead of responding to the Labour Party plea, actually extended the scope of own affairs in education by including organized school sport.

Indeed, the Labour Party's experience in the Select Committee showed that in spite of being prepared to work within the new constitutional dispensation as a "transitional" step, it had little effect on the outcome of the committee's report.

And that does not augur very well for its potential role if the constitutional proposals are ever put into effect.
Muslim concern at jibe on their beliefs

Weekend Argus Reporter
ANGRY Cape Town Muslims are demanding an apology for a statement by Dr F A H van Staden (CP Koedoeport) that Muslims do not believe in an Almighty God.

Dr van Staden had proposed in Parliament an amendment to a Constitution Bill clause reading: "The people of the Republic of South Africa acknowledge the sovereignty and guidance of Almighty God."

He suggested this be changed to: "The peoples of the Republic of South Africa acknowledge the sovereignty and guidance of the Holy Trinity," as some South Africans did not "acknowledge or accept the Almighty God."

He said that while 68 percent of the Indian population maintained the Hindu faith, which left no room for the acceptance of the biblical Almighty God, 22 percent of the people were Islamic and the Allah of their faith and the God of the Bible were not the same.

"Offended"

Mr Hassan Khan, president of the Al-Jihad Islamic Movement in Cape Town and chairman of the Schotze Kloof Civic Association, said he and other Muslims had been offended by the statement.

"I and Muslims in general view with concern and dissatisfaction the statement made by Dr van Staden to say Muslims in South Africa did not believe in the Almighty God.

"We would like to know where he gets his information."
Massive backing for UDF rally

Bogus pamphlet campaign unable to prevent anti-Nat forces gathering

By David Braun

Grassroots support for what could be the largest anti-Government coalition in recent years, the United Democratic Front, swelled on the eve of today's mass rally in Cape Town.

In spite of a countrywide bogus pamphlet campaign which sought to sow confusion about the event, more than 5,000 people from all parts of the country were expected to converge on Mitchell's Plain near Cape Town for the launching of the UDF, an all-embracing front of organisations from every race group and with divergent philosophies, but united in their opposition to apartheid.

Four giant television screens have been installed in a marquee to accommodate the overflow of people expected at the Rockland's Civic Centre.

At least five video teams and an international film company were expected to join the large Press corps covering the meeting.

Preliminary meetings in the Cape Peninsula on Thursday attracted more than 1,000 people, including the meeting in Observatory addressed by Mr Mosiwa 'Terror' Lekota, a senior Natal member of the UDF, which was attended mainly by whites.

Mr Lekota told his audience: 'It is significant for any black to be invited by white opponents of apartheid. Generations of whites will be grateful to you. The bitterness felt in the country will be mitigated by your participation.'

The organisers were hoping that the Secretary General of the United Nations, Dr Perez de Cuellar, expected in South Africa on Monday for talks on the Namibian question, would attend the rally.

A UDF spokesman said a telegram had been sent to Dr Perez inviting him to 'honour the rally with his presence' and to meet the executive committee.

Meanwhile, the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo), which is not sending delegations to the rally because it has not yet negotiated common ground with the front, has denied responsibility for pamphlets which smeared the UDF as 'the old white-dominated SA Communist Party/ANC alliance dressed up in a new guise'.

Mr Mumin Mweeza, the secretary general of Azapo, dismissed the pamphlets, which purported to have been published by Azapo, Sacos and the National Forum Committee, as mischievous and irresponsible.

Mr Mweeza also said the pamphlets obviously emanated from people who were short-sighted and who sought to perpetuate what they regarded as irreconcilable differences in the approach to liberation.
Massive launch for UDF

By JANE ARBOUS
Political Reporter

THOUSANDS of people from around the country streamed into Cape Town last night for today’s national launching of the United Democratic Front — the biggest anti-government alliance since the Congress movement in the 1950s.

In the well-organized and feverish build-up to today’s programme, which includes the election of the national leadership and culminates in a mass rally in Mitchell’s Plain, dozens of area committees have been established.

A 24-hour telephone hotline for information has been operating, workshops on the constitutional proposals have been held nightly in the past few weeks, and hundreds of thousands of national and regional newsletters and pamphlets have been distributed door-to-door.

Fake pamphlets

In a new development yesterday, hundreds of false pamphlets appeared throughout the Peninsula. The same occurred in Johannesburg and Durban the previous day.

In one of the pamphlets, which purported to have been issued by the United Democratic Front (UDF), the date of the rally had been postponed to October because of “expected repressive state action, including strong indications of mass arrests at the rally”.

Another pamphlet, which rejected the participation of the white “oppressor” class in the liberation struggle, purported to be issued by the National Forum Committee, the South African Council on Sport, and the Azanian People’s Organization. They have denied responsibility.

A false poster was also distributed, saying that the UDF youth festival — held last weekend — would take place today in Hanover Park, at the same time as the Mitchell’s Plain rally.

The UDF’s national secretary, Mr Zak Yacoob, described the attempts to discredit the UDF — “an old white-dominated SACP-ANC alliance dressed up in a new guise” — as nothing more than mischief-making by “agents of apartheid”.

Revealing to the “disinformation” campaign, a Progressive Federal Party spokesman, Mr David Dalling, said: “Dirty tricks almost always lead to the exposure of their originators in due course. And once this particular ploy is uncovered, it will certainly do no credit to the cause of those who oppose the UDF.”

He said those who disagreed with the UDF — especially those on the right of their attitudes — should “grant to the UDF the right to meet and express their view points freely just as they claimed that right for themselves”.

In 1981, false pamphlets issued against school boycotts in Cape Town claimed to have been written by the Congress of the People (Cope). Cope leader Mr Lofy Adams, a member of the President’s Council, then denied responsibility.

In the 1980 unrest in the Western Cape, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Information, Mr Pik Botha, confirmed that thousands of anonymous pamphlets had been distributed by an inter-departmental government committee to counter school boycotts and attendant violence.

Delegates

Late last night buses bringing delegates to today’s conference were still arriving at the Westridge Mosque hall in Mitchell’s Plain from all over South Africa.

Young delegates had “campaigned” in several halls in the area while older people were taken to the houses and flats of local families.

“I am very excited,” said Nunu Kuswa, 20, a Congress of South African Students (Cosas) delegate from Durban.

“This is a progressive move which means unity among people who are concerned about the...
PART of the huge crowd which jammed the Rocklands Civic Centre today. Late in the day, as hundreds of people still poured in for the open rally, officials estimated a crowd of more than 15,000 in the hall, an adjoining marquee and outside.

Call in resolutions for active opposition

Weekend Argus Reporters

SOUTH AFRICAN communities were called on today to actively oppose forced removal of people from their homes, the migrant labour system and the Government's new housing policy.

The calls were in resolutions adopted by more than 1,500 delegates and observers at the national launching of the United Democratic Front (UDF).

Repeal call

The conference called on the Government to repeal the Group Areas Act and urged communities faced with removal to organise opposition.

In another resolution, the meeting rejected the Government's new housing policy aimed at forcing tenants to buy their State-owned homes.

The resolution called on communities to oppose the policy and also to oppose the plan for site-and-service schemes which were "no substitute for decent housing".

The meeting pledged to oppose the migrant labour system and urged that the "working class" should assume leadership of the anti-Government struggle.

The meeting undertook to work for the building of "genuinely democratic trade unions".

Messages

Some overseas messages of solidarity came from:

- The Holland Committee on Southern Africa, which described the UDF meeting as "a milestone in resistance to apartheid".

- The Norwegian Council for Southern Africa, representing 21 political, church and human rights organisations which stated: "We salute your fight against the Botha regime's constitutional proposals".

VETERAN political campaigner Mrs Helen Joseph with Mr M K Malefane, a member of the OFS executive of the United Democratic Front.

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DELEGATES: (from left) Mr Andrew Boraine, co-treasurer for the UDF in the Western Cape; Imam Hassan Solomon, a Western Cape executive member; UDF patron and sports administrator Mr Hassan Howe; and Mr Ibrahim Rasool, a Western Cape executive member.
THE launching of the United Democratic Front in Cape Town this weekend marks the beginning of a new political ball-game in South Africa.

It is difficult to say just yet how strong the UDF is, how wide its appeal lies and whether it will be able to form itself into a cohesive political force.

It boasts an impressive list of patrons, including Dr Allan Boesak, who obviously is a major driving force behind it. It claims, also, to represent about 400 organisations throughout South Africa.

Impressive

These figures and facts present a fairly impressive picture. On these grounds alone it would be foolish even to try to dismiss the UDF as irrelevant. But even more worthy of note is the kind of political trend being brought into motion by the advent of organisations like the UDF.

Up till now the kind of opposition the UDF claims to represent have consisted of disparate voices which had been raised haphazardly on divergent issues. What the UDF proposes doing, at least as a starting point, is to orchestrate these into a single voice with a central theme — opposition to the Government's proposals and the Koornhof Bills.

It is the implications of this for the increasingly strained South African political process that are foreboding.

Outside

What is happening is the formation of a very real "opposition" grouping outside the "establishment politics" of the country. By the latter is meant those political formations which, whether they like the Government's constitutional system or not, will in any event be working within it.

There was a time when the term "extra-Parliamentary" politics was regarded as a swear word. Now, at the very time that the Parliamentary system is being subjected to a traumatic transition, extra-Parliamentary opposition is proposed being established as a hard and fast fact of South African political life.

How society is going to cope with it is an intricate question that remains to be answered.

Reasons

Meanwhile, it might do well to reflect on the reasons behind this new kind of political divide that is developing in South Africa. Some would probably put it down simply to apartheid.

The latter might have been a very real historical cause. But what it also illustrates is the severe lack in this country, at this moment of transition, of competent socio-political engineers.

These are people who might have been able not only to recognise where the divide lies but also to design political bridges that could span them.

Adventurous

Dr Van Zyl Slabbert is a bridge builder. But obviously the chasm he proposes crossing is far too adventurous for the liking of the people on behalf of whom he proposes contracting.

What must be increasingly worrying to him and many others is that they know that the chasm is not narrowing, but indeed widening.

Which brings one back to the newly formed UDF. As Mr Heunis is trying to unite people on his side of the divide, so too this organisation is striving to unite forces on its side of the divide.

Once both sides have done their thing, what happens then?
Leaflet war against UDF

By BRIAN POTTINGER

THE nationwide phone pamphlet war directed at the United Democratic Front’s rally in Cape Town at the weekend has sparked fears that it may also be the start of a major disinformation campaign against the anti-constitution body.

UDF spokesman have decided to say who they think is responsible for the well-organised campaign.

The farmers also tacitly agree that the pressure against them may be stepped up prior to the referendum date for the Indian and coloured communities.

The Opposition is hoping to ask the Prime Minister in Parliament if any State departments were involved.

Critical

On Friday tens of thousands of professionally printed leaflets were distributed in Cape Town, Johannesburg and Durban telling people the UDF national launch in Cape Town yesterday had been postponed until October.

Another set of pamphlets purporting to come from the South African Council on Sport and the Asiatic People’s Organisation and heavily critical of the UDF were also distributed.

A third set of false pamphlets advertising a non-existent pop concert in Cape Town at the same time as the rally, were also dropped in the city’s suburbs.

The pamphlets saying the rally had been dropped in Durban, as well as in a place where only a few minutes earlier buses carrying people to the rally were to depart for Cape Town.

LAS VEGAS, Atlantic City, Monte Carlo, Southern Africa... these will be the world’s gambling meccas, not necessarily in that order, if Mr Sol Kerzner’s dreams for his new monopoly in gambling come true.

After the merger between Mr Kerzner’s Newco casinos, including Sun City and those of Holiday Inns — also the Wild Coast Inn — SA gaming has hit the international big time.

The new company, provisionally named Newco, will have half shares with governments in casino resorts in Bophuthatswana, Botswana, Ciskei, Lesotho, Mauritius, Swaziland, Transvaal and Venda.

It will have initial revenues of R150 million, and expected profit of R30 million, making it worth about R500 million.

Mr Kerzner aims to make it grow at the rate of one new casino per annum achieved by Southern Sun under his stewardship.

Mr Kerzner, and Mr Fielden Green, chairman of Remmers, told the Sunday Times that Newco would almost definitely be listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange in the next 18 months.

They maintain one of the main reasons they decided to work together rather than against each other, was to avoid international marketing problems.

"The tiny share of international tourism South Africa has today is scandalous," says Mr Kerzner. "We attract fewer European tourists than Australia.

He is confident the new gaming giant in association with its partners, Southern Sun and Remmers, can launch an unprecedented marketing effort abroad.

Multimillion rand "spectacular," such as the boxing, golf, tennis and entertainment seeks in recent years at Sun City, could become even more frequent and audacious in future as the new stronger group attempts to grab world attention.

The new company would also be able to offer globe-trotting of the best country weather, beach, rail and accomodation.

One reason the plan is already under way is because Mr Kerzner, just ready to realize his dream, it has a two-South Africa policy.

If their plan is to offer a package for the"improvement of the lives of the people," the new company will be a major factor in that, he said.

Delegates slam new constitution at UDF rally

By BRIAN POTTINGER and SYLVIA VOLENHoven

THE United Democratic Front was launched yesterday on a wave of enthusiasm at a mass rally in Cape Town which attracted between five and 8,000 people of all races from throughout the country.

The rally, one of the largest non-racial anti-Government concentrations in years, heralds the beginning of a major campaign to smash the Government’s constitutional proposals.

More than 600 delegates, representing 400 organisations, adopted a series of resolutions condemn the proposed new constitution, the organisation of "racism", imperialism and "economic exploitation".

The conference adopted a declaration pledging itself to fight for a united, non-racial, unfragmented South Africa based on the will of the people and promised united action against apartheid and economic exploitation.

It was committed to mobilising all community workers, students, women, religious and sporting organisations under the UDF banner, and to educate people about the dangers in the constitution.

The conference nominated ANC leader Nelson Mandela, banned theologian Beyers Naude, civil rights activist Helen Joseph, and a number of Robben Island detainees and banned people as patrons of the UDF.

Messages of support from foreign labour organisations, Scandinavian church groups and Swedes were also read out at the meeting.

In a well-received keynote speech at the rally, the Dr Boesak, president of the World Council of Reformed Churches, said he had been surprised by the meetings telling South Africa and the world: "We are struggling for our human dignity and for the future of our children — we shall never give up.

"In a sense the formation of the UDF both highlights and symbolises the creation of apartheid and its supporters have created for themselves.

"After a history of some 351 years of slavery, racial discrimination, dehumanisation and economic exploitation have been caused by the acceptance of the status quo, society and subservience.

"Instead, they are finding a people refusing to accept racial injustice and ready to face the challenges of the moment."

Dr Boesak rejected the Government’s constitutional proposals as inappropriate and warned against the "racism in the fight against the constitution. The struggle was not against "those in the black community who, through their collaboration, sought to give credibility to the plans.

Apartheid, he said, was a cause in the body politic of the world, a scourge in South African society and an everlasting shame to the church.

Winding up for referendum

By BRIAN POTTINGER

THE National Party machine is fully prepared for the referendum, and the weeks-long speculation that the crucial poll on the proposed constitution will be in November.

The National Party win the national referendum and the official candidates from throughout the country set for a briefing with Mr PW Botha.

The party’s information services are working hard on plans for a massive publicity effort.

Parliamentary circles expect the Prime Minister to announce the poll date during the third reading of the Constitution Bill, probably in early September.

The Opposition parties are also preparing for the referendum.

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Mandela campaign 'sabotaged'

BLACK leaders have accused the University of Natal of trying to sabotage the appointment of jailed African National Congress ANC leader Nelson Mandela as chancellor.

They were reacting to the decision by the principal, Professor N D Clarence, not to accept a letter of acceptance from Mandela to Professor Fatima Meer.

Prof Clarence said he required a personal letter from Mandela himself.

The president of the Release Mandela Committee, Archie Gumede, told our Durban correspondent he could not understand Prof Clarence's attitude.

"He is standing on ceremony," Mr Gumede said.

Mr Mewa Ramgobin, recently unbanned after 17 years, said: "Even when in jail Mandela is not only feared by the authorities but also by the academic world," he said.

The university's registrar, Mr A Skinner has meanwhile said he had written to Mandela at Pollsmoor prison more than a month ago, but had not yet received a reply.
Mass rally in Cape commits itself to freedom

By PETER MANN and YOGIN DEVAN

CAPE TOWN: A huge multiracial organisation opposing the Government was launched by thousands of cheering people here last night.

The United Democratic Front has brought together more than 400 organisations pledged to fight the National Party's constitutional proposals and Dr Plet Koornhof's bills affecting black people.

Among its patrons are Nelson Mandela, Mrs Helen Joseph, Hassan Howa, Walter Sisulu, the Rev Beyers Naude, Dennis Goldberg, and Mrs Florence Mchize.

The organisation is headed by three national presidents. They are Oscar Mptsha, Mrs Albertina Sisulu and Durban attorney Mr Archie Gumede.

The UDF was spawned by a call for unity by Dr Alan Boesak in January when it appeared the Labour Party and SAIC were going to co-operate with the Government.

The congress declared: "We, the freedom loving people of South Africa, say with one voice to the whole world that we cherish the vision of a united, democratic South Africa based on the will of the people.

"In our march to a free and just South Africa, we stand for the creation of a true democracy in which all South Africans will participate in the government of our country."

It also declared rejection of the constitution bill because "it will create yet another undemocratic constitution in the country of our birth."

Police in plain clothes kept a watchful eye on the proceedings but uniformed police were absent. On the eve of the congress there were attempts to disrupt the meeting when hoax pamphlets appeared on the streets of Johannesburg, Cape Town and Durban, saying that the meeting had been postponed.

The movement is well organised and yesterday's congress mingled people of all races in the spirit of their common commitment to freedom.

The UDF will face its first test when member bodies take a stand on participation in elections for the proposed tripartite Parliament.

Although many whites attended as delegates only those involved in "extra-parliamentary" organisations such as Nussa and the Black Sash were welcome.

Their presence conflicts with the stand taken by the black consciousness movement, National Forum, which regards all whites as oppressors.

In the main address at the rally, Dr Boesak described the UDF as the "broadest and most significant coalition of groups struggling against apartheid, racism and injustice since the early 60s."

On the question of blacks and whites working together in the UDF he said: "We must not allow our anger for apartheid to become the basis for a blind hatred of all white people."

The thousands that turned out at the rally did so in spite of a blanket ban on publicity by the Government-controlled SABC.

There was a large contingent of international radio, television, and newspaper journalists.
Boesak gets death threats

By LEON BEKKER

DR ALLAN Boesak, prominent Cape churchman and president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, has been receiving death threats at the rate of two or three a day since his return from the World Council of Churches assembly in Vancouver.

Dr Boesak was also warned this week not to address yesterday's United-Democratic Front meeting in Cape Town and advised to get a bodyguard.

"These calls are not new. I have been getting them for some time but since returning from Canada there have been a lot more than usual and they have also been especially vicious," he said.

A new element is that the anonymous callers have been directing threats against his family.

Callers have also been phoning his mother, who is nearly 70, and making sinister threats.

Dr Boesak said his statement on South Africa and racism at the WCC assembly had obviously riled certain people and his decision to participate in the UDF effort was another element which seemed to motivate the callers who usually accuse him of being a communist and warn him to stop his activities.

Almost all the callers had "thick Afrikaans accents," he said. One call this week was obviously from a coloured person.

One particularly bad evening this week he was forced to disconnect his telephone to get some peace.

Dr Boesak said he had learnt to accept the calls and was "certainly not going to be put off" by them.

"I firmly believe I must do what I must do and my life is in the hands of God," he said.

He confirmed he had spoken publicly about the matter to his congregation and had received their heart-warming support.

UDF a massive anti-Government grouping

THE constitutional proposals have already produced two setbacks for the Government — they have reinforced the rightwing white backlash and have rallied the forces of the left.

This second effect has already produced the biggest alliance of anti-Government groups since the Congress movement in the Fifties.

The United Democratic Front (UDF), to be launched at a national level at Mitchell's Plain today, owes its existence to the Government's reform initiatives as well as to the proposed new dispensation for urban blacks, popularly known as the Koornhof Bills.

Dr Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, provided the spark for the new movement on January 23 this year when he called for unity and joint action against the constitutional plans.

In less than seven months since this call, the UDF has developed into a well-organised umbrella organisation for about 400 groups from civic bodies and trade unions to women's, student, traders and religious organisations.

The UDF has developed a reputation for efficiency in contrast to haphazard organisation that marked earlier popular organisations.

One reason for the UDF's success is its skill in juggling the various elements accommodated within it. Any grouping that includes a traders' organisation and trade unions must be diplomatic.

It has achieved this so far by refraining from becoming a single cohesive political party with a clear ideological platform.

Depending on who you speak to, the number of people who are members of organisations already affiliated to the UDF total anything between one million and 1.5 million. However, the real figure might be the undeniable fact is that the UDF is not just large, but enormous.

It has more than 400 affiliated bodies, some of them in turn having hundreds of branches and sub-affiliates. They include most of the organisations in the black, coloured and Asian communities, many multiracial bodies and even a few predominantly white groups.

The major industrial unions have so far not joined the UDF. Some are torn by ideological disputes between members who support the UDF's multiracial concept and those who support the black consciousness ideal of the rival but infinitely smaller National Forum. Others have given their public support but wish to concentrate their energy on uniting the trade union movement.

Yet some significant unions have joined officially. These include the Council of Unions of South Africa, which claims 50,000 paid up members; the South African Allied Workers' Union, which has an estimated 60,000 members; and the Municipal and General Workers' Union, which almost paralysed Johannesburg with a strike two years ago.

Among the main white groups linked to the UDF are Nusaas and the Black Sash, though the UDF gains much of its multiracial character from the many multiracial bodies — notably church bodies — which have joined.

Justin Swart away from WINNER... Cured cancer sufferer from proud mum Mrs Maureen Swart raising marathon from Cape
Azapo—UDF hold talks

THE Azanian People’s Organisation and the United Democratic Front are holding talks in the Transvaal – despite the previous hostility between the two organisations.

This was revealed in Cape Town this week by one of the UDF’s Western Cape secretaries, Mr Trevor Manuel. He said this when asked at a Press conference about relations between the UDF and the National Forum.

“We have given formal invitations to the people who attended the National Forum meeting to Cape Town,” he said.

Mr Manuel also said the UDF and the National Forum had different purposes.

“The UDF has been formed to fight the constitutional proposals and the Koornhof Bills, while the National Forum would provide a platform for discussions on an annual basis.”

It was also pointed out that the UDF was “not in any way a political party”.

“Here is a front specifically to attack the PC proposals,” a spokesman said.

Because the UDF was not political, it had not endorsed the Freedom Charter.

“There are groups in the UDF who do not subscribe to the Freedom Charter,” he said.

“It is not an issue at this stage. The UDF is not called upon to pronounce on the Constitution Bill. UDF delegates will meet on Saturday and Sunday in closed session to adopt a national declaration, electoral office-bearers, including a national president, and adopt a programme of action. Delegates will meet on Saturday and Sunday to adopt a national declaration, electoral office-bearers, including a national president, and adopt a programme of action.”

Speakers at the rally will include Dr Allan Boesak, president of the Christian Alliance of Reformed Churches; Mr Thozamile Gwetse, president of the SA Alliance of Workers Unions; and Mrs Helen Joseph, former secretary-general of the SA Women’s Federation.

Cape Town has been chosen for the national launch to coincide with the special sitting of Parliament to pass the constitution Bill. UDF members are expected to join UDF and attend the rally, Mr Manuel said.

HUGE CROWD EXPECTED

A SPECTACULAR national launch of the United Democratic Front has been planned in Cape Town over the weekend.

Organisers expect 400 organisations to be represented at the UDF’s first national congress.

“We expect about 15 buses to bring more than 1 000 delegates from organisations from the Transvaal, Griqualand East, Cape, Free State and South Western Cape,” UDF Field secretary said.

A national rally on Saturday evening is expected to draw about 4 000 people to the Rocklands Civic Centre in Mitchell’s Plain.

“People of all races participated in the Defiance Campaign that made the ANC a household name all over the world. He was arrested with 154 others and was later charged for high treason as chairman of the Korsten branch of the ANC he was present in Kiptown when the Congress of the People adopted the Freedom Charter.”
WHO'S BACK UP FRONT!

ABOUT 5,000 people from all over the country are expected at the national launching of the UDF in Cape Town tomorrow—and among them will be some surviving pioneers from 1955's Congress of the People.

Some of the originators who drew up the Freedom Charter at that meeting are languishing in jail, others have died. But Frances Baard (now in her 80's), Archie Gumede and Simon Mkalipi are among those who've survived successive bannings and detentions to make a comeback.

The conference and people's rally, due to formulate a programme of action against, among others, the Government's new constitution plan and the "Koomhoo Bils" could revive the old Congress.

About 4,000 people are expected to attend the national rally tomorrow evening at the Rocklands Civic Centre in Mitchell's Plain.

VETERAN II

SIXTY NINE YEAR-OLD Archie Gumede, leader of the United Democratic Front in Natal, could have been a kingpin in KwaZulu today if he had taken up an offer made to him while he was held under the 90 day detention law in 1963.

A senior security policeman came up to him at the Pietermaritzburg Police Station, where he was being held, and said: "Now, Mr Gumede, why don't you behave and be a good chap like Matanzima. We could make you a big deal in KwaZulu if you cooperate."

But Mr Gumede politely turned down the offer.

Today, 20 years later, he is still fighting apartheid despite many years of detentions, bannings and house arrests.

Mr Gumede is also president of the Release Mandela Committee, founder member of the Ukuza community newspaper and member of the Joint Commuters Committee.

The father of seven children, he's had to pay a heavy price for refusing that offer from the security policeman.

Immediately after he was released, he was served with a five-year banning order and restricted to the district of Maritzburg.

He was closely associated with the African National Congress and the Pan-Africanist Congress before they were banned in 1960.

His father, Josiah T Gumede, was one of the founder members of the ANC in the 20s.

Josiah was also a member of the four-man delegation that went to London to protest against the 1913 Land Act in Britain.

In 1927, his father attended the conference of the League Against Imperialism in Moscow, where he met Phinda Nehru of India and President Kwame Nkrumah of Ghana.

In 1943, Archie Gumede became assistant branch secretary of the ANC in Maritzburg.

Together with prominent Indian leader, Mr S B Mungal, Mr Gumede launched the Defence Campaign in Maritzburg and other parts of Natal in 1953.

And in 1956 he was one of the delegates to the Peoples Conference in Kliptown where the famous Freedom Charter was formulated.

He was arrested in the same year, along with 154 other political leaders, including Nelson Mandela, Walter Sisulu, Govan Mbeki, Ahmed Karrada and Raymond Mhlaba, and charged with high treason.

He was acquitted mid-way through the trial.

When his first banning order expired in 1968 he was re-banned for another two years.

He qualified as a lawyer during this period.

Archie Gumede

VETERAN III

FRANCES Baard, 81, a former general secretary of the African Food and Canning Workers Union and activist of the 50's and 60's, has joined the United Democratic Front.

She accepted an executive post in the Transvaal branch of the UDF over the weekend.

Mr Baard is the third woman on the UDF executive. The other two are Rita Ndzanga, GAWU trade union officer and political activist of the 50's, and Albertina Sisulu, Transvaal president in detention.

She likened the formation of the UDF with the Congress of the People at Kliptown in 1956. "It reminds me of the good old days," she beamed in an interview.

Her record includes participation in the Defence Campaign of 1953, the boycott of Bantu Education in 1955, and organizing for the potato boycott in response to low wages for farm workers in the Bethal area.

In 1956, she was arrested, charged and subsequently acquitted in the marathon treason trial.

She was detained in 1962 and banned in January, 1963. A few months later she was arrested and kept in solitary confinement for a year. She was not even allowed a Bible — "My spirit was my survival," she

Frances Baard

recalled.
UDF's area bodies to finalise plan

Staff Reporter

REGIONAL committees of the newly-formed United Democratic Front will meet to finalise a plan of action, Western Cape secretary of the UDF, Mr Trevor Manuel, said today.

He said the UDF could not release details of a "plan of action" until area committees all over the country had met to discuss the matter.

UDF organisers have previously emphasised that the body — an alliance of about 400 organisations — has a decentralised structure with regions having a significant degree of autonomy.

At a Press conference last week, Mr Andrew Boraine, a UDF national executive member, said each region would take up issues which were of immediate local importance as part of the campaign against the constitutional proposals.

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Tough task for the crowd marshals at Plain rally

Staff Reporters

MARSHALS at Saturday's rally of the United Democratic Front feared the crowds outside the hall could be contravening the Internal Security Act and the ban on outdoor meetings.

They urged the crowds to move closer to the buildings to avoid confrontation with the police.

There was constant police surveillance.

Earlier in the afternoon a UDF legal team visited police headquarters at Mitchell's Plain after receiving reports that 14 truckloads of riot police were on hand.

However, the police gave no guarantees, the organisers said.

WALKIE-TALKIES

Worried UDF marshals, communicating by walkie-talkie, kept a tight reign on the situation by moving crowds from nearby roads into the area immediately adjacent to Rocklands Civic Centre.

Their efforts were hampered by unknown radio operators who tuned into the frequency used by the UDF walkie-talkies.

UDF communications were jammed periodically as the anonymous operators broadcast obscenities.

Happily for the marshals, the crowds outside listening to proceedings from inside, broadcast over loudspeakers, behaved well and the fear of police intervention proved unfounded.

ON RAFTERS

So packed was the hall of the civic centre that people sat on the rafters and occupied every ledge.

The meeting was delayed as organisers appealed to them to abandon their perches because they were endangering electrical installations.

But so great was the crush that the UDF enthusiasts soon resumed their perilous vantage points.

The electrical system cut out several times.

When this happened community singing and chanting replaced the speeches, which resumed when power was restored.
Messages of support pour in at launching

Staff Reporters
MESSAGES of support and solidarity from all over the world poured in to the first national meeting of the United Democratic Front.

Local and international Christian, labour and anti-apartheid organisations have lent their voices to the campaign against the Government’s proposed constitution and have given support to the broad-based non-racial alliance.

APPLAUSE
A message of support from the South West African Peoples’ Organisation (Swapo) was greeted with tumultuous applause at the UDF launching on Saturday.

Bodies in Norway, the Netherlands, Denmark and Ireland, and the South African Council of Churches also sent messages.

The General Workers’ Union and the Food and Canning Workers’ Union, two of the largest independent trade unions in South Africa, which have not yet joined the UDF, also sent messages of support.

LETTER
In a letter to the president of the UDF, the GWU said it had “since its inception fought for a free and democratic South Africa.

“To this end we are fighting the Koornhof and Constitutional Bills and we will stand side by side with any organisation committed to the struggle for democracy.”

The message from the Food and Canning Workers’ Union stated they shared the UDF’s commitment to a democratic South Africa.
Quit backing govt, US told

THE United Democratic Front has demanded an immediate end to United States and British support for the South African Government, rejecting the policy of "constructive engagement".

In a resolution passed at the UDF's weekend conference in Mitchells Plain, delegates noted with concern foreign support for the South African constitutional proposals.

The UDF believed the support was to protect economic interests in South Africa at the expense of its people.

It criticized United States intervention in Central America and in Palestine.

In another resolution passed at the conference, the UDF called on all women to bring their organizations into the UDF in the common struggle against sex, race, and class discrimination.

'Divisions'

The UDF said that many of the country's finest and bravest women had been forced into exile "by the apartheid system", which thrived on creating divisions between men and women with inequality before law, unequal wages and conditions of employment, and the application of removals and pass laws.

“We believe:

- "That the goal of full recognition of all women; of freedom, happiness, and security for our children cannot be achieved in the present political and economic climate.

Full rights

- "That oppression in South Africa cannot be wholly removed without removing the oppression of women."

The UDF also called for full rights for workers and the scrapping of influx controls. It called on communities to actively resist resettlement and to continue to fight for cheap basic food and other essentials.

The UDF also resolved not to be deterred by State harassment and repression."
UDF rejects Govt's 'reform' plan

Major black alliance
is launched

By CHRIS FREIMOND
Political Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — The Government's constitutional reform plan suffered another serious setback at the weekend when a nonracial opposition grouping — the United Democratic Front — was formed in Cape Town with the claimed backing of 400 organisations throughout the country.

An estimated 6 000 people braved bitterly cold winter weather and crammed into a community hall and a huge tent in the coloured suburb of Mitchells Plain to hear a team of high profile speakers urge the rejection of the proposed new constitution.

The launch of the UDF represents the broadest alliance of anti-Government groups since the congress movement of the 1970s.

Observers believe it has the potential to become the most significant extra-parliamentary opposition group in the country — particularly if the Government goes ahead with referendums on the new constitution for coloureds and Asians.

Its backers, including the SA Council of Churches, the South African Council of Churches, the National Union of South Africa and scores of community, sports, cultural, church, political and student organisations, have given the UDF the potential support of upwards of 1 million people.

Its major concern is now clearly to organise at grassroots level and transform the euphoria at Saturday's launch into commitment to its long term goal — a country united under a single, politically equal system.

The new national executive met for the first time in Cape Town yesterday to formulate a programme of action, details of which will be released later.

Patrons under which the UDF was formed include some of South Africa's foremost civil rights campaigners, among them the ANC leader, Mr Nelson Mandela; Mrs Helen Joseph; Dr Enoch Jackson; Mr Dennis Goldberg; Mr Hassan Howa; Dr Allan Boesak and Dr Beyers Naude.

The three national presidents elected at a congress held before the mass rally — Mrs Albertina Sisulu, Mr Archie Gumede and Mr Oscar Maphela — are also veterans of the civil rights campaigns of the fifties.

A declaration adopted by the congress committed the UDF to work for "a single, nonracial, nonfragmented South Africa ... free of bantustans and group areas".

In an address to the rally Dr Boesak said: "I believe we are standing at the birth of what could become the greatest and most significant people's movement in more than a quarter of a century."

In a sense the formation of the UDF highlighted and symbolised the "crisis" apartheid and its supporters had created for themselves.

In spite of more than 300 years of white domination people were still not prepared to accept racial injustice and were ready to face the challenges of the moment, he said.

The time had come for white South Africans to realise that their future was "inextricably bound" with the destiny of other South Africans.

A recurring theme of the meeting — the need to accommodate all groups, including whites, sympathetic to the ideals of political equality — was stressed by Dr Boesak.

"We must not allow our anger for apartheid to become the basis for a blind hatred of all white people," he said.

There was a need to reconcile blacks and whites and acknowledge that "the quality for our struggle for liberation cannot be determined by the colour of one's skin but rather by the quality of one's commitment to justice, peace and human liberation."
Huge crowd at UDF launch

THE FORMATION of the United Democratic Front (UDF) highlights the crisis that apartheid and its supporters have created for themselves, Dr Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reform Churches, told the UDF rally in Cape Town this weekend.

The launching, held at the Rocklands Civic Centre in Mitchell's Plain, Cape Town, was attended by more than 12,000 people, making it one of the biggest political rallies since the Congress of the People held in Kliptown in 1955.

Although the organisers had expected the rally to be a success, the massive turnout from throughout the country was beyond their expectations.

The crowd swelled steadily from 9 am and when the emotional rally ended in a frenzied mood of speeches and songs, more than 12,000 people were jampacked into the main hall and adjoining tents with a massive television screen.

Dr Boesak said people had reached a stage where they did not beg for their rights but claimed them.

After the repressive measures of the 1960's the Government had expected the people to be immobilised by fear. "Instead they find a rising tide of political and human consciousness that swept away complacency and shook South Africa to its very foundation," Dr Boesak said.

Dr Boesak said blacks should not allow their anger at apartheid to become the basis for a blind hatred of all white people. "Let us not build our struggle upon hatred and hopes for simple revenge. The nature and quality of our struggle for liberation cannot be determined by the colour of one's skin but rather by the quality of one's commitment to justice, peace and human liberation," he said to a tumultuous roar from the crowd.

Three presidents were elected: Mr Oscar, Mrs Albertina Sisulu and Mr Archie Gumede. Mr Popo Molefe was elected national secretary and Mr Mosia “Terror” Lekota publicity secretary.

The organisation’s patrons include: Nelson Mandela, Mrs Martha Mahlangu, mother of Solomon Mahlangu, Hassan Howa and all prisoners sentenced to life imprisonment under the security laws.

Messages of support were received, including those from Swapo, Bishop Desmond Tutu and various international organisations.

The speakers at the rally included Mr Aubrey Mokoena of the Release Mandela Committee, Helen Joseph, Mr Samson Ndeu of the General and Allied Workers Union (Gawu), Mrs Francis Baard and Sheik Gamiet Gadier, chairman of the Muslim Judicial Council.

Mr Ndeu said the unrest of 1976 marked a point of no return and had left a memory in the minds of freedom-loving people which could never be erased.

The organisation condemned the support of the United States and Britain to South Africa. "We demand the immediate end to the United States and British Government’s support for the South African Government and we reject the policy of constructive engagement."

The UDF said it did not purport to be a substitute movement to accredited people’s liberation movements.

A declaration outlining the organisation’s objectives was adopted and this read in part: “We pledge to come together in this UDF and fight side by side against the Government’s constitutional proposals and the Koornhof Bills.”

Various resolutions on the Group Areas Act, housing, cost of living, and education were passed.
**Nothing’s positive in apartheid, says Bosesak**

by CHRIS FREIMOND
Political Correspondent
CAPE TOWN — The president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, Dr Allan Boesak, was the main speaker at the national launch of the United Democratic Front in Cape Town at the weekend. Here is an edited version of his address.

"We have arrived at a historic moment. We have brought together the people of the United Democratic Front from the broadest and most significant coalition of groups and organisations struggling against apartheid."

"We are here to say that the Government’s constitutional proposals are inadequate and that they do not express the will of the vast majority of South Africa’s people.

"But more than that, we are to say that what we are working for is one, undivided South Africa which will belong to all of its people, an open democracy from which no single South African will be excluded.

"In recent weeks people have come to me with greater urgency than before. Why do you not see the positive side of apartheid?"

"Now when you are white, your children’s education is guaranteed and paid for by the State. When your job is secure and salaries are higher than out of fear, greed and racism."

"We shall not be satisfied until South Africa is once again one undivided country, a democracy where there shall be meaningful participation in a democratic process of a government for all our people.

"But it is not true that apartheid has the support of all white people. There are those who have struggled with us. We are always by definition the oppressor.”

"The homelands policy, which is the most immoral and objectionable aspect of the apartheid policy of the Government, forms the basis of the virtual exclusion of 80% of our nation from the new political deal.

"Clearly the oppression will continue, the brutal break up of family life will not end. The apartheid line is not at all abolished.

"So while the proposals may mean something for those middle class blacks who think that the improvement of their own economic position is the highest good, it will not bring any significant changes to the life of those who have no rights at all, who must languish in the poverty and utter destitution of the homelands and who are forbidden by law to live together as families in what is called ‘white South Africa.’

"To be sure, the new proposals will make apartheid less blatant in some ways. It will be modernised and streamlined, and in its new, multi-coloured cloak it will be less conspicuous and less offensive to some.

"Nonetheless it will still be there. And we must remember, apartheid is a thoroughly evil system and as such it cannot be modified, modernised or streamlined.

"We shall not be satisfied as long as those who rule us are not inspired by justice, but dictated by fear, greed and racism.

"We shall not be satisfied until South Africa is once again one undivided country, a democracy where there shall be meaningful participation in a democratic process of a government for all our people.

"We must turn to one other important question, namely the question of whites and blacks working together.

"This has been mentioned as a reason why the UDF has been so severely attacked by some and why they have refused to give their cooperation.

"They are saying to us that white people cannot play a meaningful role in the struggle for justice in this country because they are always by definition the oppressor.”

"It would like to say to those who think this way that I can understand the way they feel. We have seen with our own eyes brutalisation of our people at the hands of whites.

"But it is not true that apartheid has the support of all white people. There are those who have struggled with us. We have gone to jail, been tortured and banned, are those who have died in the struggle for justice . . .

"The struggle is not only against the white government and their plans, but also against those in the black community who through their collaboration seek to give credibility to these (constitutional) plans.

"This country is our country, and its future is not safe in the hands of people who despise democracy and trample on the rights of people, whether they be black or white."

"We want all our rights, we want them here and we want them now. We have been waiting so long, we have been struggling so long. We have pleaded, cried, petitioned too long now. We have been jailed, exiled, killed for too long. Now is the time."

"The Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis, declined to comment yesterday. But the Leader of the Opposition, Dr Frederik van Zyl Slabbert, said he believed the UDF was a "very important and significant development" which the Government would ignore "at its peril.""
ANC claims responsibility for limpet mine explosion at Ciskei Consul’s offices

CARLTON BLAST

RUSSIAN BOMB
"Little words’ show UDF spirit

Staff Reporters
THREE “little words” were coined at the launching of the United Democratic Front to express the spirit of the occasion — All ... Here ... and Now.

They were coined by Dr Allan Boesak, the main speaker at the national launching of the UDF in Mitchell’s Plain on Saturday.

“We want ALL of our rights, we want them HERE and we want them NOW.

“We have been waiting so long, we have been struggling so long. We have pleaded, cried, petitioned too long now. We have been jailed, exiled, killed for too long. Now is the time,” Dr Boesak said to applause.

Powerful mood
This summed up the powerful mood of the crowd estimated to be between 7,000 and 12,000.

“We are here to say that there are rights that are neither conferred nor derived from the State.

“You have to go back beyond the dim mist of eternity to understand their origin. They are God-given. And so we are here not to beg for those rights, we are here to claim them.”

Although Dr Boesak is widely regarded as the inspiration behind the formation of the UDF, he has sought no official position. However, he was elected one of the Front’s patrons and his address was one of the highlights of the 12-hour meeting.

The list of patrons includes jailed ANC leaders, Nelson Mandela, Walter Sisulu, Govan Mbeki and Dennis Goldberg.

It also included the first person to be house arrested in South Africa, Mrs Helen Joseph, who was described at the meeting as the “mother of the liberation struggle.”

Mrs Joseph’s speech to the rally was enthusiastically received. She may not be quoted as she is listed.

The meeting also responded to “fire-brand” speakers such as Mr Aubrey Molweni, a UDF Transvaal executive member, who said: “Do not pray like missionaries who close their eyes when they pray, but rather like revolutionaries who pray with their eyes open.

A more mellow note was sounded by Congress Alliance veteran, Mr Archie Gumede, who was elected one of three national presidents of the UDF.

“Slogans not enough”
“Slogans are not enough. Sweat and labour, careful thought and careful actions are needed,” he said.

The system had many ways of provoking people and rash action played into the hands of the Government.

Impulsive action would have ill effects on the movement as would people who acted in isolation.

“We must avoid adventures and we must act consciously and with determination until we overcome.”

The other national presidents elected were Mrs Albertina Sisulu — wife of political prisoner Walter Sisulu — and Mr Oscar Mpetsha, veteran trade unionist and community leader. Mr Mpetsha, now critically ill, was unable to attend.

400 affiliated bodies
While Mr Gumede is the only active president of the UDF, the Front has no predominant personalities because of its highly decentralised structure, including some 400 affiliated bodies.

Power is vested in regional committees with the emphasis on “democratic participation”.

Throughout the day the focus was on non-racialism. Whites were urged to “join the struggle for justice and peace”.

At one stage Dr Boesak said: “It is not true that apartheid has the support of all white people ... we must not allow our anger against apartheid to become the basis for a blind hatred of all white people”.

MR Archie Gumede, 70, gives a clenched fist salute after being elected one of three presidents of the United Democratic Front. Mr Gumede, son of a former president of the banned African National Congress, is the only active president of the new organisation.
MPs cautious on UDF as opponent of the Government

CAPE TOWN — White politicians were cautious in their initial reactions today to the massive launch of the new United Democratic Front on Saturday. About 6,000 people attended the meeting.

Nationalist MPs said it was a movement that could not be ignored. One said that the support could grow in intensity and that it could place some of the Government’s constitutional initiatives under tremendous pressure.

The Leader of the Opposition, Dr Van Zyl Slabbert, said it was early days to judge the potential of the multiracial UDF.

There was a great unity in opposition to the Government’s constitutional proposals, but it remained to be seen whether this unity could be converted into a common programme of principles that would sustain grassroots enthusiasm.

At the same time he believed that the UDF was a very important and significant development which the Government would ignore at its own peril. The quick and spontaneous mobilisation of the interests of close to a million people clearly demonstrated the gap in the country’s political structures.

The formation of the UDF aggravated and compounded the crisis of legitimacy for the National Party’s constitutional plan, Dr Slabbert said.

The UDF’s three presidents are Mr. Oscar Mpetha, the local community leader who was recently convicted of terrorism, Mrs Albertina Sisulu, a black activist, and Natal’s Mr. Archie Gumede, leader of the Release Nelson Mandela Committee.

Elated with the weekend rally, the national executive has already begun planning a programme of action. A regional secretary, Ms. Cheryl Carolus, said yesterday that details would not be released until all the UDF’s regional structures had been set up “in the interests of democracy”.

It was hoped to arrange a meeting with the United Nations Secretary-General, Mr. Javier Perez de Cuellar, who is to arrive in Cape Town today for talks on Namibia.

The UDF, an alliance of about 100 South African organisations, claims to represent about a million people. It received messages of solidarity from bodies throughout the world, including Swop, which were read out at the rally at Mitchell’s Plain.

Supporters crammed into the Rocklands Civic Hall and an adjacent marquee to avoid contravening the Racial Assemblies Act.

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Mauritian Berenger

The Star's Foreign News Service

PORT LOUIS — The Mauritian Opposition leader, Mr. Paul Berenger, has won his seat and the socialist alliance of Prime Minister Anderood Jugnauth appears certain to have won the island’s second general election in slightly more than a year.

With the majority of votes from yesterday’s polling counted by luncheon today, the alliance has won a clear majority of 38 of the elected parliamentary seats.

Mr. Berenger’s Mauritian Militant Movement (MMM) which broke from the governing coalition last March has won 22 seats with two more going to its ally on the island of Rodrigues.

Mr. Berenger conceded defeat and said that his party would respect the result.

Mr. Jugnauth appeared certain to retain his seat and the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Harish Boodhoo, was safe, officials said.

About 30 percent of voters went to the polls as the campaign continued to rage over an incident involving Mr. Bouch, the campaign in which two reported incidents on Saturday night with a shot had been fired at leaving a rally in the city. This was later denied.

The relatively peaceful campaign has been marked by its conciliatory nature and the relative peace and stability of all races flows from the hundreds of stations that are well-organized with the police in the whole country.
THOUSANDS of people crammed into the Rocklands Civic Centre in Mitchell's Plain on Saturday to speak at the United Democratic Front meeting. (Reports and another picture, Page 4).

'Cautious' reaction to UDF

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DR ALLAN BOESAK, the religious leader whose call for unity seven months ago gave birth to the United Democratic Front — was given a standing ovation at the mass rally to launch the UDF.

He was clearly the man 6,000 people came to hear and see.

Although he is one of the UDF patrons and not a member of the executive, he appears to be one of the major forces behind the anti-government grouping.

In an 11-page address, Dr Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, said the UDF could become the greatest and most significant South African people’s movement in more than 25 years.

“We are here to say that there are rights that are neither conferred by nor derived from the State; you have to go back beyond the dim mist of eternity to understand their origin — they are God-given.

‘Claim rights’.

“And so we are here not to beg for those rights, we are here to claim them.”

Dr Boesak said the formation of the UDF highlighted and symbolized the crisis apartheid and its supporters had created.

“What they expected was acceptance of the status quo, docility, and subservience. Instead they are finding a people refusing to accept racial injustice and ready to face the challenges of the moment.”

Dr Boesak said white South Africans would never be free until all the country’s people were free.

The UDF, he said, had been strongly criticized by other organizations for being an all-race body. He could understand those who said that whites could not play a meaningful role in the fight for justice because they were “by definition, the oppressors”. But, he added, apartheid did not have the support of all white people.

“Let us not build our struggle on a blind hatred for all white people. Let us even now seek to lay the foundations for reconciliation between white and black in this country by working together, praying together, and struggling together for justice.”

Speaking on the constitutional proposals, Dr Boesak said the government was pushing ahead because they had been supported and accepted by some blacks “who think that the short-term economic gains and semblance of political power are more important than the total liberation of all South Africa’s people”.

The UDF rejected the constitutional proposals because they enshrined the “heresy” of racism and willfully excluded 60 percent of the population. Oppression and the break-up of families would continue.

Dr Boesak said the proposals would make apartheid less blatant in some ways.

“It will be modernized and streamlined, and in its new multi-coloured cloak it will be less conspicuous and less offensive to some. Nevertheless, it will still be there.”

Such an evil system could not be modified or streamlined, it had to be eradicated, he said.

“A founder member of the Federation of South African Women, Mrs Francis Baart, called for the release of all political detainees and prisoners.

‘Workers’ power’

A Transvaal trade unionist, Mr Samson Ndaw, spoke about the Eastern Cape unrest, saying that it was the responsibility and within the power of the workers to change society.

A member of the Ravensmead Rent Action Committee, Mr George Blox, told the rally that the future of the country would be decided by the masses. The people, he said, had made it clear that they would not accept institutions such as the President’s Council and the Indian Council.

The chairman of the Muslim Judicial Council, Sheik Hameed Mohamid, said the launch of the UDF was “a dream come true”.

A member of the Transvaal Free Nelson Mandela Committee, Mr Aubrey Makoena, said God was not an accomplice to oppression, but was “a God of liberation”.

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Dr. Shabbert: Ignore it at your peril

Reports by Jane Argous
Two of the patrons of the United Democratic Front, Dr Allan Boesak and Mrs Helen Joseph, at the rally in Mitchells Plain on Saturday to launch the movement. Dr Boesak told a crowd of 6 000 that the UDF could become the greatest and most significant South African people’s movement in more than 25 years.

Presidents absent

ONLY one of the three national presidents of the United Democratic Front elected at the weekend attended the national launch of the all-race body.

Natal’s 70-year-old Mr Archie Gumedde — son of a former president of the banned African National Congress — was the first speaker at the mass rally held after the conference.

Terrorism Act

The president representing the Western Cape, community leader Mr Oscar Mpetha, 73, who is out on R1 bail after being convicted under the Terrorism Act, was too ill to attend. He sent a taped message of support to the gathering.

Detention

The third president, Transvaal’s Mrs Albertina Sisulu, is in detention.

The patrons of the UDF are Nelson Mandela (imprisoned), Mrs Helen Joseph, Sheik Nazem Mohammed, Mrs Florence Mkhize, Dennis Goldberg (imprisoned), Dr Allan Boesak, the Rev Beyers Naude (banned), Mrs Monty Naicker, Mrs Francis Beart, Mrs Dorothy Nyembe, Mr Hassan Hova, Mrs Martha Mahlangu, Mr Johnny Issel (banned), and Father Smangaliso Mkhatsa.

Nominations for two vice-presidents from each of the three regions were endorsed. They are Mr Christmas Tinti and Mr Joe Marks (Cape), Mr Virgil Bonhomme and Mr George Sewpersad (Natal), and Mr George du Plessis and the Rev Frank Chi kane (Transvaal).

The regional secretaries are Mr Trevor Manual and Ms Cheryl Carolus (Cape), Mr Joe Maahia and Mr Yunus Mahomed (Natal), and Mr Mohamed Vally and Mr Popo Molefe (Transvaal).

Executive members for each region are Mr Andrew Boraine and Ms Mildred Lesia (Cape), Professor Jerry Coovadia and the Rev Mcebisi Xundu (Natal), and Dr Harm Saloojee and Mr Aubrey Mokoena (Transvaal).

A Free State representative is likely to be co-opted on to the national executive.
UDF plans course of action

By JANE ARBOUS
Political Reporter

THE NATIONAL executive of the United Democratic Front began planning a programme of action yesterday after the successful launch of a multi-racial movement against the government’s constitutional proposals.

Elated at the weekend UDF rally which drew 6,000 supporters from around the country, a regional secretary, Mr Ronald K. Chi, said the organization had been "completely overwhelmed by the remarkable response we received."

"For the first time in years people believed they could control their own destiny and were taking a stand," he said.

Action plans

Details of the action programme would be released only when all the UDF’s regional structures had been set up in the "interests of democracy," he said. Plans had been ongoing in the Eastern Cape, Free State, and other areas.

The UDF claims to have the support of at least 400 South African organizations, and messages of solidarity from bodies throughout the world, including Swapo, were read out at Saturday’s rally at Mitchells Plain.

Chants and shouts of "mandela" echoed between the platform and the multi-racial audience, and "freedom songs" punctuated the vibrant four-hour event. Whites may have been in the minority, but they were made to feel welcome.

While the government has so far refused comment on its position to its plans, the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Yali Zyl, said yesterday that the government would ignore the UDF at its peril.

The well-disciplined but unsightly crowd gave organizers logistical and communication headaches on Saturday, but the action would go on despite the threat of police action.

Supporters crammed into the Rocklands Civic Hall - even among the rafter - and an adjacent marquee where the rally proceedings were relayed by video, to avoid breaching the Racial Assemblies Act which forbids gatherings in the open.

No incidents occurred other than the ejection of about six "thugs" wearing false UDF armbands who tried to gain access to the closed conference during the day.

The arrest of two UDF officials, Mr. D. Lenner and Mr. B. Irwin, who were fined R50 for broadcasting from a van.

Police charged two men in a car with Transkei number plates - it appeared they were broadcasting with two-way radios. They took down registration numbers of buses and cars arriving at the rally.

When 14 police vans were seen in the area just before the 5pm rally, a team of lawyers appointed by the UDF went to the Mitchells Plain police station to ask for a guarantee that there would be no interference. The lawyers gave an assurance that crowds outside the venue would be dispersed and appeals were later made for people to find space in the hall or go home.

At 160 UDF supporters acted as marshals to direct traffic and people.

Presidents

Some 700 delegates and 900 observers attended the day-long conference, during which a declaration of intent and resolutions were adopted and the constitutional leadership was elected.

The UDF’s three presidents are Mr. Oscar Mphetha, the local community leader who was recently convicted of terrorism; Mrs. Albertina Sisulu, a Transvaal detainee and wife of the imprisoned African National Congress leader Walter Sisulu; and Natha. Mr. Anne, leader of the release Nelson Mandela Committee.

Diplomatic representatives from foreign embassies were present, as were foreign television and newspaper crews.

Two of a range of speakers, Mrs. Helen Joseph and Dr. Allan Boesak, both UDF patrons, were given rousing receptions.

Chants of praise greeted both Mrs. Joseph, a veteran civil rights campaigner who cannot be quoted in terms of security legislation, and Dr. Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches.

Answering criticism by black-only organizations who believe that whites cannot play a part in the liberation struggle because they are "oppressors," Dr. Boesak emphasized the need for reconciliation.

The UDF had opened its doors to all, "because not all white people support apartheid," he warned against building a future on hatred and revenge.

SATV last night refused to comment on complaints received by the Cape Times about the lack of coverage of the UDF rally.

A spokesman, Mr. Erik van der Merwe, said comment on an issue like news coverage should be dealt with at a high level and could not be formulated at short notice.
Declaration to fight constitution

UNITED Democratic Front delegates at Saturday's conference in Mitchells Plain adopted a three-page declaration which pledged to fight the government's constitutional proposals. The declaration reads:

"We, the freedom-loving people of South Africa, say with one voice to the whole world that:

- We cherish the vision of a united, democratic South Africa based on the will of the people and will strive for the unity of all our people through united action against the evils of apartheid, economic and all other forms of exploitation.

- And in our march to a free and just South Africa, we are guided by these noble ideals.

- We stand for the creation of a true democracy in which all South Africans will participate in the government of our country.

- We stand for a single, non-racial, unfragmented South Africa — a South Africa free of bantustans and Group Areas.

- We say, all forms of oppression and exploitation must end."

The declaration went on to state the United Democratic Front's opposition to apartheid in all forms.

It concluded with a commitment to unite people throughout the country in the fight for freedom.

"We therefore resolve to stand shoulder-to-shoulder in our common struggle, and commit ourselves to work together to mobilize all community worker, student, women, religious, sporting and other organizations under the banner of the United Democratic Front."
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1. “We stand for the creation of a true democracy in which all South Africans will participate in the government of our country;

2. “We stand for a single non-racial unfragmented South Africa — a South Africa that is a beacon of hope to the world, and a beacon of hope in the world, and a beacon of hope to the world;

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The UDF also demanded an immediate end to United States and British support for the South African Government and rejected the policy of “constructive engagement.”

In a resolution delegates noted with concern foreign support for the South African constitutional proposals.

The UDF said it was well aware that the support was to protect economic interests in South Africa at the expense of its people.

It criticised United States intervention in Central America and in Palestine.

“We believe that all foreign governments must recognise the right of other people to live in a non-racial democratic country.”

Those who claim to believe in the noble ideals of democracy have the obligation to support the just struggles of the South African people.

In another resolution passed at the conference, the UDF called on all women to bring their organisations into the UDF in the common struggle against sexual, race, and class discrimination.

The UDF said that many of the country’s finest and bravest women had been forced into exile “by the apartheid system” which thrived on creating divisions between men and women with inequality before law.

The UDF also called for the abolition of wages and conditions of employment, and the application of removals and pass laws.

Travel hitch for Ciskei delegates

EAST LONDON — People from the Border area and Ciskei had to make last minute arrangements for transport to the UDF rally in Cape Town when the bus they had booked was cancelled late on Friday afternoon.

The owner of the bus, Mr. W. Qeke, of Zwelitsha, would not comment on the matter apart from saying he had returned the money to the people who had booked the bus.

In Mdantsane several people were making frantic efforts to get transport on Friday night. Some were reported to have left for Cape Town early on Saturday morning.

Sapa reports that a deputee delegation from Bloemfontein arrived in Cape Town with the news that they had failed to join the delegation.

Boesak wins rally’s acclaim

CAPE TOWN — Dr Allan Boesak — the religious leader whose call for unity seven months ago gave birth to the United Democratic Front movement — was given ovation after ovation at the UDF’s mass rally to launch the all-race body here yesterday.

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He added, apartheid did not have the support of all white people.

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He said the struggle was not only against the government but also against those blacks.

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Treason case accused ‘fit to stand trial’

Post Reporter

A 30-YEAR-OLD man charged with high treason and with contravening the Internal Security Act was found fit to stand trial by a Port Elizabeth Magistrate’s Court today.

Mr Rufus Nato Nzo, of 24 Third Avenue, Norwood, Umtata, was detained at a mental hospital by an earlier order granted by a magistrate on July 11 this year.

According to a joint medical report by two psychiatrists, Dr T Zobow and Dr J R Norton, Mr Nzo was not certifiable in terms of the Mental Health Act and was fit to stand trial.

The unanimous opinion of the doctors was that Mr Nzo had the capacity to appreciate the wrongfulness of his alleged offence and to act in accordance with it.

At the time, he was not affected by a mental defect, the court was told.

The reporter handed the magistrate, Mr S van der Watt, said Mr Nzo came from a disrupted and emotionally deprived background.

He had little contact with his biological mother and was cared for by his grandparents.

His schooling was successful and he had not since been employed. He had no behavioural problems during childhood or adolescence and was alert, but exhibited a depressed mood state.

There was no evidence of psychosis or other major psychiatric illnesses. A suicide attempt recently required intensive medical management, the court heard.

Mr Nzo has been remanded to September 5.

Mr J Scott appeared for the State. Mr N Zlamani appeared for Mr Nzo.

Rode to his death on roof of train

PORTSMOUTH — Simon Cops. 19, was killed yesterday as he crawled on the roof of a speeding train, apparently imitating another teenager who died last week for doing the same thing.

A police spokesman said it was believed Simon read about the other teenager, Chris Denham, who was fined £100 (R165) for riding on top of an express train in south-west England.

He claimed he was imitating Brian Cassady, a train robber in the Old West who was immortalised in the Paul Newman-Robert Redford movie Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid.

Simon was spotted on the roof of a passenger train between Portsmouth and Fareham on England’s south coast.

He was decking under bridges along the tracks, but failed to avoid a disused steel footbridge. He was knocked off the train and his body was found sprawled nearby. — Sapa-AP

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Mohapi wife上诉 to leave to

BLOEMFONTEIN — Mrs Nehle Mohapi of Zwelitsha, King William’s Town, applied today to the Appeal Court in Bloemfontein for leave to appeal “in forma pauperis” against the judgment that dismissed a claim by her against the Minister of Police.

Mrs Mohapi claimed damages, agreed at R25 000 for herself and two minor daughters, as a result of the death of her husband, Mr Mapetla Frank Mohapi, in the police cells at Kei Road on August 5, 1967.

Mohapi was in detention under Section 6 of Act 83 of 1967 at the time.

In the Eastern Cape Supreme Court at Grahamstown on July 3, 1970, Mr Justice W W Smaleberger held that there did not appear to be a sufficiently factual basis to conclude that Mr Mohapi’s death was caused by an assault.

Mrs Mohapi had to prove that her husband died as a result of an assault on him by the police to succeed with her claim.

For Mrs Mohapi it was submitted that she had reasonable grounds to believe that her husband was assaulted.

Christians urge to ‘break down dividing wall’

Post Reporter

A CALL to break down the “divided” Christian barriers was made by the Rev K S N Port Elizabeth Ministers’ Fraternity.

He addressed about 1500 people at the Union Church. Hundreds stood outside and listened.
Political Reporter

THE United Democratic Front calculated the number of people who attended the UDF rally in Mitchells Plain, to be "at least 12 000", a regional secretary, Mr. Trevor Manual, said yesterday.

In most media reports, attendance figures between 8 000 and 8 000 people were given.

The Cape Times stands by its estimate of 6 000 people at the rally.

However, Mr. Manual said the UDF had arrived at their figure by calculating that there were 1 400 square metres of available space in the Rocklands Civic Hall and another 800 square metres in the adjacent tent.

There was an average of four people per square metre, he said.

This amounted to at least 8 900 people under cover.
THE Progressive Federal Party accused the government yesterday of withholding the truth by virtually ignoring the United Democratic Front (UDF) national launch rally in Cape Town at the weekend.

Dr Alex Boraine, chairman of the PFP executive and a party spokesman on the media, said in Cape Town the SABC’s blatant pro-government bias was both sickening and dangerous.

Opinions might differ about the nature of the UDF, but people could not deny the significance of a meeting of hundreds of representatives from across the country, nor should they have the thousands of all colours who acclaimed the launch.

"The coming into being of the UDF is the most important development in South Africa since the 1950s. But the silence from the SABC was deafening. Its bias is not only breath-taking but it is also dangerous. The SABC continues to lull the whites of South Africa into a false sense of security."

Dr Alex Boraine

"It is making the same tragic mistake made by the media in the days of change in Rhodesia. Then there was a deliberate attempt to withhold all the truth from ordinary people," he said.

Dr Boraine urged the SABC chairman, Professor Wynnand Mouton, to ensure fair reporting of all major events shaping the destiny of all South Africans.

"We are living in desperate and challenging times and the SABC has a heavy responsibility to report without prejudice and without favour the news-making events of our time."

"To focus on the rugby media conference at great length as it did on Sunday night on TV and ignore the birth of one of the biggest multi-racial movements is to demonstrate for all to see that the SABC and SABC-TV is in essence nothing more than a tool in the hands of the government."

"It is sickening to witness the craven attitude of the SABC hierarchy who dance like puppets to the tune of the government," Dr Boraine said.

UN body backs UDF opposition to new deal

THE United Nations Special Committee Against Apartheid has sent a message of support to the newly-formed United Democratic Front (UDF).

The message was signed at the weekend by the committee’s chairman, Mr Alhaji Yusuff Maitam-sule.

He welcomed the UDF’s demonstration of unity and opposition to the government’s constitutional proposals.

"The constitutional proposals are designed to entrench racism and apartheid. They are part of an effort by the authorities to dispossess and denationalize African majority behind diversionary propaganda about reforms."

"They are not a step in the right direction as some apologists claim, nor are they merely unsatisfactory, but a manoeuvre to divide the people and prevent genuine democratic change."

"Africa and the world cannot but deplore them, as indeed they denounced establishment of the whites-only Republic in 1961 which began a generation of escalating oppression and conflict."

"We are heartened that all African people totally reject constitutional proposals and that the coloured and Indian people have refused to become accomplices of racism."

Mr Maitam-sule said the UN and the international community had made it clear repeatedly that a just and lasting solution required the release of Nelson Mandela and all other political prisoners, amnesty to those restricted and exiled, and an end to all oppression.

They had also called for discussions by genuine representatives of all people on the establishment of a democratic State and had offered appropriate assistance in pursuit of such a solution, he said.

"I hope that even at this late stage Pretoria authorities will abandon the disastrous cause of escalating repression and aggression and seek a just solution."

"They cannot prevail against opposition of the majority of people in South Africa and the rest of the world, whatever their apparent might today," he said.
Boesak: No positive side to apartheid

DR ALLAN BOESAK, one of the patrons of the United Democratic Front, gave the main address at the UDF national launch rally this weekend. Dr Boesak is also president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches. This is an edited extract from his speech.

People ask me "Why do you not see the positive side of apartheid?" For those of us who are black and who suffer under this system, there is no positive side.

How can apartheid be positive when in the name of Christianity it spawns policies which cause little children to die of hunger and malnutrition, which break up black family life, and which spell out a continuous hopeless death for millions of black people?

How can apartheid be positive when it keeps part of South Africa's children manacled in the chains of unfreedom and the other part in the chains of fear?

Even so, the time has come for white people to realize that their destiny is inextricably bound with our destiny. They shall never be free until we are free.

People who think that their security and peace lie in the perpetuation of intimidation, dehumanization and violence are not free. They will never be free as long as they have to lie awake at night worrying whether a black government will one day do the same to us as they are doing to us when white power will have come to its inevitable end.

What is positive about the government's constitutional proposals? Let me repeat the reasons why we reject these proposals.

- Racism, so embedded in South African society, is once again written into the constitution.
- Dictated by fear, greed and racism.

We shall not be satisfied until South Africa is once again one undivided country, a democracy where there shall be meaningful participation in a democratic process of government for all our people.

We shall not be satisfied until the wealth and riches of this country are shared by all.

We shall not be satisfied until justice rolls down like waters and righteousness like a mighty stream.

The question of whites and blacks working together has been mentioned by some as the reason why they refuse to give us their support.
ing together has been mentioned by some as the reason why they refuse to give us their co-operation. They are saying to us that white people cannot play a meaningful role in the struggle for justice in this country because they are always, by definition, the oppressors.

I understand the way these people feel. But it is not true that apartheid has the support of all white people. We must not allow our anger for apartheid to become the basis for a blind hatred of all white people. Let us not build our struggle upon hatred and hopes for simple revenge.

The nature and the quality of our struggle for liberation cannot be determined by the colour of one's skin but rather by the quality of one's commitment to justice, peace and human liberation.

Liberation

The government has been pushing ahead with these proposals precisely because they have been supported and accepted by some people from the black community who think that the short-term economic gains and the semblance of political power are more important than the total liberation of all South Africa's people.

So our struggle is not only against the white government and their plans, but against those in the black community who through their collaboration seek to give credibility to these plans.

South Africa belongs to all its people. It is not safe in the hands of people—black or white—who depend upon economic exploitation and human degradation to build their empires, who need the cloak of ethnic superiority to cover the nakedness of their racism, who secure their privileged positions by violent repression of the weak, or who put their faith simply in the madness of growing militarism.

So, for the sake of our country and our children, whether you be white or black, resist these people whether they be white or black.

We are doing what we are doing not because we are white or black, but because it is right.

We want all of our rights, we want them here and we want them now.

No rights

The proposals may mean something for those middle-class blacks who think the improvement of their own economic position is the highest good. They will not bring any significant changes to the lives of those who have no rights at all.

It cannot be repeated often enough that all South Africans who love this country and who care for its future, black and white, Jew and Gentile, Christian and Muslim, have no option but to reject these proposals.

The new proposals will make apartheid less blatant in some ways. It will be modernized and streamlined, and in its new multicoloured cloak it will be less offensive to some. Nonetheless, it will still be there. Apartheid is a thoroughly evil system and cannot be modified, modernized or streamlined. It must be eradicated.

To those who ask why we are not satisfied and when we shall be satisfied, we must say in clear, patient terms: We shall not be satisfied as long as injustice reigns supreme on the throne of our land.

We shall not be satisfied as long as those who rule us are not inspired by justice but
CAPE TOWN — Three "little words" expressed the seriousness of the struggle behind the formation of the United Democratic Front: "all," "here" and "now."

They were coined by Dr Alan Boesak, the main speaker at Saturday's national launch of the UDF at Mitchell's Plain.

"We want all of our rights, we want them here and we want them now," he said.

"We have been waiting so long, we have been struggling so long. We have pleaded, cried, petitioned too long now. We have been jailed, exiled, killed for too long. Now is the time," Dr Boesak said.

The applause which greeted the words summed up the mood of the 12,000-strong crowd.

"We are here to say that there are rights that are neither conferred nor derived from the State.

"You have to go back beyond the dim light of eternity to understand their origin. They are God-given. We are here not to beg for those rights, we are here to claim them," he said.

Although regarded as the inspiration behind the UDF, Dr Boesak sought no official position but was elected as a patron.

The list of patrons reads like a "Who's Who" of the liberation struggle. It includes jailed ANC leaders, Mr Nelson Mandela, Mr Walter Sisulu, Mr Govan Mbeki and Mr Dennis Goldberg.

It also includes the first person to be put under house arrest in South Africa, Helen Joseph, described at the meeting as the "mother of the liberation struggle."

Messages of support and solidarity from all the Group Areas and the Bantustans will remain.

We know that there will not be an end to the unequal distribution of land, wealth and resources of the country, that the migratory labour system will live on to destroy family life.

We know that the Government will always use false leaders to become its junior partners and to control us.

"Our lives will still be filled with fears of harassment, bannings, detentions and deaths.

"Mindful of the fact that the new constitutional proposals and Koornhof measures will further entrench apartheid and white domination, we commit ourselves to uniting all our people wherever they may be in the cities and countryside, the factories and mines, schools, colleges and universities, houses and sports fields, churches, mosques and temples, to fight for our freedom.

"We therefore resolve to stand shoulder to shoulder in our common struggle and commit ourselves to the cause of the United Democratic Front, to unite all our people in the fight against the iniquities of apartheid and to build a democratic society in which all people, black and white, live in freedom and dignity.

"We call upon all our people to join the United Democratic Front and to build a united movement for freedom and liberation."
Threats made on life of Boesak and mother since launch of UDF

By BRIAN STUART

THREATS have been made on the life of Dr Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, who flies to Washington tomorrow to speak at a rights rally at the Lincoln Memorial.

Dr Boesak said today there had been threats in the past, "but there have been far more than usual this week since the United Democratic Front (UDF) meeting on Saturday".

He was particularly upset because a man had telephoned his mother, who is 68, "to tell her what they will do with me".

PHONE RIDDLE

Dr Boesak said: "Not many people know how to get hold of my mother, because she does not live with us in Belville. Only people who have ways and means of finding out who my mother is and where she lives could make such a call.

"But little surprises me after the trial at which it was said Afrikaner Weerstandbeweging people intended to assassinate myself and Bishop Desmond Tutu." Dr Boesak said apartheid was a violent system which had created a violent society.

He added: "The Government is not able to deal with the problems of South Africa in terms of constructive, imaginative chance. Instead we get either the structural violence of apartheid or military and physical violence."

"You create an atmosphere of violence, in which these threats can happen," he said.

"I have told my church, my wife and family, my mother, that my life is in God's hands." ADDRESS

On Friday, Dr Boesak is to speak at Washington Cathedral at a service which is planned as the culmination of a week of Christian focus on the work of the late Dr Martin Luther King, spiritual leader of the civil rights movement.

The United Nations Special Committee on Apartheid has sent "warm greetings" to the United Democratic Front and congratulated it on its launching.

Mr Al-Hajj Yusuf Mallama-Pule, chairman of the committee, said in a lengthy letter to the UDF executive that its opposition to the constitutional proposals was welcomed by the committee and "indeed by most of humanity".

He said: "The constitutional proposals are designed to entrench racism and apartheid. They are part of an effort by the authorities to dispossess and de-nationalise the African majority."

"MANOEUVRE"

The proposals were neither a step in the right direction, nor merely unsatisfactory, but a "manoeuvre to divide the people".

The UDF is hoping that a message of support from the UN Special Committee against Apartheid will clear the way for a UDF meeting with UN Secretary-General, Dr Javier Perez de Cuellar, in Cape Town.

However, the UN chief might be reluctant to give South Africa an excuse for again staging UN impartiality by meeting the UDF which operates outside the Government arena.

The UDF publicity secretary, Mr Mosiwa Ledwaba, today hopedful that Dr Perez de Cuellar would see the UDF following the message to the UDF by the Special Committee on Apartheid.

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ANC is non-committal

OWN CORRESPONDENT
LUSAKA — The African National Congress was cautious yesterday when asked whether it supported the formation of the United Democratic Front.

An ANC spokesman here said: "We support all efforts towards unity and freedom, but we can't yet comment about our stand on the new organization. We would rather remain silent for the time being."

However, the spokesman added: "We are still studying the situation. We do not want to make complications for the new organization, as anything we say may be used against the UDF."
Mpetha appeal move rejected

Staff Reporter

A REQUEST by Oscar Mpetha, a president of the newly-formed United Democratic Front, for leave to appeal against his conviction on a terrorism charge was turned down yesterday for the second time.

Mpetha, 74, whose leg was amputated in Groote Schuur Hospital last week, was refused leave to appeal against his conviction by the trial judge, Mr Justice Williamson, in Cape Town in June. However, he was granted leave to appeal against his five-year sentence.

Mpetha’s attorney, Mr Brian Lutumo, said yesterday that a petition consisting of a 20-page document and hundreds of annexures had been sent to the Chief Justice in Bloemfontein asking for leave to appeal against the conviction.

This was turned down yesterday.

Mpetha is out on R1 bail pending the appeal against his sentence.

Mr Lutumo said no date had been set for the appeal, as parts of the trial record had not been finalized yet.

The charge related to the period August 8-15, 1980 near the Crossroads squatter camp, with particular reference to August 11, 1980, when the violence in the area reached its peak and two motorists were attacked and killed in Klipfontein Road.

The sentence of five years was obligatory under the Terrorism Act of 1967, under which Mpetha was charged. However, the judge indicated that had he not been obliged to impose a minimum sentence, he would have totally suspended whatever sentence was imposed.

Meanwhile, the veteran trade union and community leader was in a satisfactory condition in Groote Schuur Hospital yesterday, a spokeswoman for the hospital confirmed.

She said he had declined to allow further details to be disclosed. A family friend said he was feeling fine.

‘Great pain’

Mpetha was admitted to the hospital nine days ago suffering from pneumonia and in great pain, according to his son, Mr Thobi Mpetha.

The leg operation took place on Thursday.

He was unable to attend Saturday’s national launch of the UDF in Mitchells Plain, but he sent a taped message of support in which he sounded extremely weak.

The Cape Civic Association has distanced itself from the United Democratic Front “until the dust settles down”.

The general secretary of the CCA, Mrs L Bam, said contrary to earlier reports, her organization had not aligned itself with the UDF.

CCA observers had attended a UDF meeting without reporting back to the organization.

The CCA had also decided not to affiliate with the Cape Action League.
UN to intervene in Lesotho refugee crisis

By RICHARD WALKER

THE United Nations Secretary-General, Mr Javier Perez de Cuellar, moved yesterday to intercede in what Lesotho now warns is an “all-or-nothing” refugee crisis.

It has presented the UN with a list of 512 “politically affiliated” refugees and intimated that it would expel all of them rather than submit to a selective demand from Pretoria.

Mr Perez de Cuellar is raising the matter with the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Pik Botha, and will send his top African aide to Maseru today. Under Secretary-General Abby Farah will be detached from the UN team here and will rejoin the party later.

Lesotho has asked the UN chief to personallycome, but this was impossible, an official said. Last week, Lesotho appealed to him to intercede with South Africa, which it said was strangling its lifelines.

Lesotho has told the UN High Commissioner for Refugees in Geneva that the crisis climaxed when South Africa presented it with 66 names of refugees in whom it was “particularly interested”.

A check found 20 had left the country, 20 were unknown and the rest were women, children, or otherwise “politically harmless”.

It then supplied the UN High Commissioner with a list of 512 refugees and intimated that unless South Africa relaxed its stranglehold, it would be obliged to find new countries for all of them. The 512 include members of the Pan Africanist Congress, Black Consciousness movements and African National Congress.

It was “all or nothing” because it did not want to be accused of discriminating between political movements. Lesotho told the UN.

Aboard his South Africa-bound aircraft, Mr Perez de Cuellar said the international community had “moral and legal obligation” towards bona fide refugees.
The herald of a new era...

By ZWELAKHE SISULU

THE launching of the United Democratic Front (UDF) in Cape Town at the weekend introduces a new phase in the struggle for liberation in South Africa.

The number and character of the 400 organisations that constitute the UDF make it comparable to the Congress of the People held in Kliptown in 1955.

The more than 12,000 people who streamed to the Rocklands Civic Centre in Mitchells Plain turned the meeting into an emotional occasion, reminiscent of a revival meeting.

Indeed, it called to mind the days of the Congress Alliance and some of the setbacks of that era were the subject of discussion.

Whether the UDF is going to be able to sustain the high note on which it started will depend on its programme of action which is now being finalised.

Prior to its national launch, the organisation concentrated on establishing regional structures, and it is on these structures that its success will be determined.

Perhaps the UDF is better placed to take on the ANC, which has been bogged down in internal conflicts.

The UDF's focus on a broad-based organisation and its ability to attract a wide range of people from different backgrounds gives it an advantage.

Part of the crowd outside the Rocklands Civic Centre before the start of national launching of the United Democratic Front.

pleased in the land of our birth.

“We have over the years been robbed of our land, shelter and livelihood. Our protests are met with teargas, batons and bullets,” the resolution read.

Notwithstanding the Government's onslaught on human rights, the conference was told, the Government was nevertheless finding it increasingly difficult to prevent the collapse of apartheid.

The UDF has made it clear that it does not purport to be a substitute movement to accredited people's liberation movements, but that its task is to mobilise against the Constitution of Protests and the Koornhof Bills.

The people elected as the patrons of the UDF are: Nelson Mandela, Helen Joseph, Mrs Marsha Mahlangu, mother of Solomon Mahlangu, the first ANC cadre to be hanged under the Terrorism Act. Hassan Howa, Mrs Marsha Naidoo, Mr Johnny Isse, Frances Baard, Bersa Naude, Dorothy Nyembe.

Sheik Nazem Mohammed, president of the Muslim Judicial Council, Mrs Florence Mkhize, Dennis Goldberg, Father Smangaliso Mkhathwana and all those sentenced to life imprisonment under security legislation.

The president of the UDF that was elected to a standing ovation are Mr Archie Gumede, Mrs Albertina Sisulu and Mr Oscar Mpteta, Mr Popo Molefe is the national secretary while Mr Patrick Lekota, one of Sasco-BPC trailblazers, is the publicity secretary.

Other members of the national executive include Mr Aubrey Mokoena, Mewa Ramgobin, and Mr Joe Phaalha, former president of Azaso.

In an address that was received with wild acclaim, Dr Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches told the conference: “We are here to say that the Government's constitutional proposals are inadequate, and that they do not express the will of the vast majority of South Africa's people.

“We are here to say that what we are working for is one, undivided South Africa which shall belong to all its people. An open democracy from which no single South African shall be excluded, a society in which human dignity of all its people shall be respected.”
Suppose the interest rate falls from \( r_1 \) to \( r_2 \), the desired level of capital stock increases from \( K_1 \) to \( K_2 \). The industry can supply this, but in it is only profitable to get the quantity \( K_2 \) if the desired capital stock is \( \frac{1}{2} \) of the initial level. We have a new MEI curve with a new level of investment of quantity \( \frac{1}{2} K_2 \). Note that \( Q \) is the normal replacement rate.

The relevance of these concepts is debatable. The accelerator theory of investment is to change in the question of whether to invest or not on whether you would lose more by not investing, or by investing, i.e. lost interest. Thus the investment would depend on the capital/output ratio \( (\frac{v}{y}) \). i.e.

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This theory however ignores the supply function of the firm producing the capital machinery.

The capital stock adjustment principle combines the above two methods to a certain extent.

The relevance of these concepts lies in the attempt to get the economy to have a smooth growth tendency.

(Continued next Book.)
Archie Gumede, one of the presidents of the United Democratic Front, addresses the rally last weekend at which 6,000 people launched the organisation to fight the Government’s constitutional proposals.

The United Democratic Front (UDF) was launched in Cape Town last weekend amid euphoria. But now the organisation has to face the reality of a long march through South Africa’s political minefield.

Dr Allan Boesak, the man who originally mooted the idea of a united front against the Government’s constitutional proposals, told the UDF launching: “We want all our rights. We want them here and we want them now.”

He was signalling that the demand was not just the scrapping of the constitutional proposals, but no less than the scrapping of the entire apartheid system.

But it is a system that will be fiercely defended, and the demand for its scrapping is not one the South African State has easily accepted in the past.

As observers of the “liberation struggle” have quipped: “It is not called a struggle for nothing.” Dozens of organisations have been censored, and their activities and organisations have been crushed by the State.

Few have survived as substantial opposition movements.

The UDF is not just another of the opposition organisations.

There can be no doubt that the launching signalled the beginning of a new stage in South African politics, since it symbolised a regeneration of activity among opposition groups that has taken place in recent months.

It claims to represent more than 400 religious, community, student, women’s and worker organisations.

It is the biggest such body to have risen since the Congress Alliance brought together black, coloured, Indian, white and trade union organisations in the Fifties under the leadership of the African National Congress.

But the Congress Alliance was crushed, forced underground or into exile by banning and arrests in the early Sixties, and organisations since then have lived with the knowledge that popular support alone is not enough to survive repression.

The comparison with the Fifties is apt, particularly since it is a comparison often made by UDF leaders themselves. Many of the member organisations have a character, leadership and form of organisation that are reminiscent of that era.

For example, the request to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr Perez de Cuellar, to attend the weekend launching echoed the attempts in the Fifties to have apartheid condemned in world circles as an important step towards destroying it.

Many of the UDF leaders, such as the three presidents: Mrs Albertina Sisulu, Mr Archie Gumede and Mr Oscar Mosala — began their political careers in the Congress Alliance.

Is the UDF a force for the Eighties or is it just a repetition of the Fifties? What power does it have to ensure it does not meet the fate of the Congress Alliance?

One can try and answer this by studying the figures involved, but this is not very informative. A UDF official said at the launching that it represents the opinions of more than one million people in its more than 400 member organisations.

But since UDF aims to “unite freedom-loving people who oppose apartheid,” one can guess that there could be a lot more than one million South Africans who it speaks for.

More important will be whether it can mobilise this many people to actively fight apartheid.

In pursuing its short-term aims — to fight the constitutional proposals and the Koornhof Bills — the UDF will be asking people to do no more than passively stay out of the system and not to vote.

But the long-term goal of destroying apartheid is a much harder battle that will demand a much more active response from UDF supporters.

The independent trade union movement that has developed over the last decade showed that people saw more to gain in organising, firstly, round bread and better issues that offered them the possibility of real, short-term victories, than in organising round broad political issues.

The natural response to this was that other organisations also started developing more round major issues, such as apartheid and democracy, but firstly round more immediate community, student and women’s issues.

People got together not to discuss apartheid and the homeland system, but to discuss how they could combat high rents, bad housing, poor transport facilities and other immediate problems.

In the long term, these people would not relate their frustration on the short-term issues to their lack of democratic representation on a national level.

Thus the short-term issues translated to long-term political concern and the notion of two-level struggle resulted.

Two-level struggle meant people would organise round national immediate problems on the first level and tie their organisations into a national body to challenge the broader problems on the second level.

The UDF is therefore the national body that should translate small, local and community issues into a national struggle to challenge what they see as the root of the problem... apartheid.

But this is a large step and it requires a great deal of local organisation amongst the member bodies before this can be related to a national, political struggle.

The UDF is therefore dependent on the ability of its member organisations to mobilise people, and its member organisations vary greatly in their strength.

Some — such as the SA Allied Workers’ Union, the Congress of South Africa and the Azanian Students Organisation (AZASO) — claim a huge number of members.

Others — like the Transvaal Indian Congress and the Soweto Youth Congress — are too young for one to gauge their strength.

But many organisations which could provide a major bolster to the UDF — such as the Federation of SA Trade Unions (Findute), the Azanian People’s Organisation (Azapo) and Chief Gatshe Buthelezi’s Inkatha — remain outside of the UDF.

The absence of these organisations make UDF appear less as a broad front than a political party that brings together people under a specific banner.

UDF leaders announced recently that they are holding talks with Azapo and making approaches to Fosatu about membership.

In relation to Inkatha, they said they would consider all applications for membership on their merits, but that there appeared little prospect of a relationship with this organisation.

If the UDF can deal with these problems, and if its member organisations show an ability to mobilise people on a large scale, then the euphoria of the launching will have been justified.

But it will face a tough test on these questions in the months to come.

By ANTON HABER, Political Reporter
UDF: a different view of reform

WHILE whites argue whether or not the government's constitutional proposals are a step in the right direction, those who are not white gave a clear verdict at Mitchells Plain last week-end.

The United Democratic Front is many things. It is militant, it is angry and it is already being denigrated by Nationalist commentators as a "far left" movement.

It is also multi-racial, although whites are a minority of its members and supporters. It is dedicated to peaceful change, although it has not ruled out civil disobedience to attain its ends. And it is legal, although the government might yet decide to act against it.

Above all, the UDF represents a greater threat than any white party, left or right, to the successful implementation of the government's constitutional plan.

It is composed of some 400 disparate organisations united by one thing: The conviction that the new constitution must not be implemented because the government is entrenching apartheid, not dismantling it.

And it has youth on its side. The thousands who literally jammed the Rocklands Civic Centre to the rafters last Saturday were predominantly young. Black, coloured, Indian and white, they were mainly teenagers and people in their early 20s looking for a way to a shared and peaceful future.

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The UDF does not see the new constitution purely in terms of the Constitution Bill now before Parliament. It is opposed to the constitutional plan and the "Koornhof Bills" - rightly bracketing government plans for white, coloured and Asian people on the one hand and black people on the other as part of the same grand design.

The Nationalist plan for a Nationalist-dominated parliament which brings coloured and Indian representatives into government while reinforcing the homelands policy for blacks has not only polarized white politics.

It has brought together in the UDF organizations, from labour and student to church and community, most of whose members are not white, in outright opposition to its proposals.

The UDF meeting showed strong sympathy with the African National Congress, greeting speakers with freedom songs and chants of "Amandla". Radical it might be, and militant too, but it is not necessarily revolutionary or subversive.

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Witness tells of alleged ANC supporters who died in Pretoria explos

Blast: 'A big work'

Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — A witness told the Pretoria bomb blast inquest today of his dealings with two alleged African National Congress (ANC) supporters who died in the blast when the bomb they planted exploded prematurely.

Mr Jerry Shabangu said in a statement that he had known the men for many years.

On May 19 this year, Mr Freddy Shongwe, one of men who died, asked Mr Shabangu if he knew where to get a stolen car.

Mr Shabangu said Mr Shongwe had said he had "a big work" to do. Mr Shabangu said he had not known what the work was but thought it could be a housebreaking case as Mr Shongwe had housebreaking convictions.

Hide a car

The court heard that on May 20, the day of the blast, Mr Shongwe returned to Mr Shabangu and asked if he could hide a car in his garage.

Mr Shabangu said he would make a plan and the two of them drove to Mr Ezekiel Maseko's house in Mamelodi. Mr Maseko was the second alleged ANC man killed in the blast.

The court was told of a white Colt Galant and a combi which were at Mr Maseko's house. The Colt had Swazi registration plates.

Nervous

Mr Shabangu said he could see that Mr Shongwe was nervous but he (Shabangu) did not want to get involved.

Mr Shabangu said he did not know what Mr Shongwe or Mr Maseko were planning. He heard about the blast on TV news that evening.
Black Power salutes, slogans as students clash on campus

By Zenaide Vendere

Fighting broke out between conservative and left-wing students on the University of the Witwatersrand campus yesterday after a lunchtime meeting at which a former Swapo soldier was invited to speak.

The meeting was organised by the conservative student body, the Students' Moderate Alliance (SMA), to "bring to students an alternative point of view on Namibia during Namibia Week".

Strict security measures were enforced. The 300-or-so students entering the lecture hall were stopped by university security men and asked to produce student cards. Those without cards were turned away.

When guest speaker Mr Nestor Heita, a former Swapo guerilla, entered the hall — a companioned by a private security guard — supporters of the Azanian Students' Organisation and the Black Students' Society began hissing, singing freedom songs and chanting "Sam Nujoma", "Swapo for the people" and "Traitor!".

Frustrated right-wing students in turn shouted "Roil Rive" and "Kick them out!"

Mr Heita and executive members of the SMA battled to make themselves heard. The administrative registrar, Mr Ken Standemacher, appealed for quiet.

Only when security men began taking the names of those disrupting the meeting did the left-wing students leave, chanting and giving Black Power salutes.

A clearly uncomfortable Mr Heita began his address and was applauded by the remaining students. After the meeting he was hustled through a back door and into a waiting car.

Outside, right-wing and left-wing students waving Swapo flags exchanged taunts. Scuffles came when the white students began chanting "Quota! Quota!" and grabbed and ripped pro-Swapo flags and posters.

Guards battled to separate the groups and told them to disperse. Several students were marched away.

Mr Standemacher said that officials would consider what disciplinary action to take against students who had breached university rules.

Mr Russel Crystal, president of the SMA, said that disruption of the meeting was "a despicable act."

"There is no justification for it. In the past, left-wingers ran a pro-Swapo focus on Namibia Week. We invited Mr Heita to keep a balance. Students, after all, should be educated, not indoctrinated."

The president of the Black Students' Society and the Azanian Students' Organisation, Mr Tiego Moseneke, said inviting a "traitor" to speak on campus had been a provocative act.

"The SMA know well that we identify fully with the struggles of the Namibian people. Their plight is ours." Asked about the principle of freedom of speech, Mr Moseneke said the concept was "a non-issue in the South African context."

"The State bans and detains our people, so why should we listen to a traitor?"

"We did not intend physical encounters with people opposed to our point of view and feel we showed restraint. We could have acted with much more severity."

Forget God, guns are law, Swapo tells soldier

Former Swapo soldier Mr Nestor Heita, the centre of yesterday's clashes between conservative and left-wing Wits students, cut a wretched figure.

Ill at ease, he flinched at every taunt of "traitor" and "sell-out" hurled at him.

When he finally got a chance to speak, Mr Heita told students in broken English that he had been recruited by Swapo after a year of unemployment.

"They told me I had everything to gain by joining them. They took my wife and baby away and took me across the border into Angola."

His Bible was confiscated. "They told me not to believe in God. Guns were law," he said.

Mr Heita said he received military training and was taught to read and write English during stays at several Swapo bases in Angola. In 1978 he was sent to Russia for eight months.

"I was trained in tanks, taught to speak Russian, and told about communist ideas and leaders. I asked several times to see my wife but Swapo told me that it was a time of war against South Africa and I would see them afterwards.

"I was brought back to Africa and became a lieutenant-commander. I operated from Angola into Namibia where I came into contact with South African forces."

He was wounded and captured by the SADF on October 14 1982. "I lost my right leg."

Mr Heita is now a businessman in Ovamboland.
EAST LONDON — At a meeting of the Labour Party of South Africa's East London branch here last night, candidates were elected to stand for the September 7 elections for the Coloured Management Committee.

Labour Party candidates chosen

The four candidates who will stand under the banner of the Labour Party are: Mr D. Alexander, Mr J. Alexander, Mr A. V. Green and Mr J. F. Temmers.

Recently elected office holders of the East London branch of the Labour Party are: Mr P. A. S. Mopp (chairman), Mr F. N. Bartow (vice chairman), Mr D. Alexander (secretary), Mr J. Borman (treasurer) and Mr A. B. Roberts (trustee). — DDR.
POLITICS

The UDF’s goals

A nationwide campaign of political “education” against government’s referendum on the new constitution is the first task the United Democratic Front (UDF) has set itself. This includes action against expected ethnic elections, as well as forthcoming black community council elections, says UDF president Archie Gumede.

The UDF’s national launch was held last weekend at an emotion-charged multiracial rally attended by about 12,000 people in Mitchell’s Plain near Cape Town. Some 400 organisations, including ratepayers’ associations, trade unions, students, women’s, church and community bodies, fell under the UDF banner. It claims to represent more than a million people.

As one of the most broadly-based political movements in SA since the African Nationalist Congress (ANC)-led Congress Alliance of the Fifties, the UDF marks a resurgence of the mass protest politics of that era. It symbolises large-scale opposition to government’s chosen path of political change. The UDF arises at a time of more apparent tolerance as government prepares its reforms. But how the UDF will negotiate its way round a still formidable array of restrictive measures remains to be seen.

Aside from its boycott campaigns, the UDF declaration embodies ideals the realisation of which seem impossible at present. The preamble states: “Freedom-loving people of SA say with one voice that we cherish the vision of a united democratic SA based on the will of the people, and will strive for the unity of all our people through united action against the evils of apartheid and economic and all other forms of exploitation.” Among its standpoints is the call for “a single, non-racial, unfragmented SA, a SA free of bantustans and group areas.”

What strategies can it adopt to make these ideals a reality? According to Gumede, who is one of three UDF national presidents and a veteran of the Congress Alliance, there will naturally be a phase of protest politics. Gumede believes the history of protest in SA “has reached a new peak” and is likely to become more practical.

Asked how realistic the UDF’s goal of a unitary, non-racial state is, Gumede says the simple fact that there is a single economy in which all the people are participants makes this an attainable goal. “I don’t believe people can accept being second-class citizens in the country of their birth forever,” he adds.

Asked about his stance on the possibility of negotiating with government, Gumede says he personally believes “the fact that government is using the word change is an admission that the status quo cannot continue. A recipe (for change) must be found and it may be possible for people to look at the situation afresh.”

He adds: “Negotiation is what it’s all about ... The Rhodesian experience is anathema to me.” But he also emphasises that “the UDF is not the be-all and the end-all. There are other people to be consulted as well.”
Black face of apartheid

THE GOVERNMENT has put into motion what it believes will be the final step of its constitutional proposals — the holding of a referendum on November 2.

No doubt the referendum will be preceded by hectic campaigning by South Africa's five white political parties: the Nationalist Party, the Conservative Party, the New Republic Party, the Progressive Federal Party and the Herstigte Nasionale Party.

The proposals constitute the basis of the government's so-called reform programme, whereas for the people who will be most affected by it — the blacks — it constitutes a re-affirmation of the basic tenets of apartheid.

The proposals were announced with great fanfare by a confident Nationalist Government, but the backlash from the white electorate was a severe setback.

PROPOSALS

The breakaway from the Nationalist Party by Dr Andries Treurnicht to form the Conservative Party highlighted the deep divisions the proposals created within the larger alliance itself.

Even with the inclusion of some prominent coloureds and Indians, the proposals created a schism which has left organisations such as the Labour Party in complete disarray.

It is instructive to note that while the white electorate is being consulted through the referendum, the supposed beneficiaries of the proposals have not been similarly consulted.

CONSTITUTION

The proposals are seen as an exercise of co-opting coloureds and Indians to give the new constitution a semblance of fair representation. It has been noted, however, that the co-option of coloureds and Indians will create a protective shell around apartheid.

Dr Allan Boesak put it succinctly when he said the proposals were merely meant to give apartheid a black face.

Another major point of issue is the dictatorial powers that would be vested in the executive president.

Under the new constitution it would be almost impossible to check the powers of the president. Further, the composition of the Cabinet would mean that the combined coloured and Indian votes would be less than the Nationalist representation.

It is quite clear that the new constitution was drawn around one name, the Prime Minister Mr P W Botha, and one political party, the Nationalist Party.

When the constitutional proposals were drawn up the government obviously had one eye on the international community; the proposals, it hoped, would be seen as a serious attempt by Mr Botha's government to move away from apartheid.

This would have neutralised the international diplomatic initiative to isolate South Africa.

The leader of the New Republic Party, Mr Vause Raw has indicated that his party will vote "yes" to the proposals, while the Conservative Party and the HNP are sure to return a "no" vote.

The PFP is apparently still evaluating the situation.
Inquest: ANC blasted in Pretoria

PRETORIA. — Two ex-convicts were responsible for the bomb blast which killed 19 people — including themselves — and injured 217 others in central Pretoria on May 20 this year, an inquest magistrate found yesterday.

At a hearing in Pretoria Magistrate's Court on the deaths of the 19 victims, Mr T. Hoogterp found that two of the victims, Freddy Shongwe, 33, and Ezekiel Maseko, 35, had been recruited by the African National Congress to carry out the bombing.

The bomb was placed in a stolen car outside the Nedbank building in Church Street. Shongwe and Maseko were killed when the bomb apparently exploded prematurely.

Evidence was heard that Shongwe was still inside the car, a cream-coloured Colt Galant — when the bomb detonated.

A kombi, belonging to Maseko and containing a portable radio adapted to detonate explosives, two electrical wires and parts of an electrical transformer, was used to remove the engine number of the Colt, was found near the scene.

'Big job'

A friend of Shongwe, Mr Jerry Shabangu, testified that on the day before the blast, Shongwe, who had just returned from a trip to Swaziland, asked him how he could obtain a stolen vehicle for a "big job". Shongwe informed him later that he had a "straight" car — one not stolen — and that he could use it if the engine number was removed.

"He asked me whether he could keep the car in my garage, as he didn't want anyone to see it."

"He took me to Ezekiel Maseko's house to see the car. Maseko's kombi was standing outside. Behind the house, there was a white Colt Galant. It was neat and clean and had SID registration plates," Mr Shabangu said.

"The next day I heard about the bomb blast in Pretoria. But I never thought that Maseko and Shongwe could have been involved in such a thing."

He said he, Maseko and Shongwe, had been convicted in 1974 for housebreaking.

May 20... Police outside the restaurant devastated by the blast.

Mr Shabangu said he had deduced from discussions with Shongwe that he was an "ANC sympathizer" but was uncertain whether Maseko was involved with the organization.

Shongwe visited Swaziland frequently and had indicated that during his visits there he had been in contact with ANC members.

Mrs Anna Maseko, told the inquest magistrate that on the morning of the blast Shongwe had turned up at the Maseko home in Mamelodi township near Pretoria and asked Maseko whether he could leave a "friend's car", a white Colt Galant, there. He would fetch it later.

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Nusas hits out at Nat proposals

Education Reporter

THE notion that the constitutional proposals should be supported as "a step in the right direction" had to be stopped, said the president of the National Union of South African Students (NUSAS), Miss Kaliphiphilip, to about 2000 students yesterday.

Miss Philip, as a United Democratic Front (UDF) meeting at the University of Cape Town, Miss Philip said it was false to argue that the Nationalists were overcoming their racism "by shades" of "nose shape" racism was racism.

The announcement this week that a referendum would be held on the constitution after it had been "pushed through Parliament in an anti-democratic and authoritarian way" was merely "rubber-stamp democracy".

Miss Philip said none of the repressive legislation that currently existed would be removed, but colour and class prejudice remained.

The two men spoke briefly outside and Maseko came back inside to fetch an electrical grider from under his bed where he handed to Shongwe. "I saw Freddy (Shongwe) lift the bonnet of the Colt Galant and grind something inside the engine." 

"I became very frightened, as I suspected then that the car was stolen," Mrs Maseko said.

About 3.30pm, the two men left the house in the kori and the Colt. They appeared to be in a great hurry and just left the grider lying on the ground. That was the last time I saw them alive. On May 31 I became uneasy and started making inquiries.

Her son informed her on May 28 that her husband's kori had been found in Schubart Street.

The next day, she asked Mr Martin Olifant to take her to Schubart Street, where they found this body on a pavement, near the Poynton's Building, opposite which the blast occurred.

In the kori, they found a cream-coloured jacket worn by Shongwe on the day of the blast. It had a portable radio, two electrical leads, attachments from the electrical grider and a torch.

Mrs Maseko said she arranged for the kori to be towed to her house, and left the equipment she found in the vehicle at Mr Nhlapo's house in Masabola. "Because I expected it had something to do with Ezekiel's death." She had heard about her husband's death a few days earlier from his brother, who had identified Maseko's corpse in the State Mortuary.

Maseko's brother had handed her about R300 which was found on Maseko's body. She also found about R300 in a jacket of her husband.

She was not sure whether he was involved with the ANC, but confirmed that he had visited Swaziland last year.

The investigating officer, Major Frederick Nel, of the Pretoria Security Patrol, testified that he visited the scene the night before the blast.

It was clear that the bomb had been placed in the Colt, the front of which was "disintegrat-
ed". The engine was found about 12m from the vehicle. The number of bombs had been scrapped off, and the vehicle had SD registration.

She had helped "piece together pieces of a black man" found at the blast scene and it was clear to police that the remains were those of a man who had been in the vehicle when the bomb exploded.

The dismembered corpse was later identified by Mrs Maria Shongwe as that of her husband. On June 30, police detained Mr Jerry Shambangu and Maseko's wife in terms of the Internal Security Act. Mrs Maseko had taken the police to Mr Nhlapo's house, where they found the radio and other equipment found in the kori. The radio had been adapted to the explosives, and the police, led by Sergeant Mzimela, Major Nel said.

He added that the ANC had claimed responsibility for the blast.

Too late for classification

BIRTHS

EADIE. — To Dave and Anne a daughter, born at Good Hope Hospital, on January 31.

DEATHS

STEPHEN. — Missenah Kedia of 826, Via Banerghen Grove, died peacefully on August 24, 1983.

New autopsy on hanged boy

PIETERSBURG. — A second post-mortem examination on the body of the 16-year-old matric pupil found hanged at the Mankweng police station last week, will be conducted today after a request from his parents.

Mr Thabo Tsoalo, a final-year matric pupil at the Mankweng High School, near Turfloop, was found hanged in a car accident on August 12 and kept at the police station until he was found dead on August 17.

On Friday, August 19, his family were unable to attend a post-mortem conducted by the principal district surgeon in Pietersburg, Dr. E. J. Kruger, as the request to attend arrived too late.

However, a family doctor will be present during today's post-mortem, which will take place at 9am.

Mr Tsoalo, who was paralysed and had to use crutches after a car accident, was staying on the university campus with his father, Mr Butana Tsoalo, who was employed by the campus security section.

Police said when his body was found on the night of August 17, it was hanging by a belt that had been attached to a pipe in the shower.

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Remarkable man

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It may be that Nelson Mandela is mistaken in seeking redress through revolution (just as Hans van Rensburg’s plans proved to be wrong for the Afrikaner).

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White South Africans should not be deprived of an opportunity to make up their own minds about Mr Mandela.

At the very least, the average white should have no illusions about the caliber of black leadership — and potential black government — in South Africa.
By ALINAH DUBE
THE Mamfodi Youth Organisation (Mayo) is to be launched at the local Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) centre tomorrow.

Organisers of the meeting which starts at 10 am said the aim was to unite the youths and also “get them to actively respond to problems affecting the community.” The issue of the trouble-torn Mahopane East Technikon will also be highlighted to make students aware of the problems they are faced with in the country.

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For oral reply:

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To most white South Africans, blacks who resist the Government are “terrorists” — loathsome, cruel tools of international communism. Like my father, most white South Africans see theirs as the only true South African “patriotism.” Even worse, they believe the black masses share their contempt for the “terrorists.”

On both counts they are tragically wrong.

This is due in part to the fact that they know so little about the other side — a state of affairs encouraged by a Government which has banned much of what the “other side” has said and still says.

The turning point, in my view, for the Afrikaners who opposed the war effort between 1939 and 1945 came when I researched a book about Prime Minister John Vorster, one of the OB’s “chief generals.” I read a great deal about OB leader Hans van Rensburg and I studied much of what this remarkable (if mistaken) man said and wrote.

They were not monsters. I could not and did not portray them as monsters — even though I knew that many of my friends would be appalled at my lack of judgment.

Remarkable man

Fortunately, I was not denied the rebels’ statements.

And, reading today Nelson Mandela’s statement from the dock, he came into focus as an intelligent, articulate, committed, patriotic man.

It may be that Nelson Mandela is mistaken in seeking redress through revolution (as Hans van Rensburg’s plans proved to be wrong for the Afrikaner).

But his statement from the dock shows him as a remarkable man nevertheless.

White South Africans should not be deprived of an opportunity to make up their own minds about Mr. Mandela.

At the very least, the average white should have no illusions about the calibre of black leadership — and potential black government — in South Africa.
Office blast in Carlton Centre

JOHANNESBURG. — An explosion ripped through the floor housing offices of the Ciskei Consulate in the Carlton Centre in central Johannesburg last night, injuring one man and causing extensive damage.

According to police, the blast occurred at 7.10pm on the sixth floor of the 50-floor office block, scattering glass and debris around the centre. They said water gushed on to the streets below when waterpipes burst in the explosion.

A spokesman for Carlton security said minimal water damage had been caused to the lower floors, after waterpipes of the building's fire-prevention system had ruptured. They were repaired within two hours, he said.

Entertainment in the area halted as police, fire brigade and ambulance personnel cordoned off the area minutes after the blast.

The Commissioner of Police, General Johann Coetzee, said that at this stage it was impossible to say what caused it.

"Explosives experts are fine-combing the floor for explosive debris and materials that might show what initiated the blast."

"It is quite a struggle for them because of the bread, water and muck about the place."

"The findings will have to be taken to laboratories for examination. We cannot say definitively whether or not a bomb was planted there. The explosion could have been quite accidental for all we know at this stage."

Police closed off Von Westhapp Street, Fox Street between Commissioner and Main streets and Kruger Street to keep curious bystanders away from the blast area.

The Police Public Relations Officer for the Johannesburg area, Lieut.-Colonel Fred Bull, said damage was confined to the sixth floor. He said the injured man, Mr Samuel Mhlongo, had received minor injuries from flying glass.

Colonel Bull said the floor was used by the Ciskei Consulate.

Two young women are believed to have seen a man running from the building shortly before the blast.

Soon after the blast, the women were placed in the back of a traffic department vehicle and ordered by police to cover themselves with a blanket.

Witnesses

Two witnesses who were in a newsagent's on the ground floor of the centre said they heard two explosions, one just after 7pm and another about 7.20pm.

"We were in the newsagent's when the first blast occurred, and then later when we were in the coffee bar, we heard the second explosion," one woman said.

"Police were there soon after and we were told to leave the building."

"When we heard the first blast it was the strongest feeling. The noise was something like the sound of an audience applauding in an auditorium," one of the women said.

A man said he was making a telephone call from a callbox on the ground level when he heard the explosion soon after 7pm.

"I dropped the phone and ran as fast as I could. The place was shaking and I thought the building was going to come down on top of me."

An office worker on the 35th floor said he heard a "muffled" explosion about 7pm but did not realize it had been in the office tower.

A man working on the sixth floor at the time of the blast said the ceiling collapsed and there was "acid smoke and concrete dust everywhere".

A security guard said a store on the lower level and the hotel section of Johannesburg's biggest complex was evacuated soon after the blast.

Cinemagoers peered from a balcony across the street and traffic continued flowing normally down Commissioner Street as emergency crews rushed around the Carlton Centre.

Police later said they had not yet established the centre of the explosion, but the investigation would continue today. However, Colonel Bull said most of the damage was caused on the south side of the tower, where the Ciskei Consulate is located. — Sapa
Damage to car: rivals blamed by candidate

By GARTH KING
A CANDIDATE for the Northern Areas Management Committee election, Mr. Gerald Blignaut, today accused Labour Party supporters of smashing the windscreen of his luxury car and tearing down all 180 of his election posters in Ward 6.

Mr. Blignaut, who is the national secretary of the Freedom Party, is one of the candidates for the Salt Lake Extension and West End Ward. Election day is September 7.

He said he had informed the police of the two “intimidatory” incidents.

A “disgusted” Mr. Blignaut said he was “sick of the hatred, cowardice and jealousy” in his community, exemplified by this “harassment”.

“I won’t be intimidated. I will retaliate,” he said.

The chairman of the Northern Areas Management Committee and Labour Party member, Mr. Charlie Green, reacting to the allegations today, said:
“Where is Mr. Blignaut’s proof? He must identify the culprits and lay a charge against them.”

The leader of the Labour Party, the Rev. Allan Hendrickse, was not available for comment.
ARCHIE GUMDE LEADER OF THE UNITED DEMOCRATIC Front

(With a message for the Government)

THAT'S ARCHIE GUMDE LEADER OF THE UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT

"We stand for a new South Africa, a country of free people, in which all South Africans will participate in the government of their country."

We stand for an end to all forms of oppression and exploitation must end.

BARNEY MTHOMBOTHO speaks to Archie Gumede, a Durban attorney, who as president of the UDF, spearheads the front on the proposals.

Prime Minister PW Botha announced this week that a referendum among white voters on the new government. The proposals, on November 1983. The proposals are for a non-racial, non-sectarian, and non-partisan government that will be a new Constitution for South Africa.

The UDF adopted a declaration in which it says:

"We stand for the creation of a new democracy in which all South Africans will participate in the government of their country."

We stand for a single non-racial, non-sectarian, non-partisan government and group areas.

"We stand for an end to all forms of oppression and exploitation must end."

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Freedom Charter. I don't think that the people should be governed by a government that does not have any say in the government. The people, I believe that the wealth of the country should be made available to all the people of the country. That is a real goal for the people. The people, I believe, have a right to be heard by the government. We stand for an end to all forms of oppression and exploitation must end.
BEWARE

CP Correspondent
DURBAN

A FIFTH column of
"loudmouth traitors" has
infiltrated Inkatha right
through to its supreme
decision-making body,
the Central Committee.

Inkatha leader Chief
Gatsha Buthelezi has
launched a scathing
attack on the "traitors
who pass on our stra-
tegies on a platter, even
to political enemies".

He told a recent
Central Committee
meeting he could no
longer tolerate this
"shirking of respon-
sibility", nor the people
who failed to expose
the "Judas Iscariots" in
their midst.

"I feel extremely
lonely as a leader,"
lamented Chief Buthe-
lezi. "None of you want
to soil your hands...you
expect the president
to do the dirty work."

Fool

He said he was aware
that many committee
members thought that
"because I am tolerant
I am a fool; that I
can tolerate people who
double-cross me because
I am not intelligent
enough to separate the
wheat from the chaff."

But it was not his
fault, he said.

Groan

"Nothing makes me
groan under the weight
of leadership more than
certain members of the
Central Committee
wanting to be all things
to all men," Chief
Buthelezi complained.
"This cannot go on," he
said. "My name has
been dragged through
the mud because of the
disloyalty and unfaith-
fulness of certain
members of the Central
Committee."

MP shoots ‘attacker’

AN unidentified man was
shot in the head this
week when a KwaZulu
MP fired at a crowd
attacking him.

The MP for Ndwedwe,
Roger Ngcobo, fi-
red several shots at a
crowd of people who
attacked him during a

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political meeting in
Clermont outside Dur-
ban.

The attackers beat up
Mr Ngcobo who, they
said, had challenged the
authority of Chief Ga-
thsa Buthelezi. Mr Nga-
oboo was injured on his
arms and head before
shooting in the crowd.

Police later confirmed
that an unknown man
was admitted to King
Edward VII Hospital
with a bullet wound in
his head.
THE SA Council of Sport issued a hard-hitting manifesto, slamming race discrimination in sport at its two-day congress in Cape Town at the weekend.

"Multi-nationalism", said the unanimously adopted manifesto, was "calculated to deceive the international community into believing that there is no race discrimination in South Africa."

The conference rejected multi-nationalism as "nothing but apartheid in sport."

The meeting was attended by about 1,000 delegates representing youth organisations, civic movements, students bodies and Sacco affiliates.

Also present were delegates from the African People's Organisation and the Black Allied Mining and Construction Workers' Union.

Messages of support came from the exiled writer Dennis Brutus, the Ethiopian Olympic Committee, the Irish Anti-Apartheid Movement, the Supreme Council on Sport in Africa, the UN Special Committee on Apartheid and the United Democratic Front conference in Mitchell's Plain.

The manifesto rejected international competition in sport until South African teams were selected on merit alone.

It called on all sports organisations to break down the "artificial barriers" the state created in order to entrench apartheid in sport.

Any individual who served on Government created bodies such as the President's Council, the South African Indian council, management committees, community councils or "Bantustan" assemblies was guilty of violating the principle of non-racialism in sport, and society, it said.

Sacco failed to lure some of the overseas Press who arrived in Cape Town on Friday and Saturday to attend the South African Rugby Board's Press Congress.

Only one BBC television crew attended the conference while respected British rugby writers such as Clem Thomas and John Reason were at Newlands rugby ground where Western Province beat Free State in a Currie Cup Game.

Mr. Frank van der Horst, president of Sacco, called the media congress "a whitewash."
IT'S SWAR ON THE CISKEI

The African National Congress has effectively declared war against the Ciskei, and Friday's bomb blast in Johannesburg marked the first stage of what could become a bitter and bloody struggle.

On Friday morning, two bombs were detonated in the Ciskei. The first was placed at the entrance of the Ciskei president's office, while the second was located near a school. Both explosions caused significant damage and injuries.

Mr. Zola Skweyiya, chief representative of the ANC in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, said in a statement that the attack had been carried out by "a unit of Umkhonto we Sizwe (the ANC's military arm) against the so-called consulate of the Ciskei bantustan."

Major-General Francois Steenkamp of the Security Police confirmed a Russian limpet mine was used in the blast. He said the type of timing devices used on the bomb could be set to detonate anything from five minutes to thirty days later.

Although the blast left a 3 cm depression in the concrete floor, the bomb, which probably weighed less than 1 kg and must have been smuggled past the strict Anglo American security staff, caused almost no damage to the outside of the building.

Inside, however, there was extensive damage to walls, ceilings and office equipment. Fortunately the fire caused by the blast was soon doused by the building's sophisticated sprinkler system.

The situation in the Ciskei - the third of South Africa's homelands to gain independence in December, 1981 - has become an increasing source of embarrassment to the South African authorities, who on more than one occasion attempted to help the Ciskeian authorities defuse the potentially explosive situation in the Xhosan state.

During the last six weeks the Ciskei has seen its worst wave of violence, police shootings and detentions in the short, traumatic history of the South African-created state.

The recent unrest began with a bus boycott initiated when the government-controlled Ciskei Transport Commission increased bus fares by 11 percent.

Forty percent of the Ciskeian population - most of whom have been forcibly relocated in the impoverished homeland - are unemployed.

The CTC lost more than R1 million in revenue and damage to about 100 buses in the boycott, which ended with President Lennox Sebe's announcement last week that the fares would be reduced.

However, the incidents that have fanned the already simmering fires of discontent among Ciskeian residents have been shootings of at least seven boycotting commuters at Mantsasane, a large township incorporated into Ciskei.

The situation was made worse when the Ciskei authorities immediately banned large weekend funerals and allowed only small, weekday family burials for the slain commuters.

Press coverage was also banned and journalists have been harassed and threatened in the area.

More than 80 people, including two Ciskei policemen, were killed during the weeklong violence.

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ANC bombs aimed at Sebe regime

including prominent trade union members and church leaders, have also been detained in the Ciskei in the last month in connection with the boycott.

At the same time the Ciskei has had to contend with a parallel problem from the right — an alleged failed coup plot by the president’s brother, Major-General Xhanti Charles Sebe.

General Sebe and some of his alleged cohorts were detained in July in connection with the alleged plot, after President Sebe hurriedly returned from a rumoured arms-buying mission to Israel. Before Friday night’s bomb blast, the Ciskei Government and its activities were making headlines. Last weekend and early this week the wife of the former head of State Security in the Ciskei, General Tailor Minnaar, brought an urgent application against South African health authorities after her husband, who had been detained by Ciskei in mid-July, was mysteriously moved to Pretoria. He was released on the orders of the Pretoria Supreme Court and immediately redetained by the S.A. Police, apparently at the request of the Ciskei authorities.

It is rumored General Minnaar would face nine charges under arms and explosives laws in the Ciskei if they applied for his extradition and South Africa granted it.

President Lennox Sebe has so far made no statement on Friday’s bomb blast. Colonel Z. Makunzeni, the current head of the Ciskei Security Police, had no comment to make on the blast and said a statement “would come from the politicians.”

Almost immediately after the alleged coup plot was uncovered, President Sebe made himself Life President of Ciskei.

Ciskei, which had 10 Cabinet reshuffles in its first year of independence, is an arid land accommodating more than 139 people per square kilometre, making it one of the most densely populated countries in Africa.

Researchers have estimated that at current population growth the impoverished area of which less than 15 percent is arable will be a desert with standing room only in 10 years time.
Executive of 19 to lead UDF

The following office holders were elected to lead the UDF campaign:

President: Archie Gumede
First Deputy President: C. M. Mdletshe
Deputy President: Albertina Sisulu
Vice-Presidents: Chris Hani, Albertina Sisulu
National Secretary: W. S. Motse
National Treasurer: C. M. Mdletshe
National Executive Members: C. M. Mdletshe, W. S. Motse, Chris Hani

The following were elected to the council:

Our Rights Now

We want them out!

While outside the thousands sang.

UDF executive member "aton" Lekota

- Joe Matthews
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- Chris Hani
- Albertina Sisulu
- W. S. Motse

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Other national executive members: Dr. R. M. Salopek, vice president; H. C. and Islamic Council; Abdullah M. B. M., former leader of the Black Consciousness Movement; Andrew Mokee, former leader of the African National Congress; Mildred Letso, president; United Women's Organisation; Prof. S. T. Ngxumvu, N.C., and Rev. Dr. Musi Xuma, N.C., and Rev. Dr. Musi Xuma.

The UDF: A National Campaign to Fight the Apartheid Government.
Tutu meets ANC secretary

BISHOP Desmond Tutu, general secretary of the South African Council of Churches, has described his talks with the political secretary of the African National Congress, Mr Thabo Mbeki, as "friendly".

Bishop Tutu met Mr Mbeki during a three-week tour of the United States, Canada and New Zealand — his first trip abroad since his passport was withdrawn more than two years ago.

He said there had been no discussion of his offer to act as a mediator between the South African government and the ANC.

Before his trip, Bishop Tutu said the ANC would probably lay down arms if the government met them at a conference table and that he was prepared to be a go-between.

The bishop was issued temporary travel documents last month to enable him to attend the World Council of Churches assembly in Vancouver, Canada; a church conference at Oregon in the United States and to visit New Zealand as a guest of the National Council of Churches.

He also met the New Zealand of Foreign Affairs, Mr Warren Cooper.
Ecstatic ovation for world church leader

Freedom is God-given says Boesak

By NEIL LURSEN
Foreign Service

WASHINGTON: South African theologian Dr Allan Boesak was given an ecstatic ovation here on Friday night when he told an audience of mostly black Americans that they would never be free until all the people of South Africa were free.

It was one of several standing ovations given Dr Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, when he addressed an inter-denominational service on the eve of yesterday's mass march in the American capital.

Dr Boesak was one of several speakers at the packed service which was held in Washington's Metropolitan Church and attended by many of America's most prominent civil rights leaders.

But few were greeted with such emotion. The congregation leapt to its feet and roared out a spiritual song when Dr Boesak ended his speech with the declaration: "You shall be free — and we shall be free."

As they sang, the Rev Jesse Jackson, who is campaigning to be nominated as a black presidential candidate, embraced the South African and held his arm high in prize-fighter style.

Dr Boesak was later scheduled to address thousands for the 20th anniversary of Dr Martin Luther King's march to the capital.

The legislative package demanded by the marchers includes a measure to cut business ties with South Africa and to stop the export of nuclear materials to the Republic

In a programme published in the Washington Post yesterday, Dr Boesak was billed as a "South African freedom fighter."

On Friday night his theme was "Freedom" and he delivered it in gospel-preaching fashion. The emotion began to build up when he introduced himself as a "Son of Africa — from Cape Town, South Africa."

Throughout history God had intervened so that His people would be free. Dr Boesak said:

"But how could one speak to people about freedom when they suffered oppression under the apartheid system of the South African Government?"

"How could one speak of freedom to people who had to live in the utter desolation of the resettlement camps of children who died of malnutrition in one of the world's richest countries?"

"How shall we speak of freedom to the mothers of the children who were shot dead by the police in the streets of our nation in 1976 and 1980. To those who are detained without trial for months on end, who are tortured in our jails and killed by the Security Police while they are in those jails?"

Dr Boesak said that freedom was neither derived from nor conferred by the state. Its origins were God-given and nobody could take it away. In the midst of fear, people should be obedient to God rather than to human beings.

"It is in this spirit that the churches in my country are now facing the South African Government — not because we know we control the situation but because we have received a freedom we shall not give up," he said.

It was this that had given Bishop Desmond Tutu the courage to tell the Minister of Law and Order that he was not God, but just a man.

There was a freedom that people had still to learn to understand — the freedom to give up your own freedom for others. Dr Boesak received his loudest ovation when he said: "The freedom of the people of the United States depends very much on the freedom of the people of the South Africa and you shall not be free until we are free."
DAY of HOPE

HOWARD BARRELL reports on the launching of the UDF

IF the United Democratic Front marshalls its strength as well as it organised its mammoth national conference at the weekend, the Government has a major headache.

Not only that, but the new constitutional plan will be a dead duck and anti-apartheid forces will find themselves with a major new front, the like of which has not been seen since 1955.

Then, thousands of people marched to Klipfontein to draw up the Freedom Charter. On Saturday, many more thousands marched to Mitchell's Plain outside Cape Town to give voice to their rejection of the new constitution and the Koornhof Bills.

The Rev Frank Chikane opened the conference, which was highly impressive. And the police could probably learn some tips in crowd control from the 200-odd UDF marshalls, some equipped with walkie-talkies, who kept the spirited crowd happily against almost impossible odds.

Organisation at the conference was highly impressive. And the police could probably learn some tips in crowd control from the 200-odd UDF marshalls, some equipped with walkie-talkies, who kept the spirited crowd happily against almost impossible odds.

UDF marshalls had to feed about 10,000 people into the Rocklands Centre and an adjoining marquee designed to take half that number, if they were to comply with the Government's ban on outdoor gatherings. And they did it — after only a few anxious moments.

The people's rally was among the largest political meetings this country has seen.

People came from all walks of life, from all corners of the country from the farms, the factories, the homesteads, the cities, the churches and mosques.

They sang, chanted, danced, cheered, voted and took a variety of resolutions, perhaps the most significant of which was to acknowledge the leadership of the working class in the struggle for a new South Africa.

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The climax of the UDF's 16-month-old campaign was the mass march on Pretoria today, which was supported by the SACP and others. The march was in response to the government's decision to impose a state of emergency in the Transvaal region.

The campaign was launched in 1985 by the UDF, a coalition of opposition parties and trade unions, to protest against apartheid and the government's policies. The campaign involved mass marches, strikes, and other forms of civil disobedience.

The march on Pretoria was a major event in the campaign, and it was attended by thousands of demonstrators. The marchers were met by police who used tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse the crowd. Despite this, the march continued, and the demonstrators were eventually allowed to march peacefully.

The UDF's campaign was a significant factor in the eventual fall of apartheid in South Africa. The campaign helped to build support for the anti-apartheid movement and contributed to the international pressure that led to the eventual dismantling of apartheid.
The climax of the closed conference came when up-and-coming young Soweto Civic Association leader Popo Molefe, who was elected the UDF's first national secretary, read out the UDF's programme of action for final adoption.

It was a moment of history in the making, particularly for the young people there. For the old, nostalgia and memories of old campaigns were woven into stories.

"We want all our rights. We want them here, and we want them now. We have pleaded, cried, petitioned for too long. We have been jailed, exiled, killed for too long," said Dr Allan Boesak.

"Now is the time!" proclaimed the minister whose historic call for the formation of a united front in January struck a chord across the land that led to the launching of the UDF.

Now certainly is the time for much hard work if the UDF is to succeed in defeating the Government's new plans.

As presidents, the UDF elected three veterans: Archie Gumede of the Natal Release Mandela Committee, Albertina Sisulu of the Federation of South African Women and Oscar Mpepha, former head of the South African Food and Canning Workers' Union.

Notably, the UDF put a young activist in its second major full-time position of public secretary, former Saso national organiser and Robben Island prisoner Moseloa "Terror" Lekota.

Publicity is an area at which the UDF has excelled. Its feat in distributing more than 350,000 copies of its newsletter UDF News, in all areas of race but excluding, is the words of Rev Chikane, all those who 'work within the system'.

The UDF News, in all areas of race but excluding, was an important tool in spreading the word.

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By PATRICK LAURENCE
Political Editor

BLACK village and town councils set up under the Black Local Authorities Act should be linked to the "national states" and not serve as stepping stones to black participation in the central Government of South Africa, Dr P J Riekert says in a new book entitled "Change in South Africa".

Dr Riekert, who is chief director of the Western Transvaal Administration Board and who has been involved in the administration of black urban areas for 38 years, advocates a formal bond between the new councils and the "national states" or "homelands".

"It would be undesirable and contrary to Government policy to administer black towns as part of the existing or future white, coloured, or Indian local authorities," he says.

"Such a step would irrevocably link blacks to the central Government of the RSA and not to the governments of the national states," Dr Riekert, one of Pretoria's longest-serving and most influential administrators of black urban areas, envisages a political "safety valve" function for the new local authorities.

"These local authorities will serve to defuse pent-up frustration and grievances against administration from Pretoria," he says.

"Local authorities will affect the daily existence of these black people more directly and intimately than the more removed activities of the central Government.

"In the war in which South Africa is involved and the total onslaught against the country, defusion of this kind has become an urgent necessity which cannot be postponed much longer."

Dr Riekert adds that the councils: "It would be futile to establish (them) if residents are opposed or show so little interest that council members are elected with ludicrously small percentages of votes."

Elections for the new village and town councils which will replace the present community councils are due in the larger black townships in November. Whether they draw high or small percentage polls will depend in large measure on Inkatha.

Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, Chief Minister of KwaZulu, told the Rand Daily Mail yesterday the chances of Inkatha fielding candidates under Inkatha colours in the November elections were extremely remote.

The choice before Inkatha was whether to sanction participation of Inkatha members as individuals or whether to actively advocate a boycott by its more than 750,000 members.

At its recent meeting Inkatha's central committee declared its final decision would depend on two factors:

- A satisfactory explanation from Pretoria for a Department of Foreign Affairs and Information pamphlet which cited the establishment of the new councils as partial justification for the exclusion of blacks from the proposed tri-racial Parliament.
- A detailed account of how the new councils would be financed.

Chief Buthelezi has taken a tough line against the new councils because of the official view that they are a substitute for black participation in central Government.

In his address to the central committee he stressed that Inkatha's aim was the inclusion of blacks at all three levels of government.

Local, regional and central.

He appeared to advocate a strategy of waiting and then taking control of the councils at a more opportune time.

"We have learnt that we are involved in a long and bitter struggle and we know that we are powerful enough to hold our time if strategy so demands. We do not have to take a once-and-for-all decision right now."

"It is widely recognised that non-participation by Inkatha will be a blow as far as the central Government is concerned. They need our participation more than we need it and that need will be there next year and the year after..."
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Support pledged for UDF at Petyco meeting.

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- unite all the local youth;
- take up the demands and aspirations of the young people;
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ANC says it blasted consulate

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The outlawed African National Congress yesterday claimed responsibility for a bomb attack against the Ciskei Consul-General's office in the Carlton Centre here on Friday.

Police said the blast was caused by a limpet mine, a device often used by the ANC in sabotage attacks.

The ANC statement said a unit of Umkhonto we Sizwe carried out an attack in Johannesburg against the so-called consulate of the Ciskei bantustan.

"The puppet administration of this bantustan has for some time loudly trumpeted its determination to pursue a policy of repression at the bidding of its Pretoria masters," the ANC statement said.

It said the Ciskei Government "has actually been involved in acts aimed at the brutal suppression of the democratic movement of our country."

The statement referred to the Ciskei Government's frequent condemnation of the ANC, and alleged harassment of anti-government activists.

The Lusaka ANC office said the statement of responsibility for the explosion came from Mr Zola Skweyiya, chief ANC representative in Addis Ababa. — Sapa-AP
Sebe tells of plot to kill him

Own Correspondent

ZWELITSHA. — Chief Lennox Sebe, President for life of the Ciskei, told a rally here yesterday that members of the security forces had planned to assassinate him on June 16.

He was addressing a regional rally of the ruling Ciskei National Independence Party, attended by hundreds from all over Ciskei.

Members of the cabinet, with the exception of the Vice-President, the Rev W M Xaba, were present.

President Sebe said he had been asked to address a youth rally on that day and it had been planned that a disturbance should be created among the students. He was to have been shot during the ensuing commotion.

He said he had become aware of the plot and had decided not to attend although he had told the organizers that he would be there. In the meantime, he had organized the army.

The plot was too amateurish to be called a coup, he said. "There was no attempted coup in Ciskei, but just boys planning to attack men."

He also said one of the Sebe wives had been disowned by the Tshave clan. He did not name her.

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day's Sunday Tribune editorial on Ciskei. He said the paper had printed his worst photograph. It had printed in bold print a story about the bomb blast at the consulate offices in the Carlton Centre and had called Ciskei a small country with starving people.

The MP for the Zwelitsha constituency, Mr W Matsheketwa, called "General" by party members and some members of the police force, called on men to come and assist in quelling unrest in Mdantsane. Men were needed at Mdantsane, he said.

He accused some members of forsaking the party and following Mr Thozamile Goweta, president of the South African Allied Workers' Union.

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Front ‘treated cautiously’

African Affairs Reporter

The United Democratic Front had, with some sad limitations, attempted to establish a platform on which it should be possible to over-ride party political loyalty. Chief Gatsha Buthelezi of KwaZulu, said at the weekend.

Speaking at the Inkatha Youth Brigade conference at Ulundi, the chief said the ordinary black in the township house or his rural homestead, would react to the promise of UDF with considerable caution.

People at the grassroot level were a political step removed from the kind of organisations which had come together to form the UDF.

The ordinary black South African had time and again been presented with the emergence in South African black politics of the UDF kind of event. In one magnitude or another.

South Africa cried out for a UDF of the kind which had now been established. As a new political event it would have to stand the test of time before any considered judgement could be given.

It was already clear that there was a strong anti-Inkatha sentiment in the political events surrounding the formation of the UDF.

‘They have the audacity to say that they will consider applications for membership on their merits but that there appeared little prospects of a relationship with Inkatha.’

Inkatha had a membership of well over 750 000 and each of those members had joined Inkatha as an act of volition.
Boesak hits at US for backing ‘evil’ in SA

The Star Bureau

WASHINGTON — Denunciation of South Africa’s race policies was frequent at the weekend’s commemorative mass march on Washington, which attracted about 250 000 people, mostly blacks, in sweltering summer heat.

Several speakers linked the struggle for equality in America with the struggle against apartheid. This was the theme of an address by South African theologian Dr Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches. It was referred to by a number of speakers, including Mrs Coretta Scott King, widow of civil rights leader Dr Martin Luther King.

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But the dominant theme of the day was a bitter attack on President Reagan’s economic policies, which are blamed by blacks here for their socio-economic hardships.
Forget beaches, lower the rents.

Recently, a major controversy broke out in Durban between liberal-leaning and rightwing members of the city council over a decision to open another section of the city's white beach to all race groups.

But of what importance was the decision to the voteless black (African, Indian and coloured) residents?

To most of them the desegregation of a white beach (or for that matter, other facilities such as restaurants and hotels) are not among their priorities.

Survival against the constant increase in the cost of living, acute shortage of housing, high rents, poor community facilities, inadequate, expensive and overcrowded public transport, inferior educational facilities and pass law harassment are just some of their immediate concerns. The beach issue once again highlighted the vast differences in white and black priorities.

At a time when the Mayor, Mrs Sybil Holz, and her liberal colleagues were busy engaging the rightwing, two Durban townships, Lamontville and Chesterville, were in turmoil over just one of the issues affecting the local black people - the increase in rents.

The Port Natal Administration Board (PNAB) had just increased the rents by between 25 and 72 percent “to balance its books.”

The announcement immediately provoked widespread protests and the situation took on an ugly and violent turn after a respected leader and former ANC member, Mr Harrison Dube, was killed by unknown gunmen.

The assassination precipitated a wave of violence which saw alleged informers being killed and Government property, bottle stores and Administration Board offices set alight.

The police responded with force and many allegations of widespread beatings and other police excesses were made.

The joint Rent Action Committee (JORAC), which was established by the people to fight the increase, has now teamed up with the Durban Housing Action Committee (DHAC) and other community-based organisations to mobilise, draw wider support and continue the struggle against increased rents.

In rejecting the rent increases they contend that in the first place they are not justified. In the second instance, they claim that if the PNAB wants to “balance its books” it should approach the Government for assistance because it is not a people's creation.

They have put forward a number of reasons, including the following, to support their standpoint:

- The wages of workers have not increased in comparison with the cost of living.
- It is the responsibility of the Government to provide housing for all at rents the people can afford.
- The rent increases are seen as part of the Government's new housing policy to reduce its spending on black housing.

The people's demands are simple. They want a repeal of all rent increases; incorporation of the townships into the city of Durban and not in the kwazulu homeland; and a full say in matters affecting their lives including representation at local, provincial and Government levels.
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How could a nation be the leader of the free world when she denied justice and peace to so many of her own children?”

Dr Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reform Churches repeated the theme of his address at a religious service in Washington on Friday evening that American blacks would not be free until all South Africans were free.

But in contrast to Friday’s event, when Dr Boesak was given a tumultuous ovation, on Saturday he received only polite applause.

It may have been the timing of his speech, for the marchers had already been addressed for hours on a very hot day by scores of speakers. His immediate predecessor was the charismatic Rev Jesse Jackson who had stirred up the crowd with a call for blacks to register to vote to throw out President Ronald Reagan.

Dr Boesak, who was introduced as a “freedom fighter from South Africa” said he had joined the march to show solidarity with the marchers.

He said he came from a country where the struggle for freedom, justice and human dignity had been going on for 331 years — and where, for the last 35 years, millions of South Africans had been suffering under apartheid.

“It is a country in which racism and injustice still reign supreme,” he said.

Apartheid spawned policies which caused little children to die of hunger and malnutrition in the homelands while South Africa was the wealthiest country on the continent.

“Apartheid is a cancer on the body politic of the world, a scourge on our society and all humankind and an everlasting shame to the church of Jesus Christ in the world,” he said.

It existed only because of economic greed, cultural chauvinism and political oppression and was maintained by a false sense of racial superiority.

There was scattered applause when Dr Boesak said: “In South Africa we are fighting for our freedom, for our human dignity, and we shall never give up”.

After criticizing US ties with South Africa and American domestic and military policy, Dr Boesak said: “We need you America — but not like this.” — SFS
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By PHILIP VAN NIEKERK
Labour Reporter

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Mr John Erendzen, general secretary of the CTMWA said that to retain their unity, and in view of the impending federation, the workers had decided not to join the UDF or any other body opposing the constitution, though individual members were encouraged to play an active role.
Campaigners organise rally to free Mandela

THE campaign to release the imprisoned African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela and other political prisoners has been intensified at home and abroad, organisers of the "The Release Mandela Campaign" announced yesterday.

The new committee set up to head the campaign to free Mandela, who was jailed in August 1962, has acquired a new format to succeed previous campaigns, which were not clearly structured.

The official launching will take place at the Regina Mundi Church in Rockville, Soweto, on Sunday. Guest speakers at the rally will include the general secretary of the South African Council of Churches, Bishop Desmond Tutu, the chairman of the Soweto Committee of Ten, Dr Nthato Motlan, the Rev Frank Chikane of the Institute of Contextual Theology and Mr Archie Gumede, an executive of the United Democratic Front.

A spokesman for the campaign, Mr Aubrey Mokoena, said in Johannesburg yesterday that a variety of civil rights organisations, trade unions and sports bodies had accepted invitations to Sunday's inaugural gathering.

"We acknowledge what has been done in the past to release Nelson Mandela, but we are giving the campaign a new form to ensure that it is sustained," Mr Mokoena said. It already had branches in Natal and the Cape Province. Petitions distributed to supporters would be submitted to the United Nations to attract international interest, he said.
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Mr Aubrey Mokoena, publicity secretary of the committee launching the campaign, told a Press conference in Johannes-

"By SAM MABE"

burg yesterday that the launching was necessitated by the fact that previous campaigns had not been clearly structured.

A massive publicity campaign that will back up the rally will include the signing of petitions which will later be sent to the United Nations in New York and the distribution of T-shirts and stickers.

Mr Mokoena said the idea of sending the petitions to the UN is to draw the attention of the international community to the campaign which would have to be sustained for as long as there were political prisoners in this country.

He said there was no way the Government was going to release political prisoners unless coerced to do so "internally and externally".

Mr Mokoena called on all South Africans to support the campaign even if they differ with what Nelson Mandela stands for, because he is the symbol of those who suffer for their beliefs and aspirations.

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Mr John Erenzen, general secretary of the CTMWA, said that to retain their unity, and in view of the impending federation, the workers had decided not to join the UDF or any other body opposing the constitution, though individual members were encouraged to play an active role. — Sapa.